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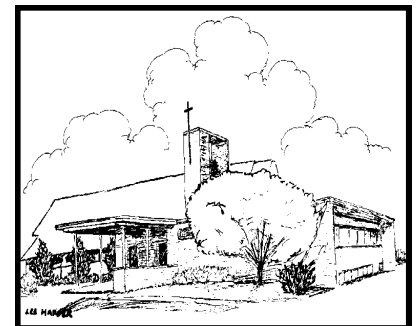
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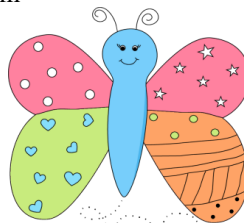
### **Church Office Hours:**

9 a.m.-Noon, 1-4p.m. Tues-Thurs

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**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 a designated on the monthly calendar.**

### **Worship Services:**

Sundays: 9:00 A.M.

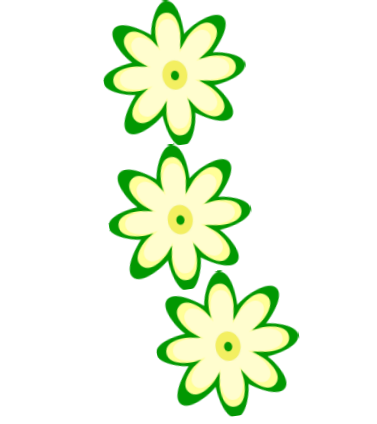
Sunday School:

10:00 A.M. (Sept.-May)

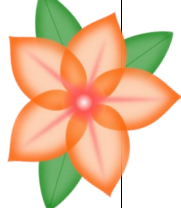


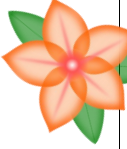
### **Cable Broadcast of Services:**

Lamberton -WED: 4:00 P.M.

Springfield -Wednesday: 6:00 P.M.



**Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat**

<p>Please have your bulletin announcements into the Church Office by 10 A.M. on TUESDAYS! THANKS!</p>			<p>1 4:00 9th Confirmation Rehearsal &amp; Pictures 7:00 Church Council</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 <b>Church Office Closed</b> 9:00 Community Bible Study</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5 <b>10:00 Confirmation Service (C)</b> <i>*No Sunday School Classes</i></p>	<p>6 <b>Church Office Closed</b></p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 6:00 Luther League</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 <b>Church Office Closed</b> 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 <i>Mother's Day</i> 9:00 Worship/Communion 10:00 Sunday School, 6th Grade Acolyte Training <i>*Last Day of SS Classes*</i></p>	<p>13 <b>Church Office Closed</b></p>	<p>14 2:00 OSW Meeting</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 <b>Church Office Closed</b> 9:00 Community Bible Study</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 Contemporary Worship 10:00 Senior Recognition Fellowship 7:00 RRC Baccalaureate</p>	<p>20 <b>Church Office Closed</b> <b><u>Newsletter</u></b> <b><u>Articles Due!!</u></b></p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 <b>Church Office Closed</b> 9:00 Community Bible Study 7:00 RRC Graduation</p>	<p>25 </p>
<p>26 9:00 Worship</p>	<p>27 <b>Church Office Closed</b>  <b>Memorial Day</b></p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 </p>	<p>30 </p>	<p>31</p>	





## Senior Recognition

May 19th we will be honoring our seniors! Hope Circle will be serving coffee and light refreshments after church in the fellowship hall for family and friends.

Everyone is welcome!

*Our seniors are:*

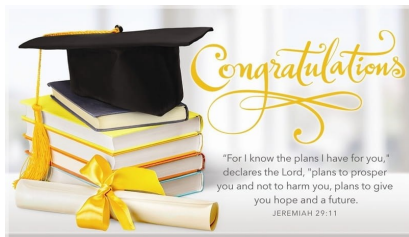
*Corey Arkell, Courtney Bedner,  
Carter Beranek, Ella Erickson,  
Addison Irlbeck, Blake Paplow,  
Eva Redman*

**Congratulations and best wishes in  
your future endeavors!  
God's blessings be with you!!**

## RRC Baccalaureate Service

The clergy from the RRC school district and the Lamberton Ministerium gather in ecumenical worship honoring the graduating seniors of Red Rock Central at the Baccalaureate Service.

The service will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Lamberton on **Sunday, May 19th at 7 P.M.**



**Everyone in the community is invited to attend! We hope you will join with them to be a part of this special time.**

## Summer Bible Camp



■ Camp Info! Interested in going to Camp this summer!?! These are some great options!

