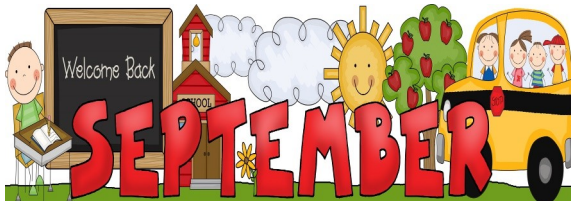


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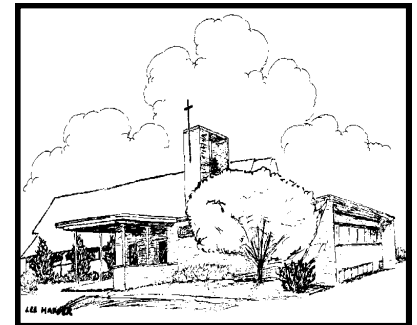
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(Sept.-May)



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 9am Tuesdays mornings.**

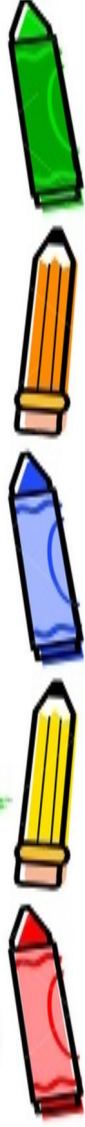
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☺ **Please have your Newsletter articles or calendar items into the church office as designated on the monthly calendar.**



2021 September

LEARNING IS FUN!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5 9:00 Worship/Communion	6 <i>Offices Closed</i> 	7 10:00 Staff Meeting	8 6:05 Luther League 6:30 S.S. Teacher/Helper Meeting	9	10 <i>Offices Closed</i> 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study Starts!	11
12 RALLY SUNDAY 9:00 A.M. Sunday School Confirmants & Parents' Meeting (Everyone meets in the Sanctuary) 10:15 Worship/Communion <i>Installation of Teachers</i> Food & Fellowship (<i>not potluck</i>)	13 <i>Offices Closed</i> 9:30 VVM Services	14 10:00 Staff Meeting 1:30 OSW Exec. Bd 2:00 OSW Meeting	15 3:15 7th Grade Confirmation 4:15 8th Grade Confirmation 5:15 9th Grade Confirmation	16	17 <i>Offices Closed</i> 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	18
19 9:00 Contemporary Worship 3rd Graders receive Bibles 10:00 Sunday School Coffee Fellowship Adult Sunday School	20 <i>Offices Closed</i> <u>NEWSLETTER</u> <u>ARTICLES DUE!!!</u>	21 10:00 Staff Meeting	22 3:15 7th Grade Confirmation 4:15 8th Grade Confirmation 5:15 9th Grade Confirmation	23	24 <i>Offices Closed</i> 9:00 A.M. Community Bible Study	25
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*Please have your bulletin announcements into the Church Office by 10 A.M. on Tuesdays! THANKS!

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



September 5, 2021
Shadae Knutson & Trenton Blomgren
Video: Holden Mariner

September 12, 2021
Braiden Davis & Austin Imker
Video: Teagen Werner

September 19, 2021
Video: Ethan Willhite

September 26, 2021
Jake Erickson & Holden Mariner
Video: Bowen Hesse

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

LUTHER LEAGUE NEWS

We have a full and exciting year in store for the Luther Leaguers. We've had a great summer and are ready to kick off September with our first meeting on September 8th at 6:05. We have lots of planning and things to talk about at the first meeting so we're excited to hear what everyone thinks. We have the Turkey Supper coming up on October 17th, along with wreath sales during that time. We also have plenty of great ideas for mission trips for Summer 2022 so please plan to come and share your ideas, thoughts and great conversation.

We're also in need of parents' help, we're planning on building a Luther League cookbook for a fundraiser for the youth. Could you please have your kids bring 5-10 great family recipes with them to the meeting, drop them off in the church kitchen or you can email them to Trudi (juhnke@centurylink.net). We're excited to build this cookbook with the youth and see what kinds of recipes each one of them bring.

