

Mark 13:1-8, 24-37

The Destruction of the Temple Foretold

13As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!’ ²Then Jesus asked him, ‘Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.’

3 When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴‘Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?’ ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

The Coming of the Son of Man

24 ‘But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light,

²⁵ and the stars will be falling from heaven,

and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

The Lesson of the Fig Tree

28 ‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

The Necessity for Watchfulness

32 ‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

Worship Host	Dean Ersfeld
Ushers	Agnes Baysahwala, Jennifer Houge, Randy & Jane Koza
Greeters	Judy Koza, Sherry Pasket, Katelyn Syring
Lector	Natalie Forsberg
Kitchen Help	Mark & Doreen Winter, Jessica Morgan



**Sunday, March 13, 2016
11:00am**

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Welcome to worship!

If you are visiting, thank you so much for joining us in worship! If this is your first time here or if you have been here before and would like to know more about this church, please fill out a Visitor Information Card (located in the card racks in front of you on the pew) and place it in the offering plate. Please feel free to join us after service for conversation and fellowship. Thank you for visiting and experiencing the power of God and hearing the promise of His Word with us!

Sunday, March 13 First Sunday Food Shelf, Blood Pressure Check, Bucks for our Building

- 8:45am Traditional Worship
- 10:00am Creation Stations, Middle School SS, Funeral Planning Matters
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship
- 1:00pm Spring of Eternal Life Church
- 3:00pm SEL (FH) Savior-Fireside, Classrooms
- 4:30pm Savior Church

Monday, March 14

- 8:00am Savior (F)
- 6:00pm Joy Circle-offsite
- 6:45pm Lives Worth Living

Tuesday, March 15

- 8:00am Savior (F)
- 1:00pm Staff Meeting
- 2:00pm Eastside Lutheran @ ORLC
- 7:00pm SEL (S), Church Board

Wednesday, March 16

- 8:00am Savior (F)
- 9:30am Bible Study
- 5:00pm Congregational Growth Team
- 5:30pm Supper
- 6:00pm Confirmation, Bell choir
- 6:30pm Lenten Service
- 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir, Mentoring, Small Groups

Thursday, March 17

- 8:00am Savior (F)
- 6:45am Men’s Bible Study
- 6:00pm Savior (F), Girl Scouts
- 6:30pm Knitting & Crochet Group offsite

Friday, March 18

- 8:00am Savior (F)
- 6-8:00pm Savior (S)

Saturday, March 19

- 8:00am Savior (F)
- 10am-12pm Easter Egg Hunt, Savior Practice (S)
- 1pm-12am Scrapbooking
- 5-9pm SEL (S)

Sunday, March 20 Palm Sunday

- 8:30-10:30am Breakfast
- 8:45am Traditional Worship
- 10:00am Creation Stations, Middle School SS
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship
- 1:00pm Spring of Eternal Life Church
- 3:00pm Savior-Fireside, Classrooms
- 4:30pm Savior Church

Upcoming Readings

- March 20: Triumphal Entry—Mark 11:1-11
- March 27: Resurrection—Mark 16:1-8

Gathering

Welcome

Worship Songs

Children's Message

Lesson of the Day Mark 13:1-8, 24-37 P: Word of God, Word of life **C: Thanks be to God**

Message "It's Going To Be Okay" Intern Pastor Anne Jackson

Response Song/Offering

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Song

Service of Dedication in the Kitchen

Announcements

Sending P: Go in peace to serve the Lord by building community. C: Thanks be to God

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday—8:45am & 11:00am (breakfast 8:30-10:30am)

Maundy Thursday—7:00pm

Good Friday—7:00pm At Gustavus Adolphus

Easter Sunday—8:45am & 11:00am

Planning for our dying – Lent is the time when we watch and hear what Jesus said and did before he died. There are many reasons why it is helpful for us to do good planning before we die. Join us today between services for a presentation around helpful planning. This will center around burial plans and funeral preparation while addressing financial planning and medical preparation. Helpful booklets will be given to all attending.

Share the invitation – We are called to share our faith and it is upon us to help build up the church. Our Redeemer will again be advertising our Holy week events in the community but we want your help with inviting others. Take the insert from today and hand them off to a neighbor or coworker, or mail it to a friend. Join us today for an afternoon walk around the neighborhood. We will eat a lunch and then head out to neighbor homes with a postcard and invitation.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Date: Saturday, March 19th

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

For: Walkers through 5th grade

Cost: Free!!

There will be an egg hunt for the younger kids, scavenger hunt for the older kids, crafts, bingo, snacks and a petting zoo. Don't forget your basket or bag to put your goodies in. Dress for the weather as the egg hunt is outdoors.

Volunteers needed:

We always need volunteers to help with this event. If you are interested in helping the day of the event or the night before stuffing eggs, please let a member of the Children's Ministry team know.

Egg hunt donations—The Children's Ministry team is collecting items for the egg hunt. Individually wrapped candy as well as small toys (stickers, tattoos, etc) that fit into plastic eggs can be dropped off in the basket outside of the office.

Celebration of Holy Communion—Holy Communion is a mystery for all of us. All who desire to participate in Communion are invited (children, youth and adults) to attend March 19 from 9:00 am - 10:30 am) dedicated to teaching about Communion. We will be baking our own

bread during the teaching for Maundy Thursday and are looking for bread bakers! If you, a friend or family member would be interested in participating in Communion and/or using this time as a deeper learning opportunity for you around Communion ~ please contact Intern Pastor Anne Jackson to sign-up to attend and/or help! The Celebration of Holy Communion will be during the Maundy Thursday worship service @ 7 pm.

March is MN Foodshare month – March is a time when we are most intentional about asking people to help support our local food shelves. School, Corporations, Small Business, Restaurants and Grocers are also being challenged to help. Consider a special gift of purchased food or a financial contribution (these are preferred as then can purchase more food that we can get) and help the Twins Cities churches make a difference for those facing food insecurity. A fact sheet is located by the collection baskets at the front entry. Gifts of cash or check can be placed into the offering plates made our to ORLC with foodshelf in the memo.

Photo Directory – We are making plans to have a new church directory made this Spring with pictures being taken in early May. Look for upcoming information about signing up for times. We are looking for another 1-3 people to help with this project. The work is led by Lifetouch Studios and is a different process for leaders. Talk to Pastor Karsten if you are interested in helping.

Quilting begins again—Quilting days will be the 2nd & 4th Monday mornings of each month at 9am. Anyone is welcome - No skills necessary. We donate quilts to various organizations and to all ORLC baptized children.

Caffeinated for Christ—A new Bible study is beginning with the Caffeinated For Christ small group. It is "Contagious Joy" by Women of Faith. We meet at a private home the 1st and 3rd Mondays from 6:30 -8pm. Call Kathi Kirchoff , 651-245-3533 for information and to join us. The first chapter discussion starts March 7.