

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Sunday, March 25, 2018

Parable of the Day

"The Mustard Seed" Mark 4:30-32

Speaker: Dora-Thea Porter

Hymns During Communion

ELW 465 "As the Grains of Wheat"

ELW 466 "In the Singing"

ELW 468 "Around You, O Lord Jesus"

Sending Hymn

ELW 346 "Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty"

Worship Assistants Today

Liturgist: Julie Veenstra

Reader: Laura Burbidge

We Hold in Prayer

Sharon Fees, grieving the death of her mother.

Worship with Young Children

Children of all ages are welcome at worship. Activity bags are available at the back of the Sanctuary and there is a special kids' corner, to the left of the pulpit, with additional materials. The service is also broadcast in the adjacent Lounge, should you need to step out during worship.

2nd Grade Communion Milestone

Today, 9:30 AM, Sanctuary

In worship this morning we celebrate our Second Graders who completed their Communion Milestone.

Kids' Sunday Adventure

Today, 10:45 AM, Fellowship Hall

Kids will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:45 AM before going to their workshop locations.

Confirmation Class

Today, 10:45 AM, Rooms 217/218

Confirmation for grades 6-8 meets today in Rooms 217/218.

Easter Gift Forms Due Today

Today is your last chance to honor someone or remember a special event this Easter, by donating to the OSLC Altar Flower Fund, or to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties. Each gift is \$20.00. Checks should be made payable to OSLC. Please complete a separate gift form for each donation, enclose your payment with it, and return it to the church office. Additional forms may be picked up in the back of the Sanctuary.

Congregation Meeting Follows

Worship Today

Following today's service all are invited to join in as we hear from our key leaders and vote on changes to the OSLC Constitution. Members of the congregation who have been confirmed are eligible to vote.

New to Amazon Smile?

Now through March 31

Support Our Savior's and triple your impact! Amazon is tripling the donation rate on your first smile.amazon.com purchase now through March 31! Go to smile.amazon.com/ch/94-1384684 and Amazon donates to Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Good Friday Service

Friday, March 30, 7:00 PM

On Good Friday, March 30, we will gather in the Sanctuary for the most solemn service of the liturgical year, a service that commemorates Jesus' death on the cross. Many have described this service as one of the most moving services of the church year.

Easter Sunday Services

Sunday, April 1, 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Easter morning will be a grand celebration, with services at 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM. Music at both services will feature the Chancel Choir, Bellissimo Handbells, and our professional timpanist and brass players.

Youth Trip Fundraiser

"May I Have the Envelope Please?"

From now until Sunday, April 15, the youth going to the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston are having an "Envelope Fundraiser." It's very simple. In the Lounge, you will find a board with one hundred envelopes, numbered from 1 to 100. Pick an envelope. Any envelope! The number on the envelope is the amount you pledge to give. Then return the envelope, with gift inside, to Pastor Holly by April 15. Every amount helps!!!! Thank you!

Concert Series: Great American Songs

Sunday, April 8, 4:00 PM

Baritone Torlef Borsting and soprano Cass Panuska will provide a delightful afternoon of familiar and less-familiar American song, all eminently enjoyable! It's the beginning of a cross-country concert tour. With Robert Ashens at the piano.

Important Dates

March

3/30 7:00 PM Good Friday Service

April

4/1 9:30 AM Easter Worship

11:00 AM Easter Worship

4/8 4:00 PM OSLC Concert Series:
Torlef Borsting and Cass Panuska

4/22 9:30 AM Earth Day Festival

4/27-28 Eighth Grade Retreat

4/29 4:00 PM OSLC Concert Series:
Lino Rivera, piano

May

5/6 9:30 AM Baptism Milestone

5/20 9:30 AM Affirmation of Baptism
(Confirmation)

Earth Day Festival

Sunday, April 22, 9:30 AM, Courtyard

Get ready to celebrate by digging out an outfit that connects you to the first Earth Day that took place in 1970. That year, the music was a prophetic voice calling the world to turn in another direction. Do you remember "Let the Sun Shine In"? This year's festival will highlight those melodies and songs that filled the air as our nation woke up to a new way of being in relationship to the natural world. We welcome "Dougie Free" to the stage this year to fill our courtyard and our hearts with music of transformation and change. Next week: Earth Day Events for Kids.

Spring Stress Reduction Courses

Classes Start This Week

Do you have the tools to weather life's storms? Within each of us lies the innate capacity to heal and grow. Invest in your health and well-being by taking a Mindfulness-based stress reduction course (MBSR). Spring classes are enrolling now. Class Dates: Tuesdays 3/27-5/29, 10:00 AM-12:30 PM and Thursdays 3/29-5/31, 7:00-9:30 PM plus an all-day retreat on Saturday, May 19, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. Contact Janell Flores Bolte, jfbolte@gmail.com, or register online at www.janellfloresbolte.com.

Financial Corner

February giving exceeded our goal, reducing our deficit by over \$6K.

As of 2/28/18

Monthly Income	Goal	Actual
Congregation Giving	\$32K	\$39K
Community Partners	\$16K	\$15K
Cumulative Cash Position		(\$67K)