



# The Spirit of Our Lord's Lutheran Church

*"Called to Share Christ's Love with All"*



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## Weekend Worship Themes: "JOURNEY WITH JESUS"

Mar 3-4:  
Lent 2  
"True Living"  
(Mark 8:31-38)

Mar 10-11:  
Lent 3  
"Changing"  
(John 2:13-22)

Mar 17-18:  
Lent 4  
"Saving"  
(John 3:14-21)

Mar 24-25:  
Lent 5  
"Seeing"  
(John 12:20-33)

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## From Your Pastor

### A JOURNEY OF PROMISE

**Lent** is a very challenging yet promising season in our Church Year!

In Lent we consciously "Journey with Jesus" to Jerusalem and to the Cross. It is a time of intentional reflection on our need for a renewed relationship with God that Jesus embodies with his Way of Love and Compassion.

The traditional 40-day journey of Lent began with **Ash Wednesday** (February 22) and will conclude with **Holy Week** (April 1-7) and **Easter** (April 8).

Ash Wednesday at Our Lord's Lutheran Church included the ancient Christian tradition of the "Imposition of Ashes" as a sign of repentance and a turning away from those things that hinder us from experiencing the fullness of life that God offers to the world in the Crucified and Risen Christ.

Weekend Services in Lent join our faith journey to the journey of Jesus, where Jesus embodied in all of his words and actions that faithfulness to his Heavenly Father which resulted in his death. In profound readings from the Gospels, Jesus

- experiences temptation in the wilderness,
- reminds followers that the Cross is part of his mission,
- attacks the commercialization of religion,
- shares the vision of fullness of life with God for us, and enters Jerusalem for the last time.

Midweek Lenten Services, on Wednesday evenings after Ash Wednesday, include Soup Suppers at 6:00 pm and Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm around the theme of "God's Promises," to facilitate your Lenten renewal.

As this Journey of Promise concludes, we see that Jesus' faithfulness to the mission of healing and love from his Heavenly Father ended not with the brutality of the Cross but instead with the New Life of the Resurrection.

In Christ, God has transformed even the darkest of times to bring the surprise of life and salvation. That is the New Life we share with Christ in our Baptism.

As we continue to look at the mission of our congregation, let us ground ourselves in the faithfulness of Jesus that we see clearly in this season of Lent.

Blessed Lenten Journey,

Pastor John Lottes



## CHURCH FESTIVALS

Listed on our **MARCH** calendar are these Church Festivals that are on page 15 (with Scripture Readings and Prayers on p. 55) of our Hymnal:

19 – JOSEPH, GUARDIAN OF JESUS  
25 – ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD

On page 15 of the Hymnal, you will also notice other Commemorations of martyrs (**Thomas Cranmer, Bishop Romero**), church leaders, missionaries (**Patrick, Jonathan Edwards**), teachers, renewers of church (**John & Charles Wesley**) or society, hymn writers, and musicians.

## WORSHIP

*(For more information and details, see our "Worship Opportunities" brochure or visit our website:*

[www.ourlords.org](http://www.ourlords.org))

### MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesdays in Lent, Feb 29-Mar 28  
6:00 pm, Soup Supper,  
Worship Center Fellowship Hall  
7:00 pm, Holden Evening Prayer,  
Sanctuary  
Worship Center

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, March 31, 2012; The Eve of Holy Week  
5:00 pm, A Child-Friendly Event at Our Contemporary Worship  
*We travel the 14 stations on Jesus' final hours from his Condemnation to his Burial, during which we meditate on his love, suffering, and death with prayer and song.*

### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Holy Communion  
Sundays, 8:00 & 10:45 am  
*Hospitality Hour, 9:15-10:30 am*  
Worship Center Sanctuary

### CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Holy Communion  
Saturdays, 5:00 pm  
*Hospitality Hour, 6:15 pm*  
Worship Center  
Sanctuary



## Treasurer's Report



### January 2012

Expenditures exceeded receipts by	(4,082.94)
YTD expenditures exceeded receipts by	(4,082.94)

Cash - Unrestricted	24,701
Cash - Replacement Reserve	28,061
Cash - Designated for specific purposes	11,031

Venturing In Faith contributions	5,377
Cumulative since campaign inception	394,092

Total Principal Paid on Mortgage	3,426*
Remaining Principal balance on Mortgage	538,951*

\*Estimates

Submitted by Matt Anderson

## NEWSLETTER DELIVERY BY E-MAIL



Let the church office know if your e-mail address has changed, so that we can let you know when the electronic version of the Newsletter is available. Thank you.

### **Newsletter Deadline:**

March 15. Please send articles and information to:  
[newsletter@ourlords.org](mailto:newsletter@ourlords.org).

