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March 17 – Lent 5

Mark 10:45 – “For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Jesus gives everything He has: He gives Himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our lives. In our family, in our church, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow His example of self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to His self-giving in faith.

The Lutheran Church—
Missouri Synod
LCMS Stewardship Ministry
Stewardship Thoughts –
March 2024

There will be a Special Voters’ Assembly on March 24 at 9:45 to discuss moving forward with a call for the position of Family Life Minister.

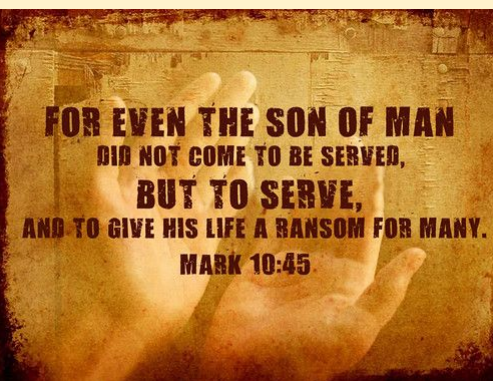
CONCORDIA SEMINARY Adopt-a-Student: St. Paul has “adopted” Mr. Joshua Marlatt as a Seminary Student. Initially, our congregation voted to support him with \$1,000 for this year. But you can support him too, in so many ways. Please Pray for Joshua, write notes of encouragement to him, support him financially with your own gifts. We will get to know him better throughout the year. Here is his contact information: marlattJ@csl.edu

Mr. Joshua Marlatt, Campus P.O. Box,
801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105,

Sunday Worship Services are available online - on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#).

The 11:00 service will be recorded on Sunday, March 17.

This is subject to change without notice.



BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF: March 18-24

Monday	3/18
Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19	
Tuesday	3/19
Deuteronomy 26-29:1	
Wednesday	3/20
Deuteronomy 29:2-31:29	
Thursday	3/21
Deuteronomy 31:30-32:52 Psalm 90	
Friday	3/22
Deut. 33-34, Josh. 1-2	
Saturday	3/23
Joshua 3-6	
Sunday	3/24
1 Chron. 2:7, Josh. 7-9	



WEEKLY CALENDAR:

	3/17 8:30 AM	3/17 11:00 AM	WED 3/20 7:00 PM
Elder	Dave Hoard	Garrett Tetil	Bill McQueen
Lay Reader	Ruth Steele	Tammy Ewald	Bill McQueen
Greeters	Dave Hoard	Tammy Ewald	Bill & Linda McQueen
Usher	Singers & Larry McCreedy	Enders	Linda Matuszak & Robyn Blasius

Sunday, March 17 - Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:30 - Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

9:45 - Sunday School / Bible Class

11:00 - Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

12:15 - 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation

Monday, March 18 - Spring Begins

5:30 Choir Practice

6:30 Handbells Practice

Tuesday, March 19

8:30 Quilters

5:30 Contemporary Rehearsal

6:00 LWML

Wednesday, March 20

5:30 Lenten Meal - sponsored by Margaret LaValley

7:00 Worship Service

Thursday, March 21

Friday, March 22

Saturday, March 23 - The Annunciation of Our Lord

Sunday, March 24 - Palm Sunday

8:30 - Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

9:45 - Sunday School / Bible Class

11:00 - Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

11:00 - Sunday School kids sing during Worship Service

12:15 - 1st & 2nd Year Confirmation

THE BOOK OF REVELATION is Pastor Steele's Sunday Morning Bible Class. Everyone is invited to attend.



CHILDREN'S SONG OF THE MONTH:

The Sunday School Children will not be singing the Song of the Month, but a different song on March 24th (Palm Sunday) during 2nd service.

LAWN CARE: The Trustees are looking for someone to mow and take care of the lawn. If this is something you would be interested in, please contact Ray Stec.



NEXT WEEK:

	3/24 8:30 AM	3/24 11:00 AM	Thur. 3/28 7:00 PM	Fri. 3/29 1:30 PM
Elder	Dave Hoard	John Weidman	John Weidman	John Weidman
Lay Reader	Cathy Erla	Zach Voss		
Greeters	Dave Hoard	John Weidman	John Weidman	John Weidman
Usher	Singers & Larry McCreedy	Enders	Linda Matuszak & Robyn Blasius	Gary Zick & Tim Bates

LADIES - WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST A TABLE?

The LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) will have their annual **Spring Tea on April 22**. If you would like to host a table, please let Lynn know. M-F 8:30-4:30, 989-673-4214 or email me at lynn@stpaulcaro.org. The theme this year will be "Garden Flowers" or something to do with flowers. The exact theme will be announced soon. More information will come for those that would like to attend as a guest.





RECYCLING: Would you like to learn more about recycling? The LWML invites the entire congregation to their next meeting on March 19 at 7:00 to hear Beth Hoppe talk about recycling, just in time for our Recycling Day coming up on April 6.

ENDOWMENT FUND: Fund Request Forms are now out. They are due by June 1, 2024 for both restricted and unrestricted funds. What does the Endowment Committee do? How is the money given out? What are restricted and unrestricted funds? The answers to all of these questions are on the back of the Request Form. Look for the yellow paper on the table in the Narthex.

COUNTERS NEEDED: The finance team is looking for a couple more counters. Let me (Lynn) know if you are interested and I'll pass your name on.

