



# The Roadrunner

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



## THE PULSE

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### *Where are you in your faith life?*



This was a question that we talked about in small groups during this year's Synod Assembly (read more about the assembly in this Road Runner). It's a question that may have a different answer today that you had yesterday – at least for me. I've always found it helpful to think of my faith life as a walk or hike. Some days the path is clear. Some days I'm distracted. Some days I realize what I need more than anything is to find a shady spot to rest and drink cool water.

During that same small group conversation, we also asked one another these questions: *Where would you like to be a year from now? What, if anything, is in the way? What would help remove those barriers? How might I help?*

These are great questions for personal faith conversations and for our life together as a congregation. Even as we begin to dream and plan to together for the fall, we also know that this is a journey. Together we can think about where we're headed, what may be in the way, and how we can help one another.

If you are able, please plan to be with us in person on Sunday, July 17. In worship, we will present our graduating seniors with quilts and send them with a blessing. After worship, we'll gather for brunch and some small group conversations about our congregational life together in the coming months. For those who are away, we'll also offer a Zoom gathering around that time, and some opportunities to weigh in via a written form.

Please continue to consider ways you can engage in our ministry life together. As we look to find more ways to gather, you have more opportunities to be involved through service, learning, and sharing. Together we can explore ways in our personal and congregational life we can grow in faith together.

I hear and share the energy we're feeling at Our Saviour's. Thank you for all the ways you serve God in this place and beyond.

*Pastor Amalia*

*"Let all that you do be done in love." (1 Corinthians 14:16)*



## COUNCIL CORNER

June 21, 2022

How are you enjoying Tucson's dry---and sometimes not so dry---heat???



Stay hydrated!

As things slow down a bit in the summer, please know that your council is still busy at work. Some highlights from our June 21st meeting:

1. We have sold the condo bequeathed to us from Lois Olsrud's estate. We are following her wishes for the disbursement of the funds. We also were the recipients of a bequest from the estate of Jo Musser-Krauss. What a wonderful way for them to continue their support of the church and congregation they loved for so many years.
2. The Memorial Garden plaques are soon to be replaced on the garden wall under the direction of Jude Cook Signs. His design and expertise will enable us to do routine cleaning in a more efficient way. Thank you, Jude!
3. July 17th, following worship, there will be a brunch and small group discussions held looking at the vision of the future our members have for OSLC. Please plan to attend. If you are able to help with the brunch (set up, food, clean up, décor, etc. ) please contact David Lester who is coordinating this aspect of the day.
4. Please remember that council minutes are available in a notebook in the library for you to view.
5. Grand Canyon Synod Assembly was held for the first time in person after a 3 year hiatus. Your voting members were Pastor Amalia, Pam Hardman, Tracy Ratliff, and Kathy DeVinney. Our reflections are included in this Roadrunner issue.
6. We continue to monitor the Covid status. At this time, we are not recommending any changes in our procedures. Social distancing, masks encouraged, vaccine recommended, continues. Also, if you test positive, there is now a treatment available but must be done within the first few days of positivity. Contact your health care provider.

Stay cool. Stay hydrated (oh, I already said that...well, can't say it too often!)

**Blessings to you all!**  
**Your OSLC Church Council**

### YOU ARE INVITED TO THE ICS PEANUT BUTTER PARTY

Interfaith Community Services is hosting its annual peanut butter

drive the entire month of July. Beginning July 1,

ICS is asking its faith communities to contribute

10,000 jars of 14-16oz peanut butter to help stock

its supply for the next 5 months. The collection

party will go through July 31. Please put your donations in the shopping

cart that is on the patio on Sundays.



## SAVE THE DATE - JULY 17

On Sunday, July 17 we will honor our graduating seniors during worship. Following worship, we will gather for brunch and small group conversations. This will be a chance to catch up with one another and talk about our worship and life together as a congregation. David Lester is heading up the Brunch Team - can you help prepare food, set-up, serve, clean-up, make it fun, etc? Call the church office to join the team.



### JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 7/1 - Cliff Andressen      7/4 - Jason Cross
- 7/7 - Heather Saunders
- 7/8 - Marilyn Weitzel, Elisabeth Bizik
- 7/9 - Dolores Cannon      7/10 - Ginny Phillips
- 7/11 - David Johnson
- 7/13 - Finley Schultz, Hal Larson, Emmet Boorse
- 7/15 - Mary Durham-Pflibsen, Cory Walter, Loren Keldahl
- 7/16 - Seth Hapler, Gary Allen
- 7/17 - Mollie Wiegand
- 7/20 - Cailee Schultz, Shawna Rios
- 7/21 - David Murray
- 7/23 - Kristin Boorse, Marlies Hay-William
- 7/27 - Don Peters      7/28 - Mert Ingvaldstad
- 7/30 - Jeanne Cook, Malikai Anderson
- 7/31 - Erika Wagoner

### JULY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- William & Jacqueline Ebert - 7/5/1969
- William & Ann DeVinney - 7/6/1985
- Paul & Suzanne Porter - 7/6/1991
- Kent Pflibsen &
- Mary Durham-Pflibsen - 7/15/2005



### OFFICE CLOSED - MONDAY, JULY 4

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, 7/4 in observance of the Independence Day Holiday. The office will reopen for regular business hours on Tuesday, 7/5 at 8:30AM.

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## **GRATITUDE FOR LEGACY GIVING: JO MUSSER-KRAUSS AND LOIS OLSRUD**

We give thanks to God for the generosity of two beloved saints, Lois Olsrud and Jo Musser-Krauss. Earlier this year, we received news that Lois had included Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in her estate plans, gifting her home to the congregation, with the hope that proceeds from the sale would benefit the mission and ministry of the congregation. The congregation voted to receive this gift at a Special Meeting on Sunday, April 3. Lois asked that her gift be shared between the general fund and the endowment fund. We completed the sale on Monday, June 13, selling it to a first-time home buyer. More recently, we received a wonderful gift from Jo Musser-Krauss' estate, with the request this be given as an undesignated gift to the endowment fund. We give thanks for these wonderful and faithful witnesses. In keeping with our policy for bequest gifts, we will gratefully share a 10% portion of these gifts with the Grand Canyon Synod, in support of the wider ministry of the Lutheran church. Legacy gifts are a way to continue your support to God's mission and ministry far into the future. If you would like to learn more about making a legacy gift to Our Saviour's, you can speak with member of the Endowment Committee or Pastor Amalia.

