



RISEN SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Basehor, Kansas - Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

2026 APRIL

EVENTS

1 (Monday-Wednesday)
Divine Service
8:30 a

2 Maundy Thursday
Noon & 6:30 p

3 Good Friday
Noon & 6:30 p

4 Easter Vigil
6:30 p

5 Easter Services
7:00 a & 10:00 a
Breakfast 8-9:50 a

12
Usher Security Training

13
RSCA Open House

18
Highway Clean-up

22
Blood Drive

Church

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EASTER IS HERE Pastor Burgdorf

As Spring slowly makes its appearance and winter unwillingly lets go of its hold on the world, I am always particularly excited. Spring doesn't seem to start until Easter comes. Even if we had a snowstorm on Easter, something feels different. Easter is here, so spring cannot be far behind. Easter signals the end of Lent, the end of fasting, and the end of winter. It signals the end of the cold and dark days of preparation for Christ's passion and signals the new life that is proclaimed and won by His resurrection.

It is fitting that Easter should fall at the beginning of spring because just as the church celebrates new life in Christ, the Earth is beginning to bloom and blossom. We have felt the warm spring sun.

As I ponder and think about the weather, I am reminded of the reality that we are both saint and sinner. We are all ready for spring, we all long for the warm sun that we know is right around the corner, and that we have been given a foretaste of with a few warm days. But as winter holds on, we are reminded of our sinful nature, even though Christ is risen, our guilt and our sins atoned for, we still yearn for the better, brighter days ahead. We yearn and long for the return of Christ, for the final destruction of sin. Just as winter refuses to stop showing its ugly head, so our sin continues to attack us; we cannot shake it until Christ returns.

But we also know Spring is right around the corner. We know Christ is right around the corner. We know that even though we sin, Christ forgives. We know that the winter of sin cannot last. Christ has won, Christ has broken the chains of death, and its icy grip cannot hold us any longer.

Every Sunday we gather to celebrate the Lord's Supper, but on Easter, it seems just a bit more exciting. On Easter morning, you can feel the anticipation as you get ready for church because it is finally here. The winter of fasting is over, and Lent is now behind us. Spring is here, and Christ declares his victory. Even if winter remains, Christ bursts from the tomb. Alleluias erupt with glorious voice as new life is breathed into the church. The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

HOLY WEEK MARCH 29 - APRIL 5

Palm Sunday	8:00 a	Divine Service
	9:15 a	Sunday School (no Adult class)
	10:30 a	Divine Service Youth Confirmation & Reception
Monday	8:30 a	Divine Service
Tuesday	8:30 a	Divine Service
Wednesday	8:30 a	Divine Service
Maundy Thursday	8:30 a	Divine Service
	6:30 p	Divine Service with stripping of the Altar
Good Friday	Noon	Chief Service
	6:30 p	Tenebrae Service Service of Darkness
Saturday Vigil	6:30 p	Divine Service , begins on our courtyard
Easter	7:00 a	Divine Service
	8:15-9:45 a	Breakfast , a full, free breakfast served
	10:00 a	Divine Service (not 10:30)



HOW TO GET RID OF THE LUTHERANS

Pastor Weinkauff

I was reminded from another pastor about Johann Georg. He was Lutheran but converted to Calvinism. It was 1616, he ruled the region of Brandenburg, Germany. How do you get the region to be Calvinist, Reformed? How do you get rid of the Lutherans or get them to convert. Where do they start? How do you stop Lutherans? The government made laws regarding worship and the churches. Here are some of the laws enacted in the region:

- All images and statues are to be removed from the Church.
- The stone altar is to be ripped from the ground and replaced with a wooden table.
- All crucifixes to be completely abolished and no longer tolerated.
- The Lord's Prayer and Words of Institution in the Lord's Supper are no longer to be sung by pastors.
- The golden Chalice and Altarware are to be replaced with wooden, ordinary vessels.
- No prayers should be sung by the pastors.
- Beautiful, ornate vestments of pastors and other fine, ornate furnishings, candlesticks no longer used.
- Communicants shall no longer kneel; no kneeling during portion of the Nicene Creed.
- Making the 'sign of the cross' is forbidden; Incense is forbidden.
- No longer should anyone lower their head when the name of "Jesus" is mentioned, hats can be worn inside.
- The stone baptismal font is to be removed and a basin substituted.
- The historic Lectionary is no longer to be used; rather a selection of the Bible chosen by the minister.

