

# The Voice *Online*

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH—GREEN BAY

## It's almost Groundhog Day; what does this mean?

Pastor Dave Hatch

We get stuck in our routines. There are some days that seem like they are a repeat of the prior one. One day is a mirror of the previous. The alarm goes off at the same time.

Every morning the near-robotic run begins with turning off the alarm, winding the antique clock, making coffee, showering, unloading the dishwasher, making the lunches, racing against the clock and scooping up breakfast on the run... The middle of the day may include some variance. But the routine repeats itself during the evening: whip up a meal, do the dishes, load the dishwasher, catch up on the day, snag the news, find some diversion in a book and head to the pillow. When we repeat our routines day in and day out, weeks turn to months, months to years and pretty soon we wonder, "Was this all there was to life?" Some folks get discouraged and feel trapped, disillusioned, confused and/or hopeless. Resignation sets in.

Do you ever feel that way? There is a film about this

called, "Groundhog Day."

A weatherman is reluctantly sent to cover a story about a weather forecasting "rat" (as he calls the groundhog) in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. This is his fourth year on the weather story at that location, and he makes no effort to hide his frustration. He does not want to be there. It's routine! On awaking the "following" day, he discovers that it's Groundhog Day again, and again and again. Each day repeats itself, one day identical to the next. The alarm clock radio goes off playing the same song. He bumps into the same person every morning in the hall. Throughout the day ... everyday ... he sees the same people in the same place doing the same thing. First, he uses this to his advantage, and then comes the realization that he is doomed to spend the rest of eternity in the same place, seeing the same people do the same thing *every* day. He is so full of himself, as a

weatherman, he eventually thinks he makes the weather. He is self-centered.

He is stuck in his trap until he begins to understand the meaning of life. He must "get out of himself" and his selfishness and begin to see and love the people around him. The guy in the hallway each morning has a name! He begins to see their needs, looks into their story, sees how he is not an observer in their lives, but a participant. Only then is he set free. Only then is each day a new day. Only then can life go forward and have rich meaning.

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### **QPR training at OSLC**

The Brown County Suicide Prevention Coalition will present "Question, Persuade and Refer;" a suicide prevention class in the fellowship hall at OSLC on Wednesday, Feb. 8 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. QPR refers to three simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade and refer someone to help. Each year thousands of Americans, like you, are saying "yes" to saving the life of a friend, colleague, sibling or neighbor.

Confirmation students will be attending this presentation. All parents and other members of the congregation and the community are welcome to attend. RSVPs would be appreciated but not required by calling (920) 468-4065.

Lily Marie Wilber  
Born: October 28, 2011  
Baptized: January 8, 2012  
Daughter of Nathan and Kristen Wilber

Lilly Ann Hill  
Born: July 24, 2011  
Baptized: January 15, 2012  
Daughter of Tyler Hill and Kayla Pinchart

## **OSLC official acts**



### **Baptisms:**

Ariah Imani Lewis  
Born: July 6, 2011  
Baptized: December 24, 2011  
Daughter of Macciano and Denise Lewis

### **Received her crown:**

Arlene M. Mahlik  
February 20, 1944 - January 10, 2012  
Funeral service held on January 13, 2012

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In our lives with Christ, there is an application for us about our seemingly boring routines. If we look at the people, instead of the problems, if we look at others' needs instead of our wants, we will begin to see each new day as an adventure. We will begin to see our purpose in our story. Look at the folks around you. Are they there randomly, or by His directive? How might the love of Christ shine through you today? Step out of routine thinking, and into the adventurous walk with Christ. Step out of the darkness and into His marvelous light!

This message is not about easy street, a walk down that path only comes now and then. This

message is thinking differently about routines. Difficult days will come, that is a promise. "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world," John 16:33.

This message is about spotting special things in our otherwise routine lives. Seeing the loved ones, the needs and the open doors where we can display the love of Christ.

Consider life as a stage as Shakespeare described, "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players." They have their exits and their entrances. Watch who

the master director places before you today, and perhaps different folks again tomorrow. Celebrate the adventure, sharing the love of Christ in your daily walk not your routine.



