



Our Savior

Lutheran Church & School

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3 Generations of Atristry: Lance, Lauren & Janet



An impressive display by Jeremy

2011 Art Fair

This year's **Art Fair** was a huge success as twenty artists, members of our congregation and other former students of Our Savior Lutheran School, displayed their art along side the creations of our students.

Guest artists included this year's artist in residence, Mr. Ray Frigard, as well as Janet Frigard, Heidi Gesch, Lori Kroll, Dana Oelfke, Lance Frigard, Karla Frigard, Matt Thalmann, Sara Rosamond, Lisel Stempel, Pamela Illies, Karen Conkey, Laura Higgins, Chloe Payne, Pastor Zahрте, Jennifer Swift, Jasper Swift, Mavis Boyd, Gregg Hove, and Kim Schmidt. Special guest art judges included Ray and Janet Frigard, Heidi Gesch, Karen Conkey, Lori Kroll, Pamela Illies, Jennifer Swift, and Bob Bergan.

Thank you to everyone who participated!



Evan combined art with a special hobby

WELCOME TO OUR ART FAIR

God's Vision: "To seek and to save the lost." (Luke 19:10)

Our Mission: "To be a welcoming, equipping, and sharing family of Christ."

Our Core Values: Growth Relationships Outreach Worship Service (GROWS)

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PASTOR'S PAGE

Q&A on “Ignite” and the MN South District Prescriptions

There are still some questions among Our Savior members over the book “Ignite” and the prescriptions that were recommended by the MN South District of our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. My hope is that the answers below will help clarify some of these issues.

Your partner in growing Christ's kingdom on earth,
—Pastor Z.

—Q & A—

#1. Are the “Ignite” book and prescriptions recommended by the MN South District one and the same?

No. “Ignite” is just a book filled with some really good ideas on how to get those of us sitting in the pews on Sunday morning to invite our unchurched friends or neighbors to show up for worship. The book also provides excellent ideas on how to follow up on those people when they do visit so that they don't get lost or “slip through the cracks.” The prescriptions are a completely different “entity” and are totally separate from the book. The prescriptions were provided by an independent team from the MN South District of our Synod. They recommended that we (staff, lay leaders, and congregation) implement these prescriptions so as to become even more focused (or maybe re-focused) on the mission of Jesus Christ. What's so amazing is how these two (very different!) items melded together so beautifully. Clearly, the hand of God at work!

#2. What are Big Days?

Big Days are opportunities for you, as a member of Our Savior, to invite your unchurched friends or neighbors to worship. Big Days will always be the start of a sermon series that will hopefully be interesting to someone who is unchurched and, with follow-up on our end, will entice them to come back and hear even more about the God who loves them in Jesus. Various Sundays throughout the year will be earmarked as opportunities to invite those whom you know are unchurched. Big Days do not require a huge time commitment. In the course of any given day, you simply invite your unchurched friends and neighbors to come to church.

#3. My unchurched friends/neighbors may want to worship at a different time or style of worship than I do. Is that okay? Do they need to attend church with me on the Big Day?

No. While it would be nice for them to attend church with you, it is not necessary. The goal is to invite them to come to a worship service where they can hear God's Word proclaimed and where God's Spirit can work within their heart. Also, if you invite someone but they do not attend worship on the Big Day, that's okay. It may take several invitations to several Big Days before they actually show up. So, don't give up on them!

#4. When and how often do Big Days happen?

The plan is to have FOUR Big Days each year. There will be a Big Day in the fall (early October), one at Christmas, one early spring (maybe early February) and then one on Easter Sunday.

#5. Did the Synod or District recommend that we use “Ignite”?

No. Actually, I read the book and then passed it on to various staff, the Board of Directors and the elders several months before the MN South District team came to do the assessment of our church.

#6. “Ignite” is a book written by a Baptist pastor. Why are we using that book?

The book “Ignite” provides a number of great ideas (or “tools”) that any church can use to reach the lost, regardless of its denominational background. Just as we did with the “40 Days of Purpose” campaign back in 2004 (a Baptist-based program), we are adopting some ideas from “Ignite” while adapting others to fit within our Lutheran doctrine. We are merely using the tools offered in the book, nothing more.

#7. How much will “Ignite”/prescriptions cost?

