

**SUNDAY**

**MARCH 14, 2021**

Pastor: Jon Franson

*The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

**Welcome to our service** this morning at Our Savior’s in Bartlett and St. John’s in Burwell. If you are looking for a church home we invite you to consider Our Savior’s or St. John’s.

**The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession** and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17- 34

**Divine Service:** Divine Service, setting 4, pg. 203

**Hymns:** 571, 423, 451

**Text:** Numbers 21:4 – 9

**Sermon Title:** “Snake on a Flag Pole”

## ***Worship schedule***

Sun. March 14<sup>th</sup>: 8:15 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ Our Savior’s  
10:30 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ St. John’s

Wed. March 17<sup>th</sup>: 6:30 PM Lenten Midweek Service @ St. John’s.

Sun. March 21<sup>st</sup>: 8:15 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ Our Savior’s  
10:30 AM Divine Service w/Holy Communion @ St. John’s

## ***Announcements:***

Announcements for the bulletin, may be left at the church office or emailed to Bethany Franson at [Bethany.Franson@gmail.com](mailto:Bethany.Franson@gmail.com) or text to 308-201-0924 before 12pm on Thursday.

**Hubbub at the Hub** Please stop by the Hub from 2 – 3:30 with any of your questions for Pastor about the Bible, Lutheranism, or Christianity in general. If there’s a book of the Bible that you’d like to know more about, feel free to ask. Pastor looks forward to seeing on Thursday afternoons.

**Fish Fry at St. John’s, Ord.** On Friday March 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7 PM St. John’s Lutheran in Ord will hold their annual fish fry. The event will be take-out only. The meal price is \$8.

**PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY...** You're invited to attend the Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, July 23 and Saturday, July 24 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: Mark & Mollie Hemingway, Lawrence Rast, Bryan Wolfmueller, Will Weedon and Robert George. Early bird registration is \$135 and includes three meals. For more information, visit [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) or call (618) 223-8385.

**Life thought from Lutherans For Life:** Location, origin, and residency can neither improve a person’s worth nor impair it. The Lord God’s worldwide redemption in Jesus (John 3:16) gathers from east and the west, north and the south (Psalm 107:2-3). How then can the confines of a woman’s womb or the bars of a hospital bed or the walls of a laboratory hold Him back when His great love has redeemed the human lives there as well?

### Upcoming Lenten Schedule

March 17<sup>th</sup> – Absolution “Which sins should we confess?”

March 24<sup>th</sup> – Absolution “What is the Office of the Keys?”

March 28<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday

April 1<sup>st</sup> – Maundy Thursday

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Good Friday

April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Vigil of Easter

April 4<sup>th</sup> – Easter Morning

*\*Evening service times are 6:30 PM, Holy Week Service times to be determined.\**

**Concordia Seward Virtual Open Houses.** For all high school students and their families, Concordia is holding a series of virtual open houses throughout February to learn more about the university’s academic and co-curricular programs and the college admissions process. The free sessions begin at 7 pm Central and registration is required, visit <https://cune.elluciancrmrecruit.com/Apply/Events> for more details.

Monday, March 15	Speech Team
Monday, March 22	Computer Science
Monday, March 29	Health & Human Performance
Monday, April 5	Chemistry
Monday, April 12	Business
Monday, April 19	Lutheran Educators
Monday, April 26	Biology

**Nebraska Lutherans for Life essay contest** Nebraska Lutherans for Life would like to invite students in grades 6-12 who are members of a Lutheran congregation or attend a Lutheran school in Nebraska to participate in this year’s Lutherans for Life Essay Contest, based on the 2021 Conference theme: God Chose You with the Bible verse: “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit” (John 15:16). Any interested students should contact Pastor for more information.

**RED & BLUE GALA** on Saturday, March 27 at Riverside Golf Club in Grand Island: this is the annual fundraising semi-formal dinner-auction for Heartland Lutheran High School. Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m., live auction at 7 p.m. A limited number of tickets are still available from the HLHS school office, 308-385-3900, [office@heartlandlutheran.org](mailto:office@heartlandlutheran.org).

### Service Outline

Opening Hymn: 571 “God Loved the World So That He Gave”

Confession and Absolution, pg. 203

Introit

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

**Though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:

**that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.**

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

**He will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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Kyrie pg. 204 [*The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Lent*]

Collect/Readings

*Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 21:4 – 9*

*Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 2:1 – 10*

*Gospel Lesson: John 3:14 – 21*

Hymn of the Day: 423 “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary”

Sermon: “Snake on a Flag Pole”

Sermon Text: Numbers 21:4 – 9

Nicene Creed, pg. 206

Prayers of the Church

**P** ... let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

Benedicamus and Benediction pg. 212

Closing Hymn: 451 “Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”



**Those desiring long term prayers:**

*John Clark (Grandson of Bob & Jere Schwartzkopf), Floyd Dunbar, Randy Cain, Cheryl Weekly & family (Francis Mares daughter), Paul Cain, Laura Knight and Peggy Mohr (Francis Mares's sisters), Sam Lee, Mick Scarlett, Frances Mares, Reggie & Tammy Roth, Matthew Ropers (Grandson of Dolores Ropers) Howard Lee, Pastor John Ryding, Judy Steimle (friends of Kenn & Jan Stobbe), Roger & Deb Stevenson (friends of Bob & Jere Schwartzkopf)*

**Those desiring short term prayers:**

*Darlene Shermo (friend of Pastor's family) who has suffered a cancer recurrence. Jim Roblyer. Candace Cain for a speedy recovery from surgery. All those diagnosed and dealing with Covid19, and those indirectly suffering due to the pandemic.*

**Those serving in the military:**

**Eric Donner, Tom Ziegler, Rebecca Fines, and  
Brandon Kammerer, Tate Phillipps**

If a name is not on one of the lists and you feel it should be on, please contact pastor or Bethany to make a change. Also as a reminder.....please let pastor or Bethany know when a name can be removed from the long term list; and if you wish someone to remain on the short term list after 4 weeks, you will need to make the request again.