## **SERVICE**



Thank you for doing your part to make our 2012 Souper Bowl of Caring a success over the weekend of Feb. 4-5<sup>th</sup>.

The Confirmation class collected \$306 in monetary donations and 93 cans & boxes of food.

All donations went to both the Maryville Food Pantry and the Bunkum Road Food Pantry. The Souper Bowl of Caring program is sponsored by TackleHunger.org.

Our Lords has participated in the program since 2004 and has helped to raise in excess of \$2700 for local charities.

### **WEEKDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Topic: "Overview of the Books of the Bible"

Scope: At Least One Book of the Bible Each Week: Highlights, Key Passages

*(March: Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah)*

Time: Wednesdays at 5:15 pm

Location: Worship Center Conference Room

Leader: Pastor John

### **SATURDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Topic: "Issues & Concerns"

Food: Options at "Bread Co"

Time: Saturdays at 8 am, other than Men's Club Saturdays

Location: St. Louis Bread Co., Hwy 157, Collinsville

Leaders: Pastor John & Steve Hoelscher

## **EDUCATION**

*(For more information and details, see our "Adult Education Opportunities" and "Children & Youth" brochures or visit our website: [www.ourlords.org](http://www.ourlords.org))*

### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Ages: Age 3 to Grade 3

March Topics: The Ten Lepers, The Last Supper, Praying in the Garden, Peter's Story

Time: Saturdays, between Children's Sermon and Communion

Location: Worship Center Conference Room

Leaders: Saturday Children's Church Team (Beth, Katie, Erick, Susan, Dana)

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Ages: Pre-K to Grade 5

March Topics: The Sower, The Prodigal Son, Mary & Martha, Holy Week

Time: Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Life Center Fellowship Hall & Classrooms

Leaders: Sunday School Team (18 teachers & assistants)

### **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Ages: Grades 6-7-8

March Topics: Baptism & Wilderness, Confessing Faith, Jesus' Sayings, Jesus Suffers

Time: Sundays, 9:15-10:30 am

Location: Life Center Conference Room

Leaders: Confirmation Team (Pr. John, Ed, Laura, Amy, Lori, Greg, Barb, Harry, Shelly)

### **HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY CLASS**

Topic: "Choices, Choices, Choices: Managing My Life"

Time: Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Worship Center Youth Room

Leaders: Debby Gunderson & Dona Racich

### **SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS—MARCH 4**

Topic: Extended Coffee Hour

Time: Sunday, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Worship Center Fellowship Hall

Leader: Sunday Adult Ed. Team (Jim Lemke)

### **SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS—MARCH 11, 18, 25**

Topic: "The Challenges of Being a Family"

Time: Sunday, 9:30-10:30 am

Location: Worship Center Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dale Kuhn, Director, Care & Counseling, St. Louis, MO

### **TWO WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES**

#### **Morning Glories Bible Study**

Topic: "To Follow & to Serve"

Time: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 10:00 A.M.

Location: Life Center Conference Room

Leader: Debby Gunderson

#### **Questions Bible Study**

Topic: "Great Figures of the New Testament"

*(Video series by Prof. Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt)*

Time: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M.

Location: Life Center Conference Room

Leader: Dona Racich

## **SERVICE**

(For more information and details, see our "Service Ministries" brochure or visit our website: [www.ourlords.org](http://www.ourlords.org))

### **ITEMS NEEDED FOR GRANDMA'S ATTIC**

Grandma's Attic is in need of gently used clothing, purses, scarves, jewelry and household items such as pictures, linens, knick knacks and dishes. Electronics are not accepted.

Please bring your donations during normal business hours:

Tuesday 5:30 pm -7:30 pm  
Wednesday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Thursday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Thanks for supporting our mission. We hope you come visit us and shop. Grandma's Attic is open to everyone!

### **ITEMS NEEDED FOR MARYVILLE FOOD PANTRY**

The Maryville Food Pantry is in need of the following items. These are items that are always low: Crackers, Jelly, Coffee, Creamer, Tea, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, Sugar, Flour, Syrup, Pancake mix, Stew, Chili, Chicken 'n Dumpings, Canned Meat, Laundry detergent, and Cleaning supplies. Thank you!

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Volunteers are needed to support the Christian Ministries of **Maryville Outreach Center (MOC)**:

Food Pantry is seeking volunteers available Friday mornings to pick-up bread from Schnuck's in Collinsville 1 or 2 times per month. SUV or truck helpful.

Grandma's Attic, a thrift store which provides income for the ministries, needs volunteers to sort donated items. Commitment of 2 to 4 hours per month or week as your schedule allows, day & evening hours available.

