

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Radio Broadcast at 8:30am on KMSR 1520 AM and KMAV 105.5 FM
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Sunday, March 30, 2025
Fourth Sunday in Lent
10:30 AM

Love. A Lenten Sermon Series

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: "Here I Am to Worship"

*Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.*

*Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

PAUSE FOR PRAYER

*King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the Earth You created, all for love's sake became poor.*

Refrain: *Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my
God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

*And I'll never know how much it cost; To see my sin upon that cross.
I'll never know how much it cost; To see my sin upon that cross. (Refrain)*

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS L (Leader); C (Congregation)

L: Blessed by the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

C: Amen.

L: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

L: Reconciling God,

C: We confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen

L: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy, we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Divine Word,

C: You sent Moses to speak law to the people and bring order to chaos. You sent prophets to speak repentance and bring hope to the hopeless. You sent your son, Jesus, to become your living Word. Open our ears to hear your word, and our hearts to reflect the light of your truth to others, for the sake of the Incarnate Word, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG for the WORD: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" ELW 608 V. 1
Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me. See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me. "Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

GOSPEL READING: Luke 16:19-31 "Rich Man and Lazarus"

¹⁹ "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵ But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷ He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹ Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰ He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' ³¹ He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

ELW 325

*1) I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me;
all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*2) In my trials, Lord, walk with me; in my trials, Lord, walk with me;
when my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*3) When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with
me; when my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

HOLY BAPTISM

ELW p. 227

Baptized today is Lyla Lenore Troyer, daughter of Nik and Lindsey Troyer.

*Lyla was born on January 5, 2025 in Fargo, ND. Her Godparents are Jake and
Brittany Ferguson and Spencer and Mindi Troyer.*

*Also Baptized today is Nikolas Hunter Troyer, son of Tim and Julie Troyer.
His Godparents are Carolyn Nelson and Betty Ferguson.*

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH:

L: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT / BAPTISM

WELCOME:

L: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

PRAYER SONG: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

ELW 773 V. 1

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

PRAYER SONG: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

ELW 773 V. 3

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

OFFERING / OFFERTORY: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

ELW 608 V. 3

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me. "Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

OFFERING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *ELW p. 154*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "Lord, Be Glorified"

ELW 744

- 1) In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.*
- 2) In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our song, Lord, be glorified today.*
- 3) In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your church, Lord, be glorified today.*
- 4) In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your world, Lord, be glorified today.*

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Helping people experience the Love of God.**

POSTLUDE

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Gavin Longthorne, Oliver Thompson

The newly Baptized: Lyla Troyer and Nik Troyer

God's Healing Presence for...

Jerry Boeddeker	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Karen Paulson	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Larry (Butch) Lovas	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Jim Olsen	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Carol Christianson	Jon Pawlikowski (Veronika Lee's dad)
Kenna Kappes	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Peggy Gilbertson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
Liz Hanson	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Charlie Anderson	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Susie Anderson	Dr. Rich Martin (Cheri and family)
	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

Our Sympathy to... Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson- 218.556.8895

VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron- 701.361.9990

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Chris McInnes (10:30) Mark & Tara Fandrich

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Adam Job, Keira Kozojed (10:30) Gabriel Peppas, Chloe Theis

ATTENDANCE: March 23, 2025 – (8:30) 36 and (10:30) 72

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: March 23, 2025: \$966.00; March to date: \$49,522.78;
Income through February 28, 2025: \$58,502.65; Expenses through February 28, 2025:
\$68,570.56 Income less Expense: -\$10,067.91

ANNOUNCEMENTS: (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

OSLC Bell Choir and Choir: If you feel the Joy of the Resurrected Lord and want to share that Joy in song, there is a place for you in the OSLC music ministry! Come join in the fellowship shared by musicians of all skill levels as we prepare to share at the Easter morning services.

Rehearsals are **Monday evenings: March 31, April 7, and April 14.** If you are interested in joining the bell choir, give Ruth a call at 701-430-0451. We will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday evenings. Want to sing? Just show up at 6:30 p.m. Monday—we would love to make a joyful noise with you. To God be the Glory.

REMINDER: There is a **Lenten worship** service on Wednesday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. All Wednesday service offerings during Lent are designated to Global Missions. There is a Meal served on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. (free-will offering). April 2's meal is Mac & Cheese.

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Schedule:

Wed., April 2	Love the sick	6:30 p.m.
Wed., April 9	Love the imprisoned	6:30 p.m.
Thurs., April 17	Maundy Thursday	6:30 p.m.
Fri., April 18	Good Friday	6:30 p.m.
Sun., April 20	Easter Sunday	7:30a.m., 9:30 a.m.

5th grade COMMUNION CLASSES will be held on Wednesdays after school (3:15-5:00pm) on March 26th, April 2nd and April 9th at Our Savior's. All 5th graders, along with their families, are invited to communion during the April 17th Maundy Thursday worship service at 6:30 p.m. at OSLC.

W.O.W. (Women of the Word) BIBLE STUDY

Our current study is "He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart" by Max Lucado. This Lenten study will go for 5 weeks and then we will finish up the three sessions we have left on "JESUS: The God Who Knows Your Name" by Max Lucado. We should be done by April 28 and then plan to reconvene in the fall. W.O.W. meets on Mondays at 9 AM in the 2nd floor lounge at Our Savior's. ALL ARE WELCOME! ~Senora Almquist, Leader

Rooted in Hope

**WELCA Spring Roundup, EaND Synodical Women's Organization
Saturday, April 26, 2025**

WELCA'S Spring Round-Up is from 9:00am to 3:30pm at Stump Lake Village, Main St. Bldg., Located 12 mi. S. of Lakota, ND. Join us for an exciting event featuring music, engaging speakers, delicious food, entertainment, and various vendors. Attendees can win door prizes and experience historical Stump Lake Village. No Registration Fee, Cost of Meal & Refreshments- \$20. Register on our website <https://eandwelca.net> or call Jeanne Wobbema at 701-230-8745; mrs wob@gmail.com

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, March 30

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
7:00pm AA Meeting

Monday, March 31

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study
9am-4pm Quilting
6:30pm Choir practice
7:30pm Bell Choir practice

Tuesday, April 1

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, April 2

7:00am Men's Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café
3:15pm Communion Class (5th gr.)
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation
6:30pm **Lenten service**
7:30pm Youth Group

Thursday, April 3

9:30am WELCA Exec. meet
10:00am WELCA Meeting
(2nd floor lounge)
10am-3:30pm Joint Theological Day
10:45am Worship service at HMC
2-3pm Kiwanis Bldgs communion

Sunday, April 6

Communion Sunday
8:30am Traditional Worship
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
12:00pm **Council Meeting**
7:00pm AA Meeting



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