The cost of the prescriptions, the Ignite books and items surrounding Big Days are nominal—especially when you look at our \$1.5 million dollar plus budget. Beyond that, we have members who have richly blessed us with skills and materials in a way that these ideas are not only affordable but a present reality. Maybe the question we should really be asking is: how much is a soul worth? Everyone's soul was worth the life of God's one and only Son! God has blessed us with our financial resources (and continues to bless us!) and we are being very careful stewards as we implement and carry out both the prescriptions and the ideas presented in the book “Ignite.”

STATE OF THE CHURCH

Board of Directors Report

Welcome to another installment of the Board of Directors monthly column, a place to find updates on how the leadership of the Church and School are working to fulfill our **Vision, Mission and Core Values.**

I love spring in Minnesota. As we watch the earth come back to life, I am reminded of Easter and the death of Jesus and how He came back to life to save each one of us from our sin and the death we deserve. As you read this, I am confident that God will have blessed our community Easter Egg Hunt,



and our first "Big Day" at Our Savior. **My thanks to each of you that volunteered your time, talents, and resources to make it a great Easter weekend.**

For the rest of my article, I want to give you an update

on the District recommended prescriptions, and the upcoming Congregational Meeting.

District Prescriptions

Thanks to each of you who were able to cast your vote on March 27 regarding the District recommended prescriptions. A total of 80 votes were cast, and the measure passed with 78 votes in favor of adopting the prescriptions. A Prescription Accountability Team was also elected and includes Dave Gesko (Board of Elders), Kelly Machemehl (prior elected officer), and myself (Board of Directors). The team recently met to coordinate and kickoff our efforts to oversee the successful implementation of the prescriptions. We will be reporting out to you on a regular basis. Plan to attend the June congregational meeting if you want to hear more or have any questions.

Congregational Meeting

While we haven't finalized a date, there will be a Congregational Meeting in June. In addition to the Prescription Accountability Team report, we will be voting on a new budget, and electing new members to our various boards. I would strongly encourage you to attend this important meeting. Also, if you have a desire to serve on any of our Boards, we would love to talk with you! See the contact information on page 10 of this newsletter if you want more information.

See you in church!
Yours in Christ, *Dave Fine*



Easter Offerings

During the Easter season, it is encouraging to see both new and familiar faces at worship.

Throughout the year, many of you already support the congregation with your time, talent and financial contributions. We encourage you to look into the convenience of our electronic giving program, which makes giving easy for you and provides much-needed consistency for the church. Please contact the Church Office for details, 952-474-5181.

—Stewardship Team



Altar Guild/Trustees Announce:

Something new is on it's way. Our current communion kneeling pads are worn out and need replacing. The Altar Guild is working with the Board of Trustees to have raised kneeling pads designed for the communion rail. These new kneeling pads will make it more comfortable for kneeling and easier to get up from the rail during communion.

Nursery Staff Position Opening

At Our Savior Lutheran Church, we have an open staff position in the Church Nursery, beginning on May 22. We are seeking a caring individual to serve Sunday as the Nursery Director during the 11:00am worship service.

Applicants for this paid position must be 18 or older and pass a background check. Experience with children required, daycare background a plus.

Please contact Pastor Zahrte (952-474-5181) if you have questions or want to apply!

We give thanks for Angela Cordie's faithful service as the 11am Church Nursery Director this past year!

Express Your Gifts of Service

Use your gifts and abilities to serve during worship! Maybe you have a talent to be shared in these areas:

Greeter Coordinator (9:30am)—someone to arrange our greeters on a schedule, through monthly contact (phone or e-mail).

Videographer (11am)—Do you enjoy technology and want to help record our worship service for cable viewers? All training provided!

Contact the Church Office to express your interest in either opportunity (952-474-5181).

OUTREACH & DISCIPLESHIP

—Jerry Rosamond, Minister of Christian Discipleship

“Bring Someone With You”

This is the name of a new Bible study offered on Sunday mornings beginning May 1 and continuing for six weeks. It's a series that will help us as Christians more effectively share our faith. Come and grow with us. Just show up.

Location: Fireside Room

Leader: Jerry Rosamond

Servant Evangelism

Or some call it, *Kindness Evangelism!* We will have completed our first Servant Evangelism event on Saturday, April 16 at the Excelsior Nursing Home (Golden Living Center). We are getting our feet wet before we open it up to everyone. We purchased flowering plants and pots from Bachmann's (they give 15% discount for churches). We will be giving these to the residents and workers/staff at the nursing home. Along with the plants, we will give to the residents and workers the Easter service invite cards and Easter cards that some of the children from OSLS colored and signed.

