

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. To see all non-church activities go to www.rochesterosl.org homepage and click the calendar tab*

Sunday, January 19

9am Worship
10am Fellowship

Monday, January 20

P. Ben day off

Tuesday, January 21

9am Office open
9am Quilting-POD Area
10am Small Group Conversation
1pm Sarah Circle

Wednesday, January 22

9am Office open
11:30am P. Ben at Text Study
6pm Grace Bell Rehearsal
7pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 23

9am office open
9:15am Faithfully Fit
10:30am Bible Study

Friday, January 24

4pm Boy Scouts Derby Setup—Fellowship Hall

Saturday, January 25

8am-3pm Boy Scouts Derby-Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 26

9am Worship
10am Annual Meeting
5:30pm Confirmation

Monday, January 27

P. Ben day off
6:30pm Women's Board

Tuesday, January 28

9am Office open
Joanne off
6:30pm Worship/Music Meeting

Wednesday, January 29

9am office open
11:30am P. Ben at Text Study
6pm Grace Bells Rehearsal
7pm Vocal Choir Rehearsal



January 19, 2025
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
WELCOME TO WORSHIP
2 Epiphany

With One Voice Liturgy, Setting 5

GATHERING SONG

Now We Join in Celebration

ELW 462

SCRIPTURE READING

John 2:1-11

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

SERMON

Pastor Ben Loven

SONG OF THE DAY

Jesus, Come! For We Invite You

ELW 312

COMMUNION SONGS

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW 798

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

ELW 492

SENDING SONG

We All Are One in Mission

ELW 576

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
Office—289-3021; **Website:** www.rochesterosl.org
Pastor Ben Loven—bloven@rochesterosl.org; cell 701-580-1559
My office door is always open for visits/conversations. Please make a call to the church office before visiting if you would like to specifically visit with me to ensure I am in. Pastor Ben
Joanne Hamilton, Office—office@rochesterosl.org
Greg Henderson, Director of Music—music@rochesterosl.org
Katie Zahasky, Prayer Chain—507-254-7894 or ktzahasky4@gmail.com

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 9:00am Worship
Organist: Greg Henderson, **Pianist:** Jan Matson
Sound Board Engineer: Jacob Blain
Offering Counters: Jacob Blain, Julie Eberhart
Ushers: Wanda Hagquist, Todd McCumber
Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Mary Ann Smith
Altar Guild: Ardie O'Hanlon
Fellowship: Joanne Heathman



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ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God from OSLC
Jan. 26—Rogelstad Feb. 2—Psomas Feb. 9—OPEN Feb. 16—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 12/31/2024): \$435,882.08
Expenses YTD (as of 12/31/2024): \$428,195.07
Budgeted Expenses: \$423,495.00



Scan for easy giving!

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!

FAITHFULLY FIT

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.



QUILTING

Everyone is welcome. No sewing skills are needed. We meet at 9am
Location: OSLC
2025 Meeting Dates:
January 21, February 18, March 18,
April 15, May 20, September 16, October 21, November 18

MUSIC AT OSLC

Grace Bells rehearsing at 6pm with Bev Gronvold directing.
Vocal Choir will rehearsing at 7pm with Greg Henderson directing.
We invite all to come and give it a try.



2026 TANZANIA TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING

January 19th 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.


YOU'RE INVITED to celebrate Charles & Diana Schroeder's 65th wedding anniversary after worship on February 2 in the Fellowship Hall. We will be serving muffins/coffee.

Happy Anniversary!

GLOBAL MISSION on OSLC WEBSITE
 If you would like more information or want to see more pictures from the OSLC trips, go to www.rochesterosl.org and click on the Global Mission drop-down menu



THE ANNUAL CHURCH Meeting
JANUARY 26, 10AM

CHURCHILL/HOOVER SCHOOLS are looking for donations. Listed below are the items they are looking for. Please leave in the blue barrel in the Narthex.

- Snacks
- Granola bars - crackers - mini muffins- cereal - goldfish - GoGo squeez applesauce etc.
- Sandwich bags for snacks could also be helpful to divide food up if it's in larger boxes or containers instead of individualized bags.
- 4T & 5T Pull ups

THE BARREL NEEDS SOME HELP GETTING FILLED

FUNKY BUNCH BIBLE STUDY
 This group is for families, and it meets on the first Sunday of every month. It starts with a potluck supper at 5PM (the theme is decided beforehand, so people know what to bring), followed by crafting and a kid-friendly movie while the adults read the Bible. No prior Bible experience is necessary, and as the name implies, everyone comes with a healthy dose of humor and acceptance!

THANK YOU, DECORATING VOLUNTEERS!