MISSING COAT: Did you accidentally take the wrong coat home on Feb. 25 (the day of the New Member Reception)? This would be a men's long, navy blue dress coat with leather gloves in the pockets. There was a similar coat left here, so it might have accidentally been mistaken for the one that was left. If you have a men's navy dress coat, please check to make sure it is yours and not this one. Thank you!



CHILDREN'S BULLETIN DRAWING: Kids – remember to put your Children's bulletin in my mailbox (Secretary) when you complete it to be in the Monthly Drawing. You only have to do one of the two bulletins that you get. Please make sure your name is on it.

DIRECT YOUR LABELS: Please save your *Our Family* brand barcodes. You only need to turn in the barcode. For every 500 barcodes, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League will earn \$25. You can put those in the box above the card case. There is a slot labeled for them.



WE ARE NO LONGER COLLECTING VGs RECEIPTS!

ARE YOU A GRADUATE OF CONCORDIA ANN

ARBOR?: Have your children or grandchildren attended CUAA? Recently the new president of Concordia Ann Arbor gave the startling announcement that there would be drastic cuts to the university's budget including selling off of campus property and real estate. These drastic measures are slated for later this year! There was no warning about this to the alumni, the district presidents, or congregations of the districts. This is a surprise because we have heard nothing but glowing reports of higher enrollment and new programs offered.



In an effort to give the leadership extra time before selling property, the Michigan District has proposed an emergency fund-raising effort of \$5 Million to keep the Concordia Ann Arbor open until a better solution could be reached. To learn more and especially to pledge support, visit www.michigandistrict.org and see the article on the front page. Please read President Davis' report about this on the district website. **Please pray for Concordia University Ann Arbor (CUAA).**



FAMILY PROMISE THRIFT: What used to be Michigan House of Hope on Joy Street in town is now Family Promise Thrift. They are still in need of volunteers. For information call Pastor Mike Wester at 989-325-5827.

BAY SHORE B.L.A.S.T. (Building Lives Around Spiritual Truths):

Blast is a one-day event on **April 7th, from 4-7 pm** where **6th-12th graders** from all over can come together for fellowship, play games, worship, talk, get to know each other, and just have a blast! There will be "free time" activities (laser tag, gaga ball, 9-square, table games, etc.), food, a giant group game, and a service. The cost is just \$1 per person, paid at the door when you arrive.

NEWSLETTER SPONSORS NEEDED FOR 2024:



If you would like to sponsor the newsletter for a month, please see or call Lynn in the office at 989-673-4214. The cost is only \$25 per month. The money for the sponsorship will be used for the gifts for the Children's Bulletin Drawing and to supply the youth with the subscription for their quarterly devotion books when our current sponsor is done. You can sponsor in honor of someone, in celebration of an event, or whatever reason you want.

SOS VOLUNTEERS: We have begun using the iPad and the Substitute Organist Service (SOS) for musical accompaniment in our Traditional Services. The SOS will be used occasionally, perhaps twice a month. **We need volunteers** to learn how to use the system and who are willing to serve at church services. If you are willing to serve, please let Pastor know if you prefer Early or Late Sunday services and if you are also willing to serve on Wednesday Evenings. **We NEED you!** Call Pastor Steele at (989) 673-4214.





SET APART TO SERVE: The need is great for church workers. Learn more about the LCMS church work recruitment

initiative. See the flyer on the bulletin board in the Narthex, or for even more information, go to the following link: lcms.org/sas

GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse

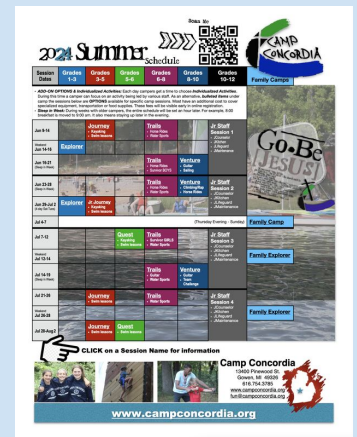
Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of Galatians. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or your favorite podcast provider.



CHRISTIAN SUMMER CAMP: CAMP CONCORDIA: 30 minutes north of Grand Rapids, Michigan, gives your children and grandchildren an opportunity to experience a Lutheran camp experience with trained cabin leaders, lifeguards, and program leaders. Weekly experiences include meals, swimming, archery, canoeing, campfire devotions, cookout, Bible adventures and more all wrapped around a Christ-centered message. Get more information at

www.campconcordia.org

This QR code will take you directly to a mini poster overview of the Camp Concordia summer Schedule. Or you can just click on the poster.



St. Michael's Lutheran Church of Richville presents their

23rd Annual Living Passion Drama



You are invited to St. Michael's Church to learn about Christ's last hours on earth. You'll "watch the path of Jesus Christ" and see and hear live action scenes of what our Lord endured before He gave His life for us on the cross. Because of His sacrifice, we have the promise of eternal life with Him in heaven.

3455 S. Van Buren Road,
near the intersection of
M-46 and M-15

For more information
call 989-868-4791
or visit our website at

stmichaelsrichville.org

March 22 & 23, 2024

Friday, March 22, 6:00 & 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 23, 4:30, 6:00 & 7:30 PM