

### SAMARITAN BETHANY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Our month to help with this at Samaritan Bethany is February. This enables residents to attend worship who otherwise could not because they do not have family members to help them. Please consider helping out at least one Sunday in February. Sign up & instructions are on the Volunteer Bulletin Board in the hallway.



Anthem: Grace Bells, directed by Bev Gronvold  
8:00am Worship Assistants  
Acolyte: David Irons  
Greeters/Offering: Marv & Joan Rose  
Communion Assistants: Joan Rose, Sharon K. Peterson  
Usher/Offering: Rich & Sandy Pederson  
Prayer Reader: Renee Thoreson  
Coffee Prep: Doreen Markus  
Sound Board: Tim Pickett

### 10:30am Worship Assistants

Acolyte: Lauren Hansen, Andrew McCumber  
Greeters/Offering: Mark & Genise Troutman  
Communion Assistants: Julie Mullen, Mary Ann Smith  
Communion Assistant: Genise Troutman  
Usher/Offering: Kevin & Cindy Norgard  
Prayer Reader: Mary Ann Smith  
Sound Board: David Flynn  
Coffee Clean up: Bill Nicklay  
Offering Counters: Tim & Jean Hornseth  
Altar Guild: Katie Zahasky, Cindy Norgard  
Organists/Pianists: Ruth Benning, Mandy Lambrecht, Bruce Rohde, Jan Matson

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

Serving begins at 5:45  
January 18—Walking Tacos  
January 25—Pull Pork Sandwiches  
February 1—Chicken Breast Sandwiches  
February 8—Sloppy Joes  
February 15—Mac & Cheese, Hotdogs  
February 22—Pizza



### VOLUNTEERING AT GOOD EARTH VILLAGE

Volunteers are integral to the ministry of Good Earth

Village, and enjoy making a difference through a variety of tasks. Current volunteers give their time and talent for lawn care and landscaping, data entry, cooking or cleaning assistance, administrative tasks, camp store operation and more. Do you have skills to contribute on a recurring or one-time basis? Help this community of faithful disciples engage the world as followers of Christ. Contact Good Earth Village to see what might be a good fit.

For more information, call (507)346-2494

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## **ECHOES Weekly-Jan. 15**

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

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### WELCOME VISITORS!

*"Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, to the glory of God." Romans 15:7*

We welcome new visitors and old friends, long-time Lutherans, Christians from every tradition, and people new to faith. To those who have no church home, want to follow Christ, have doubts, do not believe, you are welcome here. Regardless of age, color, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, marital status, abilities or challenges, join us, you are welcome here. You are welcome to worship, to celebrate and sorrow, to rejoice and recover. This is a place where lives are made new.

WANT TO JOIN OSLC? If you are interested in becoming a member, please talk with Pastor Ben or Pastor Fred.

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God from Larry & Marti Howe in memory of their daughters, Sara & Sheila.

Remember in your Prayers:

Concerns: Dianne Claffy; Betty Andrist; Lois Rink; Marsha Dick; Karen Pflibsen

Military Concerns: Margaret & Catherine Maher; Paul Schroeder; Austin Nicklay; Clark Rose; Eric Brown; Scot Heathman, Ryan Nordstrom, Dan & Kelly Pickett, all our service men and women serving in the Military and of our veterans who have served.

Missionary Concerns: Patrick & Jacqueline Bencke in Japan. The Palliative Care Program at Iambi Hospital, Tanzania.

Seminary: Nicholas Rohde



JANUARY/FEBRUARY—  
CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTION

Hospice Kit Collection

Hospice Kits provide comfort and needed supplies for someone who is suffering from HIV/AIDS, cancer, or other devastating illness. Kits are distributed by palliative care providers through Lutheran

hospice programs that reach into villages in Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Liberia and Cameroon.

Hospice Kits help empower volunteers and medical professionals to connect with patients, opening an opportunity to encourage them to seek treatment, bring pain medication to alleviate their suffering, and provide a referral and even transportation to a hospital when needed.

