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## On Newness In Christ by Pastor Max Whitehead

*"<sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. <sup>18</sup>All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup>Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."*

*2 Corinthians 5:17-21*

So that in him, might become the righteousness of God... this word righteousness bears so much weight and it is worth exploring what this "righteousness of God" means.

The dictionary definition of righteous is "(of a person or conduct) morally right or justifiable; virtuous." Right off the bat we can already see issues. "Morally right or justifiable." Whose decision is it to declare a person or action just? Is the action justified or unjustified depending on who is doing said action? Whose moral compass are we using to judge the morality of others? Our own?

The long and short of it is that as long as we continue to seek and strive for righteousness according to ourselves, we will never find it, we will never be satisfied, and we certainly will never be free.

Then Paul comes in with this statement: "Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." Through Christ, you

have been made righteous before God. Through Christ, this righteousness has been given to you. This is the freeing word that is found at the end of the Lenten season. Like a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow, there lies the Cross of Christ. Instead of riches, we comes to a place where all of our sins, all of our attempts at our own righteousness, are laid. Instead of gold, we are given eternal life, salvation, and forgiveness in God's name now and forever.

As we wrap up this season of lent, drawing ever nearer to the cross of Christ and the empty tomb of Easter morning, know that Christ has reconciled you to God. He has made the plea on your behalf. In His name, may you have new life each and everyday.

This is most certainly true.  
Pastor Max



Sunday School VBS Fundraiser

# Palm Sunday Breakfast



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will be served

Sunday April 10, 2022

Where: Parish Hall

Time: Following Service

Free-will offering accepted for  
Sunday School



We are looking for a new Sunday School teacher. The new teacher could teach any of the grade levels they would like.

Our class levels are:

PK—1st  
2nd—4th  
5th—6th

Please talk with Belinda or Michelle if you are interested in helping our children learn about God.



The food pantry is in need of the following items:

- Facial tissue • toilet paper • shampoo
- toothpaste and toothbrushes • lotion
- body wash • canned pasta • toaster pastries • cereal bars • granola bars • cooking oil • mayo • salad dressings
- ketchup • sauces: soy • worchestershire
- etc • spices • peanut butter • jelly • pastas
- rice (not instant) • Ramen noodles

We have a refrigerator and large freezer so meats, cheese and other items may be donated as well.



# April 2022 Church Calendar

For complete information and additional details, please visit [www.oslcivb.org/events/](http://www.oslcivb.org/events/)

## April 3

9:00AM Worship Service (Communion)  
10:15AM Sunday School

## April 6

7:30AM Bible Study  
7:00PM Lenten Service @ SVLC  
Council Meeting after Lenten service

## April 10

9:00AM Palm Sunday (Communion)  
10:15AM-ish Palm Sunday Breakfast  
10:15AM Sunday School  
5:00PM Lenten Presentation "Living Last Supper"

## April 11

7:00PM Lenten Presentation "Living Last Supper"

## April 12

7:00PM Lenten Presentation "Living Last Supper"

## April 13

7:30AM Bible Study  
7:00PM Lenten Presentation "Living Last Supper"

## April 14

7:00PM Maundy Thursday (Communion)(SVLC)

## April 15

7:00PM Good Friday (OSLC)

## April 17

No Sunday School  
10:30AM Easter Sunday Service (Communion)

## April 20

7:30AM Bible Study  
3:45PM - 5:00PM Jr VCIS  
5:30PM Confirmation  
7:00PM VCIS

## April 24

9:00AM Worship Service (Contemporary)  
10:15AM Sunday School  
Baby Shower Open House