See you all September 8th at 6:05!!



**SEPTEMBER
ALTAR GUILD**

Bridget Arkell
Leah Teveldal

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.*

**Come and join us for
Rally Sunday!!**

September 12th
Bring the family!!

Following the **10:15am Worship Service** we will be serving a meal of **Hamburgers and Hotdogs, beans, & chips!** *No potluck this year*

*Join us for great
fellowship with
your church family
on September 12th
after Church!*





Wishing You a
Happy Birthday! September Birthdays

- 1st - Larry Lange, Arlene Nordby
- 2nd - Todd Mattison, Darren Rue
- 3rd - Kenny Vollmer, Zachary Valentin
- 4th - Darold Coulter
- 6th - Nick Lingle, Charlotte Imker, Chase Imker
- 8th - Scott Field, Jake Erickson,
- 9th - Madelyn Geske, David Prechel, Andy Petersen
- 10th - Dean Lingle, Diane Nalley,
- 11th - Samantha Prechel, Vicki Kletscher
- 13th - Joe Pfarr, Megan Benedict
- 14th - Cory Hoffrogge
- 15th - John Valentin, Grace Guggisberg
- 16th - Mason Irlbeck, Sheila Krueger, Mike Vollmer, Cash Willer
- 17th - Gayle Erickson, Noah Neperman, Tyler Luttman
- 18th - Darrell Knutson
- 19th - Roxie Pfarr, Molly Werner
- 20th - Michael Flaig, Tom Hoffrogge,
- 22nd - Austin Irlbeck
- 23rd - Marie Dammann, Mindi Hesse
- 25th - Kathy Fenger, Nathan Erickson, Lynn Keck, Kevin Lange
- 26th - Thomas Blomgren, Ralph Price, Lillian Evans, Easton Schroeder
- 27th - Isaac Anderson
- 28th - Brittany Holman, Grifyn Redman,
- 29th - Casey Petersen, Alicia Vogel
- 30th - Judie Harnack, Kris Vollmer, Pastor Todd Mathison



September Anniversary Celebration

- 1st - Nick & Heather Hacker
- 5th - Jeff & Nichole Kuehl
- 6th - Roger & Sandy Polkow
- 7th - Clayton & Emily Senst
- 10th - Tony & Allison Sauer
- 11th - Nathan & Sally Erickson
- 14th - Michael & Kari Redman
- 15th - Richard & Bridget Arkell
- 19th - Kevin & Trudi Juhnke
- 25th - Glen & Karen Vogel
- 28th - Johnny & Abby Pistulka

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.

SEPTEMBER USHER SCHEDULE

Bob Halter
Sam Halter
Pete Valentin
Daniel Kronbach

TAXI
Please call an Usher by Fridays for a ride!

Community Bible Study

Pastor Mike Stangeland will be holding Bible Study here on Friday mornings at 9am beginning Friday, September 10th. This year we will be studying the Gospel of Luke. Everyone is welcome to join us for this exciting adventure!

If you would like to attend via Zoom, let Pastor Mike know.

Adult Sunday School Starts September 19

Pastor Todd will lead a Bible Study on "Know What You Believe & Why." Meets during the Sunday School hour. Grab a cup of coffee and a bar and grow in your faith.

OSLC Worship & Music Team Meeting August 4, 2021 Minutes

Present: Pastor Todd, Char Graff, Janice Werner, Tyler Luttmann

- I. **Stew Carlson Memorial** – Keith Carlson has donated money in memory of Pastor Stew Carlson. Team agreed that the new LCMC Hymnals would be purchased with these funds.
- II. Video Camera replacement – the video camera is outdated for the new technology we have in place for our worship media. At a cost of about \$800, we will recommend to the council to replace this camera with a new updated camera.
The video system has been stabilized, working well, and live-streaming to Facebook.
- III. Pew Bibles – the pastor, council, Worship & Music, and the Board of Education have been reviewing different versions of the Bible in order to get a faithful contemporary version for our church body. We will endorse the Contemporary English Version (CEV), which is also what the Board of Education is leaning towards. This will allow for a more understandable Bible reading for both youth and adults. This evolved from the Holy Cow church survey that was completed.
- IV. COVID Updates – Pew cards will be placed back in the pews. The offering bucket will be used again instead of ushers passing the offering plate. Communion cards can also be placed in this bucket. We will recommend to the council to return to communion kits instead of full line communion.

