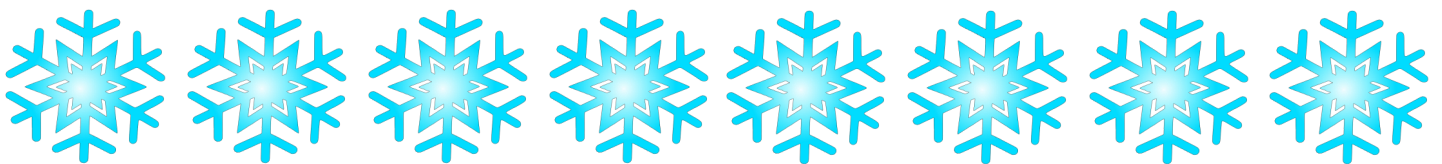




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OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES December 2, 2020

The OSLC Church Council met for its monthly meeting on December 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm by Zoom meeting. Members present were: Todd Horning, Brian Werner, Chantel Neperman, Kris Vollmer, Karen Beranek, Char Graff, Cory Blomgren, Brian Kletscher, Sharon Vollmer and Pastor Todd Mathison.

President Horning called the meeting to order. Pastor Todd led the group in devotions and prayer.

Secretary's report – emailed to council. On a motion by Cory, second by Chantel, the regular monthly minutes for November 2020 and the special meeting minutes from November 17, 2020 were approved. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report –

Checking Balance \$3,280.88.

Savings Balance of \$19,282.15.

The parking lot balance is \$8,549.35 and \$20,000 Trust Loan for a total of \$28,549.35. On a motion by Char, second by Brian W. the report was approved. It was noted that the billing for the Parking Lot labor has not been received yet.

Education: Karen was in attendance for Jocelyn and reported the team met in November. Discussion was held regarding Online Sunday School and the Christmas Program. The 9th grade Confirmants have all chosen their mentors. The 5th graders have received first Communion instruction; hoping to receive first Communion soon. The team needs some new members! We thank the members who have retired after many years of service!

Worship & Music: No meeting. The team is currently dealing with the speaker issue for the audio to the balcony. This team also needs new members!

Life, Growth & Stewardship: The team met prior to the Council meeting. Missions for the next year are set up. Funds will be disbursed to the Luther League in the amount of \$1,700 to help with the loss of the Turkey Supper this year. They also plan to donate extra funds to the local Food Shelf and Hospice. Discussion was also held on future plans of the team going forward.

Property: Brian reported the trees near the parking lot have been trimmed.

Old Business: Discussion was again held on Worship Services. It was decided we will have Sunday worship and Sunday School online only December 6 & 13. Confirmation will be online through December 16.

Old Business continued:

This schedule will be re-addressed on Wednesday, December 16th via a special meeting on Zoom. The current plan for Christmas Eve is to hold 2 services at 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm onsite. There will be a maximum of 150 people per service, with masks required and social distancing. Congregants must register with the church office via email or phone for the service they wish to attend. Sanitizing will be done between services to ensure safety. The service will also be broadcast online at 5:00 pm. This plan is subject to change if any new mandates come out prior to Christmas Eve. The new video system is on hold due to issues with an audio line that needs to be run from the sound board to the balcony. The hope is to get this up and running ASAP. The 2021 budget was presented to the Council by Chantel. On a motion by Sharon, second by Cory the budget was approved as presented.

New Business: Brian K reported the Nominating Committee is searching for the following positions: Vice President, Secretary, Worship and Music team, Property team and Board of Ed team. Please find it in your heart to serve OSLC if asked.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Todd presented a written report of his monthly activities. He performed 3 funerals during the month; visited with the families of 2 other members that passed away and made numerous visits and phone calls to members and within the community. He was in attendance at Confirmation Classes in church and online, Board of Ed, Church Council, LCMC Augustana District Ambassador online meeting; Praise team rehearsal and Sturm Funeral Home. He also reported he was in contact with a possible candidate for the organist/pianist position.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Char, second by Kris.

