

MAY 2025

Savior Divine Lutheran Church  
10040 S. 88TH Ave. Palos Hills, IL 60465



# THE GOSPEL NEWS

## MAY



**Sunday Worship  
10 a.m.**

### FROM THE PASTOR...



#### Jesus and Table Fellowship

Sharing a meal with others became significant for Jesus during Holy Week and leading up to the time of his Ascension. He ate a meal at the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, where Mary anointed Jesus with expensive perfume. The Last Supper was a critical time for Jesus. Not only was it the last Passover celebration for him here on earth, but it was also a time of sharing intimate details about his life and what he would mean to his disciples. Think of how some of our meals become times of intimate sharing.

After his resurrection, Jesus would also eat dinner at the home of those two disciples from Emmaus. Later on he would be on the seashore to have breakfast with his disciples after enabling them to haul in a great catch of fish.

There is something about Jesus' presence that we ought to consider special. We may invite his presence as food is blessed before our meals. A table prayer I learned growing up was "Come Lord Jesus be our guest..." These words indicated that he is the unseen guest at the meal.

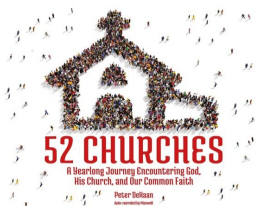
We would do well to remember that we continue to have table fellowship with him in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. It is a foretaste of the heavenly banquet we will one day experience.

Pastor Marty

*Continuing Our Journey"*

*"Trust. Pray. And thank God for his blessings along the way"*

## The Discipleship Group



The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 5 at 7 PM on Zoom and the group will cover Churches #27 - #30 in the book *52 Churches: A Yearlong Journey Encountering God, His Church, and Our Common Faith* by Peter DeHaan. Login information can be obtained on our church Website on the Learning page.

## Easter Discipleship Emphasis

*“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there among them.”* (Matthew 18:20)



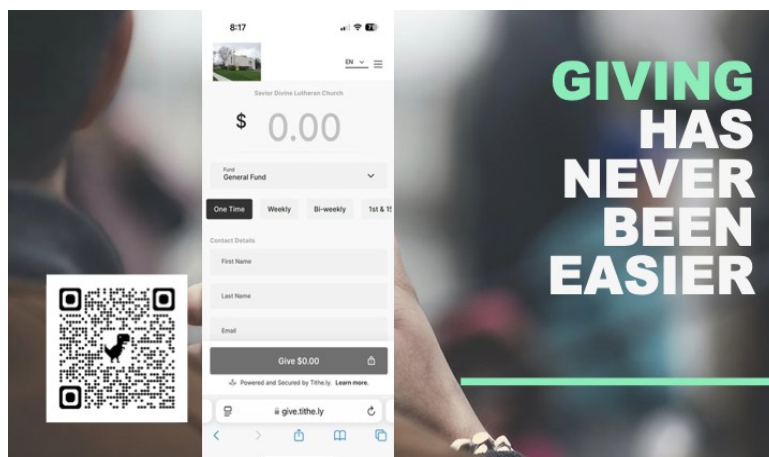
Jesus' presence among his disciples was important after his resurrection. He didn't just immediately ascend into heaven, but spent time with those who had believed in him. Consider now your activities with others that are done “in Jesus' name” and reflect on his presence. It might be in eating out with those who have faith or how you are serving with others in the faith. Remember the significance of Jesus' blessing in what you do!

## Online Giving Now A New Option

You are now able to give online through our church Website or through a QR code. By going to [www.saviordivine.org](http://www.saviordivine.org) you can click on the “GIVE” button and you will be brought to a Giving Form to fill out. You may make a contribution via a credit card or through your bank account. You will also have the option to cover the transaction fee for using a credit card if you desire. After making a donation, you will receive confirmation in the email you provided.

Please note that at times you will see in our bulletin and other publications the QR code below which you can capture on your cell phone through your camera and the Giving Form will appear.

The purpose of online giving is for convenience and hopefully that non-members will feel motivated to give to our church



## Royal Family Kids Camp



Our mission project for May/June is the Royal Family Kids Camp. As you know, this camp provides a week of unconditional love for children who are in the foster system because of neglect or abuse. It costs \$250 per child to attend. All attendees are paid for by donations. The more donated, the more children get to go. Your donations also help to provide a goodie bag for kids and a birthday celebration while at the camp. Our church has always been very generous to this worthy cause. Let's see if we can send even more kids to camp.

Linda Good  
Director of Missions

## Paschal Meal Celebration



Fourteen participants enjoyed the Paschal Meal on Sunday, April 13 in the lower level of the church. Thanks to Vicki Doherty, Ursula Bittermann, Cathi Predl, Jan Beckman, and Susan Adamek who helped to make this meal possible and provided beautiful decorations for the setting. Lamb and turkey were the main course along with vegetables, other trimmings, and plenty of desserts. The meal ended with the celebration of Holy Communion.