■ Green Lake Lutheran Ministries  
■ Register at: [GLLM.org](http://GLLM.org)

■ Inspiration Point Christian Camp and Retreat Center  
■ Register at: [IPOINT.ORG](http://IPOINT.ORG)  
■ 218.338-5379

■ Shetek Lutheran Ministries  
■ Register at: <https://shetek.org/summer/>

■ Lost Timber Bible Camp  
■ Register at: <https://www.losttimber.org/>

### **Bible Camp Scholarships**

■ Thank you to the Life, Growth & Stewardship Committee for coordinating possible Bible Camp scholarships this year.  
■ Interested campers can reach out to the church office for more details.



### **MAY ALTAR GUILD**

Cheryl Van Meveren  
Wendy Wondercheck

### **HOLY BAPTISM**

*"Through Baptism make this child to be your faithful follower and witness to your Gospel."*

**Graham Kent Erickson**  
*Infant son of*  
**Tyler & Mikaela Erickson**





# MAY Birthdays

- 1st - Sandy Polkow, Daniel Kronbach
- 2nd - Kierra Petersen, Guy Dammann, Emily Senst, Traycten Pistulka
- 4th - Denise Mattison
- 8th - Sam Furth
- 12th - Sally Erickson, Leah Teveldal
- 13th - Sharon Coulter, Marissa Koppen, Kegan Zimmermann, Heather Hacker
- 14th - David Thillen
- 15th - Brenna Pfarr, Eleanor Benedict
- 16th - Brynlee Halter
- 17th - Gracelyn Keck
- 18th - Dawson Mariner
- 22nd - Myron Bedner, Jeff Frank, Mary Neperman, Megan Watercott, Kari Redman, Jace Engen, Jade Engen
- 24th - Katie Furth, Austin Krueger, Jeff Kuehl, Marshal Petersen, Braiden Davis
- 25th - Alex Kircher
- 26th- Tom Halter, Susan Knutson
- 27th - Amber Bergemann
- 28th - Tyler Beermann, Alexandra Eidem, Wendy Mattison, Harlow Neperman
- 29th - Steve Vollmer
- 30th - Judy Dagner, Lillian Johnson



# May



- 8th - Pete & Kellie Valentin
- 12th - Tim & Stacy Osland
- 14th - Larry & Lee Ann Kronback
- 16th - Jon & Amber Bergemann
- 19th - Dean & Deb Lingle
- 21st - Lynn & Pat Story
- 26th- Roger & Roxie Pfarr
- 27th - Todd & Wendy Mattison
- 29th - Chris & Susan Jeckell

**MAY ACOLYTE & VIDEO SCHEDULE**

9:00 A.M. Worship Service



**May 5, 2024**  
**10:00 A.M. Confirmation Sunday**  
 Colton Jeckell & Zoey Keck  
**Video:** Aron Van Meveren

**May 12, 2024**  
 Dawson Mariner & Lincoln Hesse  
**Video:** Braedon Mariner

**May 19, 2024**  
 Austin Werner  
**Video:** Quintin Willhite



**May 26, 2024**  
 Dawson/Braedon Mariner  
**Video:** Max Erickson

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



### 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.



### SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### Upcoming Dates:

- May 1st - Confirmation pictures and rehearsal at 4pm - only the 9th grade students need to attend
- May 5th - Confirmation Service 10am. Confirmands be there at 9:30am. No Sunday School
- May 12th - 6th Grade Acolyte Training. Last day of Sunday School classes
- May 19th - 10am Senior Recognition Fellowship following Worship Service
- June 9-13th. Bible School dates - looking for volunteers (sign up sheet is on bulletin board). Ages include those going into kindergarten through finishing 6th grade

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Thank you to the Sunday School teachers for preparing and teaching each week and to the parents for sharing their kids with us! We had a great year! Due to Confirmation, no class on May 5. May 12 will be our last Sunday School time. We have something fun planned, so be sure to join us!

#### Memory Work

All Nursery - 6th graders who completed their memory work will be honored during the Sunday, April 28th church service and Sunday, May 12th in Sunday School. So proud of these youth for making time to learn more about God's message to us. If your child has completed their memory work, do let their teacher know.