The next Council Meeting will be held on January 6, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully
submitted,
Sharon Vollmer
Council Secretary





BUDGET RECAP as of 12/13/2020

Total Outstanding:

Accounts Payable	\$0
Estimated Payroll	\$4,000.00

Income:

In Checking Acct.	\$2,974.42
In Savings Acct.	\$14,282.15

Needed weekly to Meet budget

\$2,824.62

Parking Lot Funds Update

Parking Lot Expenses	\$102,172.66
Funds Raised	\$94,214.51
Borrowed Funds from Trust	\$7,958.15

Remaining Parking Lot

Funds Needed \$7,958.15

OSLC's 2021 Monthly Missions:

Here is the list for our 2021 monthly missions so you can look ahead and plan your mission giving!

- January – Mission to Mississippi
- February – Wafer
- March – Luther League Mission Trip
- April – Financial Assistance for Lamberton pool passes and lessons
- May – Ronald McDonald House
- June – Hospice
- July – RRC school supplies
- August – Suicide Awareness; help support a speaker for RRC
- September – Support training of a church planter
- October – Salvation Army
- November – Share the Spirit
- December – Lamberton Cemetery

A note from the Nominating Committee!

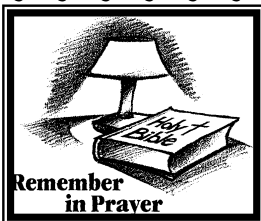
The nominating committee is actively welcoming members of the congregation to volunteer on various committees and church council positions. As the Bible says in 1 Corinthians 12:

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us...A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other."

Please give some thought to what gifts you could share to support the work of our church.

Media Operator Team	Sunday School Teacher or Aide	Youth Team Advisor
Altar Guild Member	Bible School Teacher	Worship & Music Chair (on council)
Usher	Worship & Music Team Member	Life, Growth & Stewardship Chair (on council)
Communion Server	Life, Growth & Stewardship Team Member	Education Chair
Reader	Board of Education	Property Chair (on council)
Coffee Server	Auditing Team	Council Secretary
Funeral Server	Funeral Committee	Council Treasurer
Trust Committee	Property Committee	Council Vice President
LCMC Convention Delegate	Praise Band Member	Council President
Gardener	Sunday School Music	
Trust Fund Team	Women's Group Member or Board	

You can talk to any member of the Nominating Team - Brian Kletscher, Jocelyn Geske, & Brian Werner. Thanks for your prayerful consideration and look forward to serving with you in the new church year!



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.

Marcella Dammann (health Issues)
 Randy Hammerschmidt (health issues)
 Larry Lange (health issues)
 James Voigt, *Jeannie Horning's dad*
 (Hodgkin's Lymphoma)
 Savannah Rausch, (large B cell lymphoma)
Bruce & Barb Anderson's granddaughter
 Dorothy Dietl (hospice)
 JoAnn Jaeger (macular degeneration -both eyes)
 Mark Coulter (health concerns)
 Jody (Iverson) Hintze (health concerns)
 Dave Rue (health issues)
 Nancy Rue (health issues)
 Todd Mattison (medical issues)
 Quintin Willhite (health issues)
 Tiana Iverson (on-going chemo)



Pray for people affected by COVID-19 and other disasters ...

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE!!

Attention! This reminder is for the chairpersons of the various teams, heads of organizations, and president of the congregation.

Please have your Annual reports into the church office by **Wednesday, January 6, 2021**. You can drop them off (*slide under the door*) but email is preferred:)

In addition to the team reports, the financial reports are needed as soon as that information has been attained.

Thank you!!

JANUARY MISSION EMPHASIS ~MISSION TO MISSISSIPPI~

Each year a local group of volunteers head on the annual mission trip to Mississippi in March!



They are always looking for more people to join their team! There truly is something for everyone to do, no matter what their talents! You don't have to be a pro with a hammer, ALL talents are needed—cooks, painters, etc.! If you feel a calling, this is a great opportunity to do God's work

Mission
offering

Every year they like to give hand-made quilts to the residents of the homes we repair as a way to remind them of God's love and our compassion for them.

Your gifts and prayers are welcomed at anytime and thank you for all the wonderful generosity to make this happen with God's grace.

Gifts & inquiries may be directed to:

Mike Vollmer

402 11th Ave W

Lamberton, MN 56152

507-830-0193

You can pick up a blue envelope upon entering the church before service or use your own envelope and write "missions" 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'.
<https://oslclamberton.churchcenter.com/giving>
 Your contributions are greatly appreciated!!



