
CONNECTION

Our Savior Lutheran Church

Mesquite, TX

March 2019

2019 LENTEN WORSHIP MOUNTAINOUS ADVENTURE

2019 marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Sir Edmund Hillary.

Hillary was once called the last great adventurer.

The first to climb Mount Everest in 1953, Hillary died in 2008 prompting a worldwide tribute—from the lowest valley to the highest mountain. Sir Edmund Hillary's death did not bring an end to the adventure of mountain climbing, however. In fact, our 2019 midweek Lenten worship will challenge us to head for the mountains to encounter the Christ. Our ascent will take us to the great mountain peaks of the Bible, where God met his people Israel... and where God meets us still today.

Our Lenten mountain climb will call for discipline and sacrifice, challenge and courage, daring and faith.

As daunting as that task may seem, we will not make the climb alone.

Jesus will be our guide.

Great an adventurer as Sir Edmund Hillary was, Jesus was the ultimate adventurer. He dared to climb Calvary's peak of death, carrying the weight of the world on his back.

It was a climb never before attempted.

Yet Jesus refused to flinch at its staggering height.

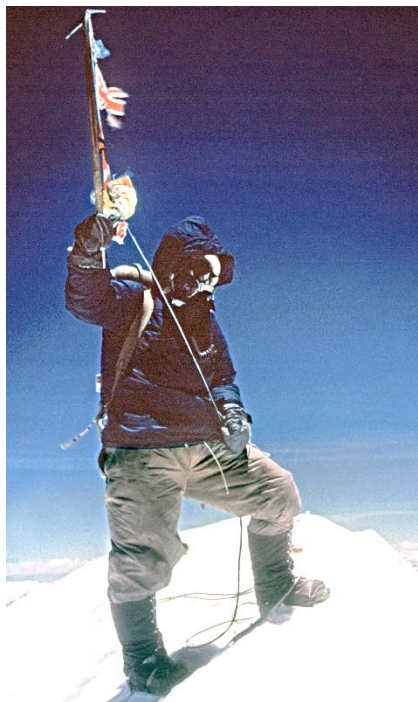
He scaled the treacherous mountain crags of Calvary alone.

It was his solitary mission to save the world.

God met humanity on Mt. Calvary... and conquered death.
And God meets us on our Lenten mountaintops to give us life.

It is ironic, perhaps, that Sir Edmund Hillary's climb to the world's tallest mountain took forty-seven days—almost exactly the length of Lent (forty days not counting Sundays)—almost exactly the time it took Jesus to get to the loftiest heights—not of Everest—but of Easter.

Join us this Lent as we climb every Biblical mountain to finally walk with Christ to Easter's lofty summit.



MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

DATE	6PM SUPPER	7:15PM SERVICE
March 13	Italian	Mt. Ararat— Mount of Promise
March 20	Sandwiches	Mt. Moriah— Mount of Providence
March 27	Chili	Mt. Nebo— Mount of Potential
April 3	Soup	Mt. Caramel— Mount of Perseverance
April 10	Mexican	Mt. Zion— Mount of Presence

COUNCIL CORNER – MARCH 2019

2019, a big year in the history of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Mesquite. What is so big about 2019 you ask? Well we celebrate the 50th year since Our Savior was organized and first met. Planning has already started for a celebration to mark the occasion, trying to determine a date where the dignitaries from the synod are available, as well as what we want to do. We're going to need a lot of assistance to pull this off, so contact the council if you can help. We'll get a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board soon.

So, what else is being planned? Glad you asked:

- March 3 – Marti Gras Brunch
- April 6 – Rodeo Parade
- April 13 – Church Cleanup for Easter
- April 21 - Easter
- May 5 – International Brunch/Pot Luck –
food from your home country
- June – Congregational Picnic
- TBD – 50th anniversary of OSL
- July – 500th anniversary of Leipzig Debate
- October – Pet Blessing
- November – Crop Walk, Thanksgiving
- December – Christmas



As you can see there are lots of opportunities available for everyone to get involved. Pick an event and let the council know you want to help.

—David Anderson

Nancy's Health Notes

SPRING IS SPRUNG

THE GRASS IS RIZ

I WONDER WHERE THE FLOWERS IS?

It seems as if the pollen is giving no break to anyone. Ragweed, mountain cedar and now the trees are budding out and some flowers are starting to show color and blossoms.

The North Texas area leads the nation in allergies. The mild weather lends itself to extended periods of high pollen counts. There is one never-ending problem—fungus. Even through long periods of dry weather, fungus hangs on.



