

# PARTNERS



FEBRUARY 2023

**VOLUME 35 ISSUE 2** 

Dear Friends in Christ,

First of all a huge thank you to all who have helped and prayed for another good church vear!

As we continue our search for a pastor, progress is being made.

Pastor Carl Billings will serve as interim pastor beginning February 26.

He is willing to serve until the permanent pastoral position is filled. Let's make him feel at home!

The call committee has a couple candidates in the interview process.

Laura Webb is coming to OSLC February 4th for a visit to our church and community. She will conduct service on the 5th.

Pastor Will Anderson is coming February 17th as well. He will conduct service on the 19th.

The annual meeting was January 22nd and the meeting went well. We still are needing Luther League leaders to be able to keep this wonderful program going for our youth!

Let's pray for safe travels and continuing progress on our pastoral search!

Kevin Graff **OSLC Council President** 



#### **OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES January 4, 2023**

The OSLC Church Council met for its monthly meeting on January 4th, 2023 in Fellowship Hall. Members present were Kevin Graff, Kari Halter, Susan Jeckell, John Smith, Mike Vollmer, Janice Werner, Misty Willhite and Kurt Willhite. Cory Blomgren was absent.

After a zoom call with a perspective interim pastor, President Smith called the meeting to order and led the group in prayer.

Secretary's Report: December council minutes were read by Susan. Mike moved, and Kari seconded to approve as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kari reported the December checking balance of \$33,424.92, and savings balance of \$45,878.55. On a motion by Kevin, seconded by Janice, the report was approved. Motion carried.

Education: The Christmas program and potluck afterwards went well. Special thank you to Courtney Thram and Bowen Hesse for the extra time and efforts they put forward to make this a great event!

Worship & Music: No report.

Life, Growth & Stewardship: No report.

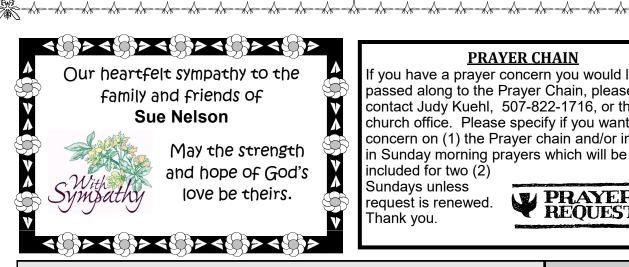
Property: No report.

Old Business: Continuously looking for youth leaders. The parsonage updates and cleaning is complete. There may be a few additional items needed once we have an interim in place. The call committee has an in-person interview set for the beginning of February, with the applicant preaching to our congregation on Sunday, Feb 5. The Nominating committee reviewed the open positions that would be up for vote at the Annual Meeting. The 2022 budget and 2022 actual numbers were presented. Changes were made to the 2023 proposed budget to be presented at the Annual Meeting.

New Business: Discussion was held on the Church service calendar moving forward. Hopeful we will have an Interim pastor in place beginning with the Feb 26<sup>th</sup> worship service. With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mike, and Kurt second. Motion carried. The next Council Meeting will be February 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Jeckell Council Secretary





#### **PRAYER CHAIN**

If you have a prayer concern you would like passed along to the Prayer Chain, please contact Judy Kuehl, 507-822-1716, or the church office. Please specify if you want the concern on (1) the Prayer chain and/or included in Sunday morning prayers which will be included for two (2) Sundays unless request is renewed. REQUEST Thank you.



#### **BUDGET RECAP**

as of 1/22/2023

#### **Total Outstanding:**

Accounts Payable \$0

Estimated Payroll \$4,000.00

Income:

12/31/22— 1/22/23 \$10,382.91 In Checking Acct. \$35,190.18 In Savings Acct. \$45,878.55

Needed weekly to

**Meet budget** \$2,824.62

#### **Online Giving**

To assist you with your stewardship ministry, you may make a gift online! You may visit our website or use the link.

https://oslclamberton.churchcenter.com/giving

You may still mail checks to the church office. \*Address found on last page of newsletter.



# Ash Wednesday TBD

February 22, 2023 Lenten Meal & Lent Service

Ash Wednesday service is still to be determined. Please watch for updates in the bulletin and on our Facebook page.



If we have a service, we will be serving Lenten meals again this year at 6pm before the Lent service! We will also be delivering meals to shut-ins. If you do not receive a call and would like a meal delivered, please call the church office before 4pm on Wednesdays.

## FEBRUARY MISSION EMPHASIS ~WAFER~

Do you ever wonder what Wafer is? It's a great question!



Wafer stands for: Wabasso area Food Emergency Relief.

So what does it do? Food is distributed to those who need it. The emergency food is typically made available through donations and volunteers.

