

# Our Saviour Lutheran Church

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*Third Sunday in Lent*

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Today's Hymns: *Supplement 42, 659, 433, Supplement 23*

### Catechism

**P** What is the Office of the Keys?

**C** **The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.**

**P** Where is this written?

**C** **This is what St John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: "The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.'"**

**P** What do you believe according to these words?

**C** **I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.**

*Turn to the Introit on the laminated card.*

### Volunteer Rota

Today: Music: Andrew—Sunday School: Rachel & ??—Teas: Averil

Next week: Music: ??—Sunday School: Barbara & ??—Teas: Dot

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## In Our Prayers

### Members

Ron; Cindy & Nikola; Žina; Rosemary

### Family of members

Charlotte (recovering from surgery); Mason (road accident); Alex, Sarah & family; Ian (Parkinson's); Claire Anniss (health); Shirley Thomas (breast cancer);

Jack & Joan Fast (dementia & lung cancer); Doug & Myra (health); Barry (old age)

### Friends of members

Family of †Gus; Ilse Kelly (old age); Jim Ferguson (stroke); Dell (spinal injury); Becky Varsogea (brain tumour); Claire & Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Charlotte (cancer); John (cancer); Brian (cancer); Gina & family; Tim (health); Doris (health); Lynette Wiebusch

(Alzheimer's); Janet (cancer); Jeannette Clough (cancer); Miriam (tumour); Karran (health); David, Michael, Fiona & family (health); Tressey (health); Joan & her brother (health); Sally (recovering from operation)

### Local Community

Tina (depression); Treacher family

### ELCE

Congregations & pastors of the ELCE; ELCE Salary Review Committee; Lutheran Radio UK; Pr. Jones (health); Wendy Nicolson (cancer); family of †Raili Stewart

### The Church of God

Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Lutheran Church, Pr. Mohamed Gurhan; St. John's CofE; Ilahi family, Jawid (persecution)

### Raili Stewart Memorial Service

A memorial service will be held for Raili Stewart on

**Wednesday, 21 March, 2.30 pm,**

at Christ Lutheran Church, Petts Wood.

If you would like to attend, please let the pastor know so that Christ Church can be notified of numbers. Likewise, if you would like to share a lift, speak to the pastor (he can take up to 6 people with him).

## A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

### LARGE CATECHISM

#### PART III: THE LORD'S PRAYER

*But deliver us from evil. Amen*

In the Greek text this petition reads, “Deliver or preserve us from the evil one,” or “the hateful one.” It looks like Jesus was speaking about the devil, like He would summarize every petition in one. So the entire substance of all our prayer is directed against our chief enemy. For it is he who hinders among us everything that we pray for: God’s name or honour, God’s kingdom and will, our daily bread, a cheerful good conscience, and so forth.

Therefore, we finally sum it all up and say, “Dear Father, grant that we be rid of all these disasters.” But there is also included in this petition whatever evil may happen to us under the devil’s kingdom: poverty, shame, death, and, in short, all the agonizing misery and heartache of which there is such an unnumbered multitude on the earth. Since the devil is not only a liar, but also a murderer, he constantly seeks our life. He wreaks his vengeance whenever he can afflict our bodies with misfortune and harm. Therefore, it happens that he often breaks men’s necks or drives them to insanity, drowns some, and moves many to commit suicide and to many other terrible disasters. So there is nothing for us to do upon earth but to pray against this arch-enemy without stopping. For unless God preserved us, we would not be safe from this enemy even for an hour.

You see again how God wishes for us to pray to Him also for all the things that affect our bodily interests, so that we seek and expect help nowhere else except in Him. But He has put this matter last. For if we are to be preserved and delivered from all evil, God’s name must first be hallowed in us, His kingdom must be with us, and His will must be done. After that He will finally preserve us from sin and shame, and, besides, from everything that may hurt or harm us. Paragraph 113–118

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

### This Week

Today	12.15 pm	Voters' Assembly & AGM
	6 pm	Youth Club
Tue	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	7.30 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
Wed	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
Sun	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)— <i>Mothering Sunday</i>
	3.30 pm	Bible study at Brighton Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service at Brighton Mission

### Further Ahead

13 Mar	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	7.30 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
14 Mar	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Kiln Lodge & Hunters Lodge
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
18 Mar	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	6 pm	Youth Club (tbc)
20 Mar	<i>No Bible study</i>	
21 Mar	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2.30 pm	Raili Stewart Memorial Service (Christ Church, Petts Wood)
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
25 Mar	<i>CLOCKS MOVE FORWARD ONE HOUR</i>	
	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)— <i>Palm Sunday. Ladies' Guild Mites</i>
	3 pm	Bible study at Oxford Mission
	4.30 pm	Pastor at Oxford Mission

### Daily Readings:

Sun: Genesis 27:30–45; 28:10–22 Mark 9:1–13 *Formula of Concord Solid Declaration II:39–47*

Mon: Gen 29:1–30 Gen 29:31–34:31 Mark 9:14–32 *FC SD II:48–54*

Tue: Gen 35:1–29 Mark 9:33–50 *FC SD II:55–60*

Wed: Gen 37:1–36 Mark 10:1–12 *FC SD II:61–66*

Thu: Gen 39:1–23 Mark 10:13–31 *FC SD II:67–73*

Fri: Gen 40:1–23 Mark 10:32–52 *FC SD II:74–83*

Sat: Gen 41:1–27 Mark 11:1–19 *FC SD II:84–90*

Sun: Gen 41:28–57 Mark 11:20–33 *FC SD III:1–7*