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REACH MINISTRIES

Reaching **OUT** and Reaching **IN**
With the Love of Jesus Christ



Our Savior Lutheran Church & School
Ministry Volunteer Opportunities
2010-2011



Reach IN—Reach OUT!

Our love for Jesus Christ compels action on your part. It is not enough to simply love, but rather your actions should reflect your changed love and gratitude for all He has done for you. We want to share that love with others—and this booklet provides you with a variety of many excellent opportunities for doing just that!

We'd like you to prayerfully consider these very important issues—

- What God-given talents do **YOU** have to share with others?
- Where can **YOU** make a difference?

Spend some dedicated time with this booklet, focused on these two questions. You'll find needs right here at Our Savior as well as needs that we support within our communities for individuals, couples, and families of all ages, skills, and talents...needs that are aligned with our vision for sharing Christ's love. Some of these outreach ministries were originally identified with our Spotlight on Outreach (SOO) focus during the last two years, and we'd like to build upon what we've begun with each of them.

Specific opportunities for getting involved will be detailed in the our monthly newsletter and weekly church bulletins throughout the year. This means that if you find that you have more time at different times of the year, you can focus there. Or, if you know that you have specific talents or areas that you'd like to focus on (i.e., music)--you can look for those within this booklet. Most importantly, stretch yourself to do things that you maybe haven't tried before...your rewards will be great!

Christ's love clears out the bitterness, the brokenness, the need. That's what He did when He healed the blind, the lame, the sick, the possessed. He didn't care if they were Jew, Gentile, or Samaritan. He reached out in love because of their need. It is this love that really is what "reaching in" and "reaching out" is all about. And that's what we hope you will do.

***For we are God's workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God has prepared
in advance for us to do.***

Ephesians 2:10

NOTES

(Ideas from this booklet that I need to check out)

WOMEN'S PRISON MINISTRY

A 7-week Bible study is led four times a year during which we share the love of Jesus with the women, hoping to bring them to saving faith and a personal relationship with the Lord. We share our personal testimonies with them and teach them about the plan the Lord has for their lives, to give them hope and encouragement during their incarceration and the power to allow Him to lead them in their walk with Him after they leave the prison.

To become a volunteer, you are required to go through training at the Shakopee Women's Prison to be certified and be recertified each year after that.

CONTACT: *Marlene Doheny, 952-474-5026*

YOUTH MINISTRY



Our Savior Youth Ministry (OSYM) is first and foremost focused on providing a place for youth to be involved in learning about the love of Jesus Christ. Through Sunday school, they learn the building blocks of what it means to be a follower of Christ. Once the youth reach senior high, we take that a step further and challenge them to make their relationship with Jesus personal. Whether we are going out on an activity such as paintball and family days or hanging out in the youth room on Wednesday nights for hang time, we always make sure that the message of Christ is being shared.

We need mentors, drivers, chaperones, teachers and helpers. If you have a heart for young believers at any or all ages, we can find just the right spot for you!

CONTACT: *Shawn Hecksel, 952-474-5181 x13, shawn.hecksel@oslcs.org*



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ALTAR / CHANCEL CARE

Join this dedicated team of women who care for our chancel. Help is needed in these areas:

Caring for the chancel (altar) linens, vestments, furniture and banners; preparing and cleaning up following Holy Communion. *CONTACT: Sandra Clapp, 952-474-6278*

Ordering and caring for altar flowers weekly and special arrangements for seasonal needs. *CONTACT: Myrtle Klemp, 952-448-3980*

ALPHACITICORPS

—Doing Life Together



AlphaCitiCorps is a faith-based organization that comes alongside men in the recovery process and seeks to assist in their transformation by providing housing, employment, and service opportunities.

To provide a revenue stream for their ministry, AlphaCitiCorps created ACCBOLD!, an eCommerce business selling books, CDs and DVDs through Amazon.com. This enables them to provide full-time employment for a growing number of men in transition, training them in computer skills, management, warehousing and customer service.

Book collection drives will be held periodically throughout the year at OSLCS and announced in our bulletin and newsletter. Please do not leave book donations at the church other than during the specified collection dates. If you'd like to make a donation in between those drives, you may do so by calling Steve Erickson, Executive Director, at 952-239-9131.

AlphaCitiCorps
Email: alphaciticorps@gmail.com
www.alphaciticorps.com

“A Spotlight on Outreach Ministry”

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIANS

PowerPoint Slide Operator, Sound Board, Videographer

This group of servants helps run the audio/visual portion for our Sunday morning worship services. Training is provided. They serve on a monthly and rotating basis for both the 9:30am and 11am services each Sunday through the year.

CONTACT: Pastor Zahrte, 952-474-5181 x11, pastor.zahrte@oslcs.org

TREEHOUSE



—Bringing hope to hurting youth and families leading to life transformation.

