

# PARTNERS



**IUNE 2022** 

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Greetings,

It's spring! As a northerner, I'm always amazed by all that this season brings. From my office window it seems the whole world is awakening. It begins with Easter as an end to the dreary days of winter and the

dark, somber days of Lent. Although Easter doesn't always occur in spring-like weather, the very promise that Jesus' resurrection brings seems to signal to all the creation that it is time to wake up. We see the return of the birds, the waking of the hibernating animals, the budding of the trees and running waters of the rivers and streams, and green things begin sprouting from the ground.

During these past days since Easter, we have heard Jesus preparing his disciples to continue His work following his ascension into heaven forty days after his resurrection. All of these things remind us that like Jesus, we too will one day rise with him to be eternally in the presence of the Father Son and Holy Spirit. And what a glorious day that will be!

On June 5, we will begin the season of Pentecost. Pentecost is Greek for 50 so it follows that Pentecost begins 50 days after Easter. This is the longest season of the church year lasting until Advent. The Liturgical color for Pentecost is green. This is the time when the Holy Spirit empowers the church to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ in the world. You can find the story of the first Pentecost in the 2nd chapter of the Book of Acts.

Sometimes the work is hard and sometimes we are impatient for direction, but we can be assured that Christ has left nothing to chance. He has a plan.

God's blessings for Our Savior's Lutheran Church as you continue your search for a shepherd. You will be in my prayers.

Pr. Fran

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#### OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES May 4, 2022

The OSLC Church Council met for its monthly meeting on May 4, 2022 in Fellowship Hall. Members present were: Cory Blomgren, Kevin Graff, Kari Halter, Susan Jeckell, John Smith, Mike Vollmer, Janice Werner, Kurt Willhite, Misty Willhite, Pastor Fran and guest Randy Hammerschmidt.

President Smith called the meeting to order. Pastor Fran led the group in prayer. Randy Hammerschmidt was present to report on behalf of the Call Committee. The committee has decided they would like to have the congregation complete a survey to determine our needs and wants as a church family. Randy requested the approval to purchase the \$399 C.H.A.T. survey, for members to complete, with a goal of achieving results by mid-June, in order to complete a job description for a new Pastor. Pastor Fran is familiar with and spoke highly of using this survey. Kevin moved to approve purchasing and using the results from the C.H.A.T. survey at the cost of \$399.00. Cory seconded it. Motion passes.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: April council minutes were read by Susan. Mike moved, and Kurt seconded to approve as read. Motion carried.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Kari reported the April checking balance of \$29,564.71, and savings balance of \$45,854.86. On a motion by Cory, seconded by Mike, the report was approved. Motion carried.

Education: The Sunday school year is coming to a close. Misty reported in the last few weeks the Education committee was able to hold the final Prayer Partners gathering, sing for the residents at VVM, recognize students who completed their memory work and hold Confirmation for this year's confirmands. They are looking for volunteers for VBS June 5-9<sup>th</sup>. Their next meeting will be held May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Worship & Music: No report.

Life, Growth & Stewardship: Kurt reported on the April committee meeting. Flowers have been ordered to hand out to the moms in attendance on Mother's Day. Congregational caregiving and giving communion to shut-ins is being worked on, as well as progress on a welcome packet for guests and new members. Coming events include the group organizing a beverage station for the Lamberton 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration and the Ice Cream social in July. Kurt recommended to the Council for Our Savior's to donate \$5000 of Mission Endowment funds to The Table Ministry. Kevin moved to approve this request and to donate \$5000 of Mission Endowment Funds to The Table Ministry, Kari seconded it. Motion passes.

<u>Property:</u> Mike reported the lock box and LED lights on the sides of the church have been installed, and that Property has begun looking into the curtain divider options.

Old Business: Continuously looking to fill Youth Leader and Board of Education roles. Cory reported cabinets for the parsonage have been ordered and will arrive mid-June. Countertop and flooring options have been selected and will be ordered with rebate money from the cabinet purchase. The youth group has volunteered to do mission work in and around the parsonage this summer.

