

**Remember in your Prayers**

**Member Concerns:** Bev Gronvold; Marti Howe; Dave Eberhart; Terry Wagner; Ed Harbeck; 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:** Connie Krohse (Sharon K. Peterson’s sister); Tom Harmon (Warren’s father) Steve Gusa (friend of Jan Matson); Sam (nephew of Mary Ann Smith); Maryette & Melissa (Mary Ann Smith’s Cousins); 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:** Brooks Rohe; 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

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

**Sunday, December 15**

Fair Trade Sunday  
9am Worship  
10am Ice Cream Social  
1pm Cello Recital-Sanctuary  
6pm Troop 83

**Monday, December 16**

P. Ben day off  
P. Nikki on visits  
2:30pm-8:30pm Cello Lessons-Music Rm.

**Tuesday, December 17**

9am Office open  
1pm Sarah Circle  
2:30pm-8:30pm Cello Lessons-Music Rm

**Wednesday, December 18**

9am Office open  
11:30am P. Ben at Text Study  
5:30pm Advent Meal  
6:30pm Advent Worship  
7:30pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, December 19**

P. Nikki day off

9am Office open  
9:15am Faithfully Fit  
10:30am Bible Study  
3:30-8:30pm Cello Lessons-Music Rm  
6:30pm Pack 83-Fellowship Hall

**Friday, December 20**

P. Nikki day off

**Saturday, December 21**

**Sunday, December 22**— P. Nikki’s last day

9am Worship  
10am No Sunday School  
10am P. Nikki Farewell Party  
10:15am Instruments of OSLC

**Monday, December 23**

P. Ben day off

**Tuesday, December 24**

Joanne off  
3pm Instruments of OSLC  
4pm Christmas Eve Worship  
9pm Christmas Eve Worship-Holden

**Wednesday, December 25-Merry Christmas**

Office Closed through January 1



**Our Savior's WEEKLY**

**December 15, 2024**

**Our Savior’s Lutheran Church**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

**3rd Sunday of Advent**



**ADVENT WORSHIP/MEALS**  
Serving December 4, 11, 18  
5:30pm-6:15pm  
Worship at 6:30pm

**December 4** \*Vegetable Beef & Potato w/ Ham  
**December 11** \*Chili & Bacon Corn Chowder  
**December 18** \*Vegetable Beef & Broccoli Cheese

\*Gluten Free

**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.

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

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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.

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**Katie Zahasky, Prayer Chain**—507-254-7894 or [ktzahasky4@gmail.com](mailto:ktzahasky4@gmail.com)

#### **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 9:00am Worship**

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

**Sound Board Engineer:** Bob Westland

**Offering Counters:** Bruce & Tammy Olson

**Ushers:** Bruce & Tammy Olson

**Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant:** Sharon K. Peterson

**Altar Guild:** Ardie O'Hanlon

**Fellowship:** Warren & Brenda Harmon

**ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the Glory of God from Al & Kim Pickett in honor of their Grandchildren

Dec. 22—Houdek Dec. 29—OPEN Jan. 5—OPEN Jan. 12—OPEN

**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.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Income YTD (as of 11/30/2024): \$370,334.55

Expenses YTD (as of 11/30/2024): \$380,781.74

Budgeted Expenses: \$388,203.75



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## **2026 TANZANIA TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall

This will be the first of several meetings as OSLC and Good Shepherd begin planning for a possible trip to Tanzania in 2026 to reconnect with OSLC partners in the Iambi Lutheran Hospital Palliative Care program and learn more about Tanzania.

This first meeting will determine if there is interest, but no commitment is expected. Information will be shared about the purpose of the trip, itinerary considerations, and pre travel meetings and preparation that would occur in 2025 if enough interest. There will be plenty of time for questions and to talk with members that have been on past trips.

## **UPDATE ON SAMARITAN BETHANY (SB)**

As a member of the board at SB I thought it was time for an update. With my illness these last few months I have tried to keep up with meetings by attending through zoom. CEO Sue Knutson retired and the board chose to hire two nurse managers that were working at SB as Co-CEO's. The two young ladies have been doing a marvelous job. The current chaplain holds two church services at SB on Sunday, memorial services, holds bible studies and a book club during the week. Our church has been volunteering with help getting residents to church services at SB. As our financial support for SB is our special offerings from Thanksgiving Eve service and our three Advent services, I ask that you prayerfully consider SB as we fulfill our financial support to them.

Thank You, Pam Shulze

## **BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR BEN**

Thursdays at 10:30AM (Water Room), If you've ever felt like you wished you knew more about the Bible, but were anxious that you didn't know enough, this is the Bible Study for you! There's no homework, you don't have to be an "expert" to participate, and everyone there cares about each other. We're going to be working our way through the Gospel of John. Come join in the conversation! **Will not meet December 26 or January 2.**

## **FAREWELL PARTY FOR PASTOR NIKKI**

Join us after worship on December 22nd to say "Farewell and Godspeed!" to Pastor Nikki. She has accepted a call to serve Lands Lutheran Church in Zumbrota. Come enjoy some cinnamon rolls, fresh fruit, and coffee, as we thank her for her ministry with us these past five years, and wish her well in her next call!