

Offering
March 8 - \$1217

Those Assisting Us Today

Organist: Alicia Haggin

John Haggin

Elder: Don Warsaw

Altar Guild: Susan Martin

Acolyte: James Amdor

“Worship Anew” – Know someone who can’t get to church? Lutheran Ministries from Concordia Theological Seminary produces “Worship Anew”. It airs locally on WCIX – 49 on Sunday mornings at 7:30 AM.

The Lutheran Hour radio program has been airing since 1930. For more than 95 years, the call of Christ has been carried around the world by radio waves. You can also listen to this Good News locally at these stations every Sunday morning...WGCY 106.3 at 6:15 AM, WPXN 104.9 at 7 AM, 96.9 (The Buckle, Watseka) at 8 AM, and WGNJ 89.3 at 7:30 AM.

Bulletin announcements If you have announcements for next week’s bulletin, please forward those to Brenda Hendricks by noon on Friday. You may contact her by email at mhendrick@mchsi.com or by text or phone at 309-826-9733.

Did you know? When the pastor faces the altar, he is performing the “priestly” function of his office, speaking to God for the people. When the pastor faces the people, he is performing the “prophetic” function of his office, speaking to the people on God’s behalf.

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Divine Service, Setting Four

Welcome in Jesus' Name! Lutherans believe that Jesus Christ is present in the Sacrament so that we receive His true body and blood along with the bread and wine (Mark 14:22, 24; 1 Corinthians 10:16). We further believe that in this Sacrament, we receive the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:28) and strength to live an improved Christian life (Galatians 2:20). A worthy communicant is one who is truly repentant of his/her sins and who resolves to amend his/her life (1 Corinthians 11:28). Furthermore, this Sacrament is not only a communion with Christ (Matthew 18:20; 1 Corinthians 10:16), but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:17; Acts 2:42). Those desiring to commune with us for the first time should talk with the pastor BEFORE the service begins.

Opening Hymn, "My Song Is Love Unknown"430

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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42:14-21

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-14

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: John 9:1-41

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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Sermon

Prayers

Offering: The offering plate is available at the back of the church.

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Service of the Sacrament

Distribution: Communicants will be ushered to the FRONT of the church in groups of 5-7 people. They will space themselves on both sides of the Baptismal font. Please exit the altar area by the outside aisle to the side where you were seated.

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Closing Hymn, "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"422

Let Us Pray...

....for homebound members: Karen Bryan, Dave Kunde, Linda Warsaw
and Ross Warsaw

....for Dave Kunde

....for Rocky Mountain District

....for the United States Armed Forces

Announcements #1

A short congregational meeting will be held immediately after the worship service today. Informational sheets about our church insurance options were handed out over the last two Sundays. The meeting is needed to vote on which company's policy is accepted.

Additional music today will include Theresa Van Wakeman Wilson singing Hymn #561, "The Tree of Life" while Pastor puts on his chasuble for communion.

The Stewardship Committee will be sponsoring a benefit soup supper on Saturday, March 28th from 4:30 – 7 PM. There will not be a soup supper in the fall. The menu will include oyster soup, potato soup, chili, sandwiches, and desserts. The recipient will be Karley Bridgwater, age 27, who presently lives in Tuscola, but has many friends and relatives in Mahomet, Gibson City, Saybrook, and Bellflower. She has three children and has recently been diagnosed for the second time with breast cancer. There is a food donation signup sheet posted on the back bulletin board. Two Thrivent Action Team cards have been applied for to cover the expenses for the supplies.

Church council will meet THIS Wednesday at 6:30 in the fellowship hall.

A NEW LENTEN PRACTICE: Pastor McPike has presented Lenten devotions reading from the "Passion History Drawn from the Four Gospels" that we used to read on Lent Midweek Wednesday evening services on the website. These appear as "sermon" files on the church website (osmanlutheran.org). They are posted by Wednesday of each week.

Lutheran Witness subscriptions! It is time to renew subscriptions to *The Lutheran Witness*. It is published eleven times a year. It keeps you updated with news from around the Synod and addresses topical issues of the day. The congregation pays for the subscription. If you would like a subscription, please see the church secretary by April 1st.

Announcements #2

Easter Lilies! Easter lilies are being ordered from Paxton-Buckley -Loda High School and the price will be \$12 each. Please sign up TODAY so appropriate time can be given for delivery. Please make your check out to Melanie Niemann.

Next Sunday will be a history making Sunday at Osman. Pastor McPike will not be here in person, and a substitute could not be located. However, his part of the whole service will be recorded and played at our usual 9:30 worship service time. Our organist, Alicia Haggin, will play all of the responses and hymns as a usual worship service and all of the spoken parts of the service will be played through our speaker system as if Pastor were present in person. Nick Haggin is going to be our computer expert in making this possible.

Ladies Aid/LWML ladies will be working on the district banner and prayer quilts on March 24th at 9:30 AM. All ladies are invited to help.

Did You Know? The parament/vestment color is PURPLE for Lent. Purple paraments represent both sorrow and royalty. Sorrow over our sins is a dominant theme of Lent, as it is our sinfulness that caused Jesus to go to the cross. Jesus, crowned with thorns and suffering in shame, is actually KING of all.