We plan to do Servant Evangelism events on the third Saturday of each month.

- ★ On **May 21** we will be serving at Cub Foods in Minnetonka (Hwy 7 & 101). We will deliver groceries to residents in the area who are on fixed incomes and who cannot get to the store; they call ahead and Cub will have the groceries ready to deliver. We will also wash car windshields and return carts to the cart rack for shoppers.
- ★ **June 9-11** is our church Garage Sale, so we plan to do something such as a car wash Saturday, June 11, and clean windshields the other days.
- ★ In July, we plan to go to the park when they have music concerts. So, on **Thursday, July 21** we will go to Excelsior Commons Park to hand out free pop, water and *Lifesavers* candies to people who are gathered.
- ★ On **August 20**, we will either go to dog parks and sports games in the area and give away free bottles of water and pop.

Why would we do these servant or kindness events?
Answer: to show the love of Jesus with no strings

attached. We will also give away little cards to those who accept our gifts. The cards have church information and a map on one side of the business sized card. We will also be ready to share our faith and have gospel tracts available to share as well.



God has called all of us as Christians to sow seeds of the Gospel in our daily lives wherever we may be.

John 4:36-37 *“Even now the reaper drawn his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. Thus the saying ‘One sows*

and another reaps’ is true.” To sow Gospel seeds we need to love people, as Jesus does, and desire that they come to know and trust in Jesus. We need the Holy Spirit to give us this love and desire for the lost. If you've never asked the Holy Spirit to fill you, pause right now and ask Him. He loves to fill us! Pray everyday for a fresh filling of his Spirit.

In witnessing, we can start with a question to get people thinking: Do you go to church? Are *you* going to heaven? Do you know for sure? Then we can tell them that we are sure because Jesus died and came back to life. We can give them a Gospel card. I have been using these great little Gospel cards for a few months now. They are attractive, simple and clearly explain the law and Gospel. You can order these tracts for free at www.bezeugenttractclub.org. They will send a supply of tracts every month for **free**. Ask me and I can even give you some (see phone # below).

Prayer Gatherings

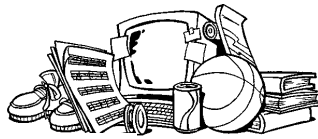
May 10 and 24 are our next prayer meetings at church. We meet in the Youth Room at 6:30pm to pray through the Connection Card prayer requests and offer many other prayers. Prayer is powerful!!!

Do you need prayer? Give me a call and we will set up a time to pray! We believe God releases His power through prayer for healing, through deliverance or for any need! Praise God!

—Jerry Rosamond (952-474-5181 x23)

From the Desk of Shawn

Have you ever had a point in your life that you look back on and say, "Wow. I learned a lot there!" This past year has been exactly that for me.



Ministry for me has constantly been an evolving thing that I would like to say was always focused on God. But admittedly I have been caught up in the events and programs of it and not fully seeking His will and direction. That is until this past year.

I remember last summer thinking, "What can we do in our youth ministry to REALLY follow Christ's plan and direction?" The idea came to me that the problem with us as Christians, especially those who were born into the faith, is that we are more "doers" of the faith than "livers" of the faith.

Too often we talk about what we are doing at our church in our youth group and outside in our daily lives, but we often forget that God has called us to live for Him. We know Jesus died for us, but how does that really change how we live for Him?

Now I am not saying we shouldn't be complacent and just sit and wait for God to do it. James does tell us that we need to be doers as well, but only as a response to Christ. Look at it as a blessing not a "have to." God does **live** in us and if we are seeking to serve Him and Him alone, He can do more in us than we ever imagined possible. We are fearfully and wonderfully created to **live** and to **do** (in that order) His wonderful Gospel message. Be encouraged in your faith that God has already DONE it all for us, now **live** for Him. What an awesome God we have!