TreeHouse is a faith based, non-profit organization offering hope and guidance to hurting teens, alumni, and parents during difficult times. Participants see TreeHouse as a safe place to be real about the pain in their lives that is causing them to think and act out in destructive ways. TreeHouse is a place to have fun, meet friends, discover faith, overcome that pain, serve others, and be empowered by staff to succeed.

We see “these kids” everywhere today...in our malls, in our neighborhoods, in our church, and sometimes in our own homes. Most of us have been blessed with resources to help us through these difficult but rewarding times, but what about those who haven't? It is our desire to assist TreeHouse as they strive to help hurting teens and their families. Opportunities to help include:

- *Becoming a support group mentor*
- *Administrative/office help*
- *Hosting a meal*
- *Providing snacks for weekly support groups*
- *Event help*
- *Landscaping/grounds cleanup*
- *Home improvement/painting*
- *Teaching a hobby, craft, skill*
- *Adopting a room*
- *Hosting an outing*
- *Holding a fundraiser*
- *House of Hope Host (share the TreeHouse story)*
- *Donating items*
- *Financial Assistance*

TreeHouse—Chaska/Chanassen
3740 N Chestnut St. (Hwy. 41)
Chaska, MN 55318
952-368-2813
www.treehouseyouth.org

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SOO CONTACT: Wendy Masset, 952-368-7106

USHERS

Volunteers are needed to serve at one of the three worship services to hand out bulletins, collect offerings, and a brief clean-up after worship. A person volunteers for the worship of their choice and usually serves every month or so. Ages senior high and up, both genders, good opportunity for families. Training is provided.

CONTACT: Gregg Hove, 952-448-7225, or Dan Conkey, 952-443-2649

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Opportunities exist for individuals who would be willing to organize and expand this ministry within OSLC whose objective is to strengthen the bond of fellowship between congregational members spiritually and to help build mutual cooperation, trust, encouragement and enjoyment among the member of the congregation socially. In the past, events have included Potluck Luncheons, Christmas Lights Tours, and Summer BBQ .

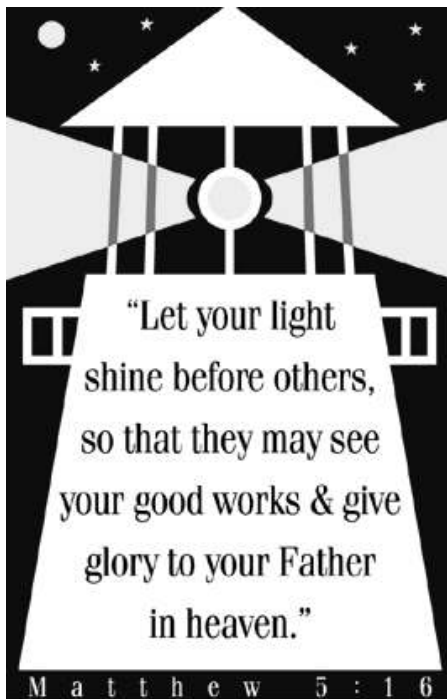
CONTACT: *Jerry Rosamond, 952-474-5181 x23, jerry.rosamond@oslcs.org*

SUNDAY SCHOOL / VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Teachers and Helpers

Love children and love sharing God's Word with them? That's all you need to be part of this special outreach to the children in our congregation and our community.

CONTACT: *Jenessa Petersen, 952-412-3341, jenessa.petersen@oslcs.org*



BUS DRIVER

Individuals are needed to drive the church's 25-passenger bus to pick up members for 9:30am services on Sunday and/or special times throughout the year for church group activities. Requirements: good driving record, Class B driver's license, and smiling face.

CONTACT: *Rick Beck, 952-448-7818*

CRADLE ROLL

The Cradle Roll Committee reaches out to new mothers and their families by providing a meal and gift on behalf of the church. Volunteers are needing for meal preparation and delivery.

CONTACT: *Lindsey Hudson, 952-470-4947*

FUNERAL MEALS

You can help by assisting with set-up, serving, and clean-up of meals or refreshments for funerals or memorial services.

CONTACT: *Lori Kroll, 952-471-0227, or Leslie Gesko, 952-426-9051*

GLOBAL EYE MISSION

—Helping the blind see by bringing the life-changing gift of sight to under-served peoples of the world.



OSL members Dr. Steve and Carol Anderson and their family are serving as medical missionaries in Indonesia. More information is available on the Global Eye Mission website which details their work there and the needs of their ministry. Financial support is needed in order to sustain their ministry; contributions may be made through the website or through the church office.

