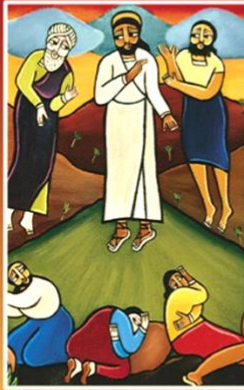


**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 2026**

*Transfiguration of Our Lord*



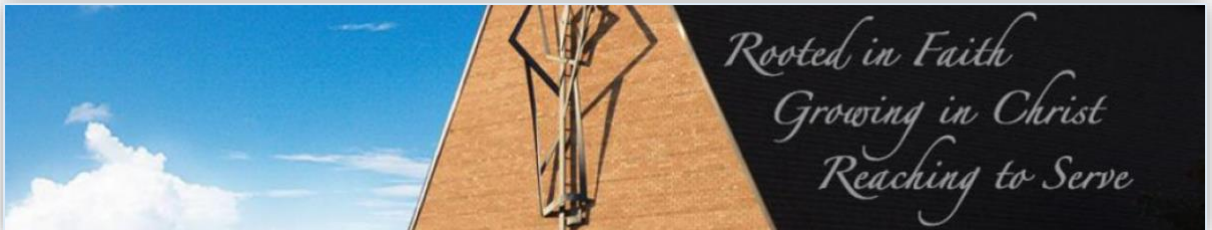
Jesus was  
*transfigured*  
before them

MATTHEW 17:2

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

Virginia, MN

Pastor Liz Cheney



## PRELUDE

Kristin Weikum, Organist

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OPENING HYMN

*Beautiful Savior*

ELW# 838

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the Creator of heaven and earth,  
the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters. **Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Mighty God, lover of justice,

**you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests  
at the expense of our neighbors.**

**We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.**

**We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you.**

**Turn us to seek your face.**

**Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

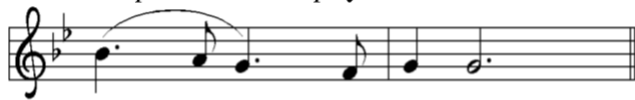
The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares:

Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,  
and forgives your sin in ☩ Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,  
and bless you with the gift of peace. **Amen.**

## KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



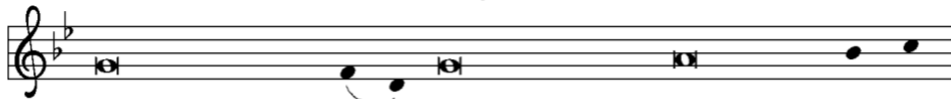
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world. for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



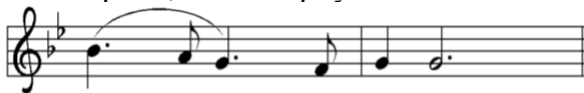
Lord, have mer - cy.



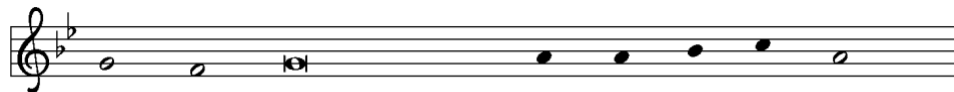
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

## THIS IS THE FEAST

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of  
all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,

for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**FIRST READING: Exodus 24:12-18**

**Lector, Nina Kampf**

*At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The “glory of the LORD” settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.*

<sup>12</sup> The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” <sup>13</sup> So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup> To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.”

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup> The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. <sup>17</sup> Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. <sup>18</sup> Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 2. *Please respond with the verses in bold print.***

<sup>1</sup> Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

<sup>2</sup> **Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the LORD and against the LORD's anointed?**

<sup>3</sup> "Let us break their yoke," they say;

"let us cast off their bonds from us."

<sup>4</sup> **God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the LORD holds them in derision.**

<sup>5</sup> Then in wrath God speaks to them, and in rage fills them with terror.