New Business: John spoke on progress for an Interim pastor, with no leads thus far. Nicole has requested the purchase of a disc burning kit at the price of \$65-\$69.00. Kevin moves to give permission for Nicole to purchase the program of her choosing to burn discs within the mentioned price range. Kari seconded it. Motion passes. The Lamberton 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary beverage station sign up sheet will be posted and passed around during services. Thank you in advance to all those who volunteer!

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Kari, and Janice second. Motion carried. The next Council Meeting will be June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Jeckell Council Secretary

## WE NEED YOUR INPUT!

Our church leadership is about to engage in a listening exercise to help us choose the right pastor for our congregation. From May 8th to June 18th, we'll be conducting an all-church survey called the Church Health Assessment Tool (CHATSM).

This web-based survey will allow us to collect valuable feedback from both the congregation and the leadership team regarding their views on our church health. This tool is based on the "10 Traits of Vital Ministry" from the book Becoming a Healthy Church (Dr. Stephen A. Macchia, Baker Books, 1999). We welcome all confirmed congregants to participate in the survey. Please take this opportunity to share your thoughts with us. Your feedback will help shape strategic decisions and ministry effectiveness for the future.

To participate in the survey before June 18th

- 1. Get on the internet and go to www.HealthyChurch.net
- 2. Click on the button that says "Take the Survey" on the left side of the screen.
- 3. Use the following information to log in: Login: Our Savior's Lutheran Church cong Password: OSLCLamberton

Give us your honest feedback. (The survey takes 20-25 minutes to complete.)

If you don't have a computer/internet access, contact Nicole at (507) 752-7334 and we can arrange for you to fill out a paper version of the survey. We will also have copies at church and available at church services.



## **Ecumenical Worship Service**



God for this beautiful community!

\*In case of rainy weather, the service

\*In case of rainy we will be held at RRC. Note: We will regular wors only the ecume Note: We will not have our regular worship service, only the ecumenical service.



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) John Stiles (ALS)

Marcella Dammann (health issues)

Tom Hoffrogge (another brain bleed surgery recovery) Elmer Jeckell (health issues)

Janet McCloud (GIST tumor cancer treatment) Jean Lange (back screw replacement surgery) Briana Halter Peterson (health concerns) Kim (Willhite) Schuerman (recovery)

Marlys Jenniges (total body radiation for T-cell Lymphoma of the skin)

Doris Bottem (surgery recovery) Floyd Bottem (swing bed)

Pray for people affected other disasters ...



#### **BUDGET RECAP**

as of 5/15/2022

**Total Outstanding:** 

Accounts Payable \$0

**Estimated Payroll** \$4,000.00

Income:

4/10/22—5/15/22 \$15,170.67 In Checking Acct. \$19,246.67 In Savings Acct. \$45,854.86

Needed weekly to

Meet budget \$3,200.00

## **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.



#### 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.

## JUNE USHER SCHEDULE

Roger Zimmermann Ryon Zimmermann Rich Arkell Dave Vollmer



Tim Osland—Sub



Please call an usher by Fridays for a ride!

**TAXI** 



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

June 5, 2022

Sophie Paplow & Treyton Knutson Video: Teagen Werner

June 12, 2022

Trenton Blomgren & Jake Erickson Video: Dominic Senst

June 19, 2022 Video: Bowen Hesse



June 26, 2022 Jadyn Beranek

Video: Kysha Wani

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

## Luther League Scholarship Winner

Luther League is awarding a scholarship to two OSLC seniors this year to help them with continuing their education!

Congratulations
Karli Arkell & Hailey Teveldal!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Vacation Bible School Sunday, June 5 - Thursday, June 9 6:00-8:00 pm

Ages: Going into K - completed 6th grade

#### **HELP WANTED!**

We are looking for teachers, group leaders, craft leader and assistant, science experiment leader and assistant, decorators, and skit actors for Vacation Bible School. Please consider helping us with this fun and important week! Sign-up is on the dining area doors or contact the church to get your name added. For more info on what these roles are, reach out to Karen Berenek, Courtney Thram, Misty Willhite or Wendy Wondercheck.

#### **Vacation Bible School is ON!**

This year we will raise our voices and action learning on Adventure Island. All students entering Kindergarten this fall through those just finishing 6th grade are invited to join in the fun!

VBS is for everyone - members and friends. If you have a friend who isn't a member at Our Saviors and would like to join us, let Nicole at the church office know name and grade.