GLOBAL EYE MISSION
www.globaleyemission.org

And we know that in all thing God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

GRACE INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

(LCMS) —A Mission Church & Outreach to African Immigrants & Refugees in the Twin Cities



Many of Grace International's members came to the Twin Cities from Liberia, fleeing its long-running ruinous civil war and its role in a rebellion in neighboring Sierra Leone. With a country left in economic ruin, there is no "home" to return to. Grace's mission is to reach these African immigrants so they do not forget Jesus in their lives. The church and its members struggle financially because many are employed in low paying service industries while trying to send funds home to their family left behind.

Our Savior's has provided encouragement during the Christmas season by purchasing gifts for their children as well as food for the families. We will continue to provide this opportunity in addition to the following:

- *Holding clothing drives*
- *Assisting with emergency needs for members*
- *Donating items for church office*
- *Financial support*
- *Providing mentoring and leadership training;*
- *Developing and training their ministry leaders;*
- *Being involved in a pastoral exchange periodically throughout the year;*
- *Offering joint worship and fellowship opportunities; and*
- *Assisting them in creating solid ministries for their children, youth, men, women, musicians, small groups, and outreach.*

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SOO CONTACT: *Dena Kuenzel, 952-470-0219*

GREETERS

Our goal is to have every person greeted warmly at each of our services on Sunday as they enter the church lobby. You choose whether it's the 8am, 9:30am, or 11am. All you need is a smiling face!

CONTACT: *OPEN (8am), Audrey Schrupp (9:30) 952-938-7240, Dotti Schrupp (11am) 952-929-8835*

PRAYER MINISTRY

Our Savior has a group of people who are committed to praying for the needs of others. **Prayer Minister:** Needed following each service at the front of the church to pray with a person who wants to offer up a prayer need or thanksgiving in their behalf.

CONTACT: *Lorraine Johnson, 952-446-8275, johnson.ml@fronterietnet.net*

Prayer Chain: Join this group who receives prayer requests via email and prays for specific requests.

CONTACT: *Donna Rhodes, 952-448-9916, oslcsprayers@yahoo.com*

All you need is a praying heart and trust in its power!

QUILTER'S CIRCLE

This group of women makes quilts for donation to the needy in the US and around the world. They meet regularly during the school year; dates and times are posted in the bulletin. Basic sewing skills or simply the ability to tie a knot needed.

CONTACT: *Helen Pahl, 952-474-6925, or Dorothea Hayes, 952-474-6463*

SCRIPTURE (LAY) READERS

Readers are needed at the 8am and 11am services each Sunday to read the introduction and Scripture provided. Readers should possess a distinct, understandable reading style. Generally they are scheduled to read approximately every two months.

CONTACT: *Tricia Falk, 952-474-5181 x 42, tricia.falk@oslcs.org*

SEASONAL OR OCCASIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Actors in Dramas at Lenten Services (February to April)

Church Decorating (Christmas)

Community Easter Egg Hunt (March or April)

Garage Sale Workers (Spring)

Habitat for Humanity

Mission Trips

Details in Bulletins and Church Newsletters. *Or contact the church office for more info at 952-474-5181.*

Live life with a due sense of responsibility, not as those who do not know the meaning of life, but as those who do.

Ephesians 5:15

MUSIC MINISTRY

Raise your voices in music and praise! Opportunities exist in our traditional choirs (vocalists, soundboard, flute, trumpet), as well as contemporary worship (vocalist, bass/guitar, keyboard, sound board, drums).

CONTACT (Traditional): Fred Limmel, 952-474-5181 x19, fred.limmel@oslcs.org

CONTACT (Contemporary): Shawn Hecksel, 952-474-5181 x13, shawn.hecksel@oslcs.org

NURSERY HELPERS

Help is needed to assist Nursery staff during worship services, especially during high attendance services during holiday times (Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter) or when Nursery Staff are out of town. Love of children and patience is all you need to help!

CONTACT: Angela Cordie, 952-353-1745, Rachel Spencer, 952-401-3890, or the church office

OFFICE / CLERICAL

Data entry, money counting, newsletter preparation, pew maintenance

You can help weekly, monthly, or occasionally in any of these areas. Call the church office for more information and details on how you can help.

CONTACT: Tricia Falk, 952-474-5181 x42, tricia.falk@oslcs.org, or

Laurie Bromenshenkel, 952-474-5181 x10, laurie.bromenshenkel@oslcs.org

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN SCHOOL

—Laying the Foundation to Educate Minds & Inspire Faith



Our Savior Lutheran School is a vibrant Christian-based school that has been providing an outstanding education for children since 1984. Countless stories of educational success, awards, achievements and honors exist. Students continue to score above average on several standardized scorings such as the National Assessment for Education Progress (NAEP) and the Iowa Test of Basic Skills.