Air conditioners can help because they reduce humidity in our homes and filters help to clear the air. Being consistent with changing the filter every 1-2 months is essential. Dusting and vacuuming also are aids to allergy control. This is especially true if animals are in the house. (I am referring to 4 legged not 2 legged teenage boys.)

Some health practices that have a positive effect on allergies include frequent nasal irrigation with a neti pot or bulb syringe. If this is used, ALWAYS use distilled water with prepared salt mixture, i.e. Ayr or Neilmed. Tap water has a higher bacteria count and table salt has impurities as well as being difficult to determine the correct concentration. Nasal irrigations are most effective first thing in the morning, when one comes indoors after sports and yard work and before bed.

There are also multiple medications available that may help relieve symptoms. The majority of these are now considered over-the-counter medications. Before starting medications, one should check with their PCP especially if one has specific health issues.



For now, keep the Kleenex handy and lotion for your nose and hope the pollen will decrease soon.

Please be aware, in April I will hold blood pressure checks on April 7 since Palm Sunday is on April 14th (the 2nd Sunday).

Nancy Wilson, R.N., FCN

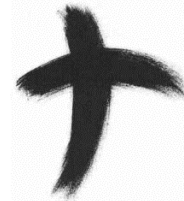
Mardi Gras Celebration

*How about a sparkling
"Champagne" Brunch and Mardi
Gras Celebration?
Sunday, March 3rd at 12:30pm
The best pancakes, sausage, bacon, and
sparkling grape juice are served up for you
and the whole family. Who will be the next
Mardi Gras King and Queen?
Who will win the limbo?
Who will wear the most
beads in the parade? Come find out!!*

*The Jubilation of Mardi Gras
celebration on March 3rd quickly gives
way to the most somber day of the
church year on March 6th—*

**A S H
W E D N E S D A Y**

It is the only time which black is the liturgical color.
It is a confrontation with our sin and mortality.
It is a confirmation of new life in Christ.



**SHARE WITH US THE IMPOSITION
OF ASHES AND HOLY
COMMUNION
ON MARCH 6TH, 7:00AM & 7:00PM.**

(There is no meal on Ash Wednesday)



Make Mardi Gras Magical

*Sign up in the centrum to help decorate, cook, or clean-up for this year's
Mardi Gras bash, March 3rd, 12:30pm. If you're a shopper, there's even a
slot to get Mardi Gras groceries. Anybody want to help search for crawdads
this year? Call the office at 972-226-0510*

**Cleansing the
Temple**

Mark your calendars now! Our Savior needs your help on April 13th. We'll be sorting, organizing, and cleaning out many areas of the church to make them more inviting and usable just in time for Easter. Many hands make light work, so plan now to join us for a rewarding experience! We'll begin at 9am and lunch will be provided. More details coming soon! Thank you!



**CHURCH
WORKDAY**

Learning the Sunday Lessons



Our Lesson Study group was discontinued through Advent and Christmas but we are ready to study the upcoming Sunday lessons to prepare for worship. Classes will resume on Monday, March 4th at 7pm.

**2018 CROP WALK
REPORT**

\$155	John & Veronica Ernst
\$143	Paula Fincher
\$201	Yiyaine Floyd
\$70	Haidyn Jacobs
\$173	Bonnie Johnston
\$75	Marie Mazza
\$200	Olivia Ranta
\$25	Cole Rockwell
\$90	Pastor John Schelter
\$70	Amy Schmidt
\$555	Henry Williams

\$1757 Total

Birthdays

1	Grayson Granados
4	Cynthia Lubben Kara Ranta Andrew Williams Baerbel Williams
5	Colton Nash Preston Williams
10	Nadia Keys
15	Elena Conoly Pamela Peterson
16	Jill Furr
19	Kenneth Williams
20	Paige Furr Alicia Villegas
21	Brian Dannen Connor Nash
22	Michelle Finamore
23	Rachel Schelter Mariah Williams
25	Edda Farrell Linda Last Lou Mazza Austin Nelson
26	Bob Kratus
27	Robert Hutchinson Luke Witkowski
29	Christian Lubben

March



Wedding

Anniversaries

<u>Date</u>		<u>Years</u>
19	David & Becky Williams	36
27	Greg & Joyce Barabas	37



