



Our Saviour's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reaching out with a voice of HOPE

Sunday Worship

8:30 a.m. Traditional

10:15 a.m. Contemporary

Both services stream live on Facebook

8:30 Service Hymn #s

Opening Hymn: ELW #886 (1-3, 6)

Sending Hymn: ELW #400

Covid-19 Update:

Note: As a Covid precaution, the right section of pews has extra spacing between pews for physical distancing.

Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive Communion at Our Saviour's.

You may commune in place with a Communion kit or come forward.

Gluten Free wafers are available at the front of each section for you to pick up as you come forward. If you cannot have any gluten cross-contamination, please come up the right side of the center aisle and dip in the cup of wine on that stand.



LIFE EVENTS

Baptism

Wren Leanne Johnson

Parents: Rachel Melin & Kyle Johnson

Congregational Sympathies are Extended to:

Melody Paulsen and family as they grieve the death of Melodie's brother-in-law, Denny Brown.

Pray for comfort and peace for this family.

Pastor Kiri Solberg
Pastor Maria Pederson
Visitation Pastor Jeff Beebe

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OSLC HAPPENINGS

June Sermon Series: Profiles in Courage

Have you ever felt paralyzed by fear? Whether we face a giant that stands in our way, a challenge to compromise our convictions, or a threat against our comfort and security, we can gain courage from the people we read about in the Old Testament. Their stories will remind us that we can be strong and courageous too because God is with us wherever we go.



- June 11 – Joshua & Caleb: A Land of Milk & Honey
- June 18 – Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: Another in the Fire
- June 25 – Esther: For Such a Time as This

TAKE NOTE

Upcoming Sabbatical—June 1-July 26

Director of Music & Worship Arts Jennifer Thurman will be on Sabbatical. Sabbatical leaves are an extended time for spiritual growth, reflection, and renewal. As part of her sabbatical, Jennifer will be traveling to Israel, reading books to further her faith, honing musical skills and exploring new musical ideas to bring back to Our Saviour's.

We will be in good hands while Jennifer is on leave, with substitute band leaders all lined up. We are excited for Jennifer to have this opportunity and look forward to the ways it will impact her continued service to the congregation.

June Social Justice Forum – Scams Targeting Seniors

A one-time forum will be available on June 25, 9:30 a.m., in Room 122. The topic will be *Scams Targeting Our Seniors*. If you are a senior or are caring for an aging parent, you do not want to miss this. Guest Speaker will be from Minnesota Senior LinkAge and will discuss how to avoid being victimized by these scams.

Social Justice Forums

The Our Saviour's Social Justice team will be presenting a series of forums to encourage education about and engagement with marginalized communities. The forums will be held on Sundays in the open office after each service. Upcoming forums include: **Alzheimer's Choir** – Helping Families live well with dementia through music - July 16; Drug use in Anoka County (Sept); Mental Health changes in kids since Covid (Oct).

Baptism Class—Sun, June 4, 11:30 a.m. on Zoom

Our Saviour's offers Baptism preparation classes for parents of infants and older children, as well as adults. To sign up, please contact Jan Green, 763-434-6117 ext. 122.

SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

Thursday Quilters—June 1, 9:00 a.m.

This group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 9:00 a.m. Contact Maggie Latvala with questions, 763-434-3608.

Pastor-led Bible Study

Wed., June 7, 10:00 a.m., at Our Saviour's

All are welcome to attend the Pastor-led Bible study on the first Wednesday of each month. On June 7th the study will take an in-depth look at the strength and courage displayed by Joshua and Caleb, two leaders of the people of Israel. Curious? Come and learn more!

Dinners at 6:30—Thursday, June 15

Join this fun group for fellowship and dinner at Granite City Restaurant, 11909 Main St., Maple Grove. Please sign up on the Small Group board in the Rotunda, or call the church office, 763-434-6117. Questions? Contact Sandy Mickelson, 763-229-4984.

Mixed Golf League—Tuesdays, 5:45 p.m., at Hidden Haven

ALL skill levels are welcome. To participate contact Ted Engen, 612-867-8730 or gpaengen@yahoo.com by noon on Tuesdays.

Every time you give to Our Saviour's you help to fulfill our mission of "Reaching Out with a Voice of Hope." Use QR to give online:



OSLC HAPPENINGS

Summer Worship at the Chapel

Three Wednesday evenings have been scheduled to gather and worship at Our Saviour's (OSLC) Chapel that was built in 1872. Located at 2200 Swedish Drive in Ham Lake, OSLC's first building is on the National Register of Historic Places. With music led on a pump organ, worshipping in this space is a step back in time. Mark your calendar:



Worship will be at 6:30 p.m.

