We, Our Savior's family of believers, welcome all to share Christ's love, to grow in faith and to live a life of service glorifying God.

A prayer for uncertain times: We pray to you almighty God, in this time of interruption due to the coronavirus. You are our refuge and our strength, a very present help in times of trouble. Uphold us with your love, and give us the strength we need. Help us in our confusion, and guide our actions. Heal the sick, console the bereaved and afflicted, protect those put in vulnerable positions, for the sake of your great mercy in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mighty Stories: Join us this Lent as we encounter God's Life-Giving Grace through stories of rebirth, renewal, and resurrection.

Wednesday, March 25th – Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind
6:30 pm Worship on Facebook Live

Sunday, March 29 – Deliverance from the Fiery Furnace
11:00 am Worship on KOVC 1490 AM

**We Want to Stay Connected with You:** The church office is working to expand our email database, so that we can be in touch with you. If you have a new email or want to be sure to be included in emails from the church email Brenda at **oslcvalleycity@msn.com** 

**Like "Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Valley City, ND"** on Facebook to stay connected with your church community.

Physical distancing doesn't have to mean social distancing. You are the body of Christ. Please pick up the phone and reach out to neighbors and friends. If you'd wish to be available to the an "Our Savior's Caller" to make phone calls to members of our church, please email Pastor Emmy at <a href="rev.emmy@gmail.com">rev.emmy@gmail.com</a> or call the church office.

# Holy Week Worship Schedule – Subject to Change

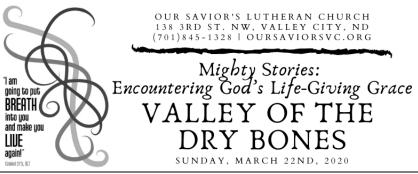
Palm Sunday – April 5th - Worship at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday – April 9th Worship and First Communion at 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday – April 10th Worship – 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday – April 12th Worship at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

**Christ In Our Home** daily devotional booklets (in regular and large print) for April , May and June are now available at the information Counter. Pick up your copy today and begin the daily practice of bible reading and reflection.



Call to Worship & Confession and Forgiveness

Gathering Hymn "Give Me Jesus" #770

**Greeting & Kyrie** 

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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** For this holy house, and for all who offer their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen.

## **Prayer of the Day**

Living God, by the death and resurrection of your Son you have brought us out of sin into righteousness and out of death into life. Breathe into us your life-giving Spirit, that receiving the gifts of the word and sacrament, we may live in the hope of all your blessings to come, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Story Lesson – Psalm 143 Lesson – Fzekiel 37:1 – 14

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"Spirit of Gentleness" #396

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Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Sending Hymn

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" #338

Organist Judy Karch
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Office Coordinator Brenda Skramstad
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**The Radio Broadcast** is in memory of Henry & Betty Jensen given by Marcella, Chris & Paul Jensen and Lisa & Trever Erickson.

**Radio broadcast** of the 8:30 a.m. worship is on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. on KOVC 1490 AM. To sponsor a broadcast, please contact the church office. The cost is \$100 and may be gifted in memory or in honor of someone or a significant event. Your gift to this ministry is appreciated.

A Prayer Candle on the altar reminds us to keep military personal and their families in prayer.

Monday Morning Prayer Group meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the Library. You are always welcome to start your week in prayer as we pause and pray for the people of Our Savior's as well as a variety of prayer concerns. This week we pray for: Cindy Creviston-Lerud & Roger Lerud; Carol Dahl; Connie Dahl; Paul & Margaret Dahlberg; Wilbert & Betty Dallmann; Sarah & Edmund Dantes, Edmund Jr., Iva; Steven Davidson.

#### January-February 2020

Year To Date Income	\$56,308.87
Year To Date Expense	\$67,009.63
Year To Date- <u>Expense</u> Over Income	(-\$10,700.76)
A week of OSLC ministry	\$7,148.10
Last Sunday general fund offering	\$1,744.75

Dear People of Our Savior's -

March 17, 2020

Jesus says, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37-38

Out of love for our neighbors, Our Savior's Lutheran Church will not be gathering in person for worship on Wednesdays, March 18, March 25, and April 1 or on Sundays, March 22 and March 29. Your congregation council and pastors have prayerfully considered the recommendations of the CDC, ND Department of Health, and our federal government in making this decision. We intend to continue with our 11:00 am Sunday Radio Broadcast on KOVC 1490 AM. We will offer worship at a distance through "Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Valley City, ND" Facebook Page on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.

Additional opportunities for prayer and connection will be offered through the Facebook page during these weeks. At this time, Bible studies and small groups that meet at the church have chosen to not meet until a later date.

Even though the ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran Church is shifting, know that ministry is still happening and we trust that God's presence is with us wherever we are. Regular and faithful giving remains necessary. Your offerings not only support the work of your pastors and church staff, but allow Our Savior's to continue to be a faithful partner in ministry with our community and wider church. Offerings may be sent to the church at 138 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW, Valley City, ND or given online through our website www.oursaviorsvc.org as a one time or recurring gift.

As we continue to step through these uncertain times, know that we seek to make faithful and loving decisions. Further decisions regarding worship and ministry after April 1<sup>st</sup> will be communicated as they are made.

God has been our help in ages past, God is our hope for years to come. Be gentle with one another and yourself. Pick up the phone and reach out to each other. Wash your hands. Trust in God's life-giving grace.

Pastor Kyle and Pastor Emmy