Think about what you see at Risen Savior! in the historical faith being confessed by our practice and setting. The Calvinist recognized -this wasn't the first time and place measures like this were taken -that you change the practices, rituals, setting and you can change what people believe! Change the reverence and decorum for the presence of the Lord in Word and Sacrament, so people think it is nothing sacred, but ordinary, thus to teach Jesus is not present. How well do we know, understand, and embrace the historic worship of the Scripture, from the Early and historical Church, as practiced by us in an authentic Lutheran church? And do we understand why these are matters for our confession of faith, where God's Word is taught in its truth and purity and the Sacraments administered rightly? The more we learn about both the doctrine and the practice of historical Christians and our Lutheran heritage, the more we can embrace the entirety of what it means to be Lutheran, and the blessed comfort, joy and certainty which comes with that.



RISEN SAVIOR MUSIC
TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

Cathy Manis, Music Director
cmusicgal@gmail.com 913-416-0007

Thank you to all the musicians and choirs that fill our balcony!
If you wish you may join in at anytime. No experience necessary.

Vocal Choir Practices Sunday, 11:45 am

Bell Choir Practices Wednesday, 7 pm

Youth Chorale (2nd-8th Grade) Practices Thursday, 6:30-7:30 pm.

Musicians If you wish to play an instrument for Services, please contact Cathy.

Piano & Organ Lessons? Please see Cathy.



BIBLE CLASSES

Sundays 9:15 am Acts **Weds. 8:30 am Matins**
9:00 am Hebrews



SUNDAY SCHOOL 3 yr. old - 8th grade

Amanda Harbord, Board of Education

It was great to hear so many Sunday School children singing on the 5th Sunday of Lent!
Thank you to all the parents and teachers that work to make a wonderful Sunday morning for the young.

Children sing next: **10:30 Service, 3rd Sunday of Easter, April 19.**



**April 12
6:00 pm**

YOUTH GROUP High School -1st Sunday of the month Pastor Burgdorf

Due to Easter - 1 week later. Monthly Gathering: **April 12, 6:00-8:00 pm**, invite any friends. Also Sunday 9:15!

Higher Things, July 13-18, Colorado St., Ft. Collins, CO. We have 25 youth and 5 adults registered.



**May 7
6:30 pm**

TABLETALK 19-39 yr. old -1st Thursdays Pastor Burgdorf

Due to Holy Week, our next Monthly Gathering: **May 7, 6:30 pm** Invite any friends. Bring any snacks or beverages if you wish.



**April 12
9:30 am**

USHER TRAINING Board of Elders, Forrest Erickson, Chair

All ushers and all men interested, our member, retired KCKPD Officer James Turney will be conducting a security training between service, Sunday, April 12, 9:30 am.



**April 22
12-6 pm**

BLOOD DRIVE Board of Outreach, Jim & Billie Brush coordinators

April 22, Wednesday 12:00-6:00 pm. The need is urgent during these times. Thank you for those who regularly give and please consider being a donor.



**May 2
8:00 am**

SPRING PLANTING Marsha Albright, Church Gardner

All are welcome to come and get dirty. We will plant our annuals, do rock work and a few other outdoor plantings, and projects. We have some tools available but you are welcome to bring any from home.



**April 18
8-10 am**

HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP Kevin Carder, Board of Outreach

Join us in service to the community to clean-up our adopted portions of the highway. Meet at the church at 8 am for instructions then head to our 2 sites, done by 10:00 am.



**April 16
6:30 pm**

KATIE'S SISTERS Joy Mustapich, coordinator; usually meet 3rd Thurs. Ladies Night Out, sisters of Katie Luther

We gather April 16, 6:30 pm. Watch for the flyer in your mailbox.



**April 6
6:30 pm**

BOOK CLUB meets 1st Monday of the month

All are invited to come and listen to the lively discussion! (Even if you haven't finished the book or it hasn't come yet!) Order now for upcoming gatherings.

April 6: Underground Airlines, by Ben H. Winters

May 4: Gone with the Wind by Margaret Mitchell



**April 9
6:30 pm**

MEMENTO meets 2nd Thursday of the month

Pastor Burgdorf

All men are invited, whether you have joined Memento or not. Memento: a daily Bible study, tools for virtue, disciplines, and resources for men.

Memento70.com. Over 5000 men have signed-up and 100s of fraternity sprouting up at LCMS churches throughout the US and world!

Fyi, November 4-6, Risen Savior is hosting a national gathering of Memento with Pastor Brian Strecker, its founding pastor, joining us. A 3 day, 2 night event where men and several pastors will be staying at the church.



