

## 2017 OSLC Confirmands

### **Nathan Eberhart**

Parents: David & Julie Eberhart

Sponsors: LeAnne Tieman, James Nagel

Mentor: Aaron Eberhart

Baptism Date: March 23, 2003

Bible Verse: John 3:16

### **Rachel Gross**

Parents: Jonathan & Kathy Gross

Sponsors: Bill & Paula Gimmestad

Mentor: Raquel Johnson

Baptism Date: December 29, 2002

Bible Verse: Isaiah 43:2

### **Lauren Hansen**

Parents: Mark & Paula Hansen

Sponsors: Laurie Hansen, Sue Hansen, Kerri Graham

Gene & Stacy Kopecky

Mentor: Cindy Weber

Baptism Date: February 2003

Bible Verse: Romans 15:13

### **Blake Hillman**

Parents: David & Shauna Hillman

Sponsors: Dan & Jodi Hillman

Mentors: Sara Fett, Kelly Kotalik

Baptism Date: June 8, 2003

Bible Verse: Philippians 4:6

### **Grace Johnson**

Parents: Todd & Raquel Johnson

Sponsors: Rachon Rohe, Andy Merseth

Mentors: Marsha Dick, Kathy Gross

Baptism Date: January 26, 2003

Bible Verse: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

### **Katharine Kasperski**

Parents: John & Marybeth Kasperski

Sponsors: Greg & Jill Anderson

Mentors: Melissa Psomas, Kristen Roberts

Baptism Date: October 19, 2003

Bible Verse: 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

### **Andrew McCumber**

Parent: Todd McCumber

Sponsors: Tammy Pietsch, Chad Jacobs

Mentor: Gil Boettcher

Baptism Date: August 23, 2003

Bible Verse:

### **Chase Tenner**

Parents: Jeff & Kathi Tenner

Sponsors: Sherry Paynic, Bill & Annette Waughtal

Mentor: Sherry Paynic

Baptism Date: March 30, 2003

Bible Verse: Ephesians 4:32

### **Annika Weber**

Parents: Kevin & Cindy Weber

Sponsors: David Haley, Carol Shephard

Mentor: Sherry Rengstorf

Baptism Date: August 31, 2003

Bible Verse: Psalm 106:2



ECHOES Weekly-October 15, 2017

**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  
**in honor of granddaughter Lydia's 4th birthday.**

Remember in your Prayers:

Concerns: Terry Wagner; Ajullu Niygwo; Betty Andrist; Marsha Dick; Karen Pflibsen

Military Concerns: Chris Sikich, 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 Partner:

The Palliative Care Program at Iambi Hospital, Tanzania.

Seminary: Nicholas Rohde

GRANT WRITER NEEDED

Does anyone have some grant writing skills and a few hours to give to put together a proposal? See Pastor Fred or Pastor Ben for details.



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LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS

October Congregational Collection  
When LWR distributes Personal Care Kits, **it's often to people who have lost everything.** In the wake of an earthquake, or having fled from violence as their homes were overtaken, they clasp a towel from a faraway place, with a bar of soap, a **toothbrush...and washing up, they know** that they have not been forsaken by the world. The very simple gesture of giving a Personal Care Kit can give someone the encouragement to start anew, starting with a bath. **You can share God's grace and love by providing that simple comfort.**



What to Include...Guidelines

- Please give new items only, except where otherwise noted
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, **messages or your congregation's name.**
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.
- One light-weight bath-size towel (between 20"×40" & 52"×27"), dark color recommended
- Two 4oz bath-size bars of soap or three 3oz bath-size bars of soap in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

GREETINGS FROM IOWA!

9 baptisms, 6 funerals, and 500 miles later internship in North Dakota is complete and I am back in the classroom in Dubuque, Iowa. 7 months to graduation! This fall I am busy beginning the process of Approval for Ordination. I am also the Senior Class Vice President. Uff-da!

In other news, Leslie and I would like to announce that we are in the process of adoption through Lutheran Social Services in North Dakota. I invite you to follow along with us on our website: <https://www.youcaring.com/nicholasrohdeandlesierohde-715588/update/684051> Thinking and praying for you all, -Nicholas Rohde

FUNERAL HELPERS NEEDED...

Anyone is welcome to join the kitchen crew to help with serving and cleaning up. If you can help in anyway, please contact Arlysse MacGillivray at 281-1819.



ANY TIME is the perfect time to take advantage of walking in the church. 8 – figure 8 laps around equals one mile. If coming over lunch, please call first.

WHAT/WHO DO WE SUPPORT?