Keep on Servin' Him, and LIVE *The Cause!*

—Peace, Shawn

Youth Events Calendar

Sunday, May 22: We will be doing a Junior/Senior High Paintball outing again! This date is tentative, but for now mark your calendars for this event. Location to come! (*Romans 12:21*)

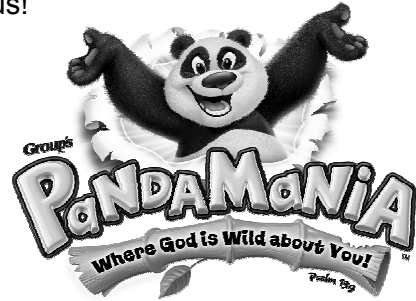
Wednesday, June 22: Junior Youth Beach Day. We will be meeting at church at 1:00pm and heading to Mound beach for the afternoon. Plan for it! (*Psalms 51:10-12*)



For dates further out, check www.oslcs.org "Children/Youth" then "Youth events and activities"

Summer Vacation Bible School

PandaMania Vacation Bible School will be held at Our Savior on **July 11-15 from 8:30-11:30am**. We are going to have a wild time learning about God's love for us!



PandaMania Vacation Bible School registration is up and running! You can register online at <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/oslcvbs/> or at "Panda Central" in the Fellowship Hall. If you register now, each family gets a Perfect Panda Pack and a chance to win one of 15 official PandaMania CDs! For more information, check out the VBS tab under "Children/Youth" on the OSLCS website (www.oslcs.org) or visit "Panda Central" in the Fellowship Hall.

Thanks & Celebration!

This year of Sunday School has been amazing. **Thank you** to all of the teachers, volunteers, parents, and everyone else who made Sunday School a possibility.

To celebrate the wonderful year of learning and just to have a good time, our **May Family Fun Event will be held on Sunday, May 22 from 1:30-3:00pm** at Freeman Park in Shorewood.

We will have balls, bubbles, and other fun stuff to play with and to hang out together as families. Bring your kids and some sunscreen. Come for the entire event, or even part of the time, and have some good conversation as the kids have fun playing and running around on the playground together! Families outside of OSLC Sunday School are invited and encouraged to come as well!

Questions about VBS or Family Ministry Events?

Contact Jenessa Petersen, Children's & Family Ministry Leader at jenessa.petersen@oslcs.org, or call 952-474-5181.

SCHOOL

—Fred Limmel, School Administrator

Students of the Month

Each month the teachers of OSLS recognize the special talents and contributions of one student in their classroom. By the end of the year every student has been recognized and presented with a certificate. This month's recipients include: Ben, Delanie, Maya, Nicholas, Nathan, Emily, Nicole, Paris, and Morgan.



"Yeah God!" Moments at OSLS

- Ginger Palm, President of the *Kenya Children's Fund* sent a lovely note to Our Savior Lutheran Church and School thanking us for our gift of \$315 given for Easter Care Baskets. In fact, Kinyago-Dandori School social worker, Catherine, reports "that many parents were in tears as they left the school with the baskets." (The baskets held much needed food that the families could use to feed the children during Easter vacation, as they normally receive meals at school).
- Congratulations to the **Spelling Bee Team**: Lainden Johnson, Madison Caulfield, Anna Dressel, Nicole Niebuhr, Samantha Frigard, Delanie Skaja, and Kai Tang.
- **Dad-n-Me Day** in Preschool—What a blast to have all the dads here!



"Securing each child's future for a life of service."
(1 Corinthians 12:5)

Did You Know?

- Our extended care program is a before and after school program for students, kindergarten and above. Students do NOT need to be students at our school; nor do they need to be members of our church.
- Members of OSLS receive a discount when they enroll their children in our extended care program. Ask us about it soon (952-474-5181).
- Extended Care is still accepting enrollments for summer day camp options. Go to our website for more information, www.oslcs.org and click on "**Camp Genesis**."



Our Savior Garage Sale, June 8-11

Preparations are once again underway and your help is needed with donations and service to make this garage sale a success. As you are doing your spring cleaning, set aside clothing, sporting equipment, toys, books, and other items. This sale is not only a great way to recycle unwanted items and raise money for our church and school, but it is a great way to share Jesus with shoppers.





Watch for more Garage Sale information and volunteer opportunities for all church and school members in the weekly worship bulletins.

