



March 2026 The Oakleaves



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Lenten Worship Opportunities

Evening Worship begins at 7 pm
soup supper begins at 6 pm

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| March 4 | Lent 2 |
| March 11 | Lent 3 |
| March 18 | Lent 4 |
| March 25 | Lent 5 |
| April 1 | Lent 6 |

Thank you to our soup supper volunteers!
Wednesday services will run from 7-7:30 pm
followed a sermon discussion time lead by
Pastor Manny.

Holy Week

- March 29 Palm Sunday, 10 am
- April 2 Maundy Thursday, 7 pm
- April 3 Good Friday, 7 pm
- April 4 Holy Saturday, 5 pm

April 5 Easter Worship
8 am, 10 am
Easter Breakfast 9 am



Thank you to Jeff Gordon for the FANtastic Super Bowl Party! A great time was had by all!

February FEET

While we were a very small group this month, it did not lessen our faith building fun!

Inspired by the athletes of the Olympics, we moved our feet in a curling competition and tried a silly way to play volleyball! We talked about the importance of training in our faith walks to be the best we can be for Christ. Sonia lead us in a deep dive through the Lord's Prayer and we huddled up as families to be in God's Word together. A huge THANK YOU to the Faus family for sponsoring lunch, not only for our group but many others as well.

March FEET will be on Sunday, the 15th from 11:45 am - 1:30 pm. Come join the family faith fun and bring friends!





SOLC has a Prayer Chain which you are ALL welcome to be part of. All requests are to remain confidential and for the most part somehow related to our church family.

If you would like to be part of the prayer team; email Chris Gordon at animator95@sbcglobal.net and she will add your email to the blind copy list. EVERYONE is invited to send prayer requests for posting and prayer whether you chose to be part of the prayer team or not.

“Now I beg you, brethren, through the Lord Jesus Christ, and through the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in prayers to God for me.” (Romans 15:30)

Thank you to Bryant Small, as head trustee to pour in so much time and hard work in caring for our facility and for disposing of the last hay bales!

Thank you to Ms. Marie and her wonderful preschool class for blessing us with their praise during worship!

The Concordia St. Louis seminary choir is performing in March in Southern California. There are two times that may be of interest to people in the church. One is Saturday, March 14 at 7 pm at Christ Lutheran Church in Brea, just over an hour away. The other is Sunday, March 15 at 12:30 pm at the Nixon Presidential Library in Yorba Linda.

Cindy Hanna is planning on going to the Saturday concert in Brea and has offered to carpool if interested.





Zoo News from the Children's Center

by Director,
Arusyak Dzheyranyan

It was very pleasant and joyful to see the children singing in church for the congregation. I truly hope the congregation enjoyed their sweet voices as much as we did. The children put a lot of effort into learning those songs, and so did their teacher. We are very proud of their dedication and confidence as they shared their gifts with our church family.

As we welcome the beautiful season of spring, our hearts are full of gratitude for the many blessings God brings us during this time of renewal. Throughout March, our students will focus on exploring God's wonderful creations and the signs of new life all around us.

Each class will receive a butterfly larva to care for in their classroom pavilion. The children will carefully observe the transformation from caterpillar to chrysalis, and finally into a beautiful adult butterfly. This special project will culminate in a butterfly release at the end of the month, symbolizing new life and renewal.



Our teachers will thoughtfully connect this transformation process to the story of Jesus' resurrection, highlighting the powerful symbolism of change, hope, and new life through Christ.

As it says in Bible: *"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in Me will live, even though they die."* John 11:25.

This verse reminds us of God's promise and the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ.

Our students will also learn about Saint Patrick and how he bravely brought Christianity to Ireland. Through this story, they will discover faith, courage, and the importance of sharing God's love with others. In addition, throughout the month the children will explore weekly themes focused on tools, machines, and transportation. These hands-on learning experiences are carefully designed to connect with and prepare our students for their Bible studies, reinforcing lessons about God's promises and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

March is a month filled with growth, discovery, and faith. We look forward to witnessing the joy, curiosity, and spiritual growth of our students as we journey together through this beautiful season.

March-April 2026 Events

All dates and times are subject to change

Sun, Mar 1	Bible Study, 9 am	Worship, 10 am
Tues, Mar 3	Healthy Life, 4:30 pm	
Wed, Mar 4	Soup Supper, 6 pm	Lent Midweek Service, 7 pm
Sat, Mar 7	Contemp. Worship, 5 pm	Bible Study, 6:30 pm
Sun, Mar 8	Bible Study, 9 am	Worship, 10 am
	FEET Trip to Skirball Center, 1 pm	
Tues, Mar 10	Healthy Life, 4:30 pm	
Wed, Mar 11	Soup Supper, 6 pm	Lent Midweek Service, 7 pm
Sat, Mar 14	LWML, 9 am	Men's Group, 10 am
	Contemp. Worship, 5 pm	Bible Study, 6:30 pm
Sun, Mar 15	Bible Study, 9 am	Worship, 10 am
	FEET, 12 pm	
Tues, Mar 17	Healthy Life, 4:30 pm	Council Meeting, 7 pm
Wed, Mar 18	Soup Supper, 6 pm	Lent Midweek Service, 7 pm
Sat, Mar 21	Contemp. Worship, 5 pm	Bible Study, 6:30 pm
Sun, Mar 22	Bible Study, 9 am	Worship, 10 am
Tues, Mar 24	Healthy Life, 4:30 pm	
Wed, Mar 25	Soup Supper, 6 pm	Lent Midweek Service, 7 pm
Thurs, Mar 26	Oakleaves Contributions Due	
Sat, Mar 28	Contemp. Worship, 5 pm	Bible Study, 6:30 pm
Sun, Mar 29	Bible Study, 9 am	Palm Sunday , 10 am
Tues, Mar 31	Healthy Life, 4:30 pm	
Wed, Apr 1	Soup Supper, 6 pm	Lent Midweek Service, 7 pm
Thurs, Apr 2	Maundy Thursday , 7 pm	
Fri, Apr 3	Good Friday , 7 pm	
Sat, Apr 4	Holy Saturday , 5 pm	
Sun, Apr 5	Easter Worship , 8 am	Easter Breakfast , 9 am
	Easter Worship , 10 am	
Tues, Apr 7	Healthy Life, 4:30 pm	
Wed, Apr 8	Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7 pm	
Thurs, Apr 9	School Board Meeting, 7 pm	
Sat, Apr 11	LWML, 9 am	Contemp. Worship, 5 pm
	Bible Study, 6:30 pm	