**April 9
6:00 pm
at Faith
Cottages,
Basehor**

WOMEN IN MISSION 2nd Tues. of the month Dayle Reynolds 913-680-5366

Our LWML meeting will be April 9, 6:00 pm at Faith Cottages in Basehor. We plan to have a short Bible study with residents. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Please purchase a raffle ticket for the Christmas tree skirt that will be on display for the month and we will draw a winner on 5/1/26. Need not be present to win. See any LWML member if the display is not out. Proceeds will be going to the Sparrow Clinic.



**April 24
7:00 pm**

MEN'S GAMENIGHT Usually 4th Friday of the month

We will gather on April 24. All men over 18 of the congregation and friends are invited as we usually play cards. Usually have prizes. Sometimes other activities are done. Plenty of food and beverages show up. In May we are looking at our KC Bier outing.



LAWN MOWING? Curtis Newman, Board of Trustees

We have 2 large zero-turn mowers to cut the grass at church. It saves us \$5000+/yr. to have volunteers. We have teams of 2 men, it takes 2 people 3 hours. Contact Curtis Newman, 913-683-5574 curtisin50@yahoo.com if you wish you join in the rotations.



**May 1
9:00 am**

1ST FRIDAY TRUSTEE WORK Curtis Newman, Board of Trustees

Due to Holy Week, we meet next May 1 at 9 am on the first Friday of the month; after 8:30 Matins, grab a coffee; then address various projects inside and outside the church.



AVAILABLE HELP To be added, send email to: weinkauf@rslcms.church

Babysitting Needs

Bridget Harbord, 15. Safe Sitter certified (1/2024) in First Aid/CPR, child care, and safety skills. Available most weekends (day or evening), watch toddler-age and above. Will keep kids busy with activities and play. Call 913.544.4133 (Amanda, mom) or mdy2404@gmail.com.

Pick-up Truck _If you need to borrow a pickup truck, please contact Pastor Weinkauf.

Thank you, Our family would like to express our heartfelt thanks to our Risen Savior Church family for the outpouring of prayers, love, and support during Ron's illness and passing. Your many expressions of care have comforted and sustained us more than words can say. We are deeply grateful to be part of such a compassionate church family and thankful to call Risen Savior our church home.

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your fellowship." — Philippians 1:3-5
Regards, Carol Swartz, Kent Swartz, and John & Heather Drake



NEW PLAYGROUND

Yes, the Voter's unanimously approved the Playground Committee Plan.
 Yes, it seems like an unreasonable amount of money for a playground.
 Yes, our current playground needs removed and a church does not need a playground.
 Yes, a playground, like the gym and kitchen are not essential but enrich our family life.
 Yes, a quality, commercial grade playground costs that much.
 Yes, 1/2 the cost is the poured rubberized surface, greater safety, less maintenance than mulch.
 Yes, the Playground Committee (Sandra Knoernschild, Emily Newman, Sarah Bretz, Katlyn Selbe, Amanda Harbord) individually spent 40+ hours, meeting with vendors, site visits of playgrounds, research, and meetings to workout a solution for a quality playground, for our current size, at the best possible price.

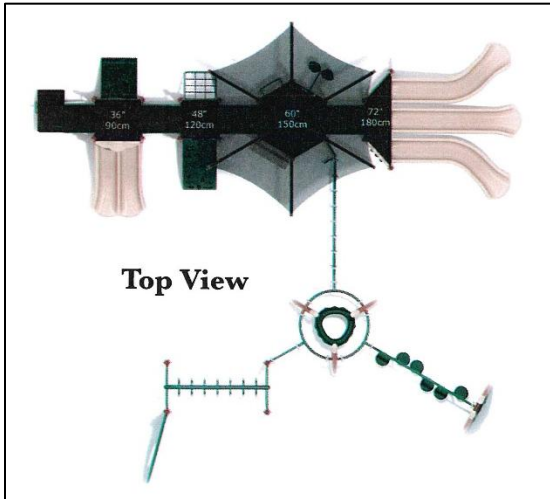
Fundraising Goal: August 1. We hope to have done by mid-September, Oktoberfest.

Project Cost: \$157,500

Amount received: \$86,794 -through 3/22, thank you, this is amazing!

Amount needed: \$70,709

We need significant gifts, and any and all gifts matter and are greatly appreciated!
 IF you cannot give extra or do not want to fund a playground -the Lord bless you!
 IF you can give extra offerings, note "Playground Fund" -the Lord bless you!



Pioneer Place

60-75 Children
 Ages 5-12
 20-50 year lifespan



This will replace our current playground in the same area.

Curbed borders with poured rubber surface.