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This calendar is constantly being updated! Check out the latest one and future calendars at www.oslcs.org. Click *Church*, then *News & Calendar*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Last Day of LWML Plant Cert. Sale Worship 8:00am Blended 9:00am Fellowship Time 9:30am Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30am Traditional 11:00am Contemporary 8:00am-1:00pm Youth Omelet Breakfast 2:00pm GriefShare 5:00 DivorceCare	2 6:00pm Women's Bible Study at Perkins 7:00pm TV Ministry Broadcast Ch. 12	3 6:15pm Praise Team	4 6:30pm Sr. High Hang Time 6:30pm Last Day of Basic Training for Gr. 6 & 7 6:30pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Mixed Choir 7:30pm Men's Choir	5 7:45am Moms in Touch 9:00am Preschool Mother's Tea 1:30pm Bible Study 6:30pm Board of Elders 6:30pm LWML Banquet "Looney Lutherans"	6 6:15am Men's Bible Study at Perkins Grades 5-8 Track Meet at Mayer Lutheran High 9:15am MOPS Meeting	7 8:00am Men's Bible Study at Egg-Cetra Café, Waconia
8 <i>Mother's Day</i> Worship w/ Communion 8:00am Blended 9:00am Fellowship Time 9:30am Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30am Traditional 11:00am Contemporary	9 6:00pm Women's Bible Study at Perkins 6:30pm Board of Education 7:00pm TV Ministry Broadcast Ch. 12	10 6:15pm Praise Team 6:30pm Prayer Meeting NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	11 6:00pm 8th Grade Conf. Exam 6:30pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Mixed Choir 7:30pm Men's Choir	12 7:45am Moms in Touch 9:00am Quilters Circle 6:00pm Board of Stewardship	13 6:15am Men's Bible Study at Perkins 8:00-2:00pm School Play Day, Freeman Park	14 8:00am Men's Bible Study at Egg-Cetra Café, Waconia
Meals on Wheels						
15 Worship 8:00am Blended 9:00am Fellowship Time 9:30am Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30am Traditional 11:00am Contemporary 2:00pm GriefShare 5:00pm DivorceCare	16 6:00pm Women's Bible Study at Perkins 7:00pm TV Ministry Broadcast Ch. 12	17 1:00pm 55 & Over Potluck at 110340 Geske Rd, Chaska 6:15pm Praise Team 6:30pm All Board Chair Meeting 7:00pm Board of Directors 7:00pm Pre-School Graduation & Spring Program	18 6:30pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Mixed Choir 7:30pm Men's Choir	19 7:45am Moms in Touch 1:30pm Bible Study 6:30pm Trustees Meeting 6:30pm Quilters	20 6:15am Men's Bible Study at Perkins 9:15am MOPS Meeting	21 8:00am Men's Bible Study at Egg-Cetra Café, Waconia Cub Foods Kindness Evangelism
22 Worship 8:00am Blended—Choral Service 9:00am Fellowship Time 9:30am <i>Last Day</i> of Sunday School/Bible Study 9:30am Traditional—Choral Service 11:00am Contemporary 12:30pm Jr. High Paintball 1:30-3:00pm Family Play Day at Freeman Park 2:00pm GriefShare	23 6:00pm Women's Bible Study at Perkins 7:00pm TV Ministry Broadcast Ch. 12	24 6:15pm Praise Team 6:30pm Prayer Meeting 	25	26 7:45am Moms in Touch 9:00am Quilters Circle Last Day of Class for Preschool	27 6:15am Men's Bible Study at Perkins Preschool fieldtrip to Gale Woods Farm	28
29 Worship w/ Communion 8:00am Blended 9:00am Fellowship Time 9:30am Traditional 11:00am Contemporary 2:00pm GriefShare	30 7:00pm TV Ministry Broadcast Ch. 12 7:30pm AA Meeting  Church & School Closed	31 6:15pm Praise Team 7:00pm Kemp's Taste Test	1 June	2 7:45am Moms in Touch 7:00pm 8th Grade Graduation 	3 6:15am Men's Bible Study at Perkins <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> 11:00am School Early Release LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Happy Summer ☺ </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> Get ready for Our Savior Garage Sale! June 8-11 </div>

May Worship Assistants

8:00am	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22	May 29-Mem. Wknd
Elder	Mark Fauske	Roger Niccum	Paul Oehme	Josh Wolberg	Roger Niccum
Scripture Reader	Linda Machemehl	Dena Kuenzel	Marlene Doheny	Mickey Bloom	Neil Pursley
Greeter	<i>As scheduled, see weekly worship bulletins for listing.</i>				
Usher Team	Team #3	Team #4	Team #5	Team #1	Team #2
Prayer Minister	Sandy Blumenschein	Shannon Studenski	Marlene Doheny	Lorraine Johnson	Sandy Blumenschein
Acolyte	Aliese Scherer				
Chancel Care	Donna Berbee & Mickey Bloom				
Trustee (weekend)	Brian Krause	Steve Schmidt	Jim Machemehl	Tim Studenski	Brian Grandstrand
Serve Coffee (9am)	Youth Ministry	Stewardship	Choir	MOPS	Trustees
Flowers	Easter Lilies	See Flower Chart on "Worship" Bulletin Board for updates.			

