

**SILOAH CHURCH & SCHOOL NEWS**

**MARCH 22, 2026**

**ONLINE LOVE OFFERINGS March 13<sup>th</sup> to March 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Guild - \$100.00; Capital Improvement Fund - \$50.00;  
CEA - (Christian Education Association) - \$200.00;  
General Offering - \$971.00; Food Pantry - \$20.00.**

**GRAND TOTAL OF ONLINE LOVE OFFERINGS – \$1,341.00.**

**All given for the Lord's work. Thank you!! Thank you!!**

**IN-PERSON LOVE OFFERINGS – March 15, 2026**

**Bereavement Committee - \$320.00; Capitol Improvements – \$150.00;  
Expansion Fund - \$202.00; General Offerings - \$1,407.00; Miscellaneous  
Fund - \$130.00; Missions Fund - \$113.00; Pilgrims - \$20.00; Prison  
Ministry - \$10.00; Reserve Funds - \$44.00; Sunday Café – \$40.00  
(Bereavement)**

**GRAND TOTAL OF IN-PERSON LOVE OFFERINGS \$2,436.00.**

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**Last Sunday Worship Service - In-Person Attendance – 67  
Last Sunday Holy Communion – in-Person Attendance - 42  
Lenten Worship Service – In-Person Attendance – 40**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Lenten Services - March 25**

**6:30pm; Supper - 5:30pm**

**Palm Sunday Worship Service – March 29<sup>th</sup> – 10:00am**

**Siloah at the Bucks '26 – March 29<sup>th</sup> - 2:30pm**

**A continued CEA Fundraiser**

**Maundy Thursday Worship w/Holy Communion – April 2, 6:30pm**

**Bittersweet Friday Worship – April 3, 6:30pm**

**Sunrise Worship w/ Holy Communion – April 5, 8:00am**

**Festival Worship with Breakfast in between – April 5, 10:00am**

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**The Kitchen Committee will be accepting door offerings for the  
Resurrection Sunday Breakfast. An Elder will be at the front door of the  
church to accept your offerings or you can use the QR code, donate to  
Siloah.**

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**SILOAH'S MISSION STATEMENT**

**It is our God-given mission to witness to the full and free forgiveness of sins  
through Jesus Christ, to learn more about God's grace, to live as examples of God's  
grace and to labor, lovingly, to share God's grace, all to the glory of God alone,  
until Jesus comes again.**



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Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr Paul Steinberg, Pastor

*Please pray for:*

**Siloah Partners who are sick and shut-in:**

*Hershel Adams, Denise Baker, Tyrone Carter, Carol Davis, Lavienna Davis; Ricky Davis, Lee Dora Gray, Marcia Gray, Dorothy Griffin, Ollie Hill, Margie Jackson, Ken McGhee, Charmaine Perry, Sharon Risiner, Bill Ross, Joseph Spence, Fallon Sims, Katie Turner, Shaunte Wigley, and Willie Mae Williams.*

*Please pray for:*

**Friends of Siloah Partners who are sick and shut-in:** *Bethany Baldwin (daughter of Deborah Smith), Clarence Baldwin (Father-in-law of Deborah Smith), Jaquese Brister (daughter of Marcia Perkins), Reese Dangerfield (granddaughter of Charmaine Perry), Ronnie Hicks (brother of James Hicks), Justin Jackson (business partner of Marcia Perkins), Michael Jones (cousin of Rozwell Brown), Kathy Knox (daughter of Willie Mae Knox), Elijah Nunn (grandson of Marcia Perkins), Shirlean Pettis (mother of Ed Pettis), John Wigley, Jr. (brother of Joyce McGhee) and Barry Woodard (brother of Peggy Woodard)*

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!** *Oliver Blanks – 3/16; Joe Sims – 3/17 and Henry Coleman Jr. – 3/22.*

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES!!!** *no anniversaries this week!*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TODAY – Sunday Café – 8:30am; Bible Study – 9:00 am – The Book of Isaiah.; Sunday School – K5-8<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am**