**Thanks
for your
support!**

AUDITS

- Attention all committees with a checking or savings account!
- Please contact one of our auditors after the 1st of the year to have your books audited. All books must be audited before Friday, January 22nd.
- Thank you!!
- 2020 Auditors are: Marie Dammann, Courtney Thram, & Emily Evans



2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Be sure to stop and pick up your 2021 offering envelopes on the table in the hall by the offices.

If you do not see one with your name on it, take a box without a name and let the office know for record keeping. We pray that all will consider the stewardship of sharing what God has given us to meet the needs of our congregation and community.



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. Thank you.

Lifetouch

The Lifetouch Church Photography business has permanently stopped operations. As a valued mobile directory customer, we understand the importance of this tool to your community, especially during this unprecedented time. To provide you time to transition, our mobile directory offering will be available to you through June 30th, 2021.

If you would like to download the information in your mobile directory, create a PDF by visiting the Family view section of the mobile directory and click the Download icon.

We are incredibly grateful to have photographed your families, and we hope this extended timeframe will ease your transition.

If you have any questions, please reach out to LCDDesign@lifetouch.com by January 31, 2021.

Thank you,
Lifetouch

~ 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.

HOSPITALIZED

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of

Darrell Holmberg

May the strength and hope of God's love be theirs.



JANUARY ALTAR GUILD

Gayle Erickson
Sally Erickson



SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Welcome new board of Education Member!
Courtney Thram will be joining the Board of Ed in 2021!

Thank you to Bridget Arkell and Jocelyn Geske for your years of service, your creative ideas, and your caring heart and your positive attitudes!

Sunday School Update

We are blessed as a congregation as we put our safety as top priority. Sunday School will continue to follow the church service format for 2021. As of today, we know we will be online on January 3, which means a short children's message by Pastor Todd at 10 live-streamed on our Facebook page.

Updates on when we will resume in-person class will be announced on our Facebook page. Thank you for your patience and support.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help throughout the year!

MAY YOU SHINE
THE LIGHT OF
CHRIST IN THE
NEW YEAR!

We are blessed with talented, caring, and willing members and we couldn't do everything we do without all of you!
Thank you for all you do!

ANNUAL MEETING

**The Annual Meeting of
Our Savior's Lutheran Church—
LCMC will be held on
Sunday, January 24, 2020
at 10:00 A.M.**

Students in grades 7-9 are required to attend the meeting and complete a report. There will not be any Sunday School classes that day.

Annual reports will be available on Friday afternoon, January 22nd. Please, one report per family. Thank you!

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



January 3, 2021

Mason Huffman & Trenton Blomgren

Video: Blake Paplow

January 10, 2021

Bowen Hesse & Courtney Bedner

Video: Carter Beranek



January 17, 2021

Video: Braiden Davis

January 24, 2021

Eva Redman & Teagen Werner

Video: Holden Mariner

January 31, 2021

Jake Erickson & Ella Erickson

Video: Shadae Knutson

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



January Birthdays

- 1st - Mandy Petersen, Janet Jeckell, Stacy Leach, Justina Erickson
- 2nd - Addison Irlbeck
- 4th - Fred Henkel, Jeanette Hildreth, Staci Koppen
- 5th - Alexander Hewitt, Holden Mariner, Helen Nyberg
- 6th - Zachary Zimmermann, Cody Casey
- 7th - Lauren Willhite, Ezekiel Anderson
- 8th - Sandra Danielowski, Charles Dammann,
- 9th - Stella Rue
- 11th - Sandy Frericks
- 14th - Todd Brand, Karl Dagner, Jeremy Knutson,
- 15th - Joshua Hesse, Arlene Wetter, Marshal Willhite
- 16th - Bentley Jo Werner, Mike Senst
- 19th - Kevin Dagner
- 20th - David Egenes, Joshua Pfarr
- 21st - Nathan Lingle, Mike Redman
- 22nd - Joyce Hoffrogge,
- 23rd - Peyton Coulter, Samuel Thillen LuCille Christensen, Brady Jeckell
- 24th - Shawn Willhite, Teagen Werner
- 25th - Ashton Kronbach
- 28th - Jasmine Ward, Chad Mattison, Jeannie Horning
- 29th - Treyton Knutson
- 30th - Molly Arndt, Bobbie Jo Willer, David Lange, Kyle Salfer



- 4th - Chad & Karen Beranek
- 12th - Todd & Brenda Anderson
- 20th - Dennis & Arlene Theis