9:30am	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22	May 29-Mem. Wknd
Greeter	<i>To be determined. Volunteer by calling the Church Office at 952-474-5181.</i>				
Usher Team	Team #2	Team #3	Team #1	Team #2	Team #3
Prayer Minister	Lorraine Johnson	Shannon Studenski	Kathey Soboleski	Ginny Grobe	Lorraine Johnson
Projector Oper.	Hale Family		Hale Family		
Bus Driver	<i>As scheduled, see weekly worship bulletins for listing.</i>				

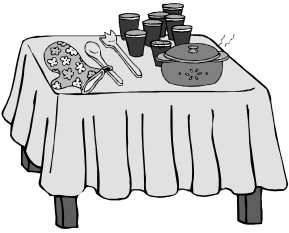
11:00am	May 1	May 8	May 15	May 22	May 29-Mem. Wknd
Scripture Reader	Stacy Urban	Laura Tomes	Dotti Schrupp	Julie Janke	Deb Niebuhr
Greeter	Joyce Oelfke	Dotti Schrupp	Linda Niemeyer	Deb Niebuhr	Kathy Rosamond
Usher Team	Team #2	Team #3	Team #4	Team #1	Team #2
Prayer Minister	Linda Niemeyer	L. Beise	Lori Kroll	Marlene Doheny	Lorraine Johnson
Acolyte	Kelsey Dockry				

BIRTHDAYS

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| 1. Linda Martin, Robert Hoernemann, Erica Sandberg | 13. Barthel, Karla Frigard, Matthew Hilgers | 24. Nancy Johnson |
| 2. Autumn Johnson, Melissa Drill | 14. Harold Koehler, Linda Bergan, Tyler Angelson | 25. Brandon Rehnelt, Jordan Meyer, Lauren McDonald |
| 3. Tyler Marshall, Brenda Hayes, Kathy Rosamond, Hannah Zahrte | 15. John Scharmman, Wayne Oelfke, Kimberly Dockry, Jennifer Swift, Kristin Renner | 26. Connor Regnier, Evelyn Svoboda, Joyce Pettit, Jane Koivula Schadow, Anthony Clapp, Valerie Winters |
| 4. Jeremy Swift | 16. Lois Renner | 27. Julia Lucas, Daren Smith, Laura Tongen |
| 5. Brayden Keehl | 17. Melena Gasper | 28. Sean Studenski, Janet Renner, Rick Klinger |
| 6. Velma Day, Kyle Hoekstra | 18. Christine Hasse, Judy Winters, Jill Engelmann | 29. Caleb Regnier, Seth Aurich, Bernard Benz Sr., Joel Renner, Guangtian Zhang, Kelsey Hayes, Jonathan Kuhlmann, Zoe Martin, Cheyenne Johnson |
| 7. Hannah Drill | 19. Brittany Machemehl | 30. Dennis Wolter, Briana Sennes |
| 8. Ryder Martin, Gary Schrupp | 20. Bennett Tomes, Brian Grandstrand, Faith Asplin, Grace Asplin | 31. Miles Bortness, Trina Volbrecht |
| 9. Carolyn Fasching, Nathan Hoaglund | 21. Timothy Studenski | |
| 10. Sandra Walters | 22. Lindsey Hudson | |
| 11. Sarah Thomas, Derek Hanus, Jennifer Beadling | | |
| 12. John Schedler, Douglas Plocek, Karen | | |

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

55 Years & Over



Attention 55 & Over Friends: All sisters and brothers are invited to a potluck luncheon on **Wednesday, May 17 at 1:00pm**. Bring a dish to pass, and gather at the Wayberry Apartment Complex Social Room at 110340 Geske Road,

Chaska. For directions or if you have questions, contact Deloris Miller 952-448-6637.

Time is running out to purchase your tickets!

"Looney Lutherans"
Thursday, May 5, 6:30pm
Our Savior Fellowship Hall



The evening includes traditional Lutheran hotdishes, *J-el-lo* salads, and bars, served prior to the show. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for children (ages 10-18 years), and \$15 at the door for all ages. (Men are welcome at no extra charge!) Tickets are available Sundays between services or by contacting Dena Kuenzel at 952-470-0219 or dena582@msn.com.