Part of the desserts was a very beautiful lamb cake.



Having a very formal setting for the Paschal meal always makes it feel special and an important part of the season.



Those attending are waiting for the special readings and lessons that are part of the Paschal meal.

## Lectors, Ushers and Greeters Wanted



We would like to expand the group we have for ushers, lectors and greeters. If you would like to read one of the Scripture readings in our service or serve as an usher or greeter please contact Pastor Marty. We would like to give our members as many opportunities as possible to serve.



## **Businesses We Use And Can Recommend**

Executive Green Carpet Cleaning 708-599-5151

Chicagoland Heating & Air Conditioning 708-425-0600

Bridgeview Roofing (Tom Metlow) 708-710-7663

K & O Decorating (inside and outside painting) (Ken Osborne) 708-598-3209

True Green Spraying Service (Lawn Weed Control) 708-430-5550

Ted's Plumbing & Sewer (Curt Kunz) 708-846-0525

Roy Sanchez Paving (Commercial Paving) 708-535-0877

Legacy Paving (Rigo Sanchez) (Residential) 708-596-2500

Cristina Lungu (Home Products) [www.amway.com/myshop/cristinalungu](http://www.amway.com/myshop/cristinalungu)

Alonso (Clean up & Lawn Care) 708-769-2931

Catering by Diane 708-361-3353 [www.cateringbydiane.net](http://www.cateringbydiane.net)

FLV Landscaping 708-986-8104

Smitty's Tree Service 708-954-1794

Flora Designs by Donna 708-586-2107

J & S Painting & Remodeling (Jim Carlson, Jr.) 708-638-2344



### **LIFE IS**

Life is an opportunity; benefit from it.

Life is beauty; admire it.

Life is a dream; realize it.

Life is a challenge; meet it.

Life is a duty; complete it.

Life is a game; play it

Life is a promise; fulfill it.

Life is sorrow; overcome it.

Life is a song; sing it,

Life is a struggle; accept it.

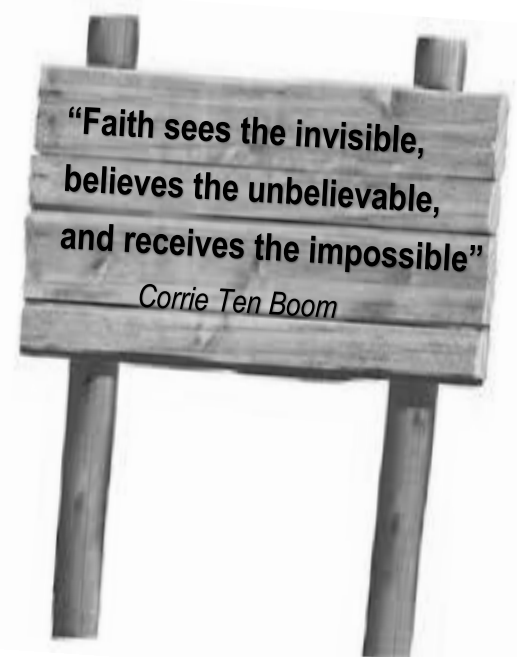
Life is a tragedy; confront it.

Life is an adventure; dare it.

Life is luck; make it.


Life is too precious; do not destroy it.

Life is life; fight for it.



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**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

				1 Worship Planning 11 a.m. No Pantry	2	3
4	5 Office Closed	6	7	8 Choir 11 a.m. Elsie's Pantry 2-4 p.m.	9	10
11 	12 Office Closed	13	14	15 Choir 11 a.m. Elsie's Pantry 2-4 p.m.	16	17
18 Church Council	19 Office Closed	20	21	22 Elsie's Pantry 2-4 p.m.	23	24
25	26 Office Closed	27	28	29 Elsie's Pantry 2-4 p.m.	30	31

## Worship Schedule May/June 2025

DATE	ASSISTANT	LECTOR	REMOTE	USHERS	COUNTER	CAMERA
5/4 Third Sunday of Easter	Vicki Doherty	Paul Wackenhuth	Ursula Bittermann	Matt Birk	Terry LeGrand	Jeff Psolla
5/11 Fourth Sunday of Easter	Linda Good	Cathi Predl	Vicki Doherty	Matt Birk	Terry LeGrand	Jeff Psolla
5/18 Fifth Sunday of Easter	Bob Good	Terry LeGrand	Ursula Bittermann	Matt Birk	Terry LeGrand	Jeff Psolla
5/25 Sixth Sunday of Easter	Jan Beckman	Jill Cottrell	Vicki Doherty	Matt Birk	Terry LeGrand	Jeff Psolla
6/1 Seventh Sunday of Easter	Susan Adamek	Paul Wackenhuth	Cathi Predl	Matt Birk	Terry LeGrand	Jeff Psolla

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**The Rev. Martin W. Pauschke, D. Min., Pastor**

**Worship with Holy Communion, 10 a.m.**

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