Please place items in basket/designated area in Narthex.

Hospice Kit Items:

*Please follow these directions carefully*

New or gently used items:

- 1 regular size bath towel (**not longer than 48"**)
- 1 washcloth

New items:

- 1 bath size bar of soap, *-wrapped, unscented eg. Dove for sensitive skin.*
- 1 toothbrush, In original, individual packaging
- 1 nail clipper
- 6 Band-Aids, Rubber-banded together
- 1 jar or tube of petroleum jelly, Approx. 4 ounces or larger, lid taped
- 1 pair heavy-duty household gloves, Kitchen type, size medium
- 1 "pick" style comb

A NOTE FROM THE NOMINATION  
COMMITTEE:

We would like to nominate the following people to these leadership positions.

Vice-President –

Director of Business and Administration:  
Renita Miller

Director of Congregational Ministries:  
Lori Swancutt

Secretary: Kari Wright

We are searching for an interested person in filling the Vice-President position. This position is a two year term, first as Vice-President then moving into the President position in 2018. The job consists of attending Leadership Committee meetings once a month. Members of the Leadership Committee review reports from the directors and make decisions that are brought forward from the congregation and teams. The VP manages the personnel evaluations once a year and putting together the nominating **committee for the next year's Leadership team.** If this sounds like an interest you would like to be a part of or have more questions, please contact a member of the nominating committee to learn more.

*Nominating committee:*

*Brenda Galindez, Pastor Ben, Katie Zahasky, Tammy Olson, Glenn Leckband, David Eberhart, Dawn Christianson, Todd McCumber*

BUDGET REVIEW & ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Budget Review—January 15, 2017 at 9:15am  
Annual Meeting—January 22, 2017 at 9:15am

**"MAKING SENSE" BOOK STUDY SERIES:**

*Making Sense of the Christian Faith!*

(2 options for attending)

Day & Time: Thursday at 11:00am or  
Sundays at 9:15am

Thursdays: January 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16  
Sundays: January 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19

## Thank You

THE FAMILY OF NATALIE CAMRUD would like to thank Pastor Ben and Pastor Fred for all the support that was given to our Mother. We would like to acknowledge Joanne, Arlysse MacGillivray and all who worked in the kitchen for all they did to help celebrate our Mother. The love that OSLC extended to Mother is greatly appreciated!

**TO MY OUR SAVIOR'S FAMILY** Words just cannot express my appreciation and thanks for your cards, visits, your words of encouragement and especially your prayers. You are all so appreciated and so loved. I thank God for all of you.

Lois Rink

THANK YOU to my Secret Santa for the set of notepads. Very useful and perfect little verses.

Bev Gronvold

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK everyone for the birthday cards and for helping me celebrate my 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Mary Ann Smith

DEAR WOMEN OF OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH,

We are starting a women's evening Gather group. We will be meeting at Dunn Brothers on Elton Hills Dr. on Tuesdays January 17, February 21, March 21 and April 18, 6:15—8:15pm. Dunn Brothers offers coffee, wine/beer and breakfast/lunch or dinner in the evening. We will be utilizing Gather magazine published by and for Women of the ELCA as our study guide. Subscriptions are available for \$15/year. <https://www.cambeywest.com/subscribe2/?p=gat&f=paid> We can decide if the group wants to continue meeting at Dunn Brothers (or elsewhere) over the summer or resume in the fall.

**FEBRUARY WOMEN'S EVENT**

Love Your Neighbor as Yourself

**OSLC Annual Women's**

Prayer Pal Event

Monday, February 6, 2017

6:30 p.m. Fellowship and

Dessert

7 p.m. Our Muslim Neighbor

presented by Regina Mustafa

8 p.m. Prayer Pal Reveal Event

Dessert provided by Naomi Circle



**I'VE BEN THINKING...**

**...about how grateful I am to be part of the ministry of our congregation!**

I am grateful to be part of a group of Christians who cares about helping people in need. From hosting the Fair Trade Market and IHN, to donations to ELCA World Hunger, Lutheran Social Services of MN, Channel One, Mission 21, to volunteering at Samaritan Bethany, the meal at Christ United

Methodist, the Dorothy Day House, to crafting quilts and blankets, and so much more, we show the light of Christ through how we care for the neediest of people.

