

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

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"Our mission is to make the love of Christ known to all as we worship, serve and grow together."

All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income, or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done, or will do that can separate us from the love of God.

God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise, prayer, and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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APRIL 2026 @OUR SAVIOR'S	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	BIRTHDAYS	
	March 29 Palm Sunday 8:30 – 11am Church Office Open 9:30am Worship 10:15am Palm Sunday Breakfast 6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.	March 30 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 10am – 12 noon Gas Vouchers	March 31 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 1–5pm Women's Clothes Closet <u>Come For Supper</u> 4pm Doors Open 4:05–5:15pm Meal Served 5:15–5:30pm Carry Outs Only	1 Passover Starts 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 6pm Dorcas Society No Wednesday Worship	2 Maundy Thursday 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 12 noon Worship 6pm Worship	3 Good Friday 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 12 noon Worship 6pm Worship	4 Holy Saturday 9am – 1pm Women's Clothes Closet Open		2 Michael Burand 2 Mike Caucutt 3 Jennifer Edmonds 3 Jane Wood 4 Jackson Pitz 7 Mildred Larson 8 Sally Vaaler 10 Tyler Bahr 14 Dallas Ellefson 15 Sue Brobeck 15 Kim Richards 20 Marlene Cravens 27 Liz Culver 29 John Bahr 30 Chris Krueger
	5 Easter Sunday 8:30 – 11am Church Office Open 9:30am Worship 6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.	6 Church Office Closed	7 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 1–5pm Women's Clothes Closet <u>Come For Supper</u> 4pm Doors Open 4:05–5:15pm Meal Served 5:15–5:30pm Carry Outs Only	8 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 1pm Priscilla Circle No Wednesday Worship	9 Passover Final Day 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 5:30 – 9pm PEO mtg. FiresideRm.	10 Pastor/Staff Sabbath	11 9am – 1pm Women's Clothes Closet Open		
	12 Second Sunday of Easter 8:30 – 11am Church Office Open 9:30am Worship 10:15am Game Day 10:15am Coffee Fellowship 6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.	13 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 10am – 12 noon Gas Vouchers	14 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 9am Quilters 1–5pm Women's Clothes Closet <u>Come For Supper</u> 4pm Doors Open 4:05–5:15pm Meal Served 5:15–5:30pm Carry Outs Only	15 Second Wed. of Easter Tax Day 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 12 noon Worship 1pm Art & Faith 6pm Church Council	16 9am – 1pm Church Office Open	17 Pastor/Staff Sabbath	18 9am – 1pm Women's Clothes Closet Open 4:30 – 6:30pm Dinner & Movie		SHAKE INTO APRIL AND SPICE UP THE PANTRY We're collecting spices to help add flavor and variety to meals for our neighbors in need. Salt & Pepper Garlic & Onion Powder Seasoned Salt Italian Seasoning Oregano Basil Paprika Chili Powder Taco Seasoning Red Pepper Flakes Cumin Cinnamon Other Shelf-Stable Spices
	19 Third Sunday of Easter Noisy Offering Emergency Fund 8:30 – 11am Church Office Open 9:30am Worship 10:15am Moo-Moo's Prayer Club 10:15am Coffee Fellowship 10:30am Special Cong. mtg. 3 – 5pm Conference Caucus mtg. 6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.	20 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 10am – 12 noon Gas Vouchers	21 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 1–5pm Women's Clothes Closet <u>Come For Supper</u> 4pm Doors Open 4:05–5:15pm Meal Served 5:15–5:30pm Carry Outs Only	22 Third Wednesday of Easter Earth Day 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 12 noon Worship	23 9am – 1pm Church Office Open	24 Arbor Day Pastor/Staff Sabbath 6 – 8pm Courtyard Fire Pit	25 9am – 1pm Women's Clothes Closet Open		
	26 Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30 – 11am Church Office Open 9:30am Worship 10:15am Moo-Moo's Prayer Club 10:15am Coffee Fellowship 6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg. 2pm Bowling Party	27 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 10am – 12 noon Gas Vouchers	28 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 9am Quilters 1–5pm Women's Clothes Closet <u>Come For Supper</u> 4pm Doors Open 4:05–5:15pm Meal Served 5:15–5:30pm Carry Outs Only	29 Fourth Wednesday of Easter 9am – 1pm Church Office Open 12 noon Worship	30 9am – 1pm Church Office Open	May 1 Asian Pacific American Heritage Month 12 noon Worship 6pm Worship	May 2 9am – 1pm Women's Clothes Closet Open		

HOLY WEEK 2026

Palm Sunday— The good news is... inspiring us to act
Sunday, March 29, 2026, Mark 11: 1–11 (Triumphal entry into Jerusalem)

Maundy Thursday—The good news is... even Judas gets his feet washed
Thursday, April 2, 2026, John 13: 1–25 (Jesus washes the disciples' feet)

Good Friday—The good news is... revealed through nonviolence
Friday, April 3, 2026, Luke 22: 47–53; Luke 23: 33–38, 44–46 (Judas' betrayal; Jesus heals the servant's ear after his disciples draw swords; Jesus forgives those crucifying him)

Easter Sunday— The good news is... alive in the world
Sunday, April 5, 2026, Matthew 28: 1–10 (Do not be afraid; go tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.)

PASTORAL ACTS—FUNERAL

Katherine "Kaye" O. Kjome, passed after a short illness on Monday, January 26, 2026. A Celebration of Life was held at 1pm on Saturday, March 21, 2026, at Our Savior's. Pastor Jooane Richmond officiated.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP UPDATE

Please note that there will be no Wednesday worship on **Wednesday, April 1 or Wednesday, April 8** — this is not an April Fools' announcement. As we enter Holy Week, we will instead gather for special services offered throughout the week.