Coin Battle is back for VBS - each night bring your loose change. Youth will select where the funds go! We know schedules may be busy, so while we would love for you to join us all five nights, please come as many as fit in your schedule.

Youth and volunteers will receive a light supper as part of the VBS program thanks to the very generous. Women's Circles. There is no cost to attend VBS.

## Please join us for our Vacation Bible School Program!



Come see what we've been learning all week!

VBS Program June 9th @ 7:30 P.M.

Join us for Rootbeer Floats following the program!

Everyone welcome!!

#### **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: <u>Thrivent.com/choicevote</u> or call 800-847-4836.

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#### **IUNE ALTAR GUILD**

Jill Irlbeck Jean Price

## June



**4th** - Justin & Courtney Thram Ryan & Wendy Wondercheck

**5th** - Dave & Rozzie Egenes Jay & Jocelyn Geske

9th - Darren & Allison Rue

11th - Kevin & Char Graff

• 12th - Butch & Sandy Danielowski

14th - Bruce & Barb Anderson

16th - Lynn & Betty Keck

**17th** - Mike & Barb Johnson

**18th** - Steve & Meridith Flaig

**19th** - Stephen & Kristina Jeckell

20th - Todd & Jeannie Horning

21st - Tom & Karen Neperman

23rd - Karl & Judy Dagner

**25th** - Dale & Sandy Gustad

28th - Chad & Denise Mattison

**9 29th** - Wade & Molly Werner

30th - Dave & Sharon Vollmer

#### Our Savior's Women News

The Women of Our Savior's met on Tuesday, May 9, 2022. We discussed the circle's obligations to serve snacks for Bible school. Offertory prayer and Bible Study, coffee was served by the officers.

Judie Harnack, Secretary

## Our Savior's Women Info

Each circle has been assigned to help with sandwiches & milk for Vacation Bible School.

Please check your book to see which evening your circle will serve, and help out if you can at 6:30pm.



June 5 - Charity

June 6 - Hope

June 7 - Grace

June 8 - Truth

Visitation / Care giver Program

Do you know of members of our congregation who are in need of a caregiver visit? Some one who is shut in or recovering from illness or surgery? Please contact the church office with information.

Do you feel the calling to make visits or phone calls to these folks who aren't able to get to church services or are at home recuperating?

Members of the Life, Growth & Stewardship committee met with Pastor Fran recently to talk about implementing a visitation or caregiver program. During this time when we are without a permanent pastor we feel it is especially important that our members are having their spiritual & emotional needs met. This is not meant as a substitute for pastoral care but to support the pastor and provide care to our members.

If you feel this is something you could do, or even if you have questions, please contact Kurt Willhite at 507-221-0312 or Kris Vollmer at 507-828-1252. We will also be reaching out to members to invite you to be part of this ministry. Some times stepping out of our comfort zone can be a beautiful opportunity for ourselves as well as the recipient.



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### **OSLC Beverage Stand** @ Lamberton's 150th Celebration

Our Saviors will be providing a beverage station, selling pop & water, at Lamberton's 150th celebration June 24-26th.

"Many hands make light work"

We need your help, though this is sponsored by Life, Growth & Stewardship and Luther League we need help from the congregation to make this successful. We are asking for members to sign up for 2 hour shifts, you are welcome to work more than one shift if you desire! All Luther League students are expected to work a shift, what a great opportunity to spend time with one of our students!

We will pass the sign up sheet around during Sunday Services and it will be on the bulletin board by the office during the week. You may also email or call the office if you want to sign up for a time.



## May Media Operator Schedule

June 5, 2022 Charlie Dammann

June 12, 2022 Carter Beranek (507-822-4575)

Val Halter (507-276-0008) June 19, 2022

June 29, 2022 Sam Furth (507-227-7666)

## JUNE MISSION EMPHASIS ~Hospice~

Redwood hospice care features the following: Compassionate care that focuses on the patient and family throughout their journey. Continuity of care wherever our patients call home, whether that be their own home, a loved one's home, or nursing home. We partner with long-term care facilities to provide end-of-life care to residents.

