

Our Savior's Lutheran Church June 11th, 2023—Weekly Happenings

"Open to Serve a Loving Christ"



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Included in our prayers this week:

Linda Eng, Derek Gerlach, Elaine Powers, Cory Scofield, Vern Thorson, Hayley Hansen, Bruce Clark, Dolly Kenison, and Pastor Heidi Kvanli.

All of our services members:

Especially Brandon Peters, Dylan Erickson, David Eng, Nick Orlick, Cyrah Gundvaldson & Bridget Flannery

<u>VISITORS:</u> Please fill out the tan, "Welcome" card with a cross on it located in your pew! Place in the offering plate or hand to the Usher. Please sign our guest book as well.

NEW MEMBER?? If anyone is interested in becoming a member of Our Savior's Lutheran, please contact the church office, 997-2186 or oslcf@iw.net. We'd be excited to welcome you into our church family!

NOON PRAYER: Will be on hiatus while Pastor Ramona is on vacation, Jun 12-July 2. Check Monday -Thursday for prerecorded prayer.



SAVE THE DATES VBS

VBS Dates are July 31 - August 3
Evening performance August 3rd. The VBS students will also be performing at the Park Days Worship on August 6th. Our theme this year is "Hero Hotline" https://

flandreau.mycokesburyvbs.com

<u>DIRECTORY UPDATE:</u> We're finalizing the contact information for the directory! We're hoping to be ready to print in a month. So, this is your last call to submit pictures or update contact information! Also, if you DO NOT want your cell phone and email information printed in the directory, please contact the church office. If we don't hear from you, it will be included in your contact information. Thank you.

<u>WELCA BIBLE STUDY'S</u> next meeting is June 15th, 2023, at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Copies of the Bible study are available in the magazine rack inside the Ed. Unit if you do not receive the Gather Magazine. Please join us!

<u>WELCA</u> for the month of June the ladies are looking for donations of: **Personal Care Kit:**

- 1 light/mid-weight bath towel maximum 52×27", dark color recommended
- 2 bath size bars (4-5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in its original wrapping
- 1 adult-size toothbrush in its original wrapping
- 1 sturdy comb, remove packaging
- 1 nail clippers, remove packaging
- ** All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap smaller items in the towel and tie with a ribbon or yarn. Please leave supplies in the quilt room.

Gwenda Gullickson, WELCA Missions

SD 36TH ANNUAL WOMEN OF THE ELCA (WELCA) CONVENTION:

June 21, 22, 23 2023 at Calvary Lutheran Church; 5311 Lake Road, Rapid City SD 57702. Theme "All Are Welcome" – "Let all that you do be one in love" 1 Corinthians 16:14.

Registration fee: \$50 if paid by June 1; \$65 if paid on June 1 or later. For more details (times, hotels & etc.) please see the poster on the bulletin boards in Education Unit & Entrance.

BETHANY SALAD BUFFET- Mark your calendars for June 13, 2023, 6:00pm; Bethany WELCA invites you to attend their annual salad buffet. The public is invited for a relaxing evening of good food, and fellowship. A free will offering will be taken to help fund Mead Museum in Yankton SD, whose mission is to provide an authentic historical experience of the pre-Dakota Territory to the modern era. We are looking forward to a meaningful program provided by Crystal Nelson, Executive Director of the Meade Cultural Education Center. Angie Rentz - Bethany Lutheran Church - Howard SD

BERGEN THRESHING BEE The Bergen Threshing Bee committee is hard at work putting together a fantastic day of worship, food, fellowship and FUNdraising to benefit rural ministry across the entire state. Be sure to mark your calendars for Sunday, July 30, and plan to join us! Silent and live auctions will be a part of the day's activities—you are invited to join in supporting rural ministry with a donation individually or as a congregation. Please contact Kristi Anderson at kristi anderson@outlook.com or (605) 265-0297 for more information or to make arrangements to deliver your auction items.