#### **Specialization**

- People with low income
- Residents of southwest two-thirds of Redwood County
- Food is provided once a month

# WAFER Inc. - Wabasso Area Food Emergency Relief

#### **Food Shelf**

210 County Highway 6 Wabasso, MN, 56293-1402 (507) 342-5567

You can pick up a blue envelope in the pew or use your own envelope and write "WAFER" on it to designate for mission giving. You may also give your donation online via our website or use the link below and select 'mission'. <a href="https://oslclamberton.churchcenter.com/giving">https://oslclamberton.churchcenter.com/giving</a> Your contributions are greatly appreciated!!



Thanks for your support!



#### ~ Hospitalized ~

Because of privacy laws, a phone call from a family member or friend is the best way to make sure the pastor is notified if you or a loved one are hospitalized or in a

nursing home or would like a pastoral visit.



#### **FEBRUARY 2023**



Please note our list of people needing our prayers regularly. This list is much more complete since it addresses ongoing issues while the Sunday bulletin list is aimed at more immediate concerns.

We ask that you would keep all these people in your prayers each day.

Randy Hammerschmidt (health issues)
Janet McCloud (GIST tumor cancer treatment)
Briana Halter Peterson (health concerns)
Maria Bedner (stage 4 ovarian cancer)

Pray for people affected by other disasters ...

Our heartfelt sympathy Marlys Jenniges and to the family and friends of Tom Jenniges. May the strength and hope of God's love be theirs.



Soup and Pie Supper Sunday, February 26, 2023 Serving from 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall 805 Birch Street in Lamberton, MN

#### All You Can Eat Homemade Soups:

Chicken Noodle, Sauerkraut, Potato, and Chili. Relish, crackers, beverages, and pie also provided!

Take outs and deliveries within Lamberton are available! Please call the Our Savior's



Lutheran Church at 752-7334.

Proceeds will support Luther League activities.

# LUTHER LEAGUE NEWS

Luther League Lock-in February 17-18



More info at next meeting. If you are willing to help in any way (chaperone, make food, etc) contact Trudi Juhnke with questions. 507-829-3171.

#### **LUTHER LEAGUE MINUTES**

We had a meeting on January 11 2o23, 15 students and 1 adult were present. The kids have been asking to go on a mission trip so we had Justin Smith come in and talk to the students about his time in peace corps and his travels to West Africa. He brought some cool artifacts with him to share with the students. He also talked about how God's work was present in different developments and platforms around the world. There is a "go fund me" page set up for the West African community to fix their water pump so the 31,000 population community could have clean water to utilize. We will talk in our next meeting about adding some funds to their "go fund me" page. We thanked him for coming and sharing his time and travels with us. We look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:05.

#### **Media System Operator Schedule**

February 5, 2023	Sam Furth (507-227-7666)
February 12, 2023	Jodi Smith (507-360-8326)
February 19, 2023	Ethan Willhite (507-640-0421)
February 22, 2023	Charlie Damman (507-587-8272)
February 26, 2023	Carter Beranek (507-822-4575)



### February Birthdays

**1st -** Rick Hammerschmidt, Emily Evans, Lindsay Kronbach

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- 3rd Kim Jeppersen, Jean Price
- 4th Logan Arndt
- 6th Mike Johnson
- 7th Shirley Mattison, Greg Benedict
- **8th -** Jonathon Knutson, Ethan Price John Smith
- 10th Brian Vogel, Nicholas Vogel, Jonathon Vogel, Marlee Vollmer
- **13th** Melvin Willhite, Brian Werner
- **14th -** Shane Burns, Barb Johnson, Andrew Nordby, Charlene Bedner
- 15th Doris Bottem, Henry Watercott
- 17th Willie Kerich
- 18th Duane Waldriff
- 19th Kevin Graff, Caroline Wegman, Savanna Engen
- 23rd Joe Bedner, Gerald Erickson
- 24th Austin Werner, Brock Engen
- 27th Tom Neperman
- 28th Matt Arkell
- 29th Halle Paplow

# FEBRUARY USHER SCHEDULE

Ralph Price Mark Coulter Steve Vollmer Lefty Coulter



Tom Neperman—Sub



#### TAXI

Please call an usher by Fridays for a ride!

## February



**5th** - Tom & Joyce Hoffrogge

26th- Ray & Jeanette Hildreth

27th - Tom & Cathy Halter

# FEBRUARY ACOLYTE & VIDEO SCHEDULE 9:00 A.M. Worship Service



#### **February 5, 2023**

Kysha Wani & Bowen Hesse **Video**: Trenton Blomgren

#### February 12, 2023

Paige Wondercheck & Austin Imker Video: Marshal Willhite

#### February 19, 2023

Austin Werner **Video:** Teagen Werner

#### Wednesday, February 22, 2023 7:00 PM

Jake Erickson—R & Braylon Bedner
Video: Max Erickson



#### **February 26, 2023** Trenton Blomgren-R

**Video:** Colton Jeckell

Please remember it is your responsibility to find a replacement for your designated worship service. Thank you!!