SPARE GAS CANS NEEDED

Our church assists neighbors with gas vouchers when they are in need. Sometimes, however, they don't have a safe way to transport the gasoline. If you have any clean, spare gas cans you're no longer using, please consider donating them to the church so we can pass them along when needed. Donations may be left at the church office. Thank you for helping us care for our neighbors in practical ways.

BOWLING PARTY!

Strike up some fun with your church family and friends!

 **When:** Sunday, April 26, 2026

 **Time:** 2pm

 **Where:** Pla-Mor Lanes (807 4th St. S., La Crosse)

All skill levels welcome—come roll, laugh, and enjoy a relaxed evening together. Bowling and shoe rental are provided, plus plenty of fun for everyone! ✨ **Sign up now:** Call/text Jessica at [608.738.1016](tel:608.738.1016) ✨

DORCAS SOCIETY

Wednesday, April 1, 6:30pm—Fellowship Hall

Join us for the April meeting as we gather for a regular business meeting. Your ideas and participation are always appreciated! Whether you attend regularly or joining us for the first time, you are warmly invited to come and be part of the conversation and community.

We are also still accepting Christmas items for November's annual Christmas Bazaar—feel free to bring donations with you to the meeting.

GAME DAY

Sunday, April 12, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Bring the whole family and join us for a fun-filled Game Day! All ages and stages are welcome—because everything's more exciting with a little friendly competition. 😊 Bring your favorite board game, a snack to share, or simply come as you are. There's a seat (and a game) for everyone!

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, April 18, 4:30 – 6:30pm—Fellowship Hall

Join us for a cozy family movie night fun for all ages and stages! Enjoy a light dinner and snacks while we relax and watch a great film together. For more information, please call/text Jessica at [608.738.1016](tel:608.738.1016)

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, April 19, 2026, 10:15am—Sanctuary

A Special Congregational Meeting will be held **Sunday, April 19, 2026, immediately following worship** to consider two building projects: **replacement of the boiler pumps and motors** and **updates to the church's exterior entry doors**. The church council will bring recommendations for consideration. Please plan to attend.

COURTYARD FIRE PIT

Friday, April 24, 6—8pm—Courtyard

Gather around the fire for a night of s'mores, grilled hot dogs, outdoor games, and lots of fun! Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and your friends and family, for a cozy evening together.

OSLC HIKING GROUP

Sunday, May 3, 1:30pm—TBD

We're hosting an afternoon hike welcome to beginner hikers, seasoned veterans and everyone in between! Stay tuned for more details.

MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB

Sunday, April 19 & 26, 2026, 10:15am – Sanctuary

Calling all little hands and big hearts! 🙌 Infants, toddlers, and elementary-age kids are invited to explore fun, exciting ways to praise and serve God. Sing, pray, learn, and play together as we grow in faith—no experience needed, just curiosity and smiles! 😊

APRIL DONATION DRIVE—SPICE UP THE PANTRY

This April, we're collecting **spices** to help add flavor and variety to meals for our neighbors in need. Items like salt, pepper, garlic powder, onion powder, Italian seasoning, cinnamon, and other shelf-stable spices are all welcome. Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the narthex. Even small additions can make a big difference, helping turn simple ingredients into delicious meals. **Thank you for adding a little flavor, one jar at a time.**

MEMORIALS & SPECIAL GIFTS

Our Savior's gratefully acknowledges and sincerely appreciates your gifts over and above your regular giving. The following gifts were from Saturday, January 16, 2026—Tuesday, March 10, 2026. Thank you!

- **AV/Streaming Ministry** In memory of Bill Temte by Bob & Carol Miller, in memory of Vera Wensole by Dennis & Linda Baehr, Debbie & Erv Dukatz, Todd & Kim Grapes, Dave & Patti Hanson, Bob & Carol Miller, Doris Modahl, Chuck & Linda Rudrud, Laura Sanborn, Jacqueline Thomas, and Cheryl Vieth, and Karen Gleason
- **Come For Supper** In memory of Bill Temte by Gene & Betty Linse, and in memory of Dottie Pierce by the Pierce Children, and by Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, La Crosse, WI
- **Quilters** In memory of Vera Wensole by Dean & Susann Skinner, and Sue Staples
- **Undesignated** In memory of Bill Temte by Dennis & Linda Baehr, Laurie Colburn, Shelly & Douglas Fortner, Todd & Kim Grapes, David & Jean Miller, Ruth Monski, Marc Ranger & Elizabeth Goli Ranger, Linda & Chuck Rudrud, Barbara Teal, Louise Temte and in memory of Roy Modahl by Bud & Ann Helstad
- **Women's Clothes Closet** by Our Savior's Lutheran Church, West Salem, WI
- **Youth Palm Sunday Breakfast** by Cheryl Vieth, Kim Grapes, and Miss Sunny
- In honor of **Debbie & Erv Dukatz's 50th wedding anniversary** by Cheryl Vieth

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

		Jan. 1 – Feb. 28, 2026, Actual	YTD Budget
INCOME	General Income	\$29,693.48	\$44,750.00
	Other Income	\$6,031.45	\$4,805.84
	Benevolence	\$444.86	\$750.00
	Mission Support	\$2,628.00	\$4,166.66
	Other Mission Support	\$572.00	\$1,458.34
TOTAL INCOME		\$39,369.70	\$55,930.84
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$60,588.48	\$55,930.86
OVER/UNDER		(\$21,218.69)	(\$0.02)