Church-Wide Bible Reading Plan

Get into God's Word daily! Join with others from across the congregation in a daily Bible reading plan called "The Moravian Texts." The Moravians were early to the Reformation, and theirs is the longest ongoing Protestant Bible Reading Plan, available in print, delivered to your email inbox (free – www.moravian.org), or on the app called "Daily Moravian Texts" Scripture comes daily in two forms: 1) a two-verse combo from the OT & NT (anyone can do this!), and 2) longer passages from the OT and NT that will have you read through your Bible over 2-years. Let God's Word get into you!

Coffee Fellowship Resumes Sept. 19th!

Volunteers will be needed to make the goodies and serve during coffee fellowship! Watch for the sign-up sheet to be passed around the congregation soon!

OSW MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

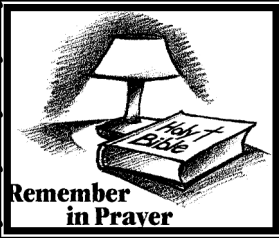
Women of Our Savior's will meet Tuesday, September 14; Exec Bd 1:30, Meeting 2 p.m.

Election of officers will be held for the next year. "The Mission of the Holy Spirit " #5, will be the Bible Study lesson, Love circle has the offertory and lunch. Please plan to attend!!!! It's YOUR church group!!

~ 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.





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)
- Larry Lange (health issues)
- Mark Coulter (cancer surgery recovery)
- Jean Lange (back surgery recovery)
- John Stiles (ALS)
- Marlis Engen (stage 4 pancreatic cancer)
- Marcella Dammann (heart attack)
- Kenneth Vollmer (hospice)
- Jean Lange (back surgery)



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

Media System Operator Schedule

Sept 5, 2021	Val Halter (507-276-0008)
Sept 12, 2021	Sam Furth (507-227-7666)
September 19, 2021	Jodi Smith (507-360-8326)
September 26, 2021	Char Graff (507-829-0105)



Faithful Lord, Father of Love pour down your grace upon these children.

The Our Savior's family extends its warm congratulations and God's blessings to:

Cole & Nicole Churchill

SEPTEMBER MISSION EMPHASIS
~Support Training of a Church Planter~

Church Planting: Purpose

Planting new churches in order to effectively reach more people with the life-changing hope of the gospel is a high priority for the LCMC. That's because we believe church planting is the best strategy in transforming lives and communities. It is also a great way to inspire our current 800 congregations to be **missional** over **maintenance**. Our great desire is to help our church developers get started strong in order to not just survive, but to thrive!

As a congregation we have chosen to support The Table Ministry in Sioux Falls, SD. Erica Varcoe is their leader and shared a message during one of our services in June. From their website:

REDEFINING CHURCH

Empowering you to weave faith into your busy lives. You do not have to choose between activities, weekend plans, this or that ... church is more than a place, a building to go on a Sunday. The Table is a community of God's people.

Relevant, engaging, creative real-life lessons that connect the bible to real life and mix tradition with our world's new normal.

If you desire to support our mission, please use the blue envelopes provided in the pews and mark the envelopes, "Church Planter." You can put them into the offering plate. You may also give your donation online via our website or use the link below and select 'mission'. <https://oslclamberton.churchcenter.com/giving>

HOLY BAPTISM

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

Jared Lucas Lang
 Infant son of
Sarah Kronbach & Tyler Lang



**SUNDAY SCHOOL
ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Sunday School Teachers



Thank you to all who have signed up to teach Sunday School! We are still in need of teachers and substitutes. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board for more details and prayerfully consider giving of your time to this important service. There will be a meeting for all Sunday School teachers on Wednesday, **September 8th** at 6:30.