If you can help, please contact the MOC representative from at OLLC (Dara Hoffmann), e-mail [maryvilleoutreach@yahoo.com](mailto:maryvilleoutreach@yahoo.com), or leave a message at MOC 345-9693

### **OUR LORD'S . . . AT A GLANCE**

In addition to the University of Life "mini-brochures" (Worship, Adult Education, Children & Youth, Fellowship, and Service) in the Narthex of the Worship Center and in the Lobby of the Life Center, see the summary brochure of ongoing ministry opportunities entitled, "Our Lord's . . . At a Glance!"

### **PRAYER VENTURES**

The two pages of monthly prayer support for ELCA ministries, formerly printed in our newsletters, will be available in printed copy in our Worship Center and Life Center or accessed at [www.elca.org/prayerventures](http://www.elca.org/prayerventures).

### **THANK YOU**

On behalf of the Oasis Women's Center, I want to thank you for your thoughtful contribution to our friends campaign.

Mike Meehan & Margarete Trushel

## **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Goal: fellowship of Christians who get together to craft prayer shawls for those in need of comfort.

Date & Time: Second & fourth Thursdays at 7 pm in the Worship Center Youth Room.

Contact: Mary Goodwin encourages all who sew, knit, crochet, or want to learn.



### **Pictorial Directory**

The Pictorial Directories are in and look great. If your picture was included in the directory, you have received a free copy that has been placed in your Worship Center mailbox.

If you did not get your picture in the new directory, but would still like a copy, you may contact Loretta in the Church Office to purchase one for \$10. Make checks out to Our Lord's Lutheran Church and designate in the memo line "Pictorial Directory".

Also, please notice that there are few directories in the sanctuary also with pictures and names, so you can learn your fellow church members while in worship.

Thank you, Dana Callahan, Linda Eakin and Loretta Williams for all the hard work in getting this wonderful new directory completed!



## PREVIEWS OF COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events and special observances:

### April

- Theme: "New Life in Christ" (*Easter*)
- Palm/Passion Weekend, Mar 31-Apr 1
- Holy Week, Apr 1-7
- Maundy Thursday, Apr 5
- Good Friday, Apr 6
- Easter Vigil, Apr 7
- Easter, Apr 8
- Earth Day, Sunday, Apr 22

### May

- Theme: "Community in Christ"
- Maryville Mayor's Prayer Dinner, May 3
- Last Day of Sunday School, May 13
- Sunday School Teacher Appreciation, May 20
- Confirmation, May 20
- Pentecost, May 27 ( Memorial Day Weekend)

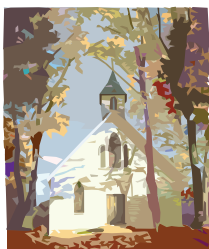
### June

- Theme: "Life in the Spirit"
- Annual Calendar Planning Meeting, June 4
- Synod Assembly, June 7-8-9
- Summer Midweek Worship, *Worship Team Needed!*
- Father's Day, June 17

## THE LARGER CHURCH

### ELCA NEWS

For more information and current news releases, see the ELCA website: [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org).



## LUTHERAN SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM

Lutheran Summer Music

[www.lutheransummertime.org](http://www.lutheransummertime.org) (LSM) is a four week summer music program for band, orchestra, choir, keyboard and organ students grades 8-12. Open to students of all faiths, the program is committed to strengthening and expanding the Church's heritage of excellence in music. For more than 30 years, LSM has seeded thousands of organists, choir directors and leadership musicians into the Church. The 2012 Academy will be held on the campus of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, from June 24 to July 22.



At LSM, students have an opportunity to explore both spiritual and musical growth as well as deepen their understanding of traditional worship liturgies and the hymnody of the Lutheran Church. Young musicians in grades 8-12 at Our Lord's are invited to explore this very special opportunity. In addition to exploring the website (above), you may also call toll-free at 888-635-6583. *Financial assistance is available!*

## Women's Book Club



Hannah's Dream by Dianne Hammond is the next book to be read by the Women's Book Club. It's the story of an elephant and its keeper both of whom are ready to retire. We will meet March 15 at 7 p.m. in the conference room at the Life Center.

April's book is a memoir of Africa's first woman president... "This Child Shall be Great" by Ellen Johnson Sirleaf.

## Easter Egg Hunt

March 31 @ 3:30 PM

Bring Your Own  
Basket!



### Children 10 and Under

(Grades 5 and Under)

Lots of Fun: Including crafts, snacks, egg hunt, and more!