**TODAY- Worship Service – 10:00am w/ Holy Communion**

**Tuesday – Northside Ministries Bible Study - 11am**

**Tuesday – Food Pantry – 12-pm – 2pm**

**Wednesday – Lenten Service – 6:30pm; Supper – 5:30pm**

**w/ Pastor Steinberg**



# exactly what i need

**A Lenten Series**  
**Today's Theme: Life**



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**March 22, 2026**  
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*Presiding: Vicar Sam*



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Order: Siloah's Service of Word and Prayer

Welcome

### 449 Children of the Heavenly Father

CW 502 sts. 1, 3-4



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther safe - ly  
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the  
 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his



in his bos - om gath - er; nest - ling bird nor star in  
 Lord his chil - dren sev - er; un - to them his grace he  
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; his the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
 sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903, abr.; tr. Ernst W. Olson, 1870-1958

Tune: Lofsånger och andeliga visor, Sweden, 1873

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Stand

P: We gather as Witnesses of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our mission is to learn more and more

**C: About God's grace.**

Live as examples

**Of God's grace**

and to Labor in love

**To share God's grace.**

We join to confess our sins:

**We are sinful and show our sinfulness by our words and actions. We fail to carry out our mission because of our laziness, lack of generosity, fear and lack of trust in Your Holy Spirit. Forgive us because of Jesus. Renew us by Your Holy Spirit. Lead us in Your plan.**

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit forgive all of your sins.

You have been washed at your baptism by the blood of the Lamb, Jesus. As

God's children learn, live and labor in Franklin Heights, Milwaukee and

around the world.

**Amen.**

## **Prayer**

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **Reading**

2 Kings 4:17-37

<sup>17</sup>But the woman became pregnant, and the next year about that same time she gave birth to a son, just as Elisha had told her.

<sup>18</sup>The child grew, and one day he went out to his father, who was with the reapers. <sup>19</sup>He said to his father, "My head! My head!"

His father told a servant, "Carry him to his mother." <sup>20</sup>After the servant had lifted him up and carried him to his mother, the boy sat on her lap until noon,

and then he died. <sup>21</sup>She went up and laid him on the bed of the man of God, then shut the door and went out.

<sup>22</sup>She called her husband and said, "Please send me one of the servants and a donkey so I can go to the man of God quickly and return."

<sup>23</sup>"Why go to him today?" he asked. "It's not the New Moon or the Sabbath."  
"That's all right," she said.

<sup>24</sup>She saddled the donkey and said to her servant, "Lead on; don't slow down for me unless I tell you." <sup>25</sup>So she set out and came to the man of God at Mount Carmel.

When he saw her in the distance, the man of God said to his servant Gehazi, "Look! There's the Shunammite! <sup>26</sup>Run to meet her and ask her, 'Are you all right? Is your husband all right? Is your child all right?'"

"Everything is all right," she said.

<sup>27</sup>When she reached the man of God at the mountain, she took hold of his feet. Gehazi came over to push her away, but the man of God said, "Leave her alone! She is in bitter distress, but the LORD has hidden it from me and has not told me why."

<sup>28</sup>"Did I ask you for a son, my lord?" she said. "Didn't I tell you, 'Don't raise my hopes?'"

<sup>29</sup>Elisha said to Gehazi, "Tuck your cloak into your belt, take my staff in your hand and run. Don't greet anyone you meet, and if anyone greets you, do not answer. Lay my staff on the boy's face."

<sup>30</sup>But the child's mother said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So he got up and followed her.

<sup>31</sup>Gehazi went on ahead and laid the staff on the boy's face, but there was no sound or response. So Gehazi went back to meet Elisha and told him, "The boy has not awakened."

<sup>32</sup>When Elisha reached the house, there was the boy lying dead on his couch. <sup>33</sup>He went in, shut the door on the two of them and prayed to the LORD. <sup>34</sup>Then he got on the bed and lay on the boy, mouth to mouth, eyes to eyes, hands to hands. As he stretched himself out on him, the boy's body grew warm. <sup>35</sup>Elisha turned away and walked back and forth in the room and then got on the bed and stretched out on him once more. The boy sneezed seven times and opened his eyes.

