

Dear Living Saviour,

Sunday, February 9, 2025 Holy Communion 10:30 A.M.

In person or on-line <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuMJ5vxpQpMZLB8638JxE> w
or through our website: www.livingsaviourlc.org.



(Tom Chriske)

Serving as worship leaders today:

Assisting Minister – **Debby Borrelli**

Crucifer— **Riley Skidmore**

Acolyte— **Addison Noonkester**

PLEASE WELCOME our guest preacher this Sunday, Rev. CeCee Mills.

Ordained on March 20, 2004, CeCee has served in the Virginia and North Carolina Synods. She currently lives in the city of her birth, Greensboro, NC with her only child, Joshua Mills. She completed her seminary studies at the Lutheran Theological Center in Atlanta which at the time was an extension of the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia. She is a certified coach, Ventures Stewardship facilitator, Healthy Congregations facilitator, and Bowens Family Systems Theory enthusiast/student. She also participates as a facilitator and activist in social and racial justice efforts. Currently, Pr. CeCee serves as an Assistant to the Bishop of the NC Synod.

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Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of Bill Keasling, Margaret Conrad's brother, who has entered the Church Triumphant.

May God fill the emptiness left in the hearts of family and friends by his passing, and may they abide in the certainty that because Christ lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present, nor things to come shall be able to separate us from the love of God.

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ROOM IN THE INN

Our Room In The Inn shelter season is underway and each Sunday night from Jan. 5 until Feb. 23, we will welcome twelve neighbors experiencing homelessness, sent through Roof Above, who will spend the night and experience Living Saviour's

hospitality. Sunday mornings you can be a part of this ministry by heading over to our "bedroom" and putting fresh, clean sheets on the beds for tonight's guests. Just a few minutes of your time will add a welcoming coziness for our homeless neighbors!

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### CONGREGATIONAL PICTURE!



Tom Chriske will be taking a Congregational group picture **this Sunday, February 9th** after the service.

Tom says, "We will have it in the Fellowship Hall and he will also take pictures of our Council members.

We will have chairs in the front row if you need one. Everyone is invited!"

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The Altar Flowers for this Sunday are given by Pastor Sara and Cliff Ilderton to the Glory of God and in honor of their 23rd Wedding Anniversary.

SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS: call or email Ruth at the church office 704-542-3626 to sign up: M-F, 9-2, and the 2025 Flower Chart has been posted in the hallway. Your \$50 donation may be dropped off on Sundays, mailed, or by using the on-line giving. Please just note "Altar Flowers" on the memo line.

Online: The **2025** online flower donation chart may be found here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CACAC29A6F4C16-50072720-2025#/>

Open Sundays: February 23rd, March 2nd.

NOTE: Ash Wednesday is March 5th, so there will be no altar flowers during Lent.

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NEXT WEEK'S NOISY OFFERING: BEST BUDDIES INTERNATIONAL

Best Buddies International is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, leadership development, inclusive living, and family support for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Best Buddies is the largest organization dedicated to ending the social, physical and economic isolation of the 200 million people worldwide with IDD.

Link to site: <https://www.bestbuddies.org/northcarolina/>

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MUSIC MINISTRY

HYMN FESTIVAL

David Cherwien, nationally known conductor, composer and organist will lead a hymn festival this Sunday, February 9, at Covenant Presbyterian Church at 4:00 PM. The festival is free of charge and all are welcome to attend. David Cherwien served as Cantor at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Minneapolis from 2001-2024. He also served as Artistic Director of the National Lutheran Choir from 2001 until 2022 and is a founding member of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians. David is recognized for his contributions to the field of church music and liturgy and is often called upon to serve as clinician and hymn festival leader across the country. If you've never attended a hymn festival, you are sure to enjoy this one. David will lead the festival from the very large pipe organ at Covenant Presbyterian.

CHANCEL CHOIR: WEDNESDAY REHEARSALS AT 6:30

- Middle school age and up
- Lead Sunday worship throughout the year

ALLELUIA RINGERS: WEDNESDAY REHEARSALS AT 5:30. Middle school age and up

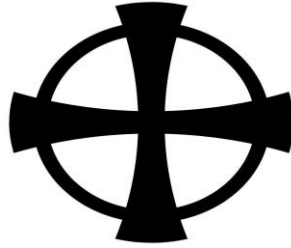
- Ring in worship at announced times throughout the choir season (Sept-May)
- Some music reading ability is helpful but we can teach you!

FESTIVAL CHOIR.

- Leads worship on festival Sundays and seasons such Reformation, Advent, Christmas and Christmas Concert, Lent, Easter.

WE WELCOME ANY NEWCOMERS TO EITHER GROUP. PLEASE SPEAK TO DON HUFF WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE.

FAITH FORMATION



SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH ASSISTANTS AND ADULTS:



ADULTS - 9:15 am in the Education Wing

Adult Class:

The Adult class will review an ELCA Social Message: Government and Civic Engagement in the United States: Discipleship in a Democracy. All are welcome to join!!

The message can be found

at [https://elcamediaresources.blob.core.windows.net/cdn/wp-content/uploads/Government and Civic Engagement Social Message.pdf](https://elcamediaresources.blob.core.windows.net/cdn/wp-content/uploads/Government%20and%20Civic%20Engagement%20Social%20Message.pdf)

CHILDREN - 9:30 am Downstairs

Children (ages 2 years through 5th grade) will have Bible stories and hands-on experiences that support the story. Parent(s) are welcome to join in the class!

LSLC YOUTH

Did you know that we have a youth group at LSLC? Spread the news! We do!

I hope you will join us for the "kick-off" on Sunday, Feb. 23 and we hope you'll bring friends.