<sup>6</sup> **"As for me, I have anointed my king upon Zion, my holy mountain."**

<sup>7</sup> Let me announce the decree of the LORD, who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

<sup>8</sup> **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.**

<sup>9</sup> You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

<sup>10</sup> **And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.**

<sup>11</sup> Submit to the LORD with fear, and with trembling bow in worship;

<sup>12</sup> **lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

## SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

*At the transfiguration, God's voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God's voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.*

<sup>16</sup> We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup> For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." <sup>18</sup> We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

<sup>19</sup> So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. <sup>20</sup> First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup> because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia

*Cantor:*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

### GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9. The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.*

<sup>1</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." <sup>8</sup> And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



1 When a star is shin-ing o - ver east - ern hills,  
 2 Where the world is wait-ing for an un - known day,  
 3 Lead us on, O Day-star, in the qui - et night;



when the air is si - lent, and the clam - or stills,  
 where a voice for - got - ten cries, "Pre - pare the way!"  
 guide us through the shad - ow with your gen - tle light;



when the night is wait-ing, and the old hopes rise,  
 Where an earth - ly pow - er makes the heart turn cold,  
 show us in a man - ger our re - demp - tion's sign;



then the time has rip - ened and the heart grows wise.  
 there the gifts are of - fered— in - cense, myrrh, and gold.  
 bring us to a morn-ing where the prom - ise shines.



Lead us on, lead us on, to a morn-ing where the



prom-ise shines. Lead us on, lead us on,



to a morn - ing where the prom - ise shines.

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

*\*Please respond after each petition: "Merciful God," (Pastor) "receive our prayer," (Congregation).*

*Concluding prayer:* Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

**SHARING THE PEACE** The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**  
Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

**OFFERING** Thank you for your continued financial support of OSLC! Whether you join us in person or online, the ministry & missions of Our Savior's depend on faithful giving. You can give the following ways:

- + online links can be found by accessing our website at <https://www.oslcmn.com/>
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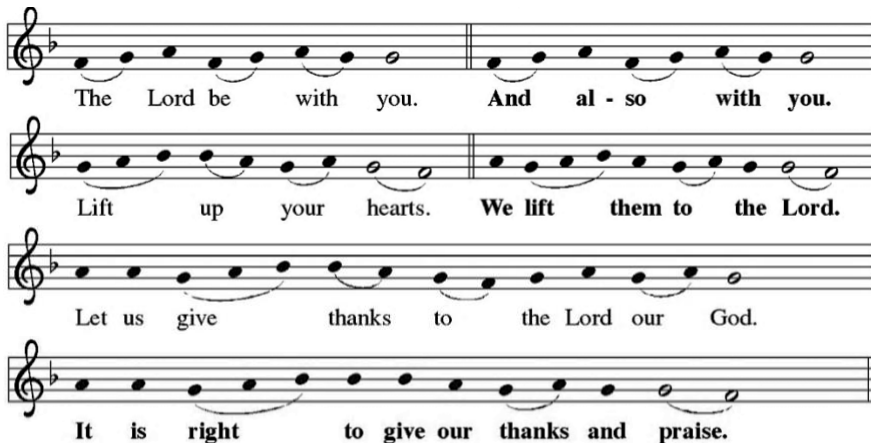
**OFFERTORY SPECIAL MUSIC** *Anna De Foe, Piano, Beth Getman, Viola*

*Sicilienne*

*Music by G. Faure*

**OFFERING PRAYER** God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**





It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**LORD’S PRAYER** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray. pg. 191  
**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.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table; taste and see.

