



Our Savior's Lutheran Church

July 16th, 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, Vicki Rentschler, and the Family of Lloyd Gundvaldson.

All of our services members:

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

VISITORS: 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: Livestreamed on the church Facebook page Monday - Thursday at noon. Join in a brief break in the week day to stop and center yourself, while meditating on the scripture texts for the next Sunday.

SWIM UP TO SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION!

August 7, 6:00-8:00pm @ the Flandreau Pool. ALL are welcome to come enjoy some swimming & snacks and sign up for the 2023-24 Sunday School year!

WELCA BIBLE STUDY'S next meeting is July 20th, 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!

WELCA MEETING will be held on Thursday, July 20th after Bible Study, to discuss upcoming events. Please plan to attend. The WELCA meeting should start around 11:30. Hope to see you there. Thank you, Sandy H., WELCA Pres.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 31 - August 3

Evening performance August 3rd.

Our theme this year is "Hero Hotline"

Don't forget to register!

<https://flandreau.mycokesburyvbs.com>

The VBS students will also be performing at the Park Days Worship on August 6th.



WELCA MISSIONS: for the month of July the ladies are looking for donations of a **School Kit:**

Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled, no loose-paper

1 blunt scissors

1 (30cm) metric ruler or ruler 1 pencil sharpener

1 eraser approximately 2 1/2 " long.

5 new, unsharpened # 2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band

Five ballpoint pens (no gel ink) secured with rubber band

1 box of 16 or 24 crayons

1 sturdy (14 x 17 inch) drawstring backpack

Please leave supplies in the quilt room.

Gwenda Gullickson, WELCA Missions

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!"

COOKOUT AT THE PARSONAGE: Sunday July 30, 5-7 pm. Pastor Ramona and Tim (mostly Tim!) want to show off their culinary skills. Join us for Tim's famous pulled pork, and enjoy backyard games and good food! If it rains, we'll be in the garage and basement.

EVER WONDER WHAT THE SOUTH DAKOTA SYNOD DOES?

At the 2023 synod assembly, we learned that "Journeying Together in Christ" as the South Dakota Synod, in 2022 we:

- Walked a new start congregation, Spirit of Hope, in Scotland, South Dakota, as they called their mission developer and found a site to worship, after outgrowing the house they were worshipping in.
- Continued to partner with the McLaughlin Community Alliance Group, a nonprofit utilizing the building of Redeemer Lutheran Church for the empowerment of the community.
- Began exploration for two new potential church plants, with Box Elder and Shepherd's Table in Sioux Falls.
- Walked with 30 people in various stages of candidacy and had three new entrance interviews in January of 2023.
- Received nine new first call candidates, completed 28 ministry site studies and extended 41 calls. Insured that nearly every congregation has a called pastor, interim pastor, synodically authorized minister, or lay leader to care for God's people.
- Distributed \$60,201 through the seminary debt reduction program, granted \$124,290 in scholarship funds to seminary students plus \$20,000 in internship site assistance.
- Distributed 37 disaster recovery micro grants for \$18,800 to congregations in need of repairs or community relief after natural disasters. In addition, Beaver valley Lutheran Church received \$22,000 from Lutheran disaster response and \$10,000 from Synod storm recovery funds for their tornado recovery.
- Continued to invest in developing our rostered leaders, synodically authorized leaders, and lay leaders through a variety of new education initiatives.
- Created new synod staff positions including a rural ministry liaison to journey with our rural ministry sites. The rural ministry liaison has worked with congregations in transition all across South Dakota.

You are an essential part of this work. Your prayers and your gifts make the ministry of the South Dakota Synod possible. Thank you!

HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH? That sounds like a loaded question! But this isn't about a guilt trip over the amount of money given. Instead, I'm thinking about how much is enough for ME? Have I thought intentionally about the point where I have everything I need, and what is God's hope for anything beyond that amount? Not an easy thought process, but I'd love to hear your comments and to have you join me in considering these questions. -Kathy McHenry, Lutheran Planned Generosity of South Dakota (605.274.5030 or kmchenry@sdsynod.org).

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS: Jul 16th - Jul 23rd 2023

Regular Business Hours will be suspended due to vacation. Please re-view schedule for Pastor Ramona's office hours

Sunday 16

Worship w/Communion and Music with Dr. Tad Jacobs
=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow
Edgewood Worship 2:00

Monday 17

Office Closed

Tuesday 18

9:00 Tie Quilts

Wednesday 19

Office Closed
Pastor in Office 9:00 -12:00
Worship Committee 6:30

Thursday 20

10:30 WELCA Bible Study
WELCA Meeting to follow

Friday 21

Pastor in Office 9:00 - 12:00
Rita Clark Memorial Service 2:00

Saturday 22

Sunday 23

Worship
=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow

THANK YOU:

Greeters: Todd & Lisa Sanderson

Song Leader: Dr. Tad Jacobs

Reader: Todd Sanderson

Coffee: Marianne Kramer

Sound board: Beth Wesala & Allen Loehr

Communion: Sandy Harris, Todd Sanderson & Marianne Kramer

Last Week's Worship In-Person Attendance: 58

MORTGAGE BALANCE: As of 6/20/2023, the mortgage balance was \$12,373.43

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

July: Noodles, pasta, rice and dried potatoes.

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.*