Scan for
full calendar



Our FEET families are going on a field trip to the Noah's Ark exhibit at the Skirball Cultural Center on Sunday, March 8th!

If you would like to join us with your family or grandkids, use the link below to order your tickets for either the 1 pm or 1:30 pm time slot on the 8th and we will enjoy this special experience together! Any questions, reach out to Chris Gordon 818-625-5110.



Ticket Link: www.skirball.org/museum/noahs-ark

*Thank you, Ushers
March 2026*

- 3/1** Dennis Werner, Charlene Irwin
- 3/8** Chansom Zayabouth, Inga Windsor
- 3/15** Chuck Spitzer, Lorraine Salcedo
- 3/22** Jason Plattner, Bryant Small
- 3/29** Dennis Werner, Charlene Irwin



Join us in wishing God's blessings on those celebrating their birthday or anniversary this month:



Birthdays:

Jessica Hanna	3/1	Eric Lee	3/22
Bruce Salcedo	3/2	Donny Lee	3/22
Patina Uwanawich Marks	3/6	Jim Windsor	3/26
Tom Pelton	3/11	Tanya Peterson	3/28
Olga Robertson	3/13		
Dave-Ryan Tankou	3/13		

Anniversaries:

(Congratulations on number of years!)

Luigi & Sonia Uwanawich	3/10
(39 years)	
Rolain & Florence Tankou	3/18
(28 years)	
Eric & Catrina Lee	3/28
(34 years)	

Baptismal Birthdays: members of Jesus' family



The Church Office records show the following members as having a baptismal birthday this month.

(Please contact the office if your baptism date is incorrect.)



Breilyn	Brantley	3/4
Jovana	Tankou	3/13
Dave-Ryan	Tankou	3/13

Jordan	Buenafe	3/24
Sandra	Bostrom	3/25
Madeline	Carpiac	3/28

Lenten Devotionals



Week of March 1

Second Sunday in Lent

Theme: Trusting God in the Wilderness

- **Monday:** Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 God's covenant with Abram
- **Tuesday:** Psalm 27 "The Lord is my light and my salvation"
- **Wednesday:** Philippians 3:17-4:1 Citizenship in heaven
- **Thursday:** Jeremiah 26:8-15 Faithfulness amid opposition
- **Friday:** Luke 13:31-35 Jesus' lament over Jerusalem

Saturday Reflection: Where is God calling me to deeper trust?



Week of March 8

Third Sunday in Lent

Theme: Repentance and Fruitfulness

- **Monday:** Isaiah 55:1-9 Seek the Lord while He may be found
- **Tuesday:** Psalm 63 Thirsting for God
- **Wednesday:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Warnings from Israel's wilderness
- **Thursday:** Micah 7:18-20 God delights in mercy
- **Friday:** Luke 13:1-9 The fig tree parable

Saturday Reflection: What fruit is God cultivating in me?



Week of March 15

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Theme: Rejoicing in Grace

- **Monday:** Joshua 5:9-12 New beginnings in the Promised Land
- **Tuesday:** Psalm 32 The joy of forgiveness
- **Wednesday:** 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Ministry of reconciliation
- **Thursday:** Psalm 103 The Lord is compassionate and gracious
- **Friday:** Luke 15:11-32 The Prodigal Son

Saturday Reflection: Where have I experienced God's restoring grace?



Week of March 22

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Theme: New Things

- **Monday:** Isaiah 43:16-21 "See, I am doing a new thing"
- **Tuesday:** Psalm 126 Joy after sorrow
- **Wednesday:** Philippians 3:4-14 Pressing toward the goal
- **Thursday:** Hebrews 12:1-3 Fixing our eyes on Jesus
- **Friday:** John 12:1-8 Mary anoints Jesus

Saturday Reflection: What old patterns must I release to follow Christ?



Week of March 29

Palm Sunday

Theme: The Way of the Cross

- **Monday:** Isaiah 50:4-9 The Suffering Servant
- **Tuesday:** Psalm 118 Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
- **Wednesday:** Luke 22:1-23 The Last Supper
- **Maundy Thursday:** John 13:1-17 Servant love
- **Good Friday:** Luke 23 The Crucifixion

Holy Saturday Reflection: What does it mean for me personally to walk with Christ to the cross?