Each year the Stewardship team selects 4 causes to support with funds designated for local benevolence. In the past this has supported causes including Mission 21, the Christ United Methodist Saturday Noon Meal, the Women's Shelter and the Boys and Girl's Club of Rochester. This year the Stewardship team is seeking input from the congregation on what community organizations to support with our local benevolence funds. Email Billy Irons at [wdirons@us.ibm.com](mailto:wdirons@us.ibm.com), or call 281-4125 (in the evenings) to share your idea. We'll sort through the all the input, find the common themes and select the 4 most worthwhile organizations to support.

NOTE FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has completed their work and filled the slate of open leadership positions for the coming year. If you were asked and said "yes", thank you! All of us contribute in a meaningful way to the service of OSLC. We appreciate everyone's contributions and look forward to the opportunities ahead to proclaim God's love to the world.

OK GROUP EVENT

November 9, 1:00pm  
Join us for a presentation of a trip to Germany by several of our members.



NOON MEAL AT CHRIST UNITED

October 21  
Shifts starting at 9am  
See the Volunteer Board to sign up or in the Friendship Pads. Your help is needed.



A NOTE FROM THE SALVATION ARMY

The Bell Ringing Calendar opened on Oct. 1st. The best way to make a difference in the lives of those in need this Holiday Season is to ring bells or donate to the Rochester Salvation Army Red kettle Christmas Campaign. 82 cents of every dollar donated stays in this community. We appreciate your support. Go to [www.RochesterSA.org](http://www.RochesterSA.org) to sign up.



CAN YOU TIE A KNOT? If the answer is yes, join us on October 17 at 9:00am in the Fellowship to tie quilts for LWR. Everyone is welcome. PS: Remember to think about us when cleaning your closets of bed sheets, mattress pads, blankets & yarn.



### **JOIN US FOR MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

We meet on the 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 7:00am to study the upcoming Sunday Bible reading. All men are welcome to attend. Coffee, juice and rolls are offered.



FAITHFULLY FIT meets on Thursday morning. Come to the church at 8:30 am for chair exercises, balance practice, and light hand weight workout. Lots of conversation and laughter fill the hour. Everyone is welcome.

### SARAH CIRCLE

Date: Oct. 16 @ 1:00pm

Location/Hostess:

Maxine Thoreson

1602 7th St. NE

Co-Hostess: Darleen Mensing

Bible Study: Group

### DID YOU KNOW ...

If you are busy on Sunday, OSLC offers a casual Wednesday Worship each week at 6:30pm.

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.

## *Upcoming Youth Events*



WEEKEND MISSION TRIP FOR YOUTH GRADES 8-12. November 4-5 we will serve in the Twin Cities! Cost is \$50. Let Cassie know if you have any questions or would like to participate!!



ELCA YOUTH GATHERING is June 24-July 2 (ish), 2018 in Houston!! Cost will be \$350! Join us along with 30,000 other youth from around the world as we celebrate and serve The Lord! This is a truly AMAZING

opportunity!! \$150 is due September 24, 2018. Let Cassie know if you have any questions or concerns or financial issues. Cost is never a reason to not go!! I promise you will be SO glad you came!!!



On Wednesday evenings OSLC MIDDLE SCHOOLERS are invited to participate in middle school activities from 5 – 6:30 p.m. We will be rotating **FUN** activities, **FREINDSHIP** (curriculum led by

Pastor Ben) and **FAITH** (discussions from members of our congregation). As middle schoolers (confirmation students) have done in the past, we will discuss highs and lows (5-5:15 p.m.), pack Channel One food bags (5:15-5:30 p.m.) have the **FFF** activity (5:30-5:45 p.m.), enjoy the meal together at about 5:45 p.m. and then attend worship with friends and family at 6:30 p.m.

### **TODAY'S ANTHEM**

#### ***"Chiribim Chiribom"***

The Senior Choir anthem this morning, "Chiribim Chiribom" is a Jewish folk song that is sung the world over with many variations, styles, and texts. This particular arrangement references the Jewish Sabbath. The Hebrew words "Lecha Dodi (Come my beloved) Likrat Kallah (to greet the bride)." Since the text this morning is about the marriage of Isaac and Rebekah, we get the imagery of anticipation and joy. On this confirmation Sunday, we rejoice to hear words of faith and confirm our own faith on our Sabbath as the bride of Christ in the presence of our beloved Heavenly Father and Savior Jesus Christ.



### **Worship Music**

NOW AVAILABLE...OSLC Leadership Minutes. You can find them on the large bulletin board.

### GATHER GALS MEETINGS:

Mark your calendars for the following date.

