



Our Savior's Lutheran Church

August 13th, 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 Edith Christiansen.

All of our services members:

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

WE WELCOMED, Evan Sherman, son of Ryan and Crystal Sherman, to the waters of Holy Baptism on August 5th. Evan's sponsors are Mark and Gretchen Nassen. May he grow in faith, grounded in God's love and the love of this congregation.

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 oslc@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.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Jennifer and Shaw Loiseau from Loiseau Construction for the loan of their van so our kids could get to camp and to Jen and Drew Headrick for cleaning the van.

LET'S GO TO CAMP! It is through the cheerleading efforts of Pastor Ramona that 11 of our youth were able experience God in fun and exciting ways. Thanks Pastor Ramona for leading the charge.

A BIG THANK YOU to Tim and Pastor Ramona for hosting a fun evening of food and fellowship.

PRE-CONFIRMATION & CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

Orientation meetings.

7th-8th grade on August 23rd at 5:30pm in the youth room.

5th-6th grade on August 27th at 10:15 am in the youth room
Students and at least one parent should attend the orientation.



OSLC SOFTBALL PRAISE DAY. August 27 at Cardinal Field. Two teams Youth Group (Current & Alumni); two teams from the Congregation. Registration at 12:00, Devotion and Prayer at 12:15, and the Tournament starts at 1:00. Come out with the family and have fund supporting our Youth Group. Free meal afterwards.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL has come to an end for this year. We had 125 students and a multitude of helpers and donations. A video of the children singing is posted to the Facebook group. Thank you to Malerie Yeaton for directing the event and the music. Thank you to all the volunteers. Thank you to Lori Peters for the setting up the meal afterwards. Thank you to the congregation for your support. You are our heroes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: A loving reminder as we prepare for our upcoming Sunday School year. Jesus clearly viewed the children as precious. If he loved kids enough to say that adults should be more like them, then we should spend more time loving them too! Our kids need more than teachers - also room helpers, prayer partners, music leaders and special project directors. Please pray for our upcoming year and for the Lord to place people in your heart to reach out to! Thank you!

There will be a meeting next Sunday, August 20 right after worship for all who would like to help with Sunday school. This includes those who would like to teach, or those who would like to help in another capacity.

THANK YOU, OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN. Because of your work and the work of Messiah Lutheran, 363,000 meals are on the way to Sudan refugee camps in Africa; where a Civil War has erupted.

During Covid, 2 containers of food were packed, 10-15-20 people @ a time. Mostly Lutherans. That work led to hundreds of thousands of meals being gifted per year to the non profit. This will not be the last food sent to refugees in Africa. More is already committed

Thank you from Helping Kids Round First.
Craig Severtson.

BACKPACK BLESSING: Kick the school year off with a blessing! Bring your backpack (or cell phone or other device) to worship on Sunday August 20th for a special blessing!

BREKIE AND BLESSING: 5th-8th grade pre-confirmation and confirmation students are invited to join Pastor Ramona for breakfast and a blessing on August 21st from 7:30am until you need to leave to get to school. Start the first day of school nourished in body and soul!

BETHEL LUTHERAN HOME: is looking for an activities assistant. This job is full-time and includes benefits. If you have ever considered working in a field that literally affects lives on a daily basis, now is your chance. Activities in a long-term care setting are vital to the health and happiness of residents. YOU could be part of that work at Bethel. Contact us at 605-256-4539 to discuss this opportunity.

WELCA MISSIONS: for the month of August the ladies are continuing to look 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
We already have the drawstring backpack
Please leave supplies in the quilt room.
Gwenda Gullickson, WELCA Missions

WELCA MEETING SUMMARY: for Thursday July 20, 2023 There is \$2540 in the WELCA checking account as of 7-20-23. Bills to be paid for supplies in the kitchen will bring the balance to approximately \$2400. \$1,125 was received for the Love offering. \$217 was dispersed to each of the local charities on the WELCA list. Items for school kits are now being gathered. The list of supplies needed is in the Happenings. WELCA has served 5 funerals so far in 2023. Pastor Ramona reported that the Ministerial Association is getting started up again. The contingency fund WELCA had set up for those in need of assistance has not been used. It was decided to give that amount of the contingency fund to the Ministerial Association for this year only. The WELCA Treasurer will look up the exact amount. Pastor is going to Riverview and Edgewood once a month for visitation. Helpers from the Circles are not need to go with her at this time. Guest Day is set for Sept. 14, 2023 starting at noon. All women from the area will be invited to the salad luncheon. The fall gathering for Medary Conference WELCA will be on Sept 19, 2023 in Arlington. OSLC WELCA will host the spring gathering in Flandreau on April 24, 2024.

2024 YOUTH GATHERING : Created to Be (Psalm 139:14) You are created in God's image and created to be brave, authentic, free, disrupting disciples. Students who will be in 9th-12th grade in the 2023-24 school year are invited to join 35000 of your new best friends at July 16-20, 2024 in New Orleans to explore all you are Created to Be! Contact Lori Peters or Pastor Ramona if you would like to attend.

CONNECT WITH CAMPUS MINISTRY! The South Dakota Synod has campus ministries on six campuses in South Dakota: Northern State University, South Dakota State University, School of Mines and Technology, Black Hills State University, University of South Dakota, and Augustana University. You can support LuMin (Lutheran Campus Ministries) by praying for the leaders and students, referring a student to the campus ministry at their school and by a financial gift! Thank you for your support!

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS: Aug 13th - Aug20th 2023

Sunday 13

Worship
=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow

Monday 14

Office Open
Pastor Ramona @ JJ's 9:00-12:00
VBS Planning Follow-up 7:00

Tuesday 15

Quilt Tying

Wednesday 16

Office Open
Pastor Ramona @ Office 9:00-12:00

Thursday 17

Pastor Ramona @ Office 9:00-12:00
WELCA Bible Study 10:30

Friday 18

Saturday 19

Sunday 20

Worship w/ Communion & Backpack Blessing
=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow
Sunday School Teacher & Volunteer Meeting (after worship)

THANK YOU:

Greeters: Dave and Deb Schllinz

Pianist: Mary Beth Sutton

Song Leader: Dan Sutton

Reader: Becky Saylor

Coffee: Linda Meier

Sound board: Erin Walstead & Leighton Blum

July 30 Worship In-Person Attendance: 51

MORTGAGE BALANCE: As of 7/21/2023, the mortgage balance was \$11,331.93

PUTTING STOCK IN SOMETHING THAT MATTERS: A gift of appreciated investments could offer the opportunity to decrease taxes and even increase the size of your gift to Our Savior's Lutheran Church. This strategy can even allow you to reset the cost basis in those investments you want to keep as a part of your portfolio. Call Kathy McHenry at Lutheran Planned Generosity of SD at 605.274.5030 or email kmchenry@sdsynod.org for more information.

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

August: Pasta meals & pasta sauce.

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.