## **Lenten schedule for your refrigerator**

Ash Wednesday*	Wed.	Feb. 22	4:00 p.m. / 6:30 p.m.
Lenten service 1* **	Wed.	Feb. 29	4:00 p.m. / 6:30 p.m.
Lenten service 2*	Wed.	Mar. 7	4:00 p.m. / 6:30 p.m.
Lenten service 3*	Wed.	Mar. 14	4:00 p.m. / 6:30 p.m.
Lenten service 4*	Wed.	Mar. 21	4:00 p.m. / 6:30 p.m.
Lenten service 5*	Wed.	Mar. 28	4:00 p.m. / 6:30 p.m.
Palm Sunday / Traditional	Sun.	Apr. 1	7:45 a.m.
Palm Sunday / Praise	Sun.	Apr. 1	9:15 a.m.
Palm Sunday / Children's Pageant	Sun.	Apr. 1	10:45 a.m.
Easter egg hunt	Sun.	Apr. 1	11:45 a.m.
Maundy Thursday	Thu.	Apr. 4	4:00 p.m.
Maundy Thursday / Foot washing	Thu.	Apr. 4	5:30 p.m.
Maundy Thursday	Thu.	Apr. 4	6:30 p.m.
Good Friday	Fri.	Apr. 5	12:15 p.m.
Good Friday / Seven Words Vigil	Fri.	Apr. 5	Follows 12:15 p.m. service
Good Friday	Fri.	Apr. 5	7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday / Vigil of Darkness	Sun.	Apr. 8	5:00 a.m.
Easter Sunday / Sunrise Service	Sun.	Apr. 8	6:00 a.m.
Easter Sunday / Traditional	Sun.	Apr. 8	7:45 a.m.
Easter Sunday / Praise	Sun.	Apr. 8	9:15 a.m.
Easter Sunday / Traditional	Sun.	Apr. 8	10:45 a.m.

\* Dinner will be served in the gym at 5:00 p.m. each of these evenings . A free will offering will be accepted.

\*\* There will be a National Youth Gathering informational meeting for youth and parents interested in attending or sending your child to San Antonio in July of 2013 during the meal.

## **Wednesdays Lenten Bible study**

Adult instruction in the Christian faith will begin on Thursday, Feb. 16, with a 'talk -n-tour' and the first topic, "The Four Free Gifts." After this initial class, future classes will be held on February 22 and 29, March 7, 14, 21 and 28 (all Wednesdays from 5:20 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.) and a make-up night is scheduled

for Thursday, Apr.12 at 5:30 p.m.

These Wednesday classes fit nicely between our 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Lenten services with a supper available to all at 5:00 p.m. All members and non-members are welcome to attend. Non-members can become members through

adult Confirmation on April 29 at the 10:45 a.m. service; membership after the class is not required. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to the church office at 468-4065 or [info@oslc-gb.org](mailto:info@oslc-gb.org).

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

**FEBRUARY 2012**

<p>5 6:00 a Pizza sale prep 7:45a Trad Worship 8:30a Pizza pickup (by noon) 9:15a Praise worship 9:30a Sun school 10:30a Sun school teacher meeting 10:45a Trad worship 6:30p Basketball</p>	<p>6 7p Board of elders</p>	<p>7 7a Bible Study 8a OLM meeting 9a Bible study 7p Choir practice  NO PRESCHOOL</p>	<p>1 12p Staff Meeting 3p Youth Night 6p Praise Band 6p Confirmation 6:30p Youth Board 7p P&amp;F Meeting</p>	<p>2 12:15p Worship 7p Trad Worship</p>	<p>3 5:30 p Ldluzerne/Vogels Wedding rehearsal</p>	<p>4 2:00 p Gym Rental 3:00 p Ldluzerne/Vogels Wedding 6:00 p Pizza prep/youth movie night</p>
<p>12Communion Mite Box Sunday 7:45a Trad worship 9:1:5am Praise worship 9:1:5a Bible study 9:30a Sun school 10:30a Bible study 10:45aTrad worship 6:30p Basketball</p>	<p>13 6p Church council  No Trinity Classes/ In-Service</p>	<p>14 7a Bible study 9a Bible study 6:30p Cub scouts 7p Choir practice</p>	<p>15 12p Staff meeting 3p Youth night 6p Praise band 6p Confirmation 6:30p Bible study</p>	<p>16 12:15p Worship 5:30p Talk 'n food and adult Confirmation class 7p Trad worship</p>	<p>17 4p Plog/Mahlk Wedding 5:00 p Fish fry</p>	<p>18 2p Gym rental</p>
<p>19 7:45a Trad worship 9:1:5a Praise worship w/SS assist 9:1:5a Bible study 9:30a Sun school 10:30a Bible study 10:45a Trad worship 6:30p Basketball</p>	<p>20 7p Board of education</p>	<p>21 7a Bible study 8a OLM meeting 9a Bible study 7p Choir practice</p>	<p>22 Ash Wednesday 12p Staff meeting 3p Youth night 4p Worship 5p Dinner 5:20p Adult Confirmation class 6:30p Worship</p>	<p>23 6p Praise band</p>	<p>24 6p Trinity science and art fair</p>	<p>25 2p Gym rental 4p Taste of Trinity auction; Riverside Ballroom</p>
<p>26Communion Cinnamon Rolls 7:45a Trad Worship 9:1:5a Praise Worship 9:1:5a Bible Study 9:30a Sun School 10:30a Bible Study 10:45a Trad Worship 6:30p Basketball</p>	<p>27 6:30p GBLSA Board 7:00 p Stewardship</p>	<p>28 7a Bible Study 9a Bible Study 6:30p Cub Scouts 7p Choir Practice</p>	<p>29 12p Staff meeting 3p Youth night 4p Worship 5p Luncheon 5:15p NYG2013 meeting 5:20p Adult class 6:30p Worship  Preschool In-Service</p>			