<sup>36</sup>Elisha summoned Gehazi and said, "Call the Shunammite." And he did. When she came, he said, "Take your son." <sup>37</sup>She came in, fell at his feet and bowed to the ground. Then she took her son and went out.

# Children's Message

## 431 I Walk in Danger All the Way

CW 836 sts. 1, 3, 6



1 I walk in dan - ger all the way; the thought shall nev - er  
3 Grim death pur - sues me all the way, no - where I rest se -  
6 My walk is heav'n-ward all the way; a - wait, my soul, the



leave me that Sa - tan, who has marked his prey, is  
cure - ly; he comes by night, he comes by day, he  
mor - row, when you at last with joy can say fare -



plot - ting to de - ceive me. This foe with hid - den snares  
takes his prey most sure - ly. A fail - ing breath, and I  
well to sin and sor - row. All world - ly pomp, be - gone!



may seize me un - a - wares if e'er I fail to  
in death's strong grasp may lie to face e - ter - ni -  
To heav'n I now press on. For all the world I



watch and pray; I walk in dan - ger all the way.  
ty to - day; grim death pur - sues me all the way.  
would not stay; my walk is heav'n-ward all the way.

Text: Hans A. Brorson, 1694–1764; tr. Ditlef G. Ristad, 1863–1938, alt.  
Tune: Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, Halle, 1708, ed. Johann A. Freylinghausen  
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## Reading

Romans 8:11–19

<sup>11</sup>And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup>For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup>For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. <sup>15</sup>The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” <sup>16</sup>The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. <sup>17</sup>Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

<sup>18</sup>I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.

## 170 Draw Us to Thee

CW 700 sts. 1, 4–5



1 Draw us to thee, for then shall we walk in thy  
4 Draw us to thee that al - so we thy heav'n-ly  
5 Draw us to thee un - ceas - ing - ly; in - to thy



steps for - ev - er and has - ten on where thou art  
bliss in - her - it and ev - er dwell where sin and  
king - dom take us. Let us for - e'er thy glo - ry



gone to be with thee, dear Sav - ior.  
hell no more can vex our spir - it.  
share; thy saints and joint heirs make us.

## Sermon Theme: Fill Funerals With Life

### Sermon Text:

*John 11:17–27, 38–45*

<sup>17</sup>On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>18</sup>Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, <sup>19</sup>and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. <sup>20</sup>When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

<sup>21</sup>“Lord,” Martha said to Jesus, “if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.”

<sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”

<sup>24</sup>Martha answered, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.”

<sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; <sup>26</sup>and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

<sup>27</sup>“Yes, Lord,” she replied, “I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”

<sup>38</sup>Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup>“Take away the stone,” he said.

“But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.”

<sup>40</sup>Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?”

<sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”

<sup>43</sup>When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

<sup>45</sup>Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.



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STAND

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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.**

## **Prayer**

Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;  
**in your faithfulness and righteousness, come to my relief.**

Spare us, Lord, from the lies of the devil and the attacks of our conscience.  
Comfort and save us in your patient compassion.  
**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Guide us, Lord, to the wisdom of your Word and the power of your promises.  
Take away our confusion and doubt.  
**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Hear us, Lord, when we come to you in prayer. Make us confident to take you  
at your word and to follow you in faith.  
**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Empower us, Lord, to walk in your ways and live in your truth. Fill us with  
your love, that we may love you and one another.  
**Have mercy on us, Jesus.**

Let us pray.

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and  
bore the cross for our salvation, that through his anguish, pain, and death we  
may receive the forgiveness of sins, victory over the grave, and finally inherit  
eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with  
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and  
sanctified. Receive our prayers for all members of your holy Church, that in  
their vocations and ministries they may truly serve and honor you; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## Announcements

### 114 Christ, the Life of All the Living

CW 396 sts. 1-2, 6



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of  
2 Thou, ah! Thou hast tak - en on thee bonds and stripes, a  
6 Thou hast suf - fered great af - flic - tion and hast borne it



death, our foe, who, thy - self for me once giv - ing  
cru - el rod; pain and scorn were heaped up - on thee,  
pa - tient - ly, e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion,



to the dark - est depths of woe: through thy suf - f'ings,  
O thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst thou my  
ful - ly to a - tone for me. Thou didst choose to



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.  
soul de - liv - er from the bonds of sin for - ev - er.  
be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, dear - est Je - sus, un - to thee.  
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Tune: Das grosse Cantional, Darmstadt, 1687, alt.  
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## Blessing

The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit—  
bless us and keep us.