TOURS !

2027 Greece Tour

with
Pastor Burgdorf
(limited to 20 people)

Details at
LutherTours.com

See Pastor Burgdorf
for the Itinerary
packets.

2028 Germany Tour

with
Pastor Weinkauff
(our 4th time)
Itinerary in 2027.

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ANCIENT GREECE ~ AUGUST 12-23, 2027

APOSTLE PAUL'S MISSIONARY JOURNEY

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE BY PASTOR BURGDORF

GROUP COORDINATOR SANDY KNOERNSCHILD, CONTACT 816.289.8997



6-NIGHT ANTIQUITIES OF ANCIENT GREECE LAND TOUR

ATHENS, CORINTH, DELPHI, METEORA, THESSALONIKI AND MORE

4-NIGHT ICONIC GREEK ISLAND CRUISE

MYKONOS, ANCIENT RUINS OF EPHEBUS,
PATMOS, RHODES, CRETE, & SANTORINI



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We invite you to join us on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to **Greece**. This is an opportunity to deepen your appreciation for the Scriptures, as we walk together through the very places where **St. Paul preached and taught**. As brothers and sisters in Christ at Risen Savior, this journey offers us a beautiful opportunity to grow in faith and fellowship.

Together, we will explore ancient cities, breathtaking landscapes, and scriptural sites — **Philippi, Thessaloniki, Berea, Athens, Corinth**, and more. Along the way, we'll reflect on Paul's missionary journeys, his bold witness, and the enduring message of Christ Crucified. We would be truly honored to have you with us as we deepen our faith, strengthen our friendships, and experience the beauty and history of Greece together. If your heart is stirring for adventure, learning, and spiritual renewal, this trip is for you. **Let's walk where Paul walked.** Warmly, Pr. Burgdorf



RISEN SAVIOR
CLASSICAL ACADEMY
VERITAS AETERNA

Open House
April 13
3:30 pm

- We have just a few Mondays left in our 8th year. It has been amazing year!, as we have 60 students in our Academy, and plans are being finalized for next year.
- Annual Open House** to share information and registration for the 2026-27 School Year is April 13. If any family or friends are interested in homeschooling, come and see what our Classical Academy offers and visit with our other homeschool parents at the Open House.
- An Art Teacher is needed next year, \$500+/monthly, Monday afternoons.

Iota Class celebrating
Dr. Seuss Day, of
course Green Eggs
and Ham are on the
menu.



St. Luke's 1888 Altar. We rescued and preserved the Altar used by the first Lutherans in the Kansas City, KS area. We will have a Rite of Dedication of Sacred Art on April 12. This area in the transept will be used by the pastors for Private Confession/Absolution, and for small groups or individuals to gather in an intimate setting for prayer and services. Thanks to all who helped on this project, especially Tim Selbe.



Cemetery Statue. Our 2nd statue will be placed in late May as we await the 4' granite base, like our Good Shepherd statue.

New Roof. What the Voter's approved for \$88,000 estimate, cost \$96,500 as some issues and steeple repair needed. BUT our Insurance claim came through and we paid only \$22,500! Thanks be to God and for the work of our Trustees Curtis Newman and Bruce Knoernschild. With the Nave roof replaced in fall 2024, we now have premium "hurricane grade" shingles over all the facility.



Annual Confirmation Retreat. We had 12 youth gathered for 3 classes, 2 worship services, open gym, challenge games, and pizza.





Our most gifted Bell Choir member and others.



St. Patrick's Day. The Pastors ended up at an Irish Pub where some of our members were performing Irish Dance with their dance troupe.



Katie's Sisters held Bingo night in March.



40 Days of Life Vigil. Thank you for all who came out this day.



Playground Committee. They individually spent 40+ hours researching, meeting with vendors, site visits, and meetings to work a quality solution at the best possible price. They greatly offended Pastor Weinkauff because they would not let him pick out the playground colors.

Our LWML hosted their regional event at Risen Savior.