Baptism Birthdays

1	Maynard Semmler
4	Clinton Turner II
5	Jesse Rockwell
8	Gregory Folkmann Shari Murphy
9	Lila Johnson
12	Drew Castilleja
14	Rodney Hutchinson
15	Yiyaine Floyd Shay Semmler
17	Cindy Castilleja
18	Bill Hutchinson
19	Eric Combs Char Kratus Matthew McCabe Nicholas McCabe
20	Catherine Ziska
21	Lionel Folkmann
23	Steven Belz Colton Nash
26	Craig Gerold Sue Rickmeyer Preston Williams
27	Luke Witkowski
28	Cole Rockwell
29	Lisa Holmes
30	Alyssa Conoly Bonnie Johnston

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	2/24-3/10		3/17-3/31	
	8:30	11:00	8:30	11:00
Assisting Minister	Mark Murray	Rand Peterson	Lois Schelter	Chip Cannon
Greeter	Paul Cross Karen Staton	Eleanor Adix Edda Farrell	Michael Lubben Cynthia Lubben	Lou Mazza Marie Mazza
Ushers	Thane Katz Kris Semmler	Dennis Chubbs Matt Chubbs	Herb Salmons Rita Salmons	James Bartosh Richard Mastin
Reader	Mark Hall	Debbie Zimmermann	Cynthia Lubben	Clinton Turner II
Communion	Carol Murray	Debbie Zimmermann	Debbie Lonon	Marie Mazza
Assistants	Dave Shafer	Jon Cook	Mark Murray	Henry Williams

ACOLYTES

	Feb. 24	Mar. 3	Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Mar. 24	Mar. 31
8:30am	Yiyaine F. Haidyn J.	Marie V. Alicia V.	Haidyn J. Yiyaine F.	Marie V. Alicia V.	Haidyn J. Yiyaine F.	Marie V. Alicia V.
11:00	Joshua E. Jonathan E.	Madison R. Jeremy R.	Olivia R. Caroline F.	Joshua E. Jonathan E.	Cole R. Jesse R.	Madison R. Jeremy R.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Sunday Worship—8:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm

Sunday School—9:45am

Pastor—John Schelter

Great Love Stories of the Bible



Join us for four evenings of reveling in romance, living the lore of love, and exploring those relationships that help us understand God's role in our marriage today. The Bible offers a unique perspective of love that is well worth our time and appreciation. Sometimes we may be surprised, sometimes we may even blush, many times we will laugh, but always we will come to realize how our relationships are lived under the grace and forgiveness of Christ. We will begin Sunday, March 3rd at 5:30pm. Be sure to sign up in the centrum if interested. Friends are welcome and babysitting will be provided upon request.

Easter Lilies

The enhancement of our worship center with Easter Lilies is a tradition at Our Savior which allows us the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of spring, the symbol of the resurrection, and to honor or remember loved ones.

Those wishing to help decorate our sanctuary for Easter by purchasing an Easter Lily are encouraged to do so by completing the form below and placing it in the offering plate or church office by Sunday, April 14th. The Cost is \$7.00 per plant. You may take your plant(s) home after the Easter services.

Name _____

Number of Lilies _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Given in Memory of _____

Honor of _____

Celebration of _____



Lutheran 101

Very few have signed up but many have expressed interest in a class that discusses the unique accents of Lutheran Christianity to our understanding of faith in Christ. We'll try a new approach, so sign up if interested. We will try to start by Mid-March... but sign up soon so we can get organized. All are welcome. Not just Lutherans!

March 2019

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MON

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<p>Each Sunday 8:30am Worship Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service 5:30pm Worship Service</p>					1	2 9:00am Men's Basketball
<p>3 12:30pm Mardi Gras Brunch Bash 5:30pm <i>Great Love Stories of the Bible</i></p>	4 7:00pm Lesson Study	5 9:30am Mother's Day Out	6 7:00am Ash Wednesday Service 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service	7 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	8	9 9:00am Men's Basketball
<p>10 <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i> 5:30pm <i>Great Love Stories of the Bible</i></p>	11 7:00pm Lesson Study	12 9:30am Mother's Day Out	13 6:00pm Midweek Lenten Supper 7:15pm Midweek Lenten Service	14 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	15	16 9:00am Men's Basketball 9:00am Council Retreat
<p>17 12:30pm Nursing Home Service 5:30pm <i>Great Love Stories of the Bible</i></p>	18 7:00pm Lesson Study	19 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:00 NED Deanery Meeting	20 6:00pm Midweek Lenten Supper 7:15pm Midweek Lenten Service	21 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	22	23 9:00am Men's Basketball
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