**Amen.**

# "Love one another!"

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# Siloah Lutheran Church

## Mission Statement

It is our God-given mission to **WITNESS** to the full and free forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ in our community.

**Our Objectives are:**

- To **LEARN** more and more about God's grace through his Word and Sacraments in worship, Bible study, and our Christian school for strengthening of our faith, fellowship, and families.
- To **LIVE** as examples of God's grace as we gather to encourage one another and to help the physically and spiritually needy in our congregation, our community, and the world.
- To **LABOR** in love to share God's grace, the sweet message of the gospel, with our diverse community and all with whom we come in contact.

**Actions steps from today's worship:**

**Learn More and More:** Borrow a hymnal and read through and study the WELS standard funeral rite.

**Live as Examples:** Plan to come to every funeral you possibly can. Plan to write a card, make a visit, share a conversation with someone who has had a loved one die recently.

**Labor in Love:** Think of you who know whose funeral would be a sad one to attend. Write their name on your calendar to pray for them and invite them to Resurrection worship this year.

## WELS NEWS

### Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Annual Grade School Music Festival

- Is coming up on March 21. The festival gives grade school students the opportunity to perform for a judge and receive encouraging feedback on their performance. All piano, guitar, string, band, and voice students in grades 4-8 who are members of a WLHS/WELS congregation or school, or who take lessons from a WELS/WLHS teacher, are invited to participate. Please speak with your child's music teacher to sign up by February 23. Registration and additional information can be found at [wlhs.org/finearts](http://wlhs.org/finearts).

### The Lutheran Radio Church Service

A radio program following the Lutheran liturgy, produced by The Lutheran Radio Committee with Milwaukee-area LCMS and WELS churches. Like any ministry we need new listeners and hopefully new money can result in enabling us to reach our goal of being on the radio for 100 years. The **Lutheran Radio Church Service** airs on **JOY Radio 1340 AM and 98.7 FM every Sunday at 7:00 a.m.** Each pre-recorded worship service features choir performances, scripture readings, a message of the day, general prayers, the Lord's Prayer, and a Benediction.

### Viking Explorers Camps – Registration Now Open!

- Looking for a fun, enriching, and Christ-centered summer opportunity for your child? Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Viking Explorers Camps provide grade school students with the chance to discover new interests, build skills, and form lasting friendships in a positive Christian environment.

Camps include a wide variety of options such as sports, art, theater, music, robotics, and more—there is truly something for every interest and energy level. To explore camp offerings and register, visit [wlhs.org/explorers](http://wlhs.org/explorers). Space is limited, so we encourage you to sign up soon. We look forward to welcoming your child to campus this summer!

**WLHS Spring Sacred Choral Concert** -All are invited to the **WLHS Spring Sacred Choral Concert on Sunday, March 22 at 3:00 p.m. in the WLHS Auditorium.** Join us for an uplifting afternoon of sacred music under the theme "**Risen to Save,**" featuring the **Treble, Baritone, and A Cappella Choirs** along with **Chamber Strings.** The concert is **free and open to the public.**

## WELS NEWS

*Northside Lutheran Ministries, a place of worship for many of the members who come several days during the week because they find guidance for their faith and encouragement in their praise to God. Northside has been a blessing to many people in the area around 26<sup>th</sup> Street and North Avenue in Milwaukee which made a big difference in the lives of families living in the area since the building was dedicated in May of 1998.*

**Northside Lutheran Ministries**

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### **Siloah at Bucks '26**

Register to join Siloah and Pastor Steinberg as the Bucks take on the LA Clippers at Fiserv Forum on Sunday, March 29th at 2:30 PM. All students need to register with an adult chaperone. Participants will be responsible for transportation and parking and any food. Seats are together in the upper bowl and will be sent to the phone number used in this registration. All are welcome to come -- not just those with Siloah church or school connections. Cost is \$25 per ticket with proceeds going to Siloah's CEA playground project. Contact Pastor or **Siloah App./Events**

Ticket donations are welcome. Thanks to everyone who are participating with Siloah and Pastor Steinberg at Bucks '26. As you know your generosity will be forever grateful.