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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### **Prayer Partners**

Feb 5

9:15 am

Everyone is welcome to join in making Valentines!

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# Nursery-5th grade Sing During Worship!

Feb 12

#### **Memory Work**

All youth in our Sunday School program have been working on their memory work. Parents - take a minute to ask them what they are working on. They should have each received a booklet in September with their assigned memory work.

#### **Confirmation Retreat**

Confirmation Retreat is for all Confirmation students on March 3-5 at Luther Crest Bible Camp near Alexandria. Check-in is Friday evening and concludes late Sunday morning. Transportation and the registration fee is provided at no cost to our students to attend. Youth have signed up during Confirmation class. If you have not yet signed up, please call or text Karen Beranek at 605-421-9879 to get added to the list. She will be registering the youth the first week of February.

We are in need of one male and one female chaperone (at least 21 years old). Please let Karen know if you are interested or if you have any questions.

#### Sunday School Announcements Continued:

#### **Confirmation Classes**

Thank you for working with us to ensure confirmation class times work for the youth and Pastor Mike. New class times due to the extended school day are:

7th grade: 3:45 pm 8th grade: 4:45 pm 9th grade: 5:45 pm

These will likely have to change again when Lent starts. Pastor Mike will share updated class times during class and we will update on our facebook page.

#### **Thrivent Choice Dollars**

As always, Our Savior's Lutheran Church is grateful for your consideration when you make charitable giving plans. If you are a Thrivent Financial member eligible to direct Choice Dollars, we ask you to consider our congregation as you

help direct Thrivent Financial's charitable funds. For more information about how to designate Choice Dollars visit: Thrivent.com/choicevote or call 800-847-4836.





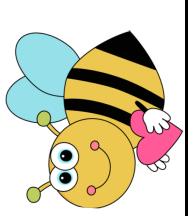
#### FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD



Kari Halter Val Halter



# FEBRUARY 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Please have your bulletin announcements into the Church Office by 10 A.M. on Tuesdays! THANKS!			<ul><li>1</li><li>3:45 7th Grade Confirmation</li><li>4:45 8th Grade Confirmation</li><li>5:45 9th Grade Confirmation</li></ul>	2	3 Offices Closed 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	4
5 9:00 Sunday School—N-5 meet for Music; 6-9 meet for short lesson 9:15 Prayer Partners 10:00 Worship/Communion	6 Offices Closed	2	8 3:45 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 8th Grade Confirmation 5:45 9th Grade Confirmation 6:30 Luther League 7:00 Church Council	6	10 <b>Offices Closed</b> 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	11
12 9:00 Sunday School Coffee Fellowship 10:00 Worship/Communion N-6 Kids Sing During Worship!	13 Offices Closed	1:30 OSW Exec. Board 2:00 OSW Meeting	15 3:45 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 8th Grade Confirmation 5:45 9th Grade Confirmation	16	17 Offices Closed 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study Luther League Lock-in	18
19 9:00 Sunday School Coffee Fellowship 10:00 Contemporary Worship	20 Offices Closed  Newsletter  Articles Due!	21	22 Ash Wednesday 3:45 7th Grade Confirmation 4:45 8th Grade Confirmation 5:45 9th Grade Confirmation Lenten Meal—TBD Ash Wednesday Service—TBD	23	24 Offices Closed 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	25
26 Transfiguration Sunday 9:00 Sunday School Coffee Fellowship 10:00 Worship 4:30-6:30 LL Soup & Pie Supper	27 Offices Closed	28				

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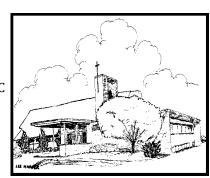
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#### **Church Office Hours:**

9 a.m.-Noon, 1-4p.m. Tues-Thurs Church Phone: 752-7334

Church Email: oslclamberton@centurytel.net

Website: oslclamberton.com

#### **Worship Services:**

Sundays: 10:00 A.M.

Sunday School: 9:00 A.M. (Sept.-May)

#### **Cable Broadcast of Services:**

Lamberton -WED: 4:00 P.M.

Springfield -Wednesday: 6:00 P.M.



The Mission of Our Savior's Lutheran Church is to demonstrate Christ's Spirit through worship, witnessing, and ministry to the needs of the people of this church and the community.

- Please have bulletins articles into the church office by 10am Tuesday mornings. ++++++
- Please have your Newsletter articles or calendar items into the church office as designated on the monthly calendar.