

Dear Living Saviour,

Sunday, February 23, 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 Ministers – **Jackson and Cooper Thom**

Crucifer— **Addison Noonkester**

Acolyte— **Rhys Plunkett**

Thanks to all who serve God and our community of faith.

ROOM IN THE INN

Our Room In The Inn shelter season is underway and each Sunday night from Jan. 5 until this Sunday, 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!

SPECIAL NOTES!

- The Thursday morning Yoga4You class has been **cancelled**. They will decide later today if the evening class will be held.
- The Thursday morning Chair Yoga class has been rescheduled to **Friday morning at 11:00 a.m.** due to the weather.



The Altar Flowers for this Sunday are given to the Glory of God.

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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### **LENT INFORMATION**

**Ash Wednesday service—March 5th at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Mid-Week Worship—Wednesdays, March 5th—April 9th**  
    **5:15 p.m.—Soup dinner**  
    **6:00 p.m.—Worship**

### **HOLY WEEK INFORMATION**

**Palm/Passion Sunday Service—April 13th at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Maundy Thursday service—April 17th at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Good Friday service—April 18th at 6:00 p.m.**

### **EASTER DAY INFORMATION**

**Easter Day Service—April 10th at 10:30 a.m.**

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MUSIC MINISTRY

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.

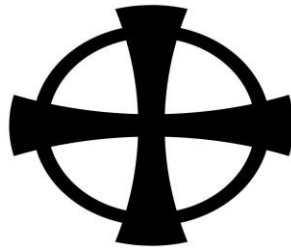
- Leads worship on festival Sundays and seasons such Reformation, Advent, Christmas and Christmas Concert, Lent, Easter.

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

Calling all WELCA! (That's women of the ELCA)!

Our Spring Gathering date is yet to be set but it will be at A Mighty Fortress in Charlotte, and you are invited. On Committee Day, we all got a sneak peek at the program Wonder Watchers (and there are props, too). So, keep your eyes open for a *Save the Date!* notice soon.

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)



2025 Bishop's Bible Study

Bishop Tim Smith will offer an online Bible study on the book of Revelation during Lent this year—specifically, the five Thursdays beginning March 13 and concluding on April 10—from 7 to 8 p.m. via Zoom. If you have any questions regarding registration, email Lexi at lbarnhill@nclutheran.org.

Registration link: <https://form.jotform.com/240076536877062>

GATHERING@theTABLE

Gathering@theTable is meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be on February 27th.

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### **WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

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

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

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

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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.
- Save the date – on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, an 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. More details to come!

### 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.
- Strength and Stamina - Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.

### February 2025 Health and Wholeness Tip #4 H/W ministry team.

The Health and Wholeness focus for February is Home Safety.

Keep dangerous items in a safe place. Keep medications and household chemicals out of the reach of children. Keep guns locked up, unloaded and out of reach. Plastic bags and drawstring cords must be kept away from children. Keep knives and sharp tools in a protected area. Keep emergency numbers on your phone including fire, police and poison control.

2 Timothy 4:18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.



### **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!



### **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!

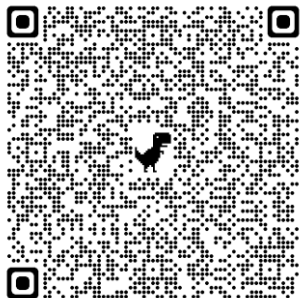
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**Counters needed!** If you are interested in assisting with counting contributions after service, please contact Laura Schwab (980-229-3900 or [laboatwright@gmail.com](mailto:laboatwright@gmail.com)). The task can usually be completed in less than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