

Remember in your Prayers

Member Concerns: Amanda Kuper; Ed Harbeck; Pam Shulze; Kevin Carlson; Gordon & Lois Riekmann; Bonnie Storlie; George Meyer; Merle Houdek; Karen Schlein; Bob Loos; Francis Pflibsen; Connie DeLorme, Mike & Sandy Miller

Non-Member Friends/Family Concerns: June (Joanne Heathman's mom); Sam (nephew of Mary Ann Smith); Maryette & Melissa (Mary Ann Smith's Cousin); Ed Sehl, husband of Jeri Sehl previous OSLC member; Craig (Connie DeLorme's son); Glenn Riekmann (son of Gordon & Lois); Mary Johnson; Chris Wilson (son in law of Everett and Vickie Schulz); Lori (George Meyer's cousin); Magnus Svennungsen (Thoreson family member)

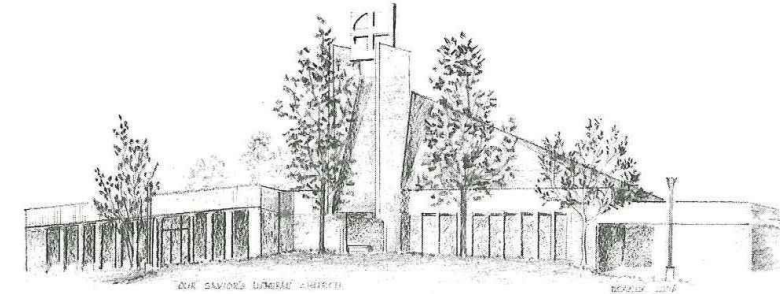
Military Concerns: Andrew McCumber; Chris Sikich; Margaret & Catherine Maher; Clark Rose; Ryan Nordstrom; Dan & Kelly Pickett, all our service men and women serving in the Military and all of our veterans who have served.

Global Ministry: Palliative Care Program at Iambi Hospital, Tanzania

Seminary Scholarship Recipient: Sadie Short

August 25, 2024

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church
WELCOME TO WORSHIP**



**Events listed in italics are non church activities here in the building.*

Sunday, August 25

P. Nikki off
9am Worship
10am Fellowship

Monday, August 26

P. Ben day off
P. Nikki on visits

Tuesday, August 27

9am-3pm Office open
11am P. Nikki at Text Study
1pm All Staff Meeting
2pm Office Staff Meeting

Wednesday, August 28

9am-3pm Office open
11am P. Ben at Text Study
6pm Grace Bells Rehearsal
7pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 29

P. Nikki off
9am-3pm Office open

Friday, August 30

P. Nikki off

Saturday, August 31

Sunday, September 1

9am Worship
10am Fellowship

Monday, September 2

Office Closed

Tuesday, September 3

Joanne off
11am P. Nikki at Text Study

Wednesday, September 4

9am Office open
11am P. Ben at Text Study
6pm Grace Bells Rehearsal
7pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 5

P. Nikki off
9am Office open

Friday, September 6

P. Nikki off

Saturday, September 7

Sunday, September 8

9:30am Rally Sunday at Good Shepherd
—Message from the Youth
—Potluck to follow
6pm Scouts

Jeremiah 29:4-9

⁴Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the LORD.

GATHERING SONG

When Morning Gilds the Skies
Song #853

THE LORE OF JESUS FOR TODAY

Jeremiah 29:4-9
P. Ben Loven

SONG OF THE DAY

O God, Who Gives Us Life
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DISTRIBUTION SONGS

O Bread of Life from Heaven
Song #480

Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Song #656

SENDING SONG

Sent Forth by God's Blessing
Song #547

Hymn of the Day

O God, Who Gives Us Life



1 O God, who gives us life and breath, who shapes us in the womb,
2 O God, who calls your peo-ple out to ven-ture and to dare,
3 O God of cov-e-nant and law, re-vealed in cloud and flame,



who guards our lives from birth to death, then leads us from the tomb:
to plumb the bleak a-byss of doubt and find you e-ven there:
your might-y deeds e-voke our awe; we dare not speak your name.



de-liv-er us from fears that kill the life we have from you.
when we de-spair in wan-der-ing through wastes of emp-ty lies,
Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your peo-ple prove,



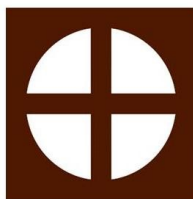
Help us to know your Spir-it still is mak-ing all things new.
re-fresh us with the liv-ing spring of hope that nev-er dies.
as on our hearts you write a-new the cov-e-nant of love.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: NOEL, English melody; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

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CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTION for SEPTEMBER

Hope Lodge

Please bring all items to the basket provided in the Narthex. Thank you.

**Towels & bedding,
**Laundry supplies, **Office supplies, **Cleaning supplies
**Paper products, **Gift certificates (gas cards-Target-Hy-Vee)
**Puzzles, board games, CDS, **Greeting cards
**Night lights, **Grocery & Kitchen supplies.



QUILTING

Everyone is welcome. No sewing skills are needed.

Time: 9:00am

Location: OSLC

Remaining 2024 Dates

Sept. 17th

Oct. 15th,

Nov. 19th

**We do not meet in
December**

How's That Work Again? - Starting a Group

As we leave the summer we're spending some time remembering how things work at Our Savior's! This week it's about starting a group!

There are already several groups that meet regularly as part of our community: music groups, Women's Circles, Ministry Teams and Committees, the Thursday Morning Bible Study, the Funky Bunch Bible Study, Media that Moves, Saturday Crafting, quilters, and banners – just to name a few! All of these groups would *love* for you to join them, if you're interested.