*Help Needed: filled Easter egg donations, volunteers to help with crafts, someone to paint faces, and more*

For Info Contact: Letitia Downen  
618.559.4524  
[letitia.downen@gmail.com](mailto:letitia.downen@gmail.com)

Rain Date  
April 7

## The John Mohl Annual Golf Classic

The Camp Wartburg Golf Tournament has been re-named the John Mohl Annual Golf Classic in memory of their former camp director and our beloved church member, John. The Golf Classic is Monday, May 21st with a shotgun start at 1 pm. Tickets will be around \$100 per player (last year's price) which will include lunch, dinner, drinks, golf, attendance prizes and more. We already have some church members involved, but we would like more to be able to represent Our Lord's and John.



If interested, contact Steve Hoelscher.

For Sale: a small older electric organ with one rank. If interested, contact Helen Flaxbeard.



## YOUTH

We were really pleased with the Spaghetti Dinner this year and want to thank the parents who helped in the morning, cleaned-up after and everything in between. And where can you get better spaghetti sauce?? Many thanks to Ginger for making the sauce and donating the food for the event.



We know the event wouldn't be quite the same without her delicious sauce. Finally, a big thank you to the congregation for your donations and many compliments. The youth worked really hard on this play and at the event. We are really proud of them.

Blessings to All,  
Steve & Kathy Hoelscher

## Christian Humor

A small child with a bad cough was taken by her parents to a hospital emergency room. A nurse, examining the child's lungs with a stethoscope, told the child, "I have to see if Barney is in there." "I have Jesus in my heart," the child replied. "Barney is on my undershirt."

## America's Got Talent

March 10, 2012 from 10:45 a.m.- ????. Free tickets for the youth group to attend the America's Got Talent try-outs in St. Louis at the Fox. Please RSVP to Steve or Kathy if you will be going and if you will be bringing a friend. If you have not been active in youth and would like to start, you are more than welcome, just RSVP. The event will start at 12:00 p.m. and will last about 5 hours. We will do dinner after. You will only need money for drinks or snacks at the Fox.

## Day Trippers

Our Lord's DayTrippers will meet on Friday, March 2, in the Fellowship Hall for a cruise along the west coast of England, Ireland and Scotland. We'll also visit the Faeroe Islands and Iceland.



Our navigator/narrator will be Bernece Johnson who has given many travelogues and is an outstanding photographer. (There will be a door prize for any person who has been to the Faeroe Island before.) Come at 1:00 p.m. for the show and stay for a tasty dessert. All are welcome - not just old people! Sign up on the WC bulletin board. Info: Meg at 656-4508.

## How to Use Your Spiritual Gifts for Worship

- **Serve on a Worship Planning Team**
  1. Saturday and Sunday Worship Planning Teams would welcome new people and their ideas. Both of these are two long-term Ministry Teams that meet periodically (presently quarterly) to plan the traditional and contemporary worship services.
- **Serve on a Special Worship Planning Team**
  1. Stations of the Cross Worship Service – this Ministry Team will work together with Pastor John to bring to life Jesus's last hours of life in an interactive worship service on Saturday, March 31 at 5 p.m. Lori Fremder and Tim Nyland will lead this short-term Ministry Team, but need others who have an interest in acting, crafting, and cooking to help them make this a meaningful service.
  2. Blended Service Worship Team – One of the results of Vision 2015 was a desire to have a blended worship service at Our Lord's. Now all we need is a Ministry Team to make it a reality.
- **Serve Our Lord and Our Lord's during Worship**
  1. Sign up on the People Power sheets that come out every two months to serve before, during and after Worship  
We need members willing to learn how to be Assisting Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, Altar Guild Members, Acolytes, Ushers, Fellowship Hosts, and Ride Givers. Dana is willing to make arrangements for private instruction for any of these jobs that enhance our worship services just by calling her at 972-3955.

## THE CHALLENGES OF BEING A FAMILY TODAY

*A Special Sunday Morning Adult Education Series*

March 11, 18, & 25, 2012 at 9:30 A.M.

Our Lord's Lutheran Church  
Worship Center Fellowship  
Hall

### Weekly Topics

March 11: "Growing up in the Family"

March 18: "Current Challenges for Families"

March 25: "Effects on Our Church Family"

### Guest Speaker

The Rev. Dale R. Kuhn,  
LCSW, AAPC Diplomate  
Executive Director, Care and  
Counseling  
St. Louis, Missouri

His Counseling Specialties include:  
*adults, adolescents, couples, families, depression, anxiety, divorce, parenting, loss and grief, blended families, phase of life issues, adult children of aging parents, illness in family, geriatric issues, couple and marital issues for later in life, second marriages*

## Visitors & Friends Are Welcome

## PANTRY DONATIONS

For many years, the members of Our Lord's have supported the Maryville Food Pantry and the Bunkum Road Food Pantry in East St. Louis with your donations of food and non-food items.