Materials will be handed out. Please let a Board of Ed member know if you cannot attend this meeting. Teachers should attend Rally Sunday when you will meet your students and work with them on a fun project. There will be no classroom lessons on this special Sunday. Installation of teachers will be held on Rally Sunday, September 12th during the 10am church service.

**RALLY SUNDAY - September 12th
Sunday School at 9:00
Church at 10:15**

September 12th is **Rally Sunday!** Children should meet in the front of the church at 9:00 a.m. to kick off the year and find out who their teacher is.

We will then kick off our Sunday School year with some fun activities. Remember that church is at 10:00 a.m. on this special Rally Sunday. Beginning on **September 19th**, normal Sunday School time will be after church at 10:00am.

We are looking forward to a great year!

Confirmation students and parents - please meet in the sanctuary at 9:00 on Sunday, **September 12th**. Following a brief opening with the Sunday School children, there will be a meeting to go over requirements for the year.

Confirmation classes will begin on **Wednesday, Sept. 15th.**

7th @ 3:15pm

8th @ 4:15pm

9th @ 5:15pm

Congratulations

to the following 3rd graders who will be receiving Bibles from the board of education on Sunday, **September 19th**:

- ◆ Chloe Coners
- ◆ Kylee Leonard
- ◆ Grayson Pfarr
- ◆ Grifyn Redman
- ◆ Brooklynn Senst
- ◆ Bentley Werner



If you cannot be in church that day, please contact Karen Beranek @ 605-421-9879 or the church office.

Kid-Friendly Worship!

Children are welcome to worship at Our Savior's! Children's Bulletins provided every Sunday, and a Children's Message with Pastor Todd during each worship service. A nursery with a window to the sanctuary is provided in case your child needs a quiet place to rest or play.

**PRAYER
PARTNERS
WANTED:**

The sign-up sheet for Prayer Partners will be passed around during church on the Sundays in September. Please consider signing up and enjoy getting to know the youth of our congregation! Prayer Partners meet 4 times during the Sunday School year right after church. There is a time for visiting along with a snack. We supply an activity or coloring sheet to do while you visit and get to know your partner. Our Sunday School children really enjoy this time and look



New Hymnals & Pew Bibles!

Our Savior's has received two memorial gifts that serve as the heart of bringing new hymnals to our pews. The *ReClaim Hymnal* is the official hymnal of the LCMC (Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ), of which Our Savior's is a member congregation. When we held a congregational-survey two years ago, one of the top recommendations was to update our liturgy and hymnal. These two memorial gifts are providing nearly one half of the hymnals already, and is a great way to honor the memory of Pastor Stew Carlson and of Darrell Holmberg. The overall cost for the new hymnals is \$3,000 (\$23/hymnal). You have the opportunity to purchase these hymnals in memory or in honor of a loved one (see form below). Once the cost of the new hymnals is reached, we will continue to raise funds in a similar way to provide Pew Bibles. We will keep you posted on the progress for these new worship resources. Please complete the form below and thank you for your gift.



New ReClaim Hymnal Memorial Donation Sheet

I wish to donate a hymnal (\$23 each):

In Memory Of:

OR

In Honor Of:

Given By:

Please detach this portion and turn in with your donation. You may put in the offering plate, drop off or mail to the church office. If paying by check, please write 'hymnal' in the memo.

If wishing to donate multiple hymnals in memory/honor of this person, please specify the quantity.

Please use one form per person. If you need more forms, you may pick them up from the usher table or the church office.

**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
August 4, 2021**

The OSLC Church Council met for its monthly meeting on August 4th, 2021 in Fellowship Hall. Members present were: Cory Blomgren, Susan Jeckell, Chantel Neperman, John Smith, Kris Vollmer, Janice Werner, Misty Willhite and Pastor Todd Mathison. Absent were Todd Horning and Kevin Juhnke.

President Blomgren called the meeting to order. Pastor Todd led the group in an opening devotion.