Along with all of the educational successes comes a Christian foundation that is the core principle for each child to build upon.. As a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, we CAN make a difference in the lives of these children by:

- Serving on the Board of Education
- Serving as a member of the school's marketing committee
- Serving as lunchtime food server
- Being a story time reader (school or pre-school)
- Assisting with coaching
- Assisting with summertime painting and cleaning
- Sponsoring a child's tuition
- Contributing financial support

CONTACT: Fred Limmel, 952-474-5181 x19, fred.limmel@oslcs.org

HOSPITALITY / VISITOR FOLLOW-UP

Let our visitors know we were glad to have them worship with us with a phone call or a short visit. A smile in your voice or on your face and friendly manner is all you need.

CONTACT: Jerry Rosamond, 952-474-5181, x23, jerry.rosamond@oslcs.org

HUMAN CARE

A ministry to reach out with the love of Jesus, providing transportation, meals, lawn care help, miscellaneous needs where we can fill, and visit shut-ins and members in nursing homes. We send greeting cards to our members 80 years and older and couples celebrating 50th wedding anniversaries and over. We have gifts for our new babies, and also provide our little ones with Bible books on their first baptismal birthday. Volunteer cards are in located in the church lobby.

CONTACT: Leslie Gesko, 952-426-9051, or Marlene Doheny, 952-474-5026

ICA FOOD SHELF

Their mission is to offer hope while providing assistance to our neighbors in need, while upholding their dignity. They share their ongoing work of assisting those needing help with congregations, organizations, businesses and individuals in our communities.



Food collections specifically for ICA will be held periodically through the year at OS LCS and announced in our bulletins and newsletters. If you wish to donate specifically to ICA in between those drives, please check their website for location, dates, times, and directions.

ICA Food Shelf
12990 St. David's Rd.
Minnetonka, MN 55305
952-938-0729
www.icafoodshelf.org

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God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings. 1 Peter 4:10

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION (LWML)



Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) helps the women of our church grow spiritually, encouraging them and equipping them to help others, while sharing the love of Jesus Christ.

You won't necessarily see them working as much of it is done behind the scenes, but absolutely necessary. They sponsor and promote the following within our church: creating, displaying, and maintaining our banners; providing Baptismal napkins for all baptisms; coordinate and serving meals for funerals and keeping kitchen supplies up-to-date.; caring for the chancel (altar) linens, vestments, furniture and banners; preparing and cleaning up following Holy Communion; ordering and caring for altar flowers weekly and special arrangements for seasonal needs, and Quilting Circle—making quilts to donate to the needy in the USA and around the world.

Meetings are held monthly and include servant events and social activities. All OSL women are welcome to participate in any or all of the events or activities. Details are listed in the newsletter and church bulletins.

CONTACT: *Cynthia Tonn, 952-934-3238, or Heidi Johnson, 952-294-9798*

MAINTENANCE

Carpentry, cleaning, landscaping, lawn care, painting, spring clean-up, snow removal

If you have skills in any of these areas and would like to help, please call.

CONTACT: *Jeff Machemehl, 952-474-5181 x16, jeff.machemehl@oslcs.org*

MEALS ON WHEELS

Over 400 volunteers are needed each weekday to deliver 4,000 meals in the Twin Cities metro area! The need for volunteers is growing every day as more people turn to Meals on Wheels to help them remain independent and in their own homes.

Volunteering is easy—you can volunteer as often or as little as you want, near your home or work—delivering meals typically takes only 60-90 minutes of your time. When you volunteer, you not only bring much needed nutrition, you also bring a friendly greeting, a safety check, and a chance at continued independence.

CONTACT: *Donna Berbee, 952-474-9336*

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)



MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) is a program that meets every other Friday morning from 9:15-11:30. It is designed to meet the unique needs of moms with children from birth to Kindergarten who all share a similar desire: to be the very best moms they can be! They offer fellowship, speakers, small groups and mentors to help you through this journey. Volunteers are needed teaching crafts and childcare during the programs.

CONTACT: *Lindsey Hudson, 952-470-4947*

MOUNT OLIVET ROLLING ACRES (MORA)



—Offering care and services to people with developmental and other disabilities.

The Mission of Mount Olivet Rolling Acres is to provide persons with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities the residential facilities, care and services that will meet their physical, spiritual and psychosocial needs in order that they will realize a quality of life that is valued.

MORA offers a variety of opportunities in which to get involved, but most of all, we believe that by exposing our families and their children to the residents of MORA, we will learn that people who are “different” are really not so different after all. These opportunities include:

- *Assisting with activities*
- *Administrative/office help*
- *Providing computer lab assistance*
- *Helping with landscaping/outdoor cleanup*
- *Sponsoring a child for camp*
- *Being a Special Olympics volunteer*
- *Helping with special holiday activities*
- *Providing event help (carnival, golf tournament, dance)*
- *Helping on campus or in suburban homes*
- *Donating items*
- *Contributing Financial Assistance*

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SOO CONTACT: *Nancy Hagmann, 952-470-0862*

The most important thing is that I complete my mission, the work that the Lord Jesus gave me. Acts 20:24