At the January meeting of the Social Ministry committee, the following procedures were agreed upon:



1. Donations of food and non-food items may be made at any time by placing them in a bag or box and leaving them under the mailboxes. The donations will be delivered to the two pantries on a regular basis.
2. The congregation will conduct several food drives during the year using the small laundry baskets that will be picked up, filled and returned to the church. Those donations are divided between the two pantries.
3. The "Meal a Month" yellow bags are no longer available. Your support for that program has been greatly appreciated.

The need for food assistance continues throughout the area and your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated.

## **Spiritual Expressions Retreat Recap –**

On January 21 & 22, 51 OLLC members congregated at Lake Williamson Retreat Center for the second annual Church Family Retreat. This year's theme was *Spiritual Expressions*. Participants attended workshops on "Make a Joyful Noise," "God's Paintbrush," and "All the World is God's Stage." The emphasis was on the importance of music, the visual arts, and the performing arts as a way of worshiping God. Many also participated in the Tea & Sabbath and prayer stations. All the workshops and worship services were intergenerational.

In addition to the learning and worshiping opportunities, there was swimming, wally ball, and black light dodge ball. The accommodations were excellent and the food was delicious. It was a wonderful time for members from all three worship services at OLLC to get to know each other better and form new friendships.

Thank you to the workshops leaders: Vicki Lottes, Emily Truckenbrod, Karen Cummings, and Dana Callahan; the group activity leaders: Suzanne Richter, Laura Foppe, & Karen Tilashalski; the musicians: Rhonda Comrie, Brian Gunderson, & Bill Davidson; worship leaders: Pastor Lottes, Faith Hoelscher, & Marion Steinmann; the high school youth, Katelyn & Anna Foppe and their cousins, for teaching Sunday School on Sunday morning; and hospitality room hosts: Laura & Ed Foppe, and Suzanne Richter.

A special thanks goes out to the planning team: Karen Cummings, Karen Tilashalski, Laura Foppe, Suzanne Richter, Vicki Lottes, Pastor Lottes, and Dana Callahan.

It is not too early to start planning for the next retreat! If you would like to serve on the planning team, please let Dana know of your desire to serve.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS

### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Please join us for the second annual "Making a Difference Community Service Day" celebrating the life and legacy of Pastor Fred Winters. This year we will meet outside at Village Hall in Maryville. Cindy Winters will be dedicating a park bench to the Village of Maryville in honor of Pastor Fred. We will then go out into the community to complete various service projects.

DATE: Saturday, March 10, 2012 (Rain or Shine!)

PLACE: Village Hall, 2520 N. Center Street, Maryville, IL

TIME: 8:00-8:45am—Registration/  
Project Selection  
9:00am—Dedication

Service begins promptly

RSVP: Please RSVP by visiting [www.graceandhopeministries.org/home/making-a-difference](http://www.graceandhopeministries.org/home/making-a-difference) and clicking on "Register Now".

T-SHIRT: All participants will receive a free t-shirt

LUNCH: complimentary lunch. We will meet at 12:00p.m. in the Gymnasium at the First Baptist Church Maryville to have lunch and share our stories.



### SOUP KITCHEN COALITION

Did you know that in Madison County, 11.3% of the population, or 30,201 people of the 267,347 live in poverty and in St. Clair

County it is 15.8% or 41,288 of 261,316 people?

And did you know that according to the 2011 Illinois District Report Card, Collinsville Unit #10 School District (which includes Maryville and Caseyville) of the 6,511 enrolled students, 53.2% are low income students?

One of the fall-outs of poverty is hunger. Where do hungry people turn for help? There are food pantries in area. Children are helped through the reduced and free breakfast and lunch programs at school, but that does not help on weekends or during summer vacation.

How can you help? Join the Soup Kitchen Coalition, a group of local churches and people willing to fight hunger locally by starting a soup kitchen. People are needed to spearhead the coalition, recruit volunteers, cook and serve food, offer hospitality, set-up and clean-up the space, donate money, and pray for the success of the mission.

St. John Church UCC has offered space in Faith Hall on Thursday. Dana Callahan will work with other churches and individuals to coordinate a schedule and menus.

The first organizational meeting of the Soup Kitchen Coalition is Thursday, March 8 at 7 p.m. in the West Conference Room at St. John. If you would like to make a donation to the Soup Kitchen Coalition, please make your check payable to St. John Church and put "soup kitchen" on the memo line. Checks can be mailed or delivered to St. John, 307 W. Clay St., Collinsville, IL 62234.