We will gather from 4-6 p.m. at the home of Amanda & Andrew Thom. Youth will hang out and eat in one area. And parents will hang out and eat in another (and swap stories and ideas and "what ifs").

For more information, please reach out to Amanda Thom (704.488.3285)

GATHERING@theTABLE

Gathering@theTable is meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be on February 13th.

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### **WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Feb, 12 - Chapter 10 The First Advent in Palestine.

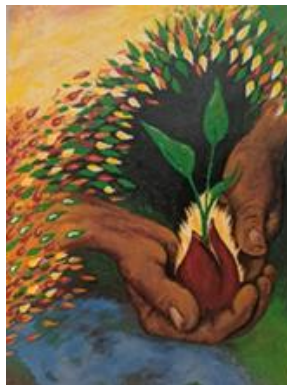
Feb 19 - starting a new book. Fight Like Jesus by Jason Porterfield. Read Chapter 1 - The Key to Holy Week.

Feb. 26 - Chapter 2 - Palm Sunday: Of Hammers and Lambs

Beginning Feb. 19th, our next study will begin with Fight Like Jesus; How Jesus waged peace throughout Holy Week by Jason Porterfield.

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### **HEALTH AND WHOLENESS MINISTRY G.R.A.C.E. INFORMATION:**



### **HEALTH AND WHOLENESS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

- If you call 911 do you really know what is going to happen? Come talk with paramedic Andy Williams on Sunday February 16 at 9:00am in our fellowship hall. He is Gregg and Anita Mitchell's son-in-law and serves Mecklenburg County EMS.
- Coming on a Saturday this Spring- Alzheimer's Awareness seminar will be presented by the Alzheimer's Association. Excellent speakers, question and answer

opportunities, vendor tables with resources are all included. Watch for the date and be sure to join us in our fellowship hall for this valuable community event!

- Mark your calendar for Sunday February 16 at 9am to talk with Andy Williams, paramedic, about 911 calls and what you need to know when the ambulance comes. This will be an informal coffee hour in our fellowship hall. You'll be glad you came!

### Active Exercise Opportunities:

- Yoga For You:
  - Mondays - 6:15 p.m.
  - Tuesdays - 9:30 a.m.
  - Thursdays - 9:30 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.
  - Saturdays - 10:00 a.m.
- Chair Yoga - Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. (**restarting February 6<sup>th</sup>**)
- Strength and Stamina - Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.

### February 2025 Health and Wholeness Tip #2 H/W ministry team.

The Health and Wholeness focus for February is Home Safety.

Install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors on every floor. Make a fire and disaster escape plan and practice regularly with your family. Never leave the stove or oven unattended when cooking. Keep objects away from lit candles and fireplaces.

Psalms 4:8 In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

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### SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR HOSTS AND FOOD DONATIONS.

- If you'd like to **host coffee hour**, please sign up on the Sunday(s) you'd serve. You'll find the sign-up sheet on the coffee hour table in the gallery.
- **Food for coffee hour is often in short supply. Whether you host or not**, consider bringing in food items to be served on that day or on future Sundays.
- The coffee hour is an important part of our Ministry of hospitality, something we can all share in.

- **Note to our devoted coffee makers:** Thank you for your help in making Sunday morning coffee! It is very much appreciated and enjoyed both before and after Worship.
  - There are labeled plastic containers on the counter next to the coffee machine for keeping several packages.
  - If you believe there are any supplies needed, please leave a note for Ruth on her desk with your name or contact Alice Jenkins. Thank you!
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#### **HELP WITH LAWN CARE:**

**We need some volunteers to help with taking care of our lawn. If you can help and be part of the "rotation," please contact Janet Axtman. Thank you!**

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### **DAILY DEVOTIONAL AIDS**

**DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS, *THE WORD IN SEASON*,** are available on the welcome table where worship folders are located. The January-March 2025 Word In Season devotional is now available. If you'd like one sent to you, please contact Ruth at the church office.

**DAILY DEVOTIONS, *TAKING FAITH HOME (TFH)*** are available on an attachment in the weekly email you receive from the church office.

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#### **LOST AND FOUND!**

Did you leave something at the church, maybe? We have a 'lost and found' drawer underneath the name tags counter in the Fellowship Hall, as well as some items on the round table in the church office.

**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER COPIES** are available outside the sanctuary on the table beside the building exit door. The newsletter is mailed to members monthly, but a few hard copies are available for those who prefer them.

**REMINDER FOR PRAYER REQUESTS:** We will be 'zeroing' the whiteboard and weekly prayer lists on the 2nd Monday of each month. If you would like to have someone added onto the prayer list moving forward, please make sure you do one of the following:

- Add the name(s) on the white board
- Email the church office

- Email Alice Jenkins

Thank you!

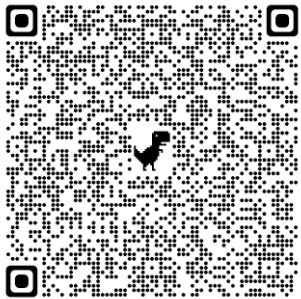
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**Counters needed!** If you are interested in assisting with counting contributions after service, please contact Laura Schwab (980-229-3900 or [laboatwright@gmail.com](mailto:laboatwright@gmail.com)). The task can usually be completed in less than 30 minutes.

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### **Your Offerings:**

You may use this QR code to make an on-line payment. It will take you to the church VANCO on-line payment portal.



You may also access on-line giving through the website, click the on-line giving button to pay for flowers, make an offering to the general operating fund, or support the on-going outreach opportunities. Indicate in the line what your gift is directed towards.

You may also mail your gift to the church. Clearly state on the memo line what the check is to be used for-- General Fund, Mortgage Reduction or other purpose (such as Flowers, Special

Day, etc.).

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