Secretary's Report: July council minutes were read by Susan. On a motion by Chantel, seconded by Kris, the report was approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Chantel reported on the July checking balance of \$15,104.94 and savings balance of \$44,290.88. On a motion by John, seconded by Janice, the report was approved. Motion carried.

Education: The committee will be meeting in August for Sunday school preparations with a Rally Day start date scheduled for Sept 12th. Hopeful Prayer Partners will be able to return this year.

Worship & Music: Janice presented a request for the purchase of a new 4K video camera, valued at \$800. After discussion, Chantel moved to grant approval to the Worship & Music committee for the purchase of a new 4K video camera, valued at approximately \$800. Misty seconded it. Motion carried. Discussion was had on returning to rail communion.

Life, Growth & Stewardship: Next meeting will be to plan the Rally Day celebration, Coffee Fellowship, and to determine the amount of support to send to The Table Ministry.

Property: No report. The furnace has been installed and paid for.

Old Business: Kris moved, Chantel seconded to approve and install Grace Guggisberg to the Board of Audit committee. Motion carried. Thank you to Grace for volunteering to fill this position!

New Business: Kris and Anne will be communion assistants during the August 8th church service. The family of Stew Carlson has given a memorial donation, upon recommendation by Worship and Music, of new hymnals and pew Bibles. The project would begin with the memorial donation, going towards individual hymnals in memory of Pastor Stew. Church members will have the opportunity to donate funds in memory of loved ones for additionally needed hymnals. After all needed hymnals are purchased, funds would continue to be raised for memorial pew Bibles. John moved to authorize and begin fundraising for the project of new hymnals and pew Bibles, starting with the gift from Stew Carlson's family. Chantel seconded it. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Todd presented on a July baptism, upcoming weddings and counseling, VVM service and visits, IT meetings, Stone's Cry and the much enjoyed Luther League Sioux Falls trip, among various other events. He will be on vacation August 12-19, discussion on a service leader for the August 15th service was held. The live stream system is now stable and preparations for Rally Day are in motion. He will be working alongside Life, Growth and Stewardship to re-engage members this fall with this big in-person celebration, ice cream social, coffee fellowship, welcome packets and consideration of a new church directory. Health insurance update- coverage will begin Sept 1, 2021 at a lower cost than anticipated.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Chantel, and Kris second. Motion carried. The next Council Meeting will be September 1st at 7:00pm. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Jeckell
Council Secretary



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Greetings, Our Savior's family,

Here we go! It's the Fall; school is opening, harvest is starting, and the Church ministries are all revved-up and set to go.

How about you? I saw a church sign on our travels this summer which read:

The only thing missing on Sundays...is you!

I realize the Covid pandemic is still an issue, and we're closely monitoring the local situation. We are, however, ready to begin Fall ministries "fully open." Sunday School kicks off on Rally Sunday, September 12, with classes meeting at 9am and worship at 10:15am, followed by a Churchwide meal served up by the Life, Growth & Stewardship team. I am so looking forward to "breaking bread" together as a church family with you that day! Confirmation rolls out Sept 15; Coffee Fellowship and Adult Sunday School follow the worship service beginning Sept 19. The Friday Community Bible Study resumes on Sept 10, and Luther League gets together Sept 8. And I look forward to seeing and hearing the sounds of children during the worship service.

So, are your "church rhythms" going to get back in sync? I pray that you are planning to make the ministries of Our Savior's a regular part of your life.

I am reminded of what scripture says in Hebrews 10:24-25:

*We should keep on encouraging each other to be thoughtful and to do helpful things.
Some people have gotten out of the habit of meeting for worship, but we must not do that.
We should keep on encouraging each other.*

Now, I know that there are good reasons for some to still shy away from crowds and public spaces due to Covid, and I want to bless those who are still planning to steer clear until the pandemic passes. We are continuing our live streaming services as a way to keep connected.

But as your pastor, may I encourage you, as much as possible, to not let former pandemic-related absences continue to be the norm. This Fall is the time to "re-up" getting together personally with your church family, and to lead you and yours into spiritually uplifting ministry.

I really look forward to seeing you this Fall and beyond. I am always encouraged to see you.



Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor Todd