### CLASS AT ST. JOHN ON FAITHFUL EATING!

One goal of the new Soup Kitchen Coalition is to educate its members about eating and health, hun-

ger and justice. A six-week study using the curriculum, *Just Eating? Practicing Our Faith at the Table, Readings and Reflections for Action*, will be offered on Thursdays at 7 p.m. beginning March 15 through April 26 (not meeting Maundy Thursday) in the West Conference Room at St. John Church, 307 W. Clay Street, Collinsville. This is a free class and is open to everyone middle school age and older. Advanced registration is required. The registration deadline is March 8. You may register for the class by calling the St. John Church office at 344-2526.

### LATE BOOMERS GET TOGETHER

Get Together for Late Boomers will be March 17 (after late service) at the Messinas. Bring a dish to share, green or not! We will supply a main dish. BYOB. We will play games and visit. Bring quarters to play one game with. If you aren't a gambler, winnings can be donated to a charity of your choice. Hope to see all of you!

### Men's Club

Men's Club Breakfast is on Saturday, March 3 at 7 a.m. Amazing chefs are Fred Tatjenhorst and Jim Trucano. Come out and enjoy the good food, good companionship and just a few chores to help keep Our Lord's looking beautiful and working well inside and out.

### Here are the items to concentrate on:

Check Kitchenette Light Switch  
Kitchenette Sink Problems  
Check Gutters and Downspouts  
Burn Brush

**During the week ahead, please pray for our brothers and sisters and for those afflicted in mind, body or spirit, especially remembering:**

**Mary** Allen  
**Jennifer** Antinette (Beauchamp's friend)  
**Tom** Arnott (Erick Larson's friend)  
**Shirley** Bauer (Greg Becker's friend)  
**Norma** Banks (Sue Green's mother)  
**Gloria** Becker  
**Greg & Jodi** Becker  
**Grace** Bergstedt  
**Roger** Blind  
**Ruth** Block (Joyce Tatjenhorst's sister)  
**Bill** Brice & Family  
**Clarence & Darlene** Bruhn (Darrell Bruhn's brother & sister-in-law)  
**Stacey** Budke (Becky Garrison's daughter)  
**Jacob** Callahan  
**Cathy** Clyde (Lynn Kempf's aunt)  
**Barbara** Cooper (Karen Eastby's cousin)  
**Corinne** Comrie (Scott Comrie's mother)  
**Don & Dee** Corbett  
**Darrell** Craft (Mike Williams' friend)  
**Kevin** Crawford  
**Kelly** Cruse (Lori Messina's cousin)  
**Chuck & Rachel** Diggs  
**Pamela** Downour (Christina Shields' friend)  
**Dorothy** Eden  
**Egyptian Soccer Deaths**  
**End Bombing in Sudan**  
**Mike** Finn (Lynn Thiel's nephew)  
**Helen** Flaxbeard  
**Greg & Lori** Fremder  
**Kara** Keefe Graham  
**Bucky** Gruber  
**Amanda** Gunningham (Julie Russell's friend)  
**Carroll** Hammond  
**Nancy** Hanson & Family (Carol Gocken's cousin)  
**Bill** Hardy (Cindy Pugh's father)  
**Dana** Haynes (Letitia Downen's friend)  
**Terri** Hoef (Carole Callahan's friend)  
**Pr Kurt Hoover's mother**  
**Patti** Hudak (Dana Callahan's friends)  
**Tom** Irland, (Eastby's brother-in-law)  
**Ted** Johnson (Mary Goodwin's cousin)  
**Mel** Jones (Erick Larson's friend)  
**Arkie** Kantola  
**Billie** Kerrnan  
**Judy** Klein (Dona Racich's friend)  
**Charlie** Koonce  
**Larry** Kosten (Bob Kosten's brother)  
**Xavier** Kurre (Sue Green's grandson)  
**Warren** Lang (Grant Lang's brother)