**WLHS Dinner Auction – April 18** -Save the date for Wisconsin Lutheran High School's annual Dinner Auction on Saturday, April 18. Community members are invited to join the WLHS Dinner Auction Facebook Group for pre-auction fun, sneak peeks, and event updates. Information on sponsorships, auction item donations, and group links is available through **wlhs.org/events**.



Photo by Elizabeth Johnson



### **“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.” Philippians 2:3**

The Lutheran Mission Rural Health Centre (MLRHC) or Mwembezi, is the Zambian arm of the Christian work being done by the Central Africa Medical Mission. The mission of the clinic is to demonstrate the Good News of Jesus Christ through a reflection of Christ's love and concern for the physical needs of others.

2025 saw a lot of activities that were deliberately meant to help the facility to meet its mission. One was when the clinic administrator had successful meetings with leaders of the Lutheran Church of Central Africa - Zambia that led to lay people coming to the facility to present the morning Bible devotions to staff and patients/clients. Thursday is the day that Pastor Titus Mbele would come and offer the morning devotion and later in the afternoon conduct a Bible study for both Martin Luther members (the congregation on the grounds of the clinic) and members of staff from the clinic. This has really brought great appreciation from the general members of the public; the morning devotion has been a powerful tool to spread the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The morning devotion presents our faith and teachings as Lutherans to others, indeed sharing the gospel to others is a great opportunity that MLRHC offers to the 25,000 patients who visit the clinic each year. Our staff are also reminded of the great love He demonstrated by sending for us our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is a reminder that we as Christians need to remain selfless and not to focus on personal gain or advantage but, instead to have compassion and actively focus on the care and needs of other people and to serve them with humility by valuing other people above self. Patients and clients come from very long distances to receive the health and spiritual care we offer; hence we must be a clinic that encourages, shows compassion in Christ and loves all people.



*Martin Luther church on the grounds of the clinic in Zambia*

In conclusion, it is very important to understand the mission that we have as individuals, especially in the career that God gives us. We are to be reflections of God's love, and we should look out for the interests of others, not just our own. Sadly, at times our careers become a source of pride which conflicts with serving others in humility. *“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.” Philippians 2, vs 3.* As God gives us another year, our prayer is that God continues to strengthen us through His Word and to help us serve others with humility and selflessness.

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*Alisad Banda; Clinic Adminostrator in Zambia*



# CAMM

Welcome to a new year!

The turn of the new year often comes with mixed emotions for many of us. It's natural to be reflective on the blessings and challenges of the year that has just passed. Sometimes it's tempting to get stuck thinking about all of the things we wished we would have gotten done. But Jesus wants us to stay focused on Him. Someone once said to me that you can't drive your car by only looking through the rear view mirror. We need to look forward.

God gives us many blessings at the start of the new year. We have an opportunity to begin again and refocus our hearts and minds. My encouragement to you this new year is to recommit your life to Jesus. To staying close to him and to bringing others around you closer to him as well. Keep your eyes looking forward towards Jesus.

The January newsletter is written by Alisad Banda, the Clinic Administrator in Zambia. His words are a good reminder for us to put others before ourselves.

Thank you for your continued support of CAMM.

God's Blessing,

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### LUTHERAN LABORATORY – A GLIMMER OF HOPE

As one of the two laboratories in our district, we are blessed to serve at Mwembezi Lutheran Mission Rural Health Centre, where our team is driven by compassion and excellence. We see every laboratory test as an opportunity to touch lives, reflecting the love of Christ in our work.