#### HELP WANTED!

We are looking for teachers, group leaders, window painters, craft, games, skit, and media leaders for Vacation Bible school. Please consider helping us with this fun week! Some positions are all week and some just a night or two. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. We are in desperate need for Sunday School teachers next year so please also consider signing up for a full or partial year.

### Join us for Vacation Bible School We "Gotta Move" with the Go Fish Guys!



All students entering Kindergarten this fall through those just finishing 6th graders are invited to join in the fun  
**Sunday, June 9 - Thursday, June 13 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

Each night, youth will sing, dance, learn about a bible story, create during craft time and dig into science experiments. We know schedules may be busy, so while we would love for you to join us all five nights, please come to as many as work. If you have a friend who isn't a member at Our Saviors and would like to join us, super - bring them along! Do let Nicole at the church office know their name and grade so we can add them to our list.

Students will receive a light supper as part of the VBS program thanks to the very generous Women's Circles.

### Confirmation Sunday

You are invited to attend and be part of the Confirmation service on Sunday, May 5, 2024! The worship service time is changed to **10:00 A.M.** that morning. There will NOT be Sunday School that day.

*Blessings to:  
 Braylon Bedner, Jady  
 Beranek, Treyton Knutson,  
 Sophie Paplow, Kysha Wani,  
 Marshal Willhite, & Paige  
 Wondercheck as they confirm  
 their faith in the Lord!*



**BUDGET RECAP**  
as of 4/21/2024

<b>Total Outstanding:</b>	
Accounts Payable	\$0
Estimated Payroll	\$4,000.00
<b>Income:</b>	
3/17/24— 4/21/24	\$14,100.82
In Checking Acct.	\$32,050.52
In Savings Acct.	\$66,260.91
<b>Needed weekly to Meet budget</b>	<b>\$3,200.00</b>

**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.*

**MAY USHER SCHEDULE**

- Cory Blomgren
- Trenton Blomgren
- Sam Furth
- Bob Halter



**TAXI**

Please call an Usher by Fridays for a ride!

**Thank you for supporting our monthly missions! Here's how much we helped the mission last month.**

- March—WAFER—\$175
- February—RRC Backpack Food Program—\$90

**MAY MISSION EMPHASIS**  
**~Bible Camperships~**

Summer is a time of adventure and discovery, especially for children attending Bible camp. Remember the joy of summers past, where new friendships were formed, and God's presence felt closer amidst the beauty of nature?

Summer Bible Camp is more than just a getaway; it's an opportunity for children to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ through immersive Bible studies and the guidance of dedicated camp staff. For many families, however, the rising costs of camp pose a financial challenge.

This May, our Life, Growth & Stewardship committee is focusing our mission giving on providing scholarships for Bible camp, ensuring that every child in our congregation has the chance to experience this transformative journey. With your support, we can help cover a portion of the cost of camp, allowing them to forge lasting relationships and enrich their faith in a nurturing environment.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this important mission by donating to our scholarship fund. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of our children and empower them to grow in their Christian faith. Thank you for your generosity and dedication to the spiritual development of the next generation at Our Saviors.



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

**Council Minutes Continued**

**New Business**

Request was granted for a church member to use the kitchen for baking. The Capital Plan was reviewed for replacements needed at the church and parsonage. Seems we are on schedule with the plan.

**Communion Assistants**

Congregation members are reminded to sign up on the bulletin board outside the offices if they would like to assist with communion.

April 7, 2024 – Steve Halter and Gayle Erickson

April 14, 2024 – Kari Halter and Kris Vollmer

**Next council meeting:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024

**Adjournment**

With no further business to conduct, Brian moved to adjourn and Sharon seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:25 PM  
Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,  
Deb Furth  
Council Secretary



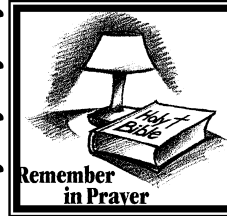
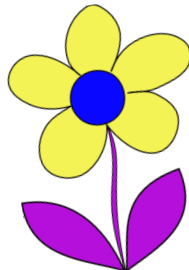
**OSW News**

Our Savior's Women met April 9, 2024. We watched a video on communion with some good discussion after.

We voted to send \$32 to Elaine Frank for quilting supplies. We also voted to donate \$200 toward the camper scholarships.

Mary Jo led the Bible Study and offering meditation.

Judie Harnack, Secretary



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.