**David** Lottes (Pr. John & Vicki's son)  
**Mary** Lottes (Pr. John's mother)  
**Vicki** Lottes  
**Vicki** Lowrie (Judy Dunne's friend)  
**Theresa** Martell (Joette McNeilly's mother)  
**Kathy** Oltmanns  
**Pr. Paul** Park  
**Bekah** Perry  
**Gertrude** Peters (Carol Gocken's mother)  
**Cyndi** Peterson  
**Joyce** Pick (Peggy Pick's mother)  
**Betty Jo** Presley (Sharon Bruhn's friend)  
**Ken** Redetzke  
**Connie** Reynolds  
**Georgia** Rinkel  
**Norma** Roland  
**Ross**  
**Megan** Sallee  
**Mark** Sardyga (Erick Larson's friend)  
**Laura** Schroeder  
**Sandy** Schuler  
**Karen** Sebena  
**Terry** Shields (Christina Shields' husband)  
**Charlene** Shultz (Linda Mann's friend)  
**Virginia** Sides (Gary Sides' mother)  
**Don** Simonson  
**Alexis** Stamatikos  
**Diane** Stewart (Lynn Kempf's friend)  
**Lauren** Summers & Family  
**Jeanette** Svoboda (Greg Becker's friend)  
**Mary** Szakacsi (Nicole Williams' aunt)  
**Tom** Szczeblewski (Lori Fremder's cousin)  
**Stacey** Taylor  
**Syrian People & End of Violence**  
**Tiemann** Family  
**Matt** Turcol (Tilashalski's friend)  
**Diane & Ralph** Uchitjil (Linda Mann's sister & brother-in-law)  
**Joan** Vail  
**Pr. Glen** Vanderkloot  
**Irene** VanHooser  
**Alan** Vesper (April & Stefanie Vesper's father)  
**Starlene** Villareal (Loretta Williams' friend)  
**Sue** Weber (Lori Fremder's friend)  
**Eric** White (Judy Dunne's son-in-law)  
**Lisa** White  
**Chase** Wildhaber (Carole Callahan's nephew)  
**Eric** Wilson (Greg Becker's friend)  
**Libby** Woodward  
**Zachary** Zwaga (Dgn & Sue Homes' nephew)



**Also, please pray for the health and safety of the following individuals, connected to our community serving in the United States military:**

**Nathaniel** Brown  
Lt. **Tom** Buller  
Lance Cpl. **Clayton** Campbell  
Major **James** Carmichael  
**Dustin** Crone  
**Jeff** Crone  
Capt. **Blake** Crosby  
Airborne Ranger **Keegan** Crosby  
Staff Sgt. **Tyson** Crosby  
**Brent** Deemers  
**Charles** Homes  
**Shane** Lee  
CPO **Shawn** Lee  
PV2 **Courtney** Ligibel  
Staff Sgt. **John** Maroney  
**John** Meyer  
Airman **Nick** Muller  
**Kurtis** Neubauer  
**Zachary** Neubauer  
Major **John** Perrine  
**Josh** Pace  
**Scott** Prengel  
**Jack** Scoles  
Staff Sgt. **Skipper** Smith  
**Haley** Wagner

#### In Sympathy

**Please remember these members and their families as they grieve their loss and share the sure promise of the resurrection:**

- **Gunderson Family** (at the death of Kraig's mother & Brian & Krissy Gunderson's Grandmother, Dorothy Gunderson on February 12, 2012)
- **Hammond, Hayes & Rimar Families** (at the death of niece & cousin Amanda Patton on February 13, 2012)
- **Mark & Dianne Holshouser Family** (at the death of Dianne's aunt Cleora Ward on January 24, 2012)

## March Birthdays

1 Josh Eastby  
2 Steve Hoelscher  
3 Stefanie Vesper  
4 Crystal Crosby  
5 Faith Hoelscher  
6 Angie Nemsky  
7 Mark Callahan  
Brian Henderson  
8 Erin Helms  
Megan Trucano  
9 Ginger Trucano  
10 Caleb Hancock  
Jake Hancock  
Sara Shipkowski  
14 Grace Olsen  
Sarah Estes  
16 Jan Vinson  
Penny Waterman  
17 Tucker Downen  
18 David Klingsick  
19 Adam Runyon  
20 Gared Dobsch  
Julie Gruber  
22 Paul Huster  
Tyler Kamacho  
23 Mike Blotevogel  
Ralph Bueske  
Brennan Spencer  
24 KaLonny Short  
Olivia Zipprich  
25 Kate Henderson  
Vicki Lottes  
26 Ian Comrie  
Rob Hancock  
Mitchell Olsen  
27 Karen Mackey  
28 Dom Echevarria  
29 Rudy Kantola  
30 Zach Palme  
Joe Signorino  
31 Jack Hammond  
Abby Rien

## March Anniversaries

8 Jason & Julie Rien  
10 Bill & Linda Mann  
12 Patrick & Katie Noga  
16 Bob & Joy Kosten  
18 Steve & Liz Tatjenhorst  
28 Ted & Angie Nemsky  
29 Mike & Kentra Blotevogel  
30 Russ & Norma Roland