## April 25

Newsletter Deadline

## April 27

7:30AM Bible Study  
3:45PM - 5:00PM Jr VCIS  
5:30PM Confirmation  
7:00PM VCIS

## Looking Ahead in May 2022

### May 1

9:15AM Sunday School  
9:00AM Worship Service

### May 4

7:30AM Bible Study  
3:45PM - 5:00PM Jr VCIS  
5:30PM Confirmation  
7:00PM VCIS

### May 8 - Mothers Day

9:15AM Sunday School  
(Last Day)  
9:00AM Worship Service



## April Worship Helper Schedule

### April 3 - (Communion)

Reader ..... Lisa McIlvenna  
Acolytes ..... Godwin & Jazmyne  
Communion..... Acolytes  
Music ..... Melanie Parsons  
Live Stream..... Maxx

### April 10 (Communion)

Reader ..... Kayla Mehlhaf  
Acolytes ..... Olivia & Thea  
Communion..... Acolytes  
Music ..... Melanie Parsons  
Live Stream..... Maxx

### April 17 (Communion)

Reader ..... Cath Peterson  
Acolytes ..... Piper & Godwin  
Communion ..... Acolytes  
Music ..... Melanie Parsons  
Live Stream..... Maxx

### April 24 (Contemporary)

Reader ..... Cath Peterson  
Acolytes ..... Westin & Quinn  
Music ..... Praise Band  
Live Stream..... Maxx

# 2022 Committee's of the Month

Each month's committee members are responsible for reading the Scriptures on Sundays. Confirmed youth of committee members are included in the month in which the parent serves. A full list of duties is on the bulletin board and in the committee of the month binder.

## MAY

Shelley Wray  
Matt and Sharon Wirth  
Joe and Teddy Schafer  
Steven and Linda Holmberg  
Tyler Bjerke and Samantha Rothschild

## JUNE

Fred and Janet Holmberg  
Robert and Marilyn Christensen  
Loren and Michelle Johnson  
Robert and Mariann Lee

## JULY

Josh and Jenae Duus  
Fred and Janet Holmberg  
Jay and Melanie Parsons  
Staci Kropuenske

## AUGUST

Joe and Teddy Shafer  
Les and Judy Sampson  
Robert and Marilyn Christensen  
JoAnn Hansen

## SEPTEMBER

Loren and Michelle Johnson  
Matt and Denise Graves  
Chad and Belinda Holm  
Justin and Catrina Walsh

## OCTOBER

Matt and Sharon Wirth  
Shelley Wray  
Chad and Belinda Holm  
Steven and Linda Holmberg

## NOVEMBER

Jay and Melanie Parsons  
Josh and Kristie Huth  
Ellie Whitehead  
Don and Jeanie Gerdes

## DECEMBER & JANUARY 2023

Mike and Laura Stevens (Dec.)  
Mike and Lisa McIlvenna (Jan.)  
Josh and Jenae Duus  
Evan Stevens

ATTENTION!!

Committee of the  
Month Leaders

Please submit your  
reader schedule  
line-up to  
[admin@oslcvi.org](mailto:admin@oslcvi.org)  
before the 20th of the  
month. Thank you!!!

The May Council  
Meeting is May 4  
at 7:30PM



## April Scripture Readings

### April 3

Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14,  
John 12:1-8

### April 10

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16, Philippians 2:5-11,  
Luke 23:1-49

### April 14 Maundy Thursday

Psalm 116:10-17, Jeremiah 31:31-34, Hebrews 10:15-39,  
Luke 22:7-20

### April 15 Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Psalm 22, Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9,  
John 18:1-19:42

### April 17 Easter Sunday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Psalm 22, Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9,  
John 18:1-19:42

### April 24

Acts 5:27-32, Psalm 150, Revelation 1:4-8,  
John 20:19-31



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## The Living Last Supper

Come witness a Holy Week event as 13 men gather to present a brief telling of the lives of Jesus and the 12 Disciples before and after their calling to follow Christ.

April 10 at 5PM

Scandia Lutheran Church, Centerville

April 11 at 7:00PM

Riverview Reformed Church, Yankton

April 12 at 7:00PM

Spring Valley Lutheran Church, Viborg

April 13 at 7:00PM

Redeemer Free Lutheran Church, Canton