I am grateful to be part of a group of Christians who are willing to take risks in worship. As I have said many times before, I was *exhausted* after my first few months with you, partly because of the wide variety of interesting worship services you use. Sure there are old standards, but there is plenty of **innovation as well, showing that we believe that, while God's love for us never changes, the way we proclaim that love must (and does) move with the times.**

I am grateful to be part of a group of Christians who are ready to learn and grown. I was overjoyed to see how many of you wanted to be part of our book study *last* year, and how many of you have signed up to do the sequel *this* year! But it was nothing compared to the shock and awe I experienced to see the crowd of you who wanted to learn more about our Muslim sisters and brothers this past fall!

For these, and many other things, I am grateful! And I know that many of you are grateful for these as well!

**But I've also been thinking...are we inviting other people to be part of this? If we are indeed grateful for these things (and we are) why aren't we including others in this? If we are part of this group of people, this congregation of believers, where we find a benefit for our lives, why aren't we inviting our family, and friends, and coworkers to be part of this as well?**

I know that many of us have experienced the feeling of empty seats around **us in worship, and there's really only one way to deal with that: invite the people we care about to join us; invite the people closest to us to come and see why this matters in our lives; invite the ones we love to share in the joy we receive from being this body of believers!**

In Christ, Pastor Ben

UPCOMING OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES

February 26 & March 19

Thank you to everyone that is signing up.

DID YOU KNOW that hearing devices are available in the sound system area at the back of the Sanctuary. These devices can be used with or without a hearing aid.



NEXT INTERGENERATIONAL EVENT

February 19—Peace Poles—watch for more information

We saddened by the loss of two of our members. Please keep the Lee Family and the Camrud Family in your prayers. They will be dearly missed.



Marjorie Lee

August 4, 1941—December 28, 2016



Natalie Camrud

June 22, 1926—December 26, 2016



# This Week at OSLC

Sunday, Jan. 15  
 Global Partners Sunday  
 8:00am Worship  
 9:15am Coffee Fellowship  
 Education Hour  
 Budget Review  
 10:30am Worship

Monday, Jan. 16  
 P.B. off  
 7:00pm Family Ministry

Tuesday, Jan. 17  
 9:00am Quilting

Wednesday, Jan. 18  
 12:00pm Weekly Deadline  
 5:00pm Confirmation  
 5:00pm Living Praise  
 5:45pm Meal  
 6:30pm Worship  
 7:20pm Sr. Choir

Thursday, Jan. 19  
 6:00am Promise Keepers  
 8:30am Faithfully Fit  
 4:00pm Dorothy Day Meal  
 6:30pm Grace Bells

Friday, Jan. 20  
 9:00am Weekly Prep  
 9:00am Banner Team

Saturday, Jan. 21

Sunday, Jan. 22  
 8:00am Worship  
 9:15am Coffee Fellowship  
 Education Hour  
 Annual Meeting  
 10:30am Worship  
 Ellery Ramsey Baptism

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and rules with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## BIBLE READING

Matthew 4:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.  
 Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" <sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" <sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

8:00/10:30am Worship  
 Now the Feast and Celebration

## OPENING HYMN

*"Come, All You People"* ELW 819

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## ANTHEM

Grace Bells

*"Behold, The Glorious Heavenly Light"*

## BIBLE READING

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## PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

Pastor Ben Loven

## SERMON SONG

*"We have Seen the Lord"* ELW 869

## DISTRIBUTION

*"Jesu, Jesu..."* ELW 708

*"Hallelujah!..."* ELW 535

## CLOSING

*"We Are Marching..."*

*Thank you for worshiping with us today.*



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