Our church looked so beautiful for the Advent and Christmas season! I would like to thank the people who helped decorate: Pastor Ben, Ruth Moran, Mary Ann Smith, Doreen Markus, Bob Westlund, Jodie Westlund, Sharon Peterson, and Greg Henderson. Of course, every season must end and I would also like to thank those who helped take down the decorations and store them carefully for next year: Pastor Ben, Katie Zahasky, Doreen Markus, Sherry Rengstorf, and Al Pickett. Our volunteers make all the difference!

With Gratitude,
Alecia Meline



Dear Generous Donors,
 We are delighted to share that the **2024 Adopt A Family holiday program** was a huge success! With your generous gifts, Adopt A Family was able to provide food, toys, clothing, and hope to 462 families, which totaled 1,288 individuals. Your incredible support towards Adopt A Family holiday program has impacted families and individuals in our community in ways that words can barely express. You provided so much more than just gifts. You gave hope, dignity, and the precious feeling of being remembered during, what can be, a particularly challenging season for many. Each carefully selected gift represented a message to these families, and individuals, that they matter, that their community cares, and that they're not alone during this holiday season. The ripple effect of your generosity extends far beyond December 25 th . You've helped build a stronger, more connected community and shown our neighbors that they do matter. We are grateful for your donation, support, and appreciate your commitment to Adopt A Family holiday program. This letter is just a small demonstration of our gratitude for your donation. As we move into 2025, we will continue to explore new ways to expand and grow a program that creates hope and many priceless smiles in the community. Thank you!

With deepest gratitude,
Adopt A Family Holiday Program Committee

SAMARITAN BETHANY

Presentation

February 23 after worship in the Fellowship Hall

Join Wayne Stenberg, Samaritan Bethany's Foundation and Development Leader speak on Samaritan Bethany's 102 Years of Caring.



Hello Friends,

Kevin and I are very honored to have been invited back to serve in mission to Guatemala.

Last year you all so generously supported us by providing supplies for the health kits that are given out to families coming to the clinics. We had been told they were much needed and very appreciated so were happy to bring them down with us. But it was something else to actually be able to hand them out to people and receive their heartfelt thanks for these small items we take so very much for granted. So, if you would like to help once again, here is a reminder of what a Health Kit includes:



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1 hand towel, 1 regular sized bar of soap, 1 washcloth, toothbrush and toothpaste, 6 safety pins and Band-Aids.

To assemble a kit, remove the toothpaste and soap from boxes, include about 5 band aids and pin about 6 safety pins to the washcloths. Then roll everything into the hand towel and tie it with a cloth ribbon.

It is not necessary to make a complete kit, we will accept completed kits and individual items.

Items can be dropped off in the box in the Narthex beginning in January, through the first week of February. Please feel free to talk with Kevin or Cindy if you have any questions

Thank you again for your support. Kevin & Cindy Norgard

Shared Ministry: Update

With Pastor Nikki taking a new call, many of us might have been wondering what that means for the future of the Shared Ministry between Good Shepherd and Our Savior's.

The good news is that our Shared Ministry will continue for the immediate future! The Joint Ministry Team (made up of members from both congregations), Councils, Key Volunteers, Committees, Staff, and Pastors are fully committed to continuing this partnership through the established relationships created through Pastor Nikki's ministry with us. We have at least one joint worship service, monthly joint youth group activities, and the joint Summer Youth Mission Trip to look forward to!

That said, our Shared Ministry is heading into a new phase. We will not be seeking to fill Pastor Nikki's position at this time. The Joint Ministry Team and our respective councils will be engaged in active discernment about the future of this partnership and any future staffing that it may necessitate. In the coming months, the Team is looking to involve the members of the congregations in conversation about priorities and possibilities for the future.

If you would like to have more direct conversations about the future of our Shared Ministry, or if you are interested in joining the Joint Ministry Team, please reach out to Pastor Carl-Eric or Pastor Ben.

Thank you for faithfully exploring this ministry experiment. We look forward to more to come!

The Joint Ministry Team

Eldon Anderson, Lori Bates, Katie Holger, Wendy Moon, Carol Olson, and Katie Zahasky

Martha Circle

2nd Wednesday of the month—10:00am

Hostess:

Bible Study:

Naomi Circle

February 10 at 9:00am

Hostess: Jodie Westland

1624 19th ST NE

Bible Study: Jodie Westland

Priscilla Circle

February 12—9:30am

Hostess: Diana Schroeder

Bible Study: Ardie O'Hanlon & Marti Howe

Sarah Circle

3rd Tuesday of the month —1:00pm

Hostess:

Bible Study



Circle Meetings