- 1) Wed. June 14 – Founder's Day: A special day to look to our heritage & give thanks for those who founded OSLC over 150 years ago.
- 2) Wed. July 12
- 3) Wed. August 16

CHILDREN~YOUTH~FAMILY (CYF)

Our Saviour's Preschool Registration

Our Saviour's Preschool program offers children a quality Christian education in a secure, nurturing environment. Brochures and registration forms are available at oursavioursslc.org/preschool or call Director Lissa Leebens, 763-434-6117 ext. 123, for more information.

CYF Family Day at the Beach!

Sunday, June 4, 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Our Saviour's

All are invited at Our Saviour's for outdoor yard games, family fun, and snacks! Free for all! Sign up on the CYF Board to let us know you are coming, but sign up is not required!

Trip to Valleyfair—Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, August 17, 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

All ages are invited to join together for a fun day at Valleyfair! Cost: \$50/participant which includes day pass, unlimited beverage wristband or souvenir mug, transportation, and parking. More details available at <https://www.oursavioursslc.org/cyfhome>.

Register Now for CYF Fall Programs

Registration Links available at <https://www.oursavioursslc.org/forms>

Faith Circle: Preschool, Ages 3-4

Sundays, September 17-May 5, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Godly Play: Kindergarten-1st Grade

Sundays, September 17-May 5, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Bible Live! 2nd-3rd Grade

Sundays, September 17-May 5, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Young Samaritans: 4th-5th Grade

Sundays, September 17-May 5, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

"Here We Stand" Confirmation: 6th-8th Grade

Wednesdays, Sept. 13-May 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Lighthouse Ministries: Grades 9-12—Dates and times will vary

Job Opportunity

Cemetery-Columbarium Administrator

Very part-time job opportunity: hours are as needed, estimated to be 1-10 hours/month. This is a paid position. Rate will be determined based on your skills. Must be diplomatic, friendly, positive, and a helpful representative of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. Responsible for all related duties associated with the OSLC cemetery plots and columbarium. Work with the Cemetery-Columbarium Team and under the direction of the Congregational Council to establish, monitor and execute Cemetery and Columbarium Rules and Regulations, Covenants and Agreements. Note: this does not require manual labor of cutting grass and shoveling snow. If you or someone you know is interested in seeing the full job description, call or email Sherry Allenspach at 612-419-4596, sherallen@aol.com.

Endowment Scholarships Awarded

The Endowment Committee is pleased to announce the following students are scholarship recipients from the Endowment Fund:

Parker Burman; Isabella Cable; Caleb Tays; Brady Johnson; Hailey West; Gabrielle Rignell; Autumn Miller; Gavin Grams; Madison Burman; Alison Owens; Mikkel Paulson; Maria Stockinger.



Vacation Bible School Hero Hotline—for Age 4-Grade 5

Aug. 7-10, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

In the depths of a colorful underground cave, is the beating heart of the hero community, the Hero Hotline Headquarters where everyone's gifts are valued and every hero has a role to play. Each day at the Hero Hotline Headquarters, superheroes of all ages and abilities answer the call and join the Professor and veteran hero, Super Meer the Meerkat, to provide expert assistance and solutions to Hero Teams everywhere. Register now for 2023 Vacation Bible School. Cost: \$30 due with registration; \$75 maximum per household. Register at <https://www.oursavioursslc.org/vbs-registration>.

VBS Volunteers Needed! Adult volunteers must be 18+ and have a background check completed. Junior volunteers (completed 6th grade and up) are encouraged to participate as well. Sign up at <https://www.oursavioursslc.org/vbs-volunteer>.

HAPPENING May 28-June 4

Sunday, May 28

8:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship
10:15 a.m. – Contemporary Worship
11:15 a.m. – Zoom Coffee Hour
11:30 a.m. – Baptism

Monday, May 29

Office Closed – Memorial Day
7:00 p.m. – NA Small Group

Tuesday, May 30

9:30 a.m. – Preschool Camp for Christ
9:30 a.m. – Tuesday Morning Study
5:45 p.m. – Band Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. – AA Support Group

Wednesday, May 31

8:00 a.m. – Hard Hats
9:30 a.m. – Preschool Camp for Christ

Thursday, June 1

9:00 a.m. – Thursday Quilters
9:30 a.m. – Preschool Camp for Christ

Friday, June 2

9:30 a.m. – Preschool Camp for Christ

Sunday, June 4

Fair Trade Products Available
Graduate Recognition
8:30 a.m. – Traditional Worship
10:15 a.m. – Contemporary Worship
11:15 a.m. – Zoom Coffee Hour
11:15 a.m. – Family Day at the Beach
11:30 a.m. – Baptism
11:30 a.m. – Baptism Class on Zoom

Events are at Our Saviour's unless otherwise indicated.

