

Our Savior's Lutheran Church September 17th, 2023 Weekly Happenings



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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

<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!

NEW MEMBER CLASS IN OCTOBER! Pastor Ramona will be holding New Member Classes in October. New members will be recognized on All Saints Sunday, November 5th. Please contact the church office to sign up for the class.

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.

<u>WELCA CORRECTION:</u> The Fall Gathering for the Medary Conference WELCA will not be until <u>October 10th</u> at Arlington, not <u>Sept. 19th</u> as stated in the last WELCA meeting minutes. More details on the Fall Gathering to follow. Sorry about the mix up! Thanks.

NEXT WEEK

Pastor Ramona will be on vacation the 24th-30th of September. You might know our guest pastor for the 24th. Rev. Alan Blankenfeld, Rural Ministry Liaison. We look forward to hearing about his ministry.

WELCA NO BAKE BAKE SALE:

OSLC WELCA NO BAKE BAKE SALE will be held during the months of September & October. This will take the place of our Bake Sale/Bazaar that use to be held in November. Instead of baking goodies and making craft items, we will be receiving cash donations. All donations will be appreciated by many who benefit from our December distributions to Missions at the end of each year. Envelopes marked "WELCA NO BAKE BAKE SALE" will be available in the Fellowship Hall for your convenience. You may place your envelope in the offering plate or you may send your donation to the church, OSLC WELCA, 505 S. Wind St., Flandreau, SD 57028. If writing out a check, please make it out to "OSLC WELCA" also please write in the memo area on the check NO BAKE BAKE SALE. Thank you for your donation!

HAPPY BAPTISM BIRTHDAY! On the 3rd Sunday of each month, we will celebrate baptism anniversaries for children up 8th grade. The anniversary of your baptism - or Baptism Birthday - is important. It marks the day you became part of God's family, just as your birthday is the day you became part of your family. Each year on your birthday, you celebrate how you have grown. So during the month of your Baptism Birthday, we are going to celebrate how you have grown in your faith!

September Baptism Birthdays: Tate Hammer, Nora Ramsdell, Carleigh Schrencegost, Madison Bennett, Ian Haugen, Anderson Weber, Otis Ramsdell-Unger, Tyce Flute, Felix Ramsdell-Unger, Lane Peters and Lydia Erickson!

YOUTH GROUP BREAKFAST: September 24, 2023 is the first Youth Group Breakfast of the season. They are serving Biscuits & Gravy, Fruit, and Eggs. A free will offering to support our Youth Group is appreciated.

YOUTH GROUP DATE CHANGE: YG will not be held on Sept 20th due to homecoming. YG will be on Sept. 27th to prep for JAM that will kick off the next week Wed. Oct. 4th.

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.

LOSD ADULT TRAVEL Christmas in Branson, November 13-17, 2023. Get a head start on the Christmas season with this five-day trip to Branson! Enjoy entertaining shows: the showboat Branson Belle dinner cruise, the Dutton family Christmas show, Dublin's Irish tenors and Celtic ladies Christmas show, New Jersey nights Christmas show, illusionist Rick Thomas, everyone's favorite Daniel O'Donnell, and the Haygoods Christmas show. If you're interested in Christmas in Branson, contact Lutheran Outdoors by September 15, 605-274-5326.

COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE

You may notice that the scripture reading sounds a bit different. This is because we have changed the Bible translation used in worship from the NRSV (New Revised Standard Version) to the CEB (Common English Bible). This change was approved after consultation with the Education Committee, the Worship Committee and the Church Council. Pastor Ramona has used this translation in previous congregations and the change from NRSV, which is an 11th grade reading level, to CEB, which is a 7th grade reading level, has resulted in better understanding of the scriptures when read in worship (7th grade reading level is more consistent with spoken English).

The CEB is the work of scholars from over 24 different denominations.

From their web page:

A key goal of the translation team is to make the Bible accessible to a broad range of people; it's written at a comfortable level for over half of all English readers. As the translators do their work, reading specialists working with seventy-seven reading groups from more than a dozen denominations review the texts to ensure a smooth and natural reading experience. Easy readability can enhance church worship and participation, and personal Bible study. It also encourages children and youth to discover the Bible for themselves, perhaps for the very first time.

If you have any questions or concerns about this change, please contact Pastor Ramona.

CHUCKLES:

A Sunday school teacher was teaching her first-grade class. "Class," she said, "what were the first words Jesus said when he walked out of the tomb on Easter morning?"

A little girl waved her hand excitedly. "Ooh! Ooh! I know!" she said. "Pick me! Pick me!"

The teach smiled and said, "All right, Susie. What did Jesus say when he walked out of the tomb?"

Susie stood up proudly. "He said, 'TAH-DAH!"

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS: Sep 17th- Sep 24th 2023

Sunday 17

Worship w/ Communion

=>Coffee and Fellowship to Follow

Sunday School 10:15

9th Grade Affirmation of Baptism prep 10:15

Monday 18

Office Open

Tuesday 19

Quilt Tying

Wednesday 20

Office Open

Pastor Ramona Office Hours 9:00-12:00

Pre-Confirmation Class 3:30

Confirmation Class 5:30

Thursday 21

Pastor Ramona @ JJs 9:00-12:00

Friday 22 Saturday 23

Sunday 24 Worship

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THANK YOU:

Greeters: Dale & Carolyn Johnson

John & Christine Cox

Pianist: Nancy Carlsrud
Song Leader: Jen Headrick
Reader: Randy Tollefson
Coffee: Connie Hove

Sound board: Leighton Blum & Erin Walstead

Communion: Randy Tollefson, Titus Tollefson and Dale Johnson

Last Week's Worship In-Person Attendance: 114

MORTGAGE BALANCE: As of 8/21/2023, the mortgage balance was

\$9,898.97.

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

September: Salt & Pepper and various condiments.

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.