

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 2018 - LENT EDITION



**Ash Wednesday
is February 14**

**Ash
Wednesday
Worship**

**Our Saviour
Lutheran Church**

**12:00 noon
6:30 pm
8:00 pm**

Lent Mid-Week Sermon Series

Encounter: Meeting God on the Mountains

Ash Wednesday is February 14, 2018 (Lent begins)

Mid-Week Worship every Wednesday in Lent

This year we will ENCOUNTER God on the mountaintops of the Bible, even as we feel we are stuck in the valleys.

We will visit Mount Sinai, Mount Tabor, Mount Gerazim, Golgatha and the Mount of Olives through maps, and pictures. We will travel through the stories together as we search for meaning in our wonderful and crazy world.

Don't know where they are ? Don't know why they are significant ? Don't know what they mean for you ?

What a great reason to join us every Wednesday in Lent at 8:00 PM

Annual Meetings of the Congregation

After each worship service - please refer to the Annual Reports Package you received by mail

First Communion Classes

First Communion is a six-week class for young people at least 9 years old and older, that introduces you to the basics of Christianity. It is a no-obligation class where you can learn new things, meet new friends, and build new relationships that will last a lifetime. At the end of the six weeks, students who complete the course will be able to receive their first Holy Communion on the Sunday after Easter, April 8, 2018.

2018 Class Schedule:

Saturday – February 17 at 11:00 AM
1st Class with Parents
Saturday – February 24 at 11:00 AM
Saturday – March 3 at 11:00 AM
Saturday – March 10 at 11:00 AM
Saturday – March 17 at 11:00 AM
Saturday – March 24 at 11:00 AM

Lent Mid-Week Study Wednesdays in Lent at 7:00 PM

Taking Another Look at Luther's Small Catechism

When was the last time you read the Small Catechism by Martin Luther – when you were a middle school student? When you became a member of a Lutheran church? Never?

Luther's set of instructional questions and answers about the Christian faith is often used to teach young people in confirmation class, but its insights can be valuable to more than just the young. So, what does it mean for us today as we continue our journey of faith?

Join us as we try to answer that question by re-examining this important Lutheran document. You will be glad you did – this is most certainly true!

This series will be taught by Professor Cynthia Chambers, Associate Professor at St. John's University.

Starts February 21 at 7:00 PM

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Worship Every Sunday three times
8:30 AM ~10:00 AM ~11:30 AM

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Worship Asst. Trainings - We need you !

Usher Training - Saturday - February 24 at 12:00 Noon

For folks high school age and above. Be a part of the Welcome Team at Our Saviour. The only requirement is arriving for worship 1/2 hour early on your scheduled day - and to be able to smile ! You do not need to be a member to serve !

Acolyte Training - Saturday - March 3 at 12:00 Noon

For young people who have completed First Communion classes. Acolytes serve on the altar during worship. You do not need to be a member to serve !

Assisting Ministers - Saturday - March 10 at 12:00 Noon

For folks high school age and above who are Confirmed. Assisting Ministers are perhaps the most visible of any worship assistant as they prepare the altar and help lead worship on Sundays. You do not need to be a member to serve !

Communion Assistants - Saturday - March 17 at 12:00 Noon

For folks high school age and above who are Confirmed. Another word for Communion Assistant is Cup Bearer, or the people who "bear the cup" during Holy Communion on Sundays. You do not need to be a member to serve !

Baptism Class New Member Class

If you would like to baptize a child, be baptized yourself, become a full member of Our Saviour, or just want to find out more about this church, you are invited to participate in the next Baptism / New Member class.

Class Dates

March 23 - Friday at 8:00 PM

OR

March 24 - Saturday at 12:00 noon

This is the BIG Class for the Easter Vigil of 2018 - don't miss out on this important day !

2nd Saturday - A Day of Service

Join us on Saturday, February 10 at 10:00 AM for a different and very special 2nd Saturday as we will work at our newly acquired property to clean out the contents and clean up the house a bit - men, women, and even noseys folks are needed for this big day. More information to follow.

A gift from Roy and Alma Mayer

On December 21, Our Saviour received title to the house once owned by Alma and Roy Mayer, both now deceased, in Jamaica Hills. Pastor Bob had been working with Alma for years to make this dream a reality - a dream for both the church and for Alma. Alma and Roy wanted to thank the church for all the meaningful years they had here throughout their lifetimes. Alma especially wanted to recognize the turnaround of the church in the past twenty years, something that made her very proud.

No decisions have been made as to what will happen next with this extravagant gift to the church. For now, we have transferred all the utilities into the church name and will soon begin cleaning out the house and the contents that were left by the heirs to the estate.

Church Council has commissioned a professional feasibility study that will look at all three of the church's properties (church, parsonage, Alma's house) and look at appraisal values, housing trends, and the many possibilities this gift affords us.

A select group of leaders will meet in January with a consultant, and our attorney, to explore and dream a little what the future might look like for us with a gift of this size.

While we know that not everyone is able to bequeath their house to the church, this is perhaps, a good time to think about how you might give a legacy gift to the church to give thanks for the ministry in this place. There are many ways to do that - ways that you might never have thought of - but, ways that will allow the ministry here to continue to flourish for years and years to come.

Interested ? - speak to Pastor John, or Pastor Bob