



**Vision**

All will know and experience God's love.

**Mission**

To be a welcoming community, rooted in scripture, growing in faith and proclaiming Jesus is the way.

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## Welcome Guests

**Sunday, April 14, 2024  
3rd Sunday of Easter**

- **Restrooms** are located downstairs from the Church Lobby.
- **Handicap access** to the lower level is inside Door #1 or you can exit the front left door of the sanctuary, go through the 1st double doors and left at the next double doors.
- A **Hearing Assist** system is available in the back of church at the Welcome Center.
- **Children's Bulletins** are available for ages 3-6 and 7-12.
- **The Nursery** is available for parents and children. Exit the front left door of the sanctuary (no matter how noisy your children are ... it's OK ... really.) and follow the signs.

## Sunday Schedule

- ✦ **8:15am**—Classic Traditions
- ✦ **9:15am**—Fellowship Time
- ✦ **9:30am**—Christian Education
- ✦ **10:45am**—New Song

## Live Stream and Cable Options

- ◀ **Church Center app** or <https://oursaviorexcelior.churchcenter.com/channels>
- ◀ **Visit [www.oslcs.org](http://www.oslcs.org)** and click on Video Ministry or the Facebook image at the top
- ◀ **10:45am Broadcast on Mediacom Channel 21** on Saturdays & Sundays at 7:00pm

### Digital Check-in

**We invite everyone** to digitally check-in each week, especially if you are watching at home.

**CHECK-IN**

- In-person
- Live streaming
- Watching later

**Pull out your smart phone** and check in the entire household (first/last name and email required for each adult).

- OSLCS.org**
- Check in on the **Church Center app**
- Scan the **QR Code** →



**No smart phone or e-mail? Please sign the registration pad in the pews.**

## Christian Education

**Preschool through High School**—Sunday, 9:30-10:30am: **Pre-K #202 ~ 1st-2nd #201 ~ 3rd-4th #204 ~ 5th #B24 ~ 6th & Parents #207 ~ 7th-8th #B01 ~ 9th-12th Youth Room #B09**

**Matthew**—Adult Bible Study, Sunday, 9:45-10:30am, Room B06 with Pastor Fred

**The Messiah: Revealing Jesus in the Old Testament**—Monday, 3:30pm, Conference Room

**Unshakable**—Women's Study, Tuesday, 1:00pm, Fellowship Hall

**Heroes of the Faith**—Zoom Study, Wednesday, 10:00am with Pastor Fred

**Online Bible Study**—Facebook or on YouTube, Thursday, 9:00-9:30pm with Pastor Adam

**Luke**—Men's Study, Friday, 6:15am, Perkins in Chaska with Pastor Holz (stay for breakfast)

**30 Virtues that Built a Man**—Monthly Saturday Men's Breakfast Bible Study ... watch the calendar

# Today's Worship Services

## 8:15am Classic Traditions Holy Communion

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**“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”**  
**LSB 474 (Vs. 1 – 3, 5)**

Invocation

Opening Sentences

Confession & Absolution

Salutation & Prayer of the Day

Children's Message & Digital Check-in

**Reading of God's Word**

**Deuteronomy 6:4-9**

**Ephesians 6:1-4**

**Mark 7:1-13**

Apostles' Creed

**“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”**  
**LSB 466 (Vs. 1, 3, 4)**

Message

Offering

**“We Give Thee But Thine Own”**  
**LSB 781 (Vs. 1, 3, 5, 6)**

Confirmation Statement of Faith

Prayers

Preparation for the Sacrament

Lord's Prayer

**“I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives”**  
**LSB 468**

**“Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing”**  
**LSB 737 (Vs. 1, 2 & 7)**

**“Amazing Grace”** LSB 744

Post Communion

Benediction

**“Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven”**  
**LSB 477 Vs. 1, 3**

Announcements

## 10:45am New Song Holy Communion

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Baptism

**“Remind me Who I am”**

Opening Sentences

Confession & Absolution

**“Love The Lord”**

Children's Message & Digital Check-in

**Reading of God's Word**

**Deuteronomy 6:4-9**

**Ephesians 6:1-4**

**Mark 7:1-13**

The Apostles' Creed

Message

Offerings

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper

**“Who You Say I Am