From diagnosing different illnesses, we are not just testing samples, we are offering hope. Our laboratory monitors treatment, progress, empowers patients and gives staff the swift answers they need to heal patients. "For I was sick and you took care of me," Matthew 25:36 reminds us of our calling.

I recall two patients, one had tuberculosis and one has diabetes. The journey of the two patients turned around. Thanks to our timely diagnosis and care of the tuberculosis patient, the patient was cured in six months. The patient with diabetes was first taken to herbalists (traditional medicine). When the condition became very bad, one teacher who is diabetic visited the family and gave a health education talk on how he started and is now on treatment. He encouraged the family to bring the patient to our laboratory for testing. The patient was brought to clinic in very bad condition. Her glucose was 34.3mmol/L (617.4g/dl). The clinician discussed referring her to a hospital, but the family said they had no money. The patient was admitted at our clinic and put on insulin treatment. She was able to walk within one week, despite muscle atrophy. She is now doing fine and on treatment.

In our laboratory, every test tells a story of struggle, perseverance or victory. Last year, we processed thousands of tests, a small part of God's bigger plan to bring health and wholeness to our community. From outbreak tracking to community screening, we seek to serve with kindness and accuracy. Our Lutheran laboratory is more than a facility, it's a ministry of precision, love and service. As we work, we trust in the Healer's hand guiding every step.

#### THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE IN THE LABORATORY IN 2025

1. We test for malaria: Any patient found positive with malaria is treated and a follow-up test is done to all neighbors and family members close to the patient. Patients found positive with malaria were 30 out of 739 tested.
2. Urinalysis and stool testing: Patients found with urinary tract infection were 255 and for stool sampling we found 73 cases of intestinal worms.
3. Blood test for syphilis, viral load, CD4 count, Full Blood Count (FBC), sickle cell anemia and iron deficiency anemia. 41 patients tested positive for syphilis. 835 total patients were found with anemia. Blood was drawn for viral load from 940 HIV clients. Out of this number, 24 were found with high viral load. Counseling on adherence was done. Clients who adhered were switched to the second line of treatment. The non-adhering clients were continued with the same antiretroviral drugs.
4. Sputum testing for pulmonary tuberculosis is done at the clinic. When a patient is found positive, she/he is put on treatment and contact tracing is done to all who came in contact with a tuberculosis positive patient. Positive tuberculosis patients should have their sputum tested at regular intervals, to monitor the effectiveness of treatment. Testing typically takes place at the end of the initial intensive phase (2 months), in the middle of the continuation phase (5 months) and at the end of treatment (6 months).

#### LOOKING FORWARD

Despite success in all that we do in the laboratory, challenges remain. When patients are sent to the laboratory, they go and sit together with TB patients. This is not good as TB is highly contagious. In the lab, we also have sputum specimens, some of which are positive. In the short term, we are looking for ways to separate TB patients from the general population. Long term we may need to consider finding a separate TB testing area.



# CAMM

Happy March!

Wherever you are reading this newsletter from, I hope you are enjoying a change in the seasons. Here in Minnesota, we are finally experiencing some relief from the winter weather. The temperature is warming, the grass is slowly beginning to green back up, and I can imagine the perennial plants beginning to prepare to pop out of the ground and reach once again for the sun. Spring is a good time for us to be reminded to always be reaching for the one and only son, Jesus. With each new day we should be spending time with Jesus, in prayer and giving thanks for all that we have. *Let your heart therefore be wholly devoted to the Lord our God, to walk in His statutes and to keep His commandments, as at this day. 1 Kings 8:61*

Our newsletter this month is written by Jackson Kalekwa, the Clinical Officer in Charge at the Mwembezi Lutheran Mission Rural Health Centre. He writes about the blessings of the laboratory technologies that are helping people identify the reasons behind their symptoms and allowing them to get the treatment they need. Many of these machines were funded, in part, by generous donations from CAMM supporters. What a blessing it is to hear exactly how these tools are being used to heal and help the people of Africa.