*OF=Offsite; *CH=Chapel in Ham Lake

Welcoming All Neighbors

Wednesday, November 16, 6:00 p.m., room 112

Join this team in reaching out to refugees.

June 4

Baptism: Mallory Lynn Moffatt: Parents: Natalie & Kameron Moffatt

Quilting in Stages—June 6, 6:30 p.m.

Quilting Blocks in Stages meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. Questions? Contact Cheri Stockinger, stockw4g@gmail.com.

Social Justice Forums

The Our Saviour's Social Justice team will be presenting a series of forums to encourage education about and engagement with marginalized communities. The forums will be held on Sundays in the open office after each service. Upcoming forums include:

Fair Trade Products Available Today

A variety of coffees, teas, chocolate, and more are available following worship today. Fair Trade ensures that small-scale farmers—men and women—are given a fair and dependable price for their crops.

Pub Theology—Monday, June 12, 6:00 p.m.

Pub Theology is a place for good conversation on topics involving faith, life events, or just being together. Meet at Hidden Haven, 20520 Polk St. in East Bethel.

Faith & Fiction Book Group

June 13—Second Tuesday 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Meet at Our Saviour's to discuss the May book, *The Last Train to Key West* by Chanel Cheetos. Questions? Contact Marge Nelson, mfnelson@gmail.com.

Fiction Addiction Book Group

June 13—Second Tuesday 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Join the group at the home of Alisa Bigelbach to discuss the May book *Miss Kopp Just Won't Quit* by Amy Stewart. Questions? Contact Alisa, alisa.bigelbach@usfamily.net.

Faith & Fiction Book Group

May 9—Second Tuesday 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Meet at Our Saviour's to discuss the May book, *The Last Train to Key West* by Chanel Cheetos. Questions? Contact Marge Nelson, mfnelson@gmail.com.

Fiction Addiction Book Group

May 9—Second Tuesday 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Join the group at the home of Alisa Bigelbach to discuss the May book *Miss Kopp Just Won't Quit* by Amy Stewart. Questions? Contact Alisa, alisa.bigelbach@usfamily.net.

Social Justice Forums

- Drug use in Anoka County – through the lens of law enforcement – September TBD
- Mental Health changes in kids since Covid – Oct TBD

Stamping Ministry—Sat., May 13, 9:00 a.m.

If you have an interest in making cards, please join the group at Our Saviour's. Questions? Call Cheryl Anderson, 763-434-9457.

Pub Theology—Monday, May 8, 6:00 p.m.

Pub Theology is a place for good conversation on topics involving faith, life events, or just being together. Meet at Hidden Haven, 20520 Polk St. in East Bethel.

June 11

June 18

Altar flowers given in celebration of the 56th anniversary of Ted and Julie Engen. Two sets

June 25

Baptism: Aurelia Anne Walsh; Parents: Kayla & Christopher Walsh

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers given in memory of loving husband, Stanley Hohn by Gerry Hohn. 1 set

At Faith Circle, preschoolers will spend time with music, play and Bible stories.

Children will explore faith through storytelling of Bible stories and church life followed by a time of recreating the story with independent play (using art, play, conversation).

Children walk through the Bible through skits. Children can be an actor, director, stage hand, and more (with caring adults leading every step of the way).

Young Samaritans journey with preteens as they explore faith and life relational skills.

Confirmation is a time of great connection! Confirmation equips youth with the teachings of the Bible and faith so they can make an informed decision to live out their life of faith.

Lighthouse Ministries seeks to connect senior high youth to their peers and caring adults in a safe environment where they can ask questions and wonder.

July 2

July 9

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers given in honor and memory of husband Gary by Mary Thorsten. 1 set

Little Dresses for Africa Sewing Group

Thursday, May 11 and Sept. 14, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The Little Dresses for Africa mission team will be gathering to sew dresses at Our Saviour's. We would love to have you join us. Come for as much or as little time as you wish. Questions? Contact Betty Gabrick, 651-462-1573.