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** *Lamb of God*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMN:**

*I Love to Tell the Story  
Shine, Jesus, Shine*

**ELW# 661  
ELW# 671**

**TABLE BLESSING**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.  
In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart.  
Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,  
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**BLESSING** May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for  
praise ☩ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

*In Thee Is Gladness*

**ELW# 867**

**DISMISSAL** Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Kristin Weikum, Organist*

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## **WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS**

Please pray for people in need of comfort, hope, healing, or safe transition: Butch, Shannon, Bruce R., Gloria, Dawn, Dan, Pete, Pastor Ellen, Dale, Adeline, Sue, Jim, Wendy, Fred, Harry, Scooby, Larry, Caleb, Pete, Jake, Laurie, Mike, Matthew C, Marge, Dana, Doug, Matthew, Bill, Mark, Dena, Jeff & family, Dan, Steve, Rick & Betsy, Gordon, Ross, Doris, Shari, Anna, Jeanette, Aaron, Shawn, Nicole, Gayla, Sarah, Brandy, Rick, Janet, Tom, Lynn M., Archer, Sharon, Mary, Debbie, Leanne, Addy, Deb, Cliff, Lorraine M., Eric, Kyle, Pr. Art, Bob D, John W., Gerilyn, Phyllis, Wally, Tedd, Ralph, Chuck, Sue. *Pray for Dave & Shannen Toole at the passing of her mother, Jeanette this week.*

***Call the church office if you have a prayer need and we will send it to the prayer chain if you desire. If you are in need of any pastoral care or if you or someone you know would like a visit, please call Pastor Liz Cheney at 218-780-8907 or the church office at 218-741-6207.***

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### ***February Lector Schedule***



**Feb. 1- Kristi Ongalo**

**Feb. 8- Jen Fredrickson**

**Feb. 15- Nina Kampf**

**Feb. 18, Ash Wednesday-**

**Judy Peliska**

**Feb.22- Chris Culbert**



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FEBRUARY 15TH, 2026

**BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR ALL** There will be a Birthday Party for the whole congregation held during Coffee An' **after worship TODAY!** WELCA is providing and will be serving ~

**WELCA** February is the month for WELCA's **Annual Love Offering** Campaign. There are labeled envelopes provided on the cabinet in the narthex if you'd like to give to WELCA for the ministries they provide for. You can place your giving in the offering tray during worship or bring your envelope to the office during the week. *\*Please mark checks for WELCA, not for OSLC.*

**ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT** Our Ash Wednesday Worship will be this week, **Feb. 18th at 6PM.** Mid-week Lenten Soup Supper & Worship dates: 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25. *Soup will be served at 5:30pm and worship will start at 6:15. Sign-up sheets to bring a soup and/or bread are on the kiosk.*

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES** There will be three sessions held on Wednesdays, 4-5:30pm, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Pastor Liz to sign up!

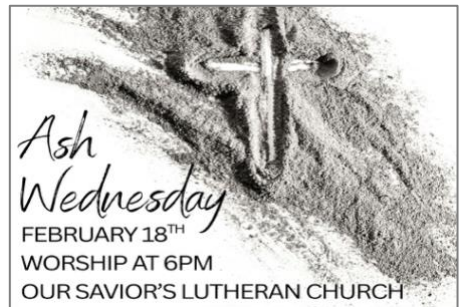
**SPRING CLOTHING SALE** MEN: IF YOU HAVE 2 OR 3 OF EVERY TOOL IN YOUR GARAGE, BRING A FEW FOR THE SALE & WRITE A SUGGESTED PRICE ON THEM FOR US! If you have **clothing, kitchen items** to donate, please leave them on the back left table in the Fellowship Hall so we know they're for the sale. Sorting will take place **Mondays, 1-3pm.** If organizing is your gift, you're welcome to volunteer with us on the west wing! The sale is Friday, Apr. 17<sup>th</sup> 8:30am-2pm, & Saturday, Apr. 18<sup>th</sup> 8:30-12p.

**NEW COUNCIL OFFICERS:** John Elofson is President, Jim Fisher is Vice President, Ron Hindt is Council Secretary, and Chris Culbert is Treasurer. Members: Gloria Gagnon, Nina Kampf, Pat Meinzer, Mark Ongalo, Dan Peliska, and Dennis Pernu.

**FINANCE TEAM:** If you are interested in serving on our Finance Team, please see Pastor Liz or Carole Rutka. The team meets the first Wednesday of the month at 11am.

