

# Our Saviour Lutheran Church

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## *Laetare*

### The Fourth Sunday in Lent

31 March 2019

Today's Hymns: 420, 743, 625, 918

#### Catechism

**P** The Creed: The Third Article

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

**P** What is this?

**C** I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith; just as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian Church, He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the last day He will raise me and all the dead and give everlasting life to me and to all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

*Turn to Confession and Absolution in the Order of Service.*

#### **Volunteer Rota**

	<i>Music:</i>	<i>Sunday School 1:</i>	<i>Sunday School 2:</i>	<i>Teas:</i>
<i>Today:</i>	Hanna	Sarah		Rosemary
<i>Next week:</i>	John			Anne

## In Our Prayers

### Members

Ron; Cindy & Nikola; Žina

### Family of members

Alex, Sarah & family; Marie (health); Geoffrey (depression); Ian (Parkinson's); Claire Anniss (health); Doug & Myra (health); Jack Fast (dementia); Howard (health); Žanna (health); Rita (cancer); Steve (heart failure); Sheridan (health)

### Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Becky Varsogea (brain tumour); Claire & Phil (health); Helen Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP); Mick (terminal cancer); Charlotte (cancer); John & family (cancer); Brian (cancer); David (cancer); Tim (health); Lynette Wiebusch (Alzheimer's); Janet (cancer);

Pauline (cancer); Sharon (brain tumour); Jenny (health); Michael (health); Freddie & Grace (health); Anne & Richard (health); Jean (health); Albert (health)

### Local Community

Tina (depression); Treacher family; Leanne (chronic pain)

### ELCE

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Pr. Stilve; Pr. Roger and Emily Jones (health); Debbie Edge (recovery from surgery); Wendy Nicolson (cancer)

### The Church of God

Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Lutheran Church, Pr. Mohamed Gurhan; Living Word Church; Amir family, Jawid (persecution)

## Easter Vigil 2019

For several years, we have held the traditional service of Easter Vigil. In past years, it has been held on Holy Saturday evening, after sunset.

The original tradition, still observed in much of Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Christianity, is to hold the service as a genuine vigil, that is, through the whole night, starting at midnight and finishing at sunrise. Part of the symbolism is to welcome the rising sun of Easter morning, like the women at the tomb.

**How would you feel about holding the Easter Vigil early on Sunday morning**, to coincide with the sunrise? In practice, the service would start around 4.30 am and finish soon after 5.30 am.

The alternative is to keep the service at Saturday night 8 pm.

**Please let the pastor know your thoughts.** The timing of the service will be announced next Sunday.

## ELCE Pilgrimage to Israel—23 Feb–1 Mar 2020

**Cost**—While an estimate it should not be any more than *£1,700 per person*

**What does this include?**—Flights from Gatwick on Easyjet. hotels, breakfast and evening meal, entrance into all sites, guide, air-conditioned coach and tips

**What it does not include**—lunch, anything you wish to purchase

**Visa issues?**—If you are a UK citizen you do not need a visa, but you do need to have 6 months left on your passport before it expires

**Hotels**—We will be staying in 3 different hotels, so feel free to search the internet and have a look—1 night at Sea Net in Tel Aviv; 2 nights at Kibbutz Lavi in Galilee; and 4 nights at Jerusalem Gardens.

**Payment**—A *£200 deposit* will be required and the remainder will be due 6 weeks before we leave.

**Single room supplement**—if you want a single room, it is possible but it will add another *£367* to the price.

**Itinerary**—See church noticeboard

**How many folks do we need?**—It is hoped we have around 25-30

**How soon do we need a commitment?**—Hotels are booking up quickly as tourism is on the increase in Israel. So the sooner the better, so if we could know a yes by 10 April, that would be extremely helpful. We will know then whether there will be enough folks signed up to go forward.

**Safety**—Israel can experience troubles, but tourists are very well protected. No one wants to harm the source of income which benefits everyone. I've been to Israel 3 times and never felt in danger.

**Weather**—in February it could rain and be a bit cool, but the weather will be better than in the UK.

***If you are interested, please contact Rev. Jon Ehlers:***

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

### This Week

Wed	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
Thu	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	6.45 pm	Bible study (Eastleigh)
Sun	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)

### Further Ahead

8–9 Apr		Pastor on leave
10 Apr	2 pm	Devotion at Kiln Lodge & Hunters Lodge
	7 pm	Lenten Vespers
11 Apr	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	6.45 pm	Bible study (Eastleigh)
14 Apr	10.30 pm	Divine Service (Scout Hall)—Palm Sunday
	3.30 pm	Bible study at Brighton Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service at Brighton Mission
17 Apr	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
18 Apr	7 pm	Maundy Thursday Divine Service
19 Apr	12 noon	Good Friday Chief Service
20/21 Apr	tbc	Easter Vigil
21 Apr	9 am	Easter Breakfast (Scout Hall)
	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
24 Apr	10.45 am	Pastor's Drop-in (The Hub)
	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Hartwell Lodge
25 Apr	1.10 pm	Bible study (Parsonage)
	6.45 pm	Bible study (Eastleigh)
28 Apr	10.30 am	Divine Service (Scout Hall)
	3.30 pm	Bible study at Oxford Mission
	4.30 pm	Divine Service (Oxford Mission)
<b>22 June</b>		<b>Next ELCE Restructuring Public Meeting</b>

### Daily Readings:

Sun:	Genesis 41:28–57	Mark 11:20–33	<i>Formula of Concord Solid Declaration III:1–7</i>	
Mon:	Gen 42:1–34, 38	Mark 12:1–12	<i>FC SD III:8–17</i>	
Tue:	Gen 43:1–28	Mark 12:13–27	<i>FC SD III:18–23</i>	
Wed:	Gen 44:1–18, 32–34	Mark 12:28–44	<i>FC SD III:24–29</i>	
Thu:	Gen 45:1–20, 24–28	Mark 13:1–23	<i>FC SD III:30–35</i>	
Fri:	Gen 47:1–31	Gen 48:1–49:28	Mark 13:24–37	<i>FC SD III:36–43</i>
Sat:	Gen 49:29–50:7, 14–26	Mark 14:1–11	<i>FC SD III:44–53</i>	
Sun:	Exodus 1:1–22	Mark 14:12–31	<i>FC SD III:54–58</i>	