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# CAMM SPRING LWMS RALLY LETTER

SPRING 2026



FAITHFULNESS SPRINGS FORTH FROM THE EARTH, AND RIGHTEOUSNESS LOOKS DOWN FROM HEAVEN. THE LORD WILL INDEED GIVE WHAT IS GOOD, AND OUR LAND WILL YIELD ITS HARVEST. RIGHTEOUSNESS GOES BEFORE HIM AND PREPARES THE WAY FOR HIS STEPS. —PSALM 85:11-13

## CONTACT WOMEN CORNER

A quick hello! My name is Stephanie Otto. I have recently been appointed as the CAMM Contact Women Coordinator. It has been such a blessing to work with many LWMS reporters and fellow contact women. If you have questions about shipments to Africa, current needs, or other CAMM related questions please reach out. I would love to hear from you. If you would like to join the Contact Women network or know someone who does, please contact me.

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## **Zambia updates:**

- Ultrasound services are now offered free to expectant mothers at the clinic.
- 123 babies were delivered safely this past year and we saw 380 for postnatal visits.
- Staff & CAMMc worked through strategic planning in late 2025 to determine current and future needs of the clinic and facilities.
- The clinic relies on a solar system, which was generously upgraded in 2025, to provide continuous electricity during the frequent country blackouts.

## **Malawi updates:**

- Attendance of adults and children attending the clinic is continuing to increase and at the end of 2025 the number of patients seen was approaching 50,000.
- Improving the health of children and families continues to be a priority. A total of 7,806 children were weighed this past year to track healthy growth and parents were given nutrition education.
- HIV continues to remain low at 1.4%. In 2025, a total of 2,045 were tested.

## **2026 LWMS Convention in Madison, WI**

This year, CAMM will be presenting a workshop at the convention titled "A Bridge to the Gospel—Christ-centered Healthcare in Rural Kenya" and we are excited to welcome John Michoro from Kenya to speak about the difference our medical camps are making there. Please stop by to see us at our display table or at our CAMM Contact Woman Meeting during the convention. We would love to meet you and answer any questions you may have about CAMM.

## **CAMM Facts**

- Nearly 80,000 patients are seen annually at the clinics in Zambia and Malawi
- In 2025 over 5,000 vaccine doses were administered
- Clinics are now entirely staffed by Malawian and Zambian nationals.
- The cost per patient is about \$3.90, including staff salaries and benefits, fuel, maintenance, insurance, utilities, and medications.
- Malawi's average family income is 55,000 kwacha, equivalent to less than \$33 per month.
- In 2025, over 4,400 children under age 5 were seen at our clinics



## **THANK YOU!**

On behalf of the entire CAMM stateside committee, we would like to say thank you to LWMS for all of your years of support and prayers.

**How can we be certain that God accepted the perfect life and death of Jesus in our place?**

**The Bible tells us that Jesus rose from the dead and that “He was raised to life for our justification.” Romans 4:25**  
**Justification means being declared **not guilty**.**

**2026 Ash Wednesday, Lenten, and Resurrection Sunday  
Schedule at Siloah Lutheran Church**

February 18th, 2026, **Ash Wednesday Church Service**  
at **6:30 P.M.** with Communion.

**Lent:** February 25th, March 4th, 11th, 18th in Hoffmann Hall

- Lent Suppers: **5:30 P.M.**
- Lent Worship Service: **6:30 P.M.**

**Maundy-Thursday Service**  
April 2, 2026, at **6:30 P.M.**

**Good / Bittersweet Friday Service**  
April 3, 2026, at **6:30 P.M.**

**Resurrection Sunday Schedule on April 5, 2026**

- Sunrise Service at **8:00 A.M.**
- Breakfast at **9:00 A.M.**
- Festival Service at **10:00 A.M.**

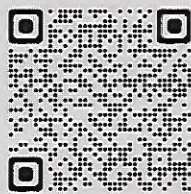
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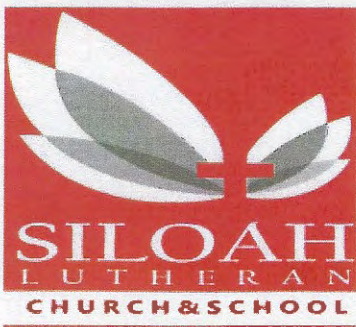
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