## Within Our Church Family

### **Many Thanks.....**

- The youth would also like to give a big **thank you** to the WELCA women for their generous donation to the youth. The money will be put to good use this summer for the convention. We are always humbled by the generosity of so many in this congregation.
- **Thank You!** Dear Members of Our Lord's Lutheran Church, Toni and I thank you and your Pastor for holding a program of Farewell & Godspeed for us. Looking back to the past, we feel you should be commended for pulling together and working as a team in coming through difficult times in order to emerge into a vital and active congregation in the service of God and the communities you minister to. May God continue to motivate you in the faithful service of our crucified and risen Lord, enabling you to help each other to live in hope and hope in God.  
Your friends and co-workers in Christ,  
*Pastor Dick & Toni Brendel*
- **Thank you** for doing your part to make our 2012 Souper Bowl of Caring a success over the weekend of Feb. 4-5th. The Confirmation class collected \$306 in monetary donations and 93 cans & boxes of food. All donations went to both the Maryville Food Pantry and the Bunkum Road Food Pantry. The Souper Bowl of Caring program is sponsored by TackleHunger.org. Our Lords has participated in the program since 2004 and has helped to raise in excess of \$2700 for local charities.  
*--Ed Foppe*
- **Thank You** from **Vicki Lottes** for all the prayers and good wishes during surgery and rehab for her broken elbow. Her healing is continuing well.
- **Justin & Kirby Orr** had a little girl, **Carli Jo** on Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 8:18 am. Carli weighed 7 pounds and was 21 1/2 inches long. Congratulations Justin & Kirby!
- **Congratulations to Brad Homes!** He graduated magna cum laude from Southeast Missouri State University on December 17 with a bachelor's degree in science (dual majors in construction management and facilities management). He has accepted a position as project engineer with S. M. Wilson and will be relocating to Kansas City, Missouri, in early February.



# March 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>4 TRUE LIVING</b> 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation Class 9:30 - Family Ed. Hour, Bell Rehearsal 10:45 - Worship 2:30 - West Central Conf. 5 - HS Youth @ Hoelscher's</p>	<p><b>5</b> 11 - Staff Mtg.</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> 5:15 - Adult Bible Study 6 - Soup Supper 7 - Lenten Service 7:30 - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>8</b> 9 - Morning Glories Bible Study 10:30 - Office Angels 4 - Amici di Martino: Studenti Italiani 7 - Prayer Shawl Ministry</p>	<p><b>9</b> Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p><b>10</b> 8 - Men's Bible Study 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/Children's Church: "Changing"</p>
<p><b>11 CHANGING</b> <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i> 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation Class 9:30 - Family Ed. Hour 10:45 - Worship</p>	<p><b>12</b> 11 - Staff Mtg.</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b> 5:15 - Adult Bible Study 6 - Soup Supper 7 - Lenten Service 7:30 - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>15</b> 10:30 - Office Angels 4 - Amici di Martino: Studenti Italiani 7—Women's Book Club</p>	<p><b>16</b> Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p><b>17</b> 8 - Men's Bible Study 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/Children's Church: "Saving" 6:30 - Late Boomers</p>
<p><b>18 SAVING</b> 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation Class 9:30 - Family Ed. Hour, Bell Rehearsal 10:45 - Worship 5 - HS Youth @ Hoelscher's 5 - Confirmation 2</p>	<p><b>19</b> JOSEPH, GUARDIAN OF JESUS 11 - Staff Mtg.</p>	<p><b>20</b> 7 - LaLeche League</p>	<p><b>21</b> 5:15 - Adult Bible Study 6 - Soup Supper 7 - Lenten Service 7:30 - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>22</b> 9 - Morning Glories Bible Study 10:30 - Office Angels 4 - Amici di Martino: Studenti Italiani 6 - MEHCCA 7 - Prayer Shawl Ministry</p>	<p><b>23</b> Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p><b>24</b> 8 - Men's Bible Study 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/Children's Church: "Seeing"</p>
<p><b>25 SEING</b> ANUNCIATION OF OUR LORD 8 - Worship 9:15 - Confirmation Class 9:30 - Family Ed. Hour, Choir Rehearsal 10:45 - Worship 12:15 - Bell Choir</p>	<p><b>26</b> 11 - Staff Mtg. 6:30 - Steering Team</p>	<p><b>27</b> 10 - Questions Bible Study</p>	<p><b>28</b> 9:30—Newsletter Assembly 5:15 - Adult Bible Study 5:30 - Bell Choir 6 - Soup Supper 7 - Lenten Service 7:30 - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>29</b> 10:30 - Office Angels 4 - Amici di Martino: Studenti Italiani</p>	<p><b>30</b> Pastor's Sabbath</p>	<p><b>31</b> 8 - Men's Bible Study Noon-4 - Megan Trucano Wedding Shower/WCFH 3 - Easter Egg Hunt/LCFH 3:30 - Praise Band 5 - Worship w/Children's Church: "Stations of the Cross"</p>

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