LWM Annual "Plant Sale"

May 1 is the **LAST DAY** to purchase "\$10 Bills" to spend at **Tonkadale in Minnetonka.**

Bills may be used to purchase garden and indoor plants, garden décor and supplies, plus any of their fun gift items for the gardener in your life (including you).

Tonkadale will donate 30% of your purchase to our LWM mission grants! Bills are available between church services.

Thank you for your support!

40 Bags in 40 Days!

In honor of the local food shelf ICA's 40th Anniversary of serving the community, help us **fill 40 bags in 40 days** beginning Good Friday, through May 31. Grocery bags will be sitting by each entrance and in the Fellowship Hall to collect your non-perishable food and personal care items. Cash donations will also accepted in *The Church Box*. (\$10=a bag).



MOPS are Mission-minded

The Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) recently sewed 25 darling little sundresses from printed pillowcases which are now on their way with a collection of shoes and clothes to Haiti. Pastor Nowak of Prior Lake will deliver them to girls in an orphanage this week. It was a fun and rewarding project which our busy moms took to eagerly. We are helping other groups in the church complete inspiring scrapbook-style bookmarks with scripture for children in the slums of Nairobi.



Contact Lindsey Hudson (952-378-3742) if you are interested in being part of a supportive and fun group of women who gather twice monthly for inspiring speakers, projects, and companionship. We are registering moms and tots now for the fall. Moms need the support and encouragement of other moms to be the best possible mothers for the children God gave us. Church members and nonmembers are all welcome! Childcare, faith, friendship, and food will be provided at every meeting! No mom alone!

Our Savior Youth Fundraiser

Sunday, May 1
8:00am-1:00pm
OSLCS Community Center

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Omelets made to order, warm cinnamon rolls fresh fruit, sausage, and hash browns to complete your breakfast experience.

Proceeds go toward Our Savior Youth Ministry service and youth events

Tickets: \$8.00 adults
\$7.00, 55 & older
\$3.50 age 4-10
Children 3 & under free

Thank you for your continued support of Our Savior Youth Ministry (OSYM)

MISSION NEWS



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www.globaleyemission.org
Or visit Our Savior website:
www.oslcs.org

Important Information

Sunday Worship—8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am
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Shawn Hecksel, Youth Ministries x13
Tricia Falk, Worship Secretary x42

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Publication Deadlines

Bulletin Articles—Articles and information for the bulletin are due on the **Wednesday 1½ weeks prior to the desired publication date.** By keeping this deadline we hope to provide a well laid out bulletin filled with up-to-date and accurate information.

Newsletter Articles—Newsletter articles and worship assistant schedules are due the **10th of each month.** During special holiday months articles must be received by the 5th of the month (Easter, Nov. Dec.).

All Bulletin and Newsletter Publication Notices may be submitted by email to: tricia.falk@oslcs.org, by phone at 952-474-5181 x42, or as a hard copy to Tricia's "IN" box.



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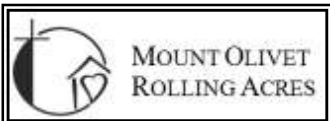


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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED.



≡ Spotlight on Outreach—May ≡



- **Special Olympics**—help with athletics practices or/and area competitions. Sponsor a MORA resident 's participation in Special Olympics.
- **Properties clean-up**—dates/times are flexible but one week advanced notice is needed



Contact Nancy Hagmann at 612-418-0400



- **Spring cleaning time!** Arrange a time for your own group on a weekend.
- **Provide and serve a cold or hot meal** to youth attending "Going Deeper" support group on Thursdays, May 5, 12, or 26 at 6:30pm.
- **Donate \$10 gift cards** for Starbucks or Caribou Coffee for 1-on-1 mentoring session with youth.
- **Mentors needed** to build relationships with individual teens.
- **Help** with Thursday's "Going Deeper" Group Meetings every week or once or twice a month.
- **Teach a craft or skill** at Girls' Summer Bible Study days this summer
- **Donate** a canoe, adult life jackets, paddles.



Contact Cynthia Tonn at 952-934-3238

For more information about these ministries, please see your **REACH MINISTRIES** booklet.



Starting next month, look for opportunities to help with GILC, MORA & TreeHouse on the Outreach page of your monthly newsletter!

✝ "Serve one another with whatever gift each of you have received." 1 Peter 4:10