Maria Bedner (new treatments as cancer has spread, stage 4 ovarian cancer)

Paula (Mattison) Meidl (bone marrow transplant)

Nancy Rue (shoulder replacement recovery)

Randy Hammerschmidt (health issues)

Joyce Hoffrogge (multiple myeloma)

Kim Churchill Oelfke (stroke & cancer)

Vicki Churchill Schenk (cancer treatments)

Briana Halter Peterson (health concerns)

Pray for people affected by other disasters ...



**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](http://Thrivent.com/choicevote) or call 800-847-4836.



**May Media Operator Schedule**

May 5, 2024 Trenton Blomgren (507-822-6571)

May 12, 2024 Val Halter (507-276-0008)

May 19, 2024 Sam Furth (507-227-7666)

May 26, 2024 Val Halter (507-276-0008)



**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
April 3, 2024**

*These minutes were recorded at the last council meeting and will be approved at the next meeting.*

The OSLC Church Council met for its monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 2024 in fellowship hall. Members present were Kevin Graff, Deb Furth, Sharon Vollmer, Steve Halter, Chad Coulter, Kari Halter, Brian Benedict, Kris Vollmer, Courtney Thram and Pastor Steve Walswick.

President Halter called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and Pastor Steve led the group in prayer.

Secretary's Report: March minutes were read by Deb. Kevin moved and Kari seconded to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kari reported the January checking balance of \$34,268.16 and savings balance of \$66,260.91. On a motion by Sharon and seconded by Courtney, the treasurer's report was approved.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Steve would like to attend the 2024 Annual Augustana District Convention on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at Mount Carmel near Alexandria at a cost of \$60. Kevin moved to send Pastor to the conference. Courtney seconded. Motion carried. Pastor Steve received a call from Pastor Carl Billings asking for any council members available, to meet for lunch on May 2 with a representative from Tartu Academy, one of our mission donations last year.

**Committee Reports**

Education: Courtney reported that our last Sunday School session for this year is May 12. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade class will receive their acolyte training that day so they can begin acolyting over the summer. Memory work certificates will be handed out in church on April 28 and during Sunday School time on May 12. First communion is set for April 14 during regular church service. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents will receive instruction during Sunday School on April 7. Students receiving First Communion this year are Chloe Coners, Kylee Leonard, Grifyn Redman and Bentley Werner. Confirmation will take place at 10 AM on May 5. There will be no Sunday School that day.

Confirmation interviews were held April 3 and the Board of Education has made a recommendation to the council that the following students be confirmed on May 5, 2024: Braylon Bedner, Jady Beranek, Treyton Knutson, Sophie Paplow, Kysha Wani, Marshal Willhite and Paige Wondercheck. Kevin moved to confirm those students recommended by the education committee. Kris seconded. Motion carried. VBS is set for June 9-13, 2024. Kids from the community will be invited to join us. VBS is for students entering kindergarten through finishing 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Volunteers will be needed for VBS. A discussion was held about what we can do, as a congregation, to provide financial assistance for students to attend Bible camp. Inserts will be placed in the bulletin for scholarship or campership donations.

Worship and Music: Sharon reported no meeting at this time, but they will be meeting April 21.

Life, Growth & Stewardship: Kris reported LGS committee will meet Sunday, April 7, after church. Lenten meals went well. The committee will be deciding where mission endowments will go.

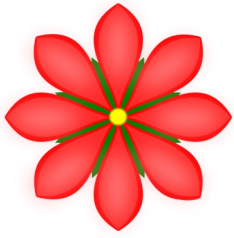
Property: Brian reported the men's bathroom issue has been fixed, a faucet needs to be repaired and one of the stools in the ladies bathroom needs some attention. The boiler is on its last leg, so we are getting quotes to install a new boiler. Mini splits are being considered into as an option for the offices for heating and cooling.

**Old Business**

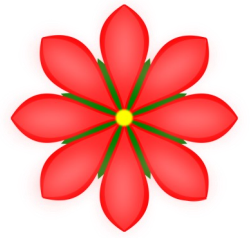
Curtain/Divider Discussion: Representatives from two different companies will contact Steve in the next 2 weeks to come and look at our situation to measure and give us quotes.

Pew Bibles: Pastor Steve will leave a copy of the Bible to be ordered with Nicole in the office so that people can look at it if they are interested in ordering. Deadline for ordering is April 15, 2024.

Bibles, Burgers and Brew – Kris and Mike Vollmer have met with Pastor Steve and put a plan in place for this to happen again this summer.



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From the  
Pastor's  
Desk...