**SPONSORSHIP** The Livestream & TV is sponsored by Tom Klabecek in loving memory of his wife, Jarie Klabecek. ***Thank you for supporting our broadcasts.*** To sponsor a week in honor of a person or special event, or in memory of a loved one, you can give any amount you desire to help maintain our sound/camera equipment. The sign-up sheet is on the kiosk/glass cabinet in the narthex, and you can bring your donation to the office or place in the offering plate (label it for the Livestream/TV).

**FURNACE/PIPE PROJECT:** *Your continued support is appreciated! The Thermometer sign is displayed with updates in the narthex. Reach out to Pastor or the Council if you have questions.*



<p><b><u>THIS WEEK @ OSLC</u></b>  <b>2/15 9:30AM WORSHIP</b>  <b>BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR ALL!</b>  <b>2PM CONF.ASSEMBLY</b>  <b>@UNITED IN CHRIST</b>  <b>2/16 11AM COUNCIL MTG</b>  <b>1-3PM WELCA SORTING</b>  <b>2:30 PM ORGAN PRACTICE</b></p>	<p><b>2/17 10:30AM LSS IN FIRESIDE ROOM</b>  <b>1PM WELCA BIBLE STUDY</b>  <b>2:30PM ORGAN PRACT.</b>  <b>4PM FUN.D.MENTALS BIBLE STUDY</b>  <b>2/18 9AM-2PM QUILTING</b>  <b>10AM PROPERTY MEETING</b></p>	<p><b>2/18 12-3PM C.CLOSET</b>  <b>2:30PM ORGAN PRACTICE</b>  <b>4PM CHOIR PRACTICE</b>  <b>6PM ASH WEDNESDAY HERE</b>  <b>7-8PM FAITH FORMATION MEETING</b>  <b>2/19 6PM CUBSCOUTS 5-6PM CAR WEIGH-IN</b>  <b>2/20 4-8PM CUB SCOUTS DERBY</b>  <b>2/21 VLM ANNUAL @ MESSIAH</b></p>
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## **FEB.21-22 BAKE-A-THON & COFFEE AN'**

THIS IS A FUNDRAISER FOR THE LIFT YOUTH MISSION TRIP THIS SUMMER. The youth will be staying up all night baking FEB. 21st! They'll bake communion bread & yummy treats! They will be asking if you might pledge their bake-a-thon, then support their coffee an'(and bake sale) at all three churches on Sunday, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>.



### **THIS WEEK FOR THE COMMUNITY CLOSET PANTRY**

Below are the following challenge food items for the pantry. You can buy what you desire and at the store that is most convenient for you; we just provide examples of most commonly needed items and give examples of spending \$10 or less.

*We appreciate all donations!*

1. CHICKEN OF THE SEA TUNA @ SUPER ONE  
\$.77 EA/ 12 FOR \$9.24
2. CRYSTAL FARMS CHEESE, SHREDDED AND BLOCK @ SUPER ONE  
4/\$10
3. BLACK BEANS @ SUPER ONE  
\$1.29/7 FOR \$9.03
4. MILK, 2%, 64OZ GREAT VALUE BRAND @ WALMART  
\$1.97 EA/ 5 FOR \$9.85
5. GREAT VALUE BRAND FROZEN VEGETABLES, VARIOUS KINDS @ WALMART  
\$.98 - \$1.16 FOR A 12oz BAG

*thank you*



*Ash  
Wednesday*  
FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>  
WORSHIP AT 6PM  
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Our Savior's  
Mid-week  
Lent Soup Supper  
& Worship**  
Soup at 5:30 pm  
Worship at 6:15 pm  
Wednesdays: Feb. 25,  
Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25

**Our Savior's Lutheran  
First Communion Classes**

**THREE SESSIONS: WED., 4:00-5:30 PM  
MARCH 18TH, 25TH & APRIL 1ST**

Please contact Pastor Liz  
to sign your child up for classes.

First Communion celebration will take place  
on Maundy Thursday, April 2nd  
during the 6pm worship service.