July 16

Altar flowers given in memory of Jack Munday by Fran Munday.

July 23

Altar flowers given in memory of Ben Green by Jan Green. 2 sets

July 30

Aug 6

Baptism Camden Chitty; Parents: Danielle Chitty

Beth Moore Study of Thessalonians

Tuesdays, Fall, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Join this group for a Beth Moore Bible study on the book of Thessalonians. This study will work through the videos and homework sessions together during the study time each week and will be led by Karen Olien. Books are available at OSLC for \$20 through OSLC. To sign up, email [Karen olenkaren@gmail.com](mailto:karenolien@gmail.com) or

Altar flowers given in honor of our kids and grandkids by Diane & Kevin Dietz 2 sets.

Aug 13

Aug 20

Aug 27

Sept 3

Blood Pressure Clinic TODAY

Get your blood pressure checked starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Gathering Space. This is the last Blood Pressure check before summer. This service will be available again on the second Sunday in September.

Sept 10

Altar flowers given in memory of husband, Ghost, mother, father, and mother-in-law, by Karen Schrecongost. 2 sets

New Members' Orientation – Fall & Spring

Sunday, Oct 15, 2023/ Sunday, May 19, 2024

11:30am-1:30pm

Non-members of all ages

This class will be held for anyone interested in making Our Saviour's their church home.

Nothing

Friday before Oct 13 & May 17

Lisa Rykken Kastler/Pastor Kiri/Pastor Maria

Sept 17

Sept 24

Altar Flowers given in memory of Jamie Torson by Karen Torson. 1 set

Oct 1

Altar Flowers given in memory of Steve Brandjord's Birthday on 10/4. 1 set

Oct 8

Oct 15

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers given in memory of Bob & Fran Knode by Miki Knode. 1 set

Oct 22

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers given in loving memory of Chip Nelson by Marge Nelson. 2 sets

Oct 29

Nov 5

Altar Flowers given in loving memory of Bob Holritz Sr. by Jill Holritz Bjornson

Altar flowers given in loving memory of Ben Bjornson by Jill Bjornson

Nov 12

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers given in memory of Grant by Joe & Nancy Wyatt.

Altar Flowers given in memory of Archie by Jo-Ann Wyatt.

Nov 19

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers given in memory of Jim Nelson's birthday.

Altar Flowers given in memory of Jim Nelson.

Nov 26

Dec 3

Dec 10

Dec 17

Dec 24

Altar Flower Sign-up

Would you like to give altar flowers in honor or in memory of someone special? The 2023 Altar Flower sign-up is posted across from the Reception Desk. The cost is \$18 per arrangement. Limit two per Sunday. Payment can be placed in the Altar Flower envelope to the right of the sign-up.

Little Dresses for Africa

Our schedule for next year will be the second Thursday in only the odd-numbered months. We will meet at Glen Cary in January, May, and September. March 9th, July 13th, and November 9th.

Sew Little Dresses for Africa

Thur., Nov. 10, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 pm, at Our Saviour's

Lunch will be served at 11:30. Bring a sewing machine, pair of scissors, straight pins, and a food item for a taco salad. You are welcome to come for as little or as much of that time as you like. If you have any questions, contact Betty Gabrick, 651-462-1573.

OPPORTUNITIES

Small Group Fundraiser

Small Groups are encouraged to sign up to serve Hospitality on Sunday. Funds raised can be used toward your group's ministry. Sign up on Hospitality sheet located on the Worship Ministry board across from the Reception Desk. Questions? Contact Jan Green, 763-434-6117 ext.122.

Senior Chores & More

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? Check out the Chores & More brochures in the rack by the entrance doors. The Chores & More program provides chore and homemaker services to seniors, enabling them to remain in their homes.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

The Thrivent Choice® program encourages Thrivent clients to direct their Choice Dollars to nonprofit organizations, including churches. The deadline to donate your 2021 dollars is March 31, 2023. We would be grateful if you would consider directing your gift to Our Saviour's. To direct Thrivent Choice Dollars online, visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 1-800-847-4836 and ask for "Thrivent Choice" or contact your Thrivent Representative. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

KIDS' Time

KIDS' Time is a special time for kids from **3 years of age to 1st grade during the 10:15 worship service**. Join a leader following the Children's Message for a short time together during the sermon, in the Gathering Space (when no Children's Ministry is scheduled). We will enjoy an activity and short lesson and then children will return to their family in worship, after the sermon. Please see Lisa or Leisha with any questions.