But how would you go about starting a *new* group? For instance, let's say you love using sidewalk chalk to create designs that tie into the scripture reading for each Sunday – how would you create a group out of that?

First, invite people to join you! Start talking to people to see if they'd be interested in doing that, too. Maybe you already know one or two other people would be interested, which means you're well on your way.

Second, pick a time and date to do your activity! If it requires the church building or grounds, double check with Joanne in the office to make sure that it's available (emailing her is a great way to do this), but otherwise, you're good to go! Letting Joanne know is also the most reliable way to make sure that it gets advertised.

Third, just do it! Get your group together and meet! And if you want to meet more, plan those next meetings (while also checking with Joanne to make sure there's availability)!

I hope this reminds you and inspires you to enliven our community with a new group. And if starting a group is too much, feel free to talk to me or Pastor Nikki; we're happy to help!

Pastor Ben

SUMMER PREACHING SERIES PODCAST

Pastor Carl-Eric Gentes, Pastor Nikki Rockne,
Pastor Ben Loven

A Collaboration of Our Savior's and Good Shepherd Lutheran Churches, this podcast will explore many stories from the Old Testament in hopes of giving deeper meaning to the person and work of Jesus. In this Episode we explore the idea of "Lore" as a story telling genre and how it will help us in this effort.

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You can also find the link on the OSLC website or in your weekly ENews

MUSIC TO BEGIN AGAIN AT OSLC

Greg and Bev have been working hard at getting another great music season underway as many have said they are anxious to get back to it.

Rehearsals for Grace Bells and the Vocal Choir will begin on Wednesday, August 28 at OSLC.

Grace Bells will rehearse at 6pm with Bev Gronvold directing.

Vocal Choir will rehearse at 7pm with Greg Henderson directing.

We invite all to come and give it a try.

FAITHFULLY FIT STARTS SEPT. 12

The Thursday morning exercise group meets at 9:15am in the Narthex. Join us for light exercise and joyful conversation.

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SUBS NEEDED

Please consider being a sub volunteer worship assistant. We have a great group rotation, but we could use a few more volunteers to ask when our regulars cannot help. Contact Joanne in the office to sign up or for more information.

SOUND BOARD ENGINEER NEEDED

If you are interested in learning the sound board and being on the Sunday rotation, please contact Bob Westland. 421-4772. New and exciting things are happening. Come be a part of it.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA BIBLE STUDY

Martha Circle—Sept. 11 at 10am

Hostess: Sharon K. Peterson

Bible Study: Group

Naomi Circle—2nd Monday at 9am

Priscilla Circle—Sept. 11 at 9:30am

Hostess: Diana Schroeder

Bible Study: Group

Sarah Circle—3rd Tuesday at 1pm

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God from Merle & Carol Houdek in celebration of Merle's birthday (today) and in thankfulness for all your prayers and support.

Sept. 1—Martens Sept. 8 @ G.S. Sept. 15—Rask Sept. 22—Pederson

Please consider signing up to give flowers. Cost is \$40 and they are yours to take home after worship. Please remember to return the vase as our pricing is based on that.

The office is open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9:00am to 3pm

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Pastor Ben Loven—bloven@rochesterosl.org; cell 701-580-1559

Pastor Nikki Rockne—pnikki@rochesterosl.org cell 507-398-7710

Our office doors are always open for visits/conversations. Please make a call to the church office before visiting if you would like to specifically visit with one of us to ensure we are in.

Joanne Hamilton, Office—office@rochesterosl.org

Greg Henderson, Director of Music—music@rochesterosl.org

Katie Zahasky, Prayer Chain—254-7894 or ktzahasky4@gmail.com

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 9:00am Worship

Organist: Greg Henderson, **Pianist:** Jan Matson

Sound Board Engineer: David Flynn

Offering Counters: Kevin & Cindy Norgard

Ushers: Kevin & Cindy Norgard

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Sharon K. Peterson

Altar Guild: Ardie O'Hanlon

Fellowship: Warren & Brenda Harmon

July Treasurer's Report:

Income YTD (as of 07/31/2024): \$246,272.38

Expenses YTD (as of 07/31/2024): \$246,896.04

Budgeted Expenses: \$247,038.75



Scan for easy giving!

Rally Sunday



Sunday, September 8
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

- **Worship at 9:30am**
- **Message from the Youth**
- **Potluck to follow**



FAIR TRADE MARKET

Over 20 fair and ethical trade vendors under one roof selling food, chocolate, home décor, and so much more



Friday, October 4, 4pm-7pm
Saturday, October 5, 9am-4pm
Sunday, October 6, 10am-1pm

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SPECIAL OFFERING FOR SEPTEMBER

Good Earth Village

Good Earth Village (GEV for short), located about 45 minutes away in Spring Valley, MN, is *our* church camp! GEV offers summer camps for kids and youth, educational opportunities for all ages throughout the year, and fantastic space for retreats.

Our Savior's has long been a supporter of GEV. In the recent past, kids from our congregation have attended camp, families have attended summer Family Camp, and still more families have participated in weekend retreats during February and March.

We will be collecting a special offering throughout September to continue our support of GEV and our wonderful ministry partnership. Please consider making an additional gift during the month to enable GEV to share God's love with southeastern Minnesota and northwestern Iowa!



Simply Giving is an easy way to keep up on your giving. There are forms in the Business Center on the wall rack. They can be filled out and left in my box marked Financial Secretary in the Business Center, or you can contact me for more information. Tim Hornseth, Financial Secretary, 507-261-4719 or tjhornseth@charter.net