## March usher schedule

† UN-Usher needed: If you'd like to volunteer as an usher please contact the lead usher of the group you'd like to join. Or contact Rich Spangenberg at (920) 983-9821 or e-mail [spangendr@uwgb.edu](mailto:spangendr@uwgb.edu)

<i>Day:</i>	<i>Date:</i>	<i>Service:</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Usher Team:</i>
Sun.	04-Mar	7:45 am	M. Dalebroux	Andrew Prescher; Al Brietlow; Barry Dalebroux
Sun.	04-Mar	9:15 am	W. Chamberlain	Randy and Roxanne Dyle; Alex Chamberlain; McKenzie Waniger; Nathan Scholz
Sun.	04-Mar	10:45 am	M. Charles	Don Larson; Karen Kiekhaefer; Hunter Alft
Wed.	07-Mar	4:00 pm	R. Spangenberg	(Youth )
Wed.	07-Mar	6:30 pm	C. Arthur	Carl Zimonick; Gary Kirchman; Dick Zimonick
Sun.	11-Mar	7:45 am	M. Morgan	Vernon Siech; Gloria Morgan; Ralph Hoerchler
Sun.	11-Mar	9:15 am	D. Wians	Lonnie Peerenboom; Todd Korth; Barb Korth; Davis LaMarche; Dan Richer
Sun.	11-Mar	10:45 am	R. Bruhn	Rich Ryman; Sue Bruhn; Richard Christianson
Wed.	14-Mar	4:00 pm	R. Spangenberg	(Youth )
Wed.	14-Mar	6:30 pm	P. Kuehl	Bill Baneck; †UN; †UN
Sun.	18-Mar	7:45 am	A. Knaus	Clarence Ney; Josh VanKauwenberg; Jerry VanKauwenberg
Sun.	18-Mar	9:15 am	R. Vande Hei	Walt Juhnke; Tiffany Duff; Brian Duff; Chelsea Vande Hei; Rachel Vande Hei
Sun.	18-Mar	10:45 am	G. Buechner	Carmen Leuthner; Lloyd Leuthner; DeVonte King; Rich Spangenberg
Wed.	21-Mar	4:00 pm	R. Spangenberg	(Youth )
Wed.	21-Mar	6:30 pm	B. Clayton	Anthony Clayton; †UN; †UN
Sun.	25-Mar	7:45 am	J. Kielpikowski	Chad Kielpikowski; Ron Klumb; †UN
Sun.	25-Mar	9:15 am	D. Bitters	Robin Williams; Frank Helebrant; Don Schultz; Shelly Williams; Trey Boerschinger
Sun.	25-Mar	10:45 am	M. Charles	Don Larson; Karen Kiekhaefer; Hunter Alft
Wed.	28-Mar	4:00 pm	R. Spangenberg	(Youth )
Wed.	28-Mar	6:30 pm	C. Arthur	Carl Zimonick; Gary Kirchman; Dick Zimonick

## Bring a little spice to your life

The next Spice of Life dinner will take place on Saturday, March 24 with gymnasium doors opening at 6:00 p.m. A five course pasta dinner will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner tickets cost \$35 and drink tickets for \$5 each with a two drink maximum. They will be available to purchase Sunday, Feb. 19 in the Welcome Center. Tickets

can be purchased from Michelle in the office during regular office hours. Tickets will only be sold through Sunday, Mar. 18.

Entertainment may include musicians from Northeast Wisconsin Lutheran High School.

Want to help out? Meal and drink servers are still needed for the evening of the event. Please e-mail Avra

at [avrajeans@gmail.com](mailto:avrajeans@gmail.com) or call at 920-360-7544. All proceeds of this event go toward the ministries of Our Saviour Lutheran Church.



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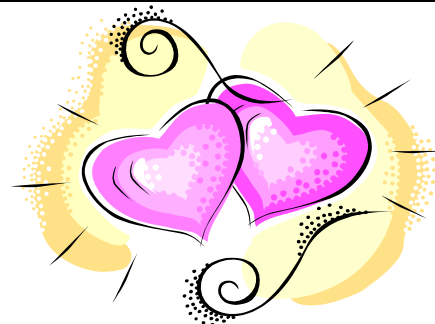
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I am always seeking more congregational input and submissions.

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