Fair Trade An online order form is available. Products will be available for pickup on the 2nd Wednesday of the month between 5:00 and 6:00 pm. Find the order form at oursaviours.org/fair-trade.

Offering Envelopes

The 2023 offering envelopes are available for pickup. If you use envelopes, please look for yours on the table in the Rotunda. Many envelope numbers have been changed, so be sure to check the 3-ring binder for your number. If there is not a packet available for you and you would like one, please contact the church office, 763-434-6117.

DEVOTION RESOURCES

While we are taking a break from Wed. Live Devotions, we offer these resources as recommended ways to engage in a daily devotional practice. Blessings for your journey with scripture and prayer! Pastor Kiri & Pastor Maria

Print Resources:

- *Christ in Our Home* Devotional booklets, available at the reception desk (complimentary)
- *Daily Texts*, available for purchase at the reception desk (\$7)

Online Resources:

- *God Pause*, a daily devotional by the alumni of Luther Seminary <https://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/email>
- *Still Speaking*, a daily devotional from the United Church of Christ <https://www.ucc.org/daily-devotional>
- *Daily Meditations with Richard Rohr* <https://cac.org/email-sign-up>

OUR SAVIOUR'S ENDOWMENT FUND

The Our Saviour's Endowment Fund was established in 1986. Its purpose is to enhance the mission of Our Saviour's, apart from the general operation of the congregation. This fund can be used for the following four categories:

- Capital improvements at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
- Scholarships or grants for further education
- Outreach into the community
- Missions at home and overseas.

Your donation will help this fund continue to grow, becoming self-perpetuating forever, creating gifts of giving. Find out more at oursaviours.org/endowment-fund. Registration for CYF Ministries is now open!

Social Justice Team Reboot

Please consider joining the newly reforming Social Justice team. The team will be planning educational sessions to be held monthly on Sunday mornings after each worship service. We will be bringing in outside speakers to learn more about communities which are often misunderstood or marginalized, such as immigrants, mental illness, addiction, LGBTQIA+, food and shelter insecure, etc. These engaging sessions will be focused on increasing our understanding of these communities so that we can continue and enhance our tradition of welcoming and serving all individuals and families. If you are interested in joining the planning team, please contact Tom Olson at tolson@outdoorlights.com or 763-286-6619.

RECRUITING HARD HATS

The Hard Hat ministry meets every Wednesday at 8:00 am. We start the morning with coffee and treats and a devotion. We are always ready to welcome new help. We need help to do the jobs around the church. We are coming into the spring and summer months when we do a lot with the grounds around the church. We cut, trim, and water the grass areas; trim trees, edge paths, and try to keep the church as beautiful as possible. We also help out in the winter with snow cleanup. We do repair work around and in the church, like fixing chairs and tables and building new tables. We take on small and big projects. We help with musical sets and help set up for special events. We don't take attendance; there is no commitment; we just show up when we can. Please consider joining our group or just stop by for coffee.

Faith and Fiction

Jan. 10 *The Nature of Fragile Things* by Susan Meissner
Feb. 14 *Somewhere in France* by Jennifer Robson

Mar. 14 *The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend* by Katherine Bird

Apr. 11 *The Book of Lost Names* by Kristin Harmel

May 9 *The Last Train to Key West* by Chanel Cheetos

June 13 *Illusion of Safety* by BJ Packer

July 11 *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker* by Jennifer Chiaverini

Aug. 8 *Home of the Brave* by Katherine Applegate

Sept. 12 *The Women of Chateau Lafayette*, by Stephanie Dray

Oct. 10 *We Begin at the End* by Chris Whitaker

Nov. 14 *Immune* by Phillip Deter

Dec. 12 SELECT BOOKS FOR 2023

Fiction Addiction

Jan. 10 *The Heist* by Goldberg/Evanovich

Feb. 14 *Finding Ruth* by Roxanne Henke

Mar. 14 *Remarkably Bright Creatures*, by Shelby Van Pelt

Apr. 11 *Shuggie Bain* by Douglas Stewart

May 9 *Miss Kopp Just Won't Quit* by Amy Stewart

June 13 *Every Crooked Nanny* by Mary Kay Andrews

July 11 *Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo*, by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Aug. 8 *Meant to Be* by Emily Griffin

Sept. 12 *Home Front* by Kristin Hannah

Oct. 10 *Rose Code* by Kate Quinn

Nov. 14 *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus

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