

Depending on Our Great God

Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing. - Isaiah 40:26

Have you ever wondered when Michaelangelo finally knew that the Sistine Chapel was done? How did Leonardo da Vinci know that Mona Lisa's smile was just right? At what point did Rembrandt know that he had finished a masterpiece of art?

Now try to grasp our God creating the universe and coming to the conclusion that one more star would be too many, and one less would be not enough. Think about the fact that he called them all into existence and named each one of them (sorry, International Star Registry).

It is valuable to feel small and insignificant in the presence of our great God. We are reminded how blessed we are to be dependent on him. It is this great God that has given his Son to pay for our sins. It is this great God that assures us that we can rest securely in his protective care. It is this great God that comes to us in his Word and tells us how much he loves us.

Prayer (Psalm 108:3-6): I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples. For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let your glory be over all the earth. Save us and help us with your right hand, that those you love may be delivered.

Weekly Mission Prayer

Abiding Savior, Killeen, Texas – Heavenly Father, we seek your blessing upon the work of Pastor Steve Dorn and all who serve and support Abiding Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church in Killeen, Texas. Let the light of your Son shine through their work near the Fort Hood military base. Grant them and all they serve your forgiveness, which covers all sins, and your peace that transcends all understanding. Amen.

Congregational Leadership

Our elected leaders will be working with our Circuit Pastor and District President and guiding our congregation through the upcoming pastoral transition. If you have questions or concerns during this time, please contact them: Dan Woltman (Cong. President) - wolt2012@comcast.net; Dale Manzel - dale.manzel@searshc.com; Billy Miller - bmiller@economypacking.com; Pastor Peter Prange (Circuit Pastor) - pastor@jerusalemlutheran.org; Pastor David Rutschow (District President) - sewdp@aol.com.

Holy Week Worship Opportunities

Maundy Thursday - April 5

6:15 p.m. - Soup Supper

7:00 p.m. - Worship w/Holy Communion

Good Friday - April 6

7:00 p.m. - Tenebrae (Service of Darkness)

Easter Sunday - April 8

8:00 a.m. - Easter Festival Service

9:15 a.m. - Easter Breakfast

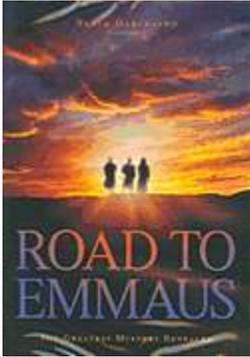
10:30 a.m. - Easter Festival Service



Training Camp is a camp for WELS youth entering grades 3-9. The camp seeks to encourage a love for God's creation through the study of God's Word with old and new friends. This year's camp will be at YMCA Camp Duncan in Ingleside, IL, from Sunday, July 22, through Friday, July 27. The theme for this year is Fear Factor. Daily devotions, Bible studies and songs are about courage in the face of fears. More information is available in the entryway or at www.epiphany-wels.org.

Road to Emmaus DVDs Available

On Easter evening, Jesus explains to two disciples why it was necessary for him to suffer and rise from the dead, and the disciples discover the joy and hope that Easter brings to them and all people. **Road to Emmaus** is a 30-minute video that tells the story of that conversation. DVDs are available in the entryway for you to take for your personal spiritual growth and/or to share with a friend. Share the good news of Easter!



Midweek Lenten Worship

In this year's midweek Lenten worship, we consider *Searching Questions from Our Savior's Passion*. Join us this Wednesday March 28 at 7:00 p.m. for our final midweek Lenten service. A weekly soup supper will also be served at 6:15 p.m.

Our Backyard & Beyond:

Sharing Jesus -- Starting Near, Reaching Far
LWMS Chicago Area Circuit Mission Event

You are invited to spend a day of "fun in the sun" with other women from backyards here in the Chicago area on Saturday, April 21st at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Palatine. Come and hear Pastor Phil Huebner share his story of the wonderful things happening in the mission field *right here* in the United States, in Palm Coast, Florida. A basket for mission money will be at church through Sunday, April 8. Talk to Elisabeth Wagner or Margaret Schubring for more information.

Bible Study - Heroes of Faith

Hebrews 11 is like the Bible's Hall of Fame, describing people who did or witnessed amazing things--not by their own power or skill, but by God's gift of faith. Join us Sundays at 9:15 a.m., as we look at the lives of these Heroes of Faith and learn to trust God in our own lives.

Caring Hearts

Starting April 15th Ruth Kline will be taking all of the calls for Caring Hearts at 847-683-7258.

This Week's Birthday

- Mar. 25 Mason Povich
- Mar. 27 Darin Bredemann

Serving the Lord Today

- Ushers (8:00): Jeff & Jared Bruemmer
- Ushers (10:30): Dan Woltman, Dan & Rosie Schoenbeck
- Accompanist: Elisabeth Wagner
- Refreshments: Bernthal, Smith

Serving the Lord Next Week (3/26-4/1)

- Church Cleaning: Christiansen, Loiseau
- Ushers (8:00): Mark Kreklow, Bill Miller
- Ushers (10:30): Deborah Weniger, Doug Salzwedel
- Accompanist: David Frick
- Refreshments: Lush, Weniger

Give Thanks to the Lord!

- Worship Attendance: 51 (20-8:00/ 31-10:30)
- Lent Worship (2/29): 16
- Sunday Bible Study: 11
- Sunday School: 10
- Heritage Woods Worship : 13
- Other Bible Studies (2): 16