FILL THE BOOKSHELF Pastor Ramona has challenged us to raise \$4000 to provide materials and training for the lay pastors and youth of the Lutheran Church of Faith and Hope in Nicaragua. As of this Sunday, we have raised \$2186! We are over halfway there! To donate, take a post-it from the "Fill the Bookshelf" board outside the sanctuary. Donate the dollar amount listed on the post-it and place it in the envelope on the board. Please make checks payable to Our Savior's Lutheran church, with "books for Nicaragua" written in the memo line. From our siblings in Nicaragua: Muchas Gracias!"

GENEROSITY is an expression of the love of God. "God loves us, so we can love others. God gives us gifts, so we can serve others. God is generous to us, so we can be generous to others. When we love each other, the world knows the love of God. Generosity is an expression of the love of God. It's one of the fruits of the Spirit." -- SukYoung Kim May God's love shine through each of us today!

THE SYNOD ASSEMBLY focused on Rural Ministry this year with the theme of Cultivate. There were roughly 400 attendees, most of them lay people representing their churches. All the pastors and seminary students in the Synod who are able to attend were there as well. The quality of the speakers is outstanding throughout the entire conference. The stories they shared were uplifting and inspirational at times, but relatable and humbling at others. So while the idea of being in services and meetings from 9am - 8pm on 6/2 was intimidating, the time went very quickly.

The work the Synod does is amazing and touches many lives. There are scholarships and grant programs for 0-3 year olds, school aged campers, and youth programs. But also resources for helping seminary students, funding churches with major projects, and supporting ministries in Cameroon and Nicaragua. The impact that the South Dakota Synod can have from combining the financial resources and skills from congregants and pastors across the state is astounding.

The biggest message I took from the weekend was that the most predictive indicator that an individual congregation is healthy and will continue to grow is its willingness to change. We can see that in our vibrant Sunday School, VBS, and Youth Group programs. We have kids who participate in these programs even if their parents aren't members of our church or they don't regularly attend services. Finding more ways that we can continue to reach out and meet the needs of the community around us, taking church to them wherever they are at, and inviting them to learn more about faith, will help us continue to grow as a congregation and as individuals as well.

Sadie Haugen - SYNOD Assembly Delegate

CHUCKLES

The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose.....

Mosquitoes come close, though.

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS: Jun 11th -Jun 18th 2023

Pastor Ramona on Vacation Jun 12 - Jul 2

Sunday 11

Worship

=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow

Monday 12

Office Open 8:00-4:30

Tuesday 13

9:00 Tie Quilts

Wednesday 14

Office Open 8:00-4:30

Thursday 15

Friday 16

Saturday 17

Sunday 18

Worship w/Communion

=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow

THANK YOU:

Greeters: Dean & Diana Larson

Pianist: Lori Kneebone

Song Leader: Lori Kneebone

Reader: Nancy Carlsrud

Coffee: Dean & Diana Larson

Sound board: Beth Wesala & Allen Loehr

Last Week's Worship In-Person Attendance: 69

MORTGAGE BALANCE: As of 5/21/2023, the mortgage bal-

ance was \$14,180.49

THE BREADBASKET has a theme based suggestion list for every month. All regular food and monetary donations are still happily accepted.

June: Canned Soups: chicken noodle, tomato and cream soups.

If you are in need of food, bring your photo ID and official piece of mail. Open Thursdays from 1:30-5pm. Located at 202 E 2nd Ave. Flandreau. You can receive food once a month.

MOODY COUNTY CARES The Moody County Ministerial Association and Moody County Cares are working together along with the Breadbasket, Maynard's, and others to coordinate a response to the needs for food and other essentials by the people of Moody County. This effort will serve two groups of people: those who can't afford needed items such as food, soap, and laundry detergent, and those who can afford needed items but need to stay isolated for health reasons (seniors, immunocompromised, etc). You can Call, Text or Chat using 988 to contact the help center. You can also reach out to us on www.moodycountycares.com. If you would like to volunteer please visit www.moodycountycares.com.