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



JANUARY USHER SCHEDULE

Nathan Erickson
Gavin Hesse
Griffin Willhite
Kurt Willhite



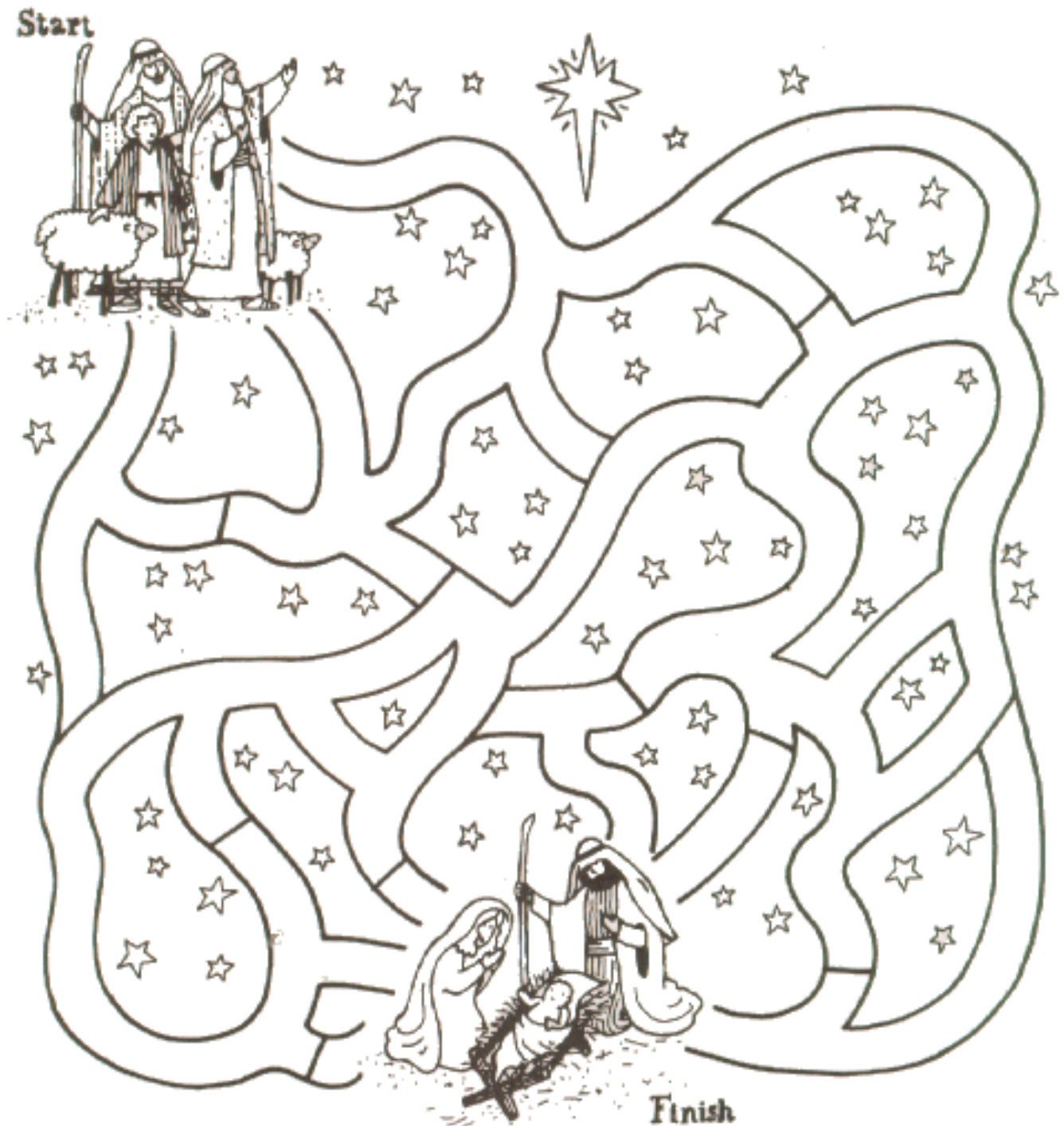
Steve Halter—Sub

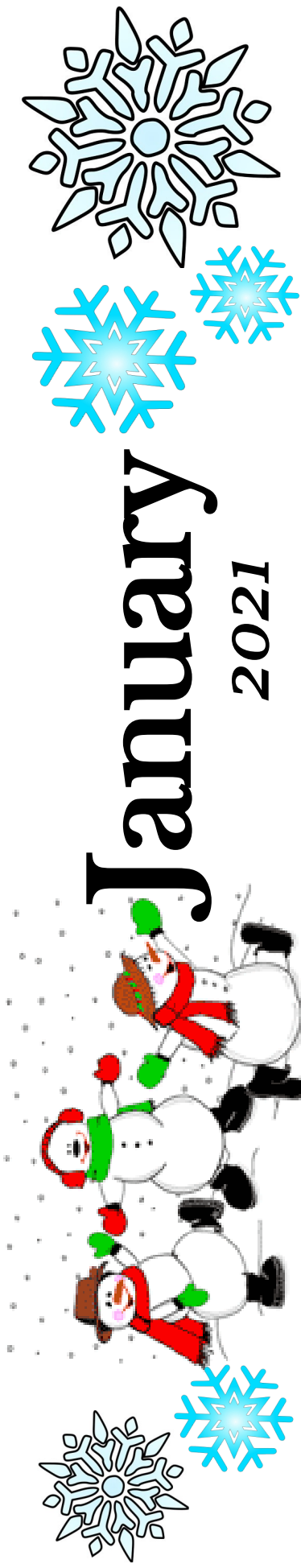
TAXI

Please call an usher by Fridays for a ride!



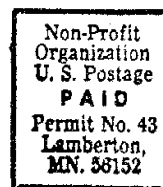
Help the shepherds find the path to Jesus.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>All events are contingent upon public health guidelines regarding COVID-19. Please refer to the church online calendar, it is updated as decisions are made.</i>						
3 9:00 Worship/Communion Drive-In Service Available (FM 90.3) Live Streaming on our Facebook page 10:00 Children's Message on our FB page—no SS	4 Offices Closed, Working from Home <i>Email the church office or contact Pastor Todd on his cell phone as needed!</i>	5 10:00 Staff Meeting	6 <i>Epiphany of Our Lord!</i> 3:15 7th Grade Confirmation Online 4:15 8th Grade Confirmation Online 5:15 9th Grade Confirmation Online 7:00 Church Council	7 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	1 <i>Offices Closed</i> 	2
10 9:00 Worship/Communion Drive-In Service Available (FM 90.3) Live Streaming on our Facebook page 10:00 Sunday School	11 Offices Closed, Working from Home	12 10:00 Staff Meeting 1:30 OSW Exec. Board	13 3:15 7th Grade Confirmation 4:15 8th Grade Confirmation 5:15 9th Grade Confirmation 6:05 Luther League	14 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	15 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	16