APRIL 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 Palm Sunday 8:00a Divine Service 9:15a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30a Divine Service 11:45a Confirmation Reception 11:45a Adult Choir	30 8:30a Divine Service 8:30a-3:30p RSCA	31 8:30a Divine Service	1 8:30a Divine Service	2 Maundy Thursday 8:30a Divine Service 6:30p Divine Service	3 Good Friday Noon Chief Service 6:30p Tenebrae Service	4 Easter Vigil 9-10a Private Confession & Absolution 6:30p Divine Service
HOLY WEEK						
5 Easter 7:00a Divine Service 8-9:45a Breakfast 10:00a Divine Service	6 8:30a Matins No RSCA - Easter Monday 6:30p Book Club	7 8:30a Matins <i>St. Martin's Lutheran Church founded 1908</i>	8 8:30a Matins 9:00a Bible Study for all 6:30p Evening Prayer 6:45p Bell Choir	9 8:30a Matins 6:00a LWML meeting 6:30p Youth Chorale 6:30p Memento for men	10 8:30a Matins	11 6:00p Divine Service
12 2nd Sunday of Easter 8:00a Divine Service 9:15a Sun. School/Bible class 9:30a Usher Training 10:30a Divine Service 11:45a Adult Choir	13 8:30a Matins 8:30a-3:30p RSCA 3:30p RSCA Open House	14 8:30a Matins 10:00a Newsletter deadline 10:00a Bible Study @ Advocacy First 12:00p Lunch with Pastors	15 8:30a Matins 9:00a Bible Study for all 11:00a Bible Study @ Faith Cottages 6:30p Evening Prayer 6:45p Bell Choir	16 8:30a Matins 6:30p Youth Chorale 6:30p Katie's Sister	17 8:30a Matins	18 9-10a Private Confession & Absolution 6:00p Divine Service
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26 4th Sunday of Easter 8:00a Divine Service 9:15a Sun. School/Bible class 10:30a Divine Service 11:45a Vocal Choir 6:00p Book of Concord study	27 8:30a Matins 8:30a-3:30p RSCA	28 8:30a Matins	29 8:30a Matins 9:00a Bible Study for all 6:30p Evening Prayer 7:00p Bell Choir	30 8:30a Matins 6:30p Youth Chorale	1 7:00a Leadership Breakfast 8:30a Matins 9:00a 1st Friday Trustee work	2 8:00a Spring Planting 6:00p Divine Service

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1	Tammie Davidson
2	Brenda Bullock
3	Tully Hartenbower
3	Anna Murphy
3	Joy Mustapich
4	Cathi Beauford
5	John Kleist
5	Brandon Kerst
5	Jordyn Hackmann
6	Becky Murphy
7	Rev. Weinkauff
8	Kyle Kauss
8	Kenna Adair
9	Edel Selbe
10	Everett Newman
11	Chase Decede
11	Jason Fielder
11	Lea Matthews

13	Bennett Heath
13	Carol Swartz
13	Linda Hylton
15	Tim Herndon
17	Sean Muntzel
18	Aimee DeSotel
18	April White
18	Jimmy White
19	Sylvia Dupuis

20	Jess Jansen
21	April Ruzsa
22	Craig Muntzel
23	Joshua Rauh
23	Joshua Murphy
24	Rachel Harbour
24	Lou Fritz
27	Larry Johnson
27	Joyce Harper

27	Mindy Arriaga
27	Rehe Selbe
28	Phyllis Brooks
29	Bradley Reynolds
29	Ann Gleason
29	Bradley Reynolds

Wedding Anniversaries	
5	Brian & Lisa Huesers
5	Darren & Faith Kerr
5	Ron & Sandra Smith
6	Gary & Julia Cordes
20	Wayne & Cookie Doebele
25	Mike & Laura Adair
29	Jeff & Angie Armintrout

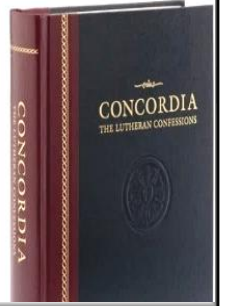
THANK YOU!

- ☒ Tim Selbe & all who worked on the St. Luke's Altar.
- ☒ For all who came out to the 40 Days of Life Vigil.
- ☒ Our Trustees Bruce Knoernschild & Curtis Newman for their work on the roof and insurance.
- ☒ For all who gave blood at the recent Blood Drive.
- ☒ Cathy Manis and Faith Kerr for their office work.

BOOK OF CONCORD STUDY

April 26 6:00 pm

Join us any time for this continuous study. All welcome to come for an evening of enrichment in our Lutheran doctrine and Scriptural engagements, food, & refreshments. *Last Sunday evening of the month.*



LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

LutheransForLife.org

"Sin and shame and guilt are taken away by one thing only—the blood of Jesus Christ—which cleanses us from all sin. Our sins have already been punished in Him, on that cross. Jesus bodily rose from the tomb so that we would know that now even death itself cannot harm those who belong to Jesus and trust in Him alone, for as He lives, so we live as well."

2026 FINANCIAL

Full report posted in Church Office.

Through end of February:

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Expenses \$73,670

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