

### 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: Senior Choir, directed by Ruth Benning  
8:00am Worship Assistants  
Acolyte: Breanna Train  
Greeters/Offering: Jim & Sue Dunemann  
Communion Assistants: Dawn Christenson, Carol Houdek  
Usher/Offering: Bev Gronvold, Pam Shulze  
Prayer Reader: Jodie Westland  
Coffee Prep: Bev Gronvold  
Sound Board: Bob Westland

10:30am Worship Assistants  
Acolyte: Chase Tenner, Blake Hillman  
Greeters/Offering: Mark & Linda Holm Family  
Communion Assistants: Kevin & Cindy Norgard  
Communion Assistant: Linda Holm  
Usher/Offering: John & Darlene Kelley  
Prayer Reader: Kevin Norgard  
Sound Board: Maureen Lemens  
Coffee Clean up: Bill Nicklay  
Offering Counters: Scott Moon, Mark Troutman  
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 25—Pull Pork Sandwiches  
February 1—Chicken Breast Sandwiches  
February 8—Sloppy Joes  
February 15—Mac & Cheese, Hotdogs  
February 22—Pizza



### SOMETHING NEW FOR HIGH-SCHOOLERS AT GEV!

For many moons, all High School Programs at Good Earth Village took campers to far off adventures. Foresters debut this summer, as the first high school group to stay and participate on site! This week at camp blends the best of the Pioneer and Explorer programs, with added autonomy and group bonding. Keep a look out for your brochure, or visit [goodearthvillage.org](http://goodearthvillage.org)

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## *ECHOES Weekly-Jan. 22*

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

*2124 Viola Rd NE*

*Rochester, MN 55906*

### 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  
Wayne & Carol Rogelstad

Remember in your Prayers:

Concerns: Ryan Eberhart; 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



## Fellowship for Men

**MEN'S SATURDAY FELLOWSHIP**

Men's Fellowship has begun meeting. We meet at OSLC the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month through May. We start with breakfast at 7:00 AM. After breakfast we study the Gospel for the coming Sunday. No preparation is required. The discussions are lively, enlightening and fruitful. It's a great way to start your Saturday and still have the rest of the day for other activities.

**DUE TO THE ICE...**

Quilter are meeting on Feb. 24 at 9:00am  
Family Ministry is meeting on Feb. 23 at 7:00pm.

**SAMARITAN BETHANY NURSING JOB FAIR**

Tuesday, January 24, 9:00am—6:00pm  
24 8th St. NW Rochester, MN  
Immediate interviews.

Unable to make it? Apply online at [careers.samaritanbethany.com](http://careers.samaritanbethany.com) or call 289-4031

More information on the bulletin board.



**"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

**IHN (FAMILY PROMISE) TRAINING OFFERED**

OSLC is offering a session to be trained or recertified to help with hosting IHN. It will offered on February 12 between worship services in the Sanctuary.

Our next hosting date is February 19-26. You would be eligible to help after the February 12 training session. To sign up to help to go to [www.rochesterosl.org](http://www.rochesterosl.org) and click the Interfaith Hospitality Sign up link on the home page.

## Thank You

Thank you All, I have enjoyed all the visits and prayers. The holiday treats were a delight. I am doing well for my age.  
Dorothy Zazubek

Dear Friends, thank you for your gift of \$1543.66 to Channel One. Jennifer Woodford, Executive Director.

Dear OSLC, Thank you for you gift of \$480.38 from the **Sunday School offering to the Women's Shelter.**  
Suzie Christenson, Executive Director

Dear OSLC, thank you for the donations of quilts to LINK. Your continued support is appreciated.  
Your Friends of MN LINK program.

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



COME AND WALK THE HALLS

Did you know that the church makes a great place to walk during the winter. It takes 8 laps around the inside of the church to complete 1 mile or walk for time or steps. Generally the church is open from 7:30am—4:00pm Monday through Friday, although it doesn't hurt to call to make sure we are going to open if you plan on coming over the lunch hour. Come and join the others that are walking.



PASTOR FRED SPEAKS FRANKLY,

**My resolution this year is to be more loving. Don't laugh! I'm not panning the platitude.**

I heard last night that 2016 was third year in a row of setting global high temperatures. We may have already gone past the tipping point, but I think we urgently need to acknowledge and respond to how we are changing our world with possible drastic results. My grandchildren will pay for our sins. And yet, Jesus loves the climate change deniers.