17 9:00 Contemporary Worship Drive-In Service Available (FM 90.3) Live Streaming on our Facebook page 10:00 Sunday School	18 Offices Closed, Working from Home 	19 10:00 Staff Meeting	20 3:15 7th Grade Confirmation 4:15 8th Grade Confirmation 5:15 9th Grade Confirmation	21 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	22 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	23
24 9:00 Worship Drive-In Service Available (FM 90.3) Live Streaming on our Facebook page 10:00 Annual Meeting *7th-9th Required to attend	25 Offices Closed, Working from Home	26 10:00 Staff Meeting	27 3:15 7th Grade Confirmation 4:15 8th Grade Confirmation 5:15 9th Grade Confirmation	28 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	29 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	30
31 9:00 Worship Drive-In Service Available (FM 90.3) Live Streaming on our Facebook page 10:00 Sunday School				Please have your bulletin Announcements into the Church Office by 10 A.M. on Tuesdays! THANKS!		

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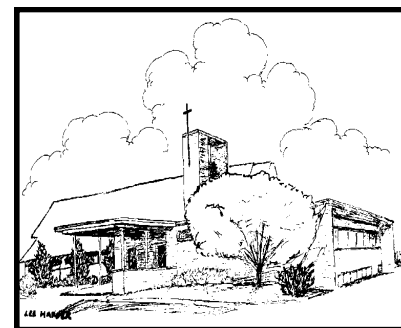
Sundays: 9:00 A.M.

Sunday School: 10:00 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.**
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- ♦ **Please have your Newsletter articles or calendar items into the church office as designated on the monthly calendar.**