The Destruction of the Temple Foretold
13 As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!’ 14 Then 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, ‘Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?’ 5 Then Jesus began to say to them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray. 6 Many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and they will lead many astray. 7 When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. 8 For 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. 26 Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. 27 Then 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. 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. 29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. 30 Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. 31 Heaven 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. 33 Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. “It 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. 35 Therefore, 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. 36 Or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. 37 And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

Upcoming Readings
March 20: Triumphant Entry—Mark 11:1-11
March 27: Resurrection—Mark 16:1-8

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

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!
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 out to ORLC with foodshare 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.