Support services that may include:

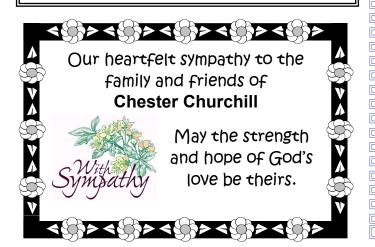
- \*Education
- \*Holistic pain and symptom management
- \*Palliative care
- \*Support and respite for caregivers
- \*Free grief and bereavement follow-up for 13 months following the death of a loved one
- \*Complementary therapies and special programs including Music, Essential Oils, Guided Breath Work, Guided Imagery, Hand Casting, Gratitude Practices/ Journaling, Life Reflection Activities, Pet Therapy and Massage Therapy.

Hospice care is a team approach providing individualized care to meet the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of the client and family. Hospice nurses that are just a phone call away 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week.

You can use the blue envelope in the pews or your own envelope and write "Hospice" 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!!





### ~ 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.

## LUTHER LEAGUE

May 4, 2022 Meeting

We met on May 4<sup>th</sup> for our last session before summer. We had 14 students and 3 adults attend. We talked about the upcoming Dance recital and what all needs to be done to make that a success. In June we have the 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration, we talked about selling pop/water/cookbooks during the 150<sup>th</sup> so more to come with that, or the students can sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office. We encourage everyone to help so we can all enjoy the celebration. Our summer mission will be held in Lamberton at the Parsonage. We will be cleaning up the outside of the parsonage and doing what we can before the 150<sup>th</sup>. We planned and talked about doing light landscaping, raking, possibly planting some flowers, washing the cement, etc. We did talk a bit about a mission trip outside of Minnesota for the summer of 2023. Some places of interest were Texas, Kentucky or North Carolina. We will host a meeting in September for those that are serious about going and we would encourage parents to also attend. We're also planning on a trip to Valleyfair coming in August of this year. We will talk more on that at the Parsonage Mission in June.

Thanks for everyone's help and we look forward to seeing the youth at our summer activities.

#### **Summer Luther League Dates:**

MAY 12-15: Dance recital prep/concessions at the Dance recital

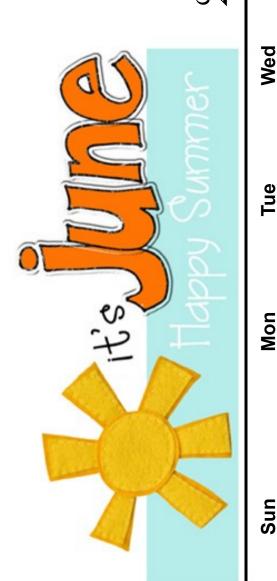
To be Determined: Parsonage Mission

JUNE: 24-26: 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration, pop/water/cookbook

AUGUST 2nd: Valley fair trip

SEPTEMBER: Mission 2023 meeting, 9-14-22 set

tentatively after Luther league





Sun	Mon	Lne	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Please have your bulletin Announcements into the Church Office by 10 A.M. on TUESDAYS! THANKS!			l 6:30 Call Committee Meeting 7:00 Church Council	2	3 Offices Closed 4	
5 <b>10:45</b> Worship/Communion 6:00 Vacation Bible School Starts!	6:00 VBS	6:00 VBS	8 6:00 VBS	9 6:00 VBS 7:30 VBS Program w/ Rootbeer Floats! Everyone Welcome!	10 Offices Closed 11	
12 10:45 Worship/Communion	13 Offices Closed	14	15	16	17 Offices Closed 18	
19 Happy Father's Day!! 10:45 Contemporary Worship	20 Offices Closed  Newsletter  Articles Due!	21	22	23	34 Offices Closed 25	
26 10:30 Lake Sarah Baptist Singers 11:00 Ecumenical Worship Service in the Park for Lamberton's 150th Celebration!	27 Offices Closed	28	29	30	The service time each week could fluctuate depending on the availability of our Supply Pastors. Please watch our Facebook page for updates.	week ding on upply our lates.

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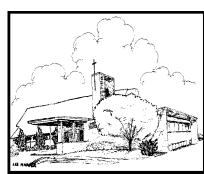
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## Worship Services:

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.

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Please have your Newsletter articles and/or calendar items into the church office as designated on the monthly calendar.

Please have bulletins announcements into

the church office by 10am Tuesday mornings.

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.