Monday-Oct. 16 6:15 pm Dunn Brothers/Elton Hills  
Tuesday-Nov. 21 6:15 pm Dunn Brothers/Elton Hills  
Monday-Dec. 18 6:15 pm Dunn Brothers/Elton Hills  
Tuesday.-Jan. 16 6:15pm Dunn Brothers/Elton Hills

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# This Week at OSLC

Sunday, Oct. 15  
8:30am Worship  
9:30am Confirmation Fellowship  
10:00am GIFT Worship

Monday Oct. 16  
P.B off  
1:00pm Sarah Circle

Tuesday, Oct. 17  
9:00am Quilting  
3:00pm P.F. @ Dunn Bros N.

Wednesday, Oct. 18  
Joanne off  
12:00pm Weekly Deadline  
6:30pm Worship  
7:20pm Sr. Choir

Thursday, Oct. 19  
P.B out of town  
6:00am Promise Keepers

8:30am Worship Assistants  
Anthem:  
Greeters/Offering:  
Communion Assistants:  
Usher/Offering:  
Prayer Reader:  
8:30am Sound Board:  
10:00am Sound Board  
Coffee Prep:  
Coffee Treats:  
Coffee Clean up:  
Offering Counters:  
Altar Guild:  
Organists/Pianists:

8:30am Faithfully Fit  
4:00pm Dorothy Day Meal  
6:30pm Grace Bells

Friday, Oct. 20

P.F off  
P.B. out of town  
Calendar deadline

9:00am Weekly  
9:00am Banner Team

Saturday, Oct. 21  
P.B. out of town  
Noon Meal @ Christ United  
OBA: 6pm Sons of Norway

Sunday, Oct. 22  
8:30am Worship  
9:30am Coffee Fellowship  
10:00am Gift Worship

Senior Choir, directed by Ruth Benning  
Lambert Meidinger, Pat Heath  
Wanda Hagquist, Pat Heath  
Scott & Wendy Moon  
Phyllis Schatz  
Tim Pickett  
David Flynn  
Jon & Dawn Christenson  
Confirmation Reception  
Bev Gronvold  
Jon & Dawn Christenson  
Diana Schroeder, Lorrie Swancutt  
Ruth Benning, Mandy Lambrecht,  
Bruce Rohde, Jan Matson

## Prayer of the Day

Most gracious God, guide our steps and direct us on the way, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may live out the calling we have received in baptism, until you bring us to the end of our journey in faith; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## EXPLORING THE STORY AT HOME

### **“Good Against Remotes is One Thing...” (Genesis 24)**

1. There are many coincidences in the story that lead to Isaac marrying Rebecca. Have you experienced coincidences in your life that seem to be more than just a coincidence?
2. How does the hand of God play into your experience?
3. Have all coincidences been of that nature?

## Catechism Connection

Martin Luther wrote the catechism not for pastors to teach kids but for, **“the head of a house to present these things, in a simple way, to the household.”**

**God goes with Abraham’s servant as he travels to Abraham’s hometown to find a wife for Isaac. The servant doesn’t know who he’s going to find, or even *if* he’s going to find someone for Isaac to marry. But he goes, trusting that God will provide the one who is needed.**

### **Read through Luther’s explanation to the “Fourth Petition of the Lord’s Prayer” in the *Small Catechism*.**

1. If God provides us (including *evil* people) with what we need for life (a.k.a. ‘daily bread’) even without us praying for it, then why should we pray for it? How does this relate to what Abraham’s servant did?
2. **What do you think are the most important parts of ‘daily bread’ from the list Luther made? Is there anything you would add to the list? Is there anything you’d remove?**

*If you need a convenient copy of Luther’s Small Catechism you can download a free catechism app (search for “Luther’s Small Catechism”) listed as being published by either ‘Augsburg’ or the ‘ELCA’.*

8:30am Worship  
Confirmation

## GATHERING SONG

“Gather Us In”

ELW 532

## GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY pg. 5 of Weekly

ANTHEM “Chiribim Chiribom” Senior Choir  
see explanation on pg 3 of weekly

BIBLE READING Genesis 24

## PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

Pastor Ben Loven

## HYMN OF THE DAY

“On Eagle’s Wings”

ELW 787

## RITE OF CONFIRMATION

See Power Point

## SHARING THE PEACE

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## OFFERING

## COMMUNION

ELW pg. 107

## COMMUNION HYMNS

“Hallelujah”

Ruth Benning, Phil Dingus,  
Alecia Meline, Kim Pickett

Renee Thoreson

“You Are Mine”

ELW 581

## CLOSING SONG

“This Little Light of Mine”

ELW 677



10:00am  
GIFT Worship