The most common exhortation in the Old Testament legal code is to **"welcome the stranger and foreigner in your midst, for you were once a stranger in a foreign land."** And Jesus loves those who want to build a wall.

I believe that subtle forms of racism and sexism continue to be the two greatest threats to the fabric of our society, so I have to remind myself **that Jesus loves those who can't or refuse to see that racism and sexism still exists.**

The healing of the world begins with love, so I resolve to follow Jesus and **be more loving, and I know that I'll need Jesus to pick me up along the way, more often, I'm afraid, than I care to admit. But that is what he does. See you Sunday and don't forget worship on Wednesday evening.**

Pastor Fred

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.



CAMP SUNDAY—February 5 we welcome staff from Good Earth Village. They will sing with our SS students, visit with youth, and be available to tell all about the marvelous ministry of the Bible camp. Be sure to check out the great summer opportunities for all ages including family camp and many youth options.

Good Earth Village Bible Camp

A week (or several days) at Bible camp is a wonderful way to **have lots of fun, explore God's amazing creation, and have great faith conversations.** Because this can be such a meaningful experience, Our Saviors offers a scholarship to pay part of the cost for any student who would like to go to camp at Good Earth Village this summer! This offer is for any student Kind-9<sup>th</sup> grade.

- The easiest way is to register and pay deposit on-line at [goodearthvillage.org](http://goodearthvillage.org)
- Brochures are also available at church.
- Let Carole Joyce or the church office know you are going. GEV recommends you register by early to mid-March to guarantee the week you want.

NEXT INTERGENERATIONAL EVENT

February 19—Peace Poles—watch for more information

# This Week at OSLC

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

Monday, Jan. 23  
 P.B off  
 1:00pm Sarah Circle  
 7:00pm Family Ministry

Tuesday, Jan. 24  
 9:00am Quilting  
 6:30pm Worship & Music


Wednesday, Jan. 25  
 P.F off  
 12:00pm Weekly deadline  
 5:00pm Confirmation  
 5:00pm Living Praise  
 5:45pm Meal  
 6:30pm Worship  
 7:20pm Senior Choir

Thursday, Jan. 26  
 P.F off  
 6:00am Promise Keepers  
 8:30am Faithfully Fit  
 11:00pm Book Study  
 6:30pm Grace Bells

Friday, Jan. 27  
 P.F off  
 Joanne off  
 9:00am Weekly Prep  
 9:00am Banners

Saturday, Jan. 28  
 P.F. off  
**7:00am Men's Fellowship**  
*OBA: 1pm Scouts Derby  
 in fellowship hall*

Sunday, Jan. 29  
 P.F off  
 8:00am Worship  
 9:15am Coffee Fellowship  
 9:15am Education Hour  
 10:30am Worship



*This morning, we welcome Ellery Ramsey into God's kingdom and our congregation through Holy Baptism. Ellery was born May 12, 2016 to Erik & Nichole Ramsey. Her baptismal sponsors are Erin Ramsey and Michael Erdman. We rejoice at Ellery's rebirth through water and the Word!*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and rules with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## BIBLE READING

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles

<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death

light has dawned." <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

<sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea — for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. <sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. <sup>24</sup>So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. <sup>25</sup>And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
 Praise to you, O Christ.

8:00/10:30am Worship,  
 ELW Setting One

GATHERING SONG  
*"I Want to Walk..."* ELW 815

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM pg. 97

SONG OF PRAISE ELW pg. 101  
*"This is the Feast"*

PRAYER OF THE DAY pg. 5 of weekly  
 ANTHEM Senior Choir  
*"God You Are My All in All"*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW pg. 102

BIBLE READING Matthew 4:12-25

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS  
 Pastor Fred Rengstorf

HYMN OF THE DAY  
*"You Have Come..."* ELW 817

BAPTISM OF ELLERY RAMSEY  
 ELW pg. 227

GREAT THANKSGIVING  
 ELW pg. 107

WORDS OF INSTITUTION  
**LORD'S PRAYER** ELW pg. 112

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS  
*"Lamb of God"* ELW pg. 112-113

*"Here I am Lord"* ELW 574

*"Will You Come..."* ELW 798

SENDING SONG pg. 113

CLOSING SONG  
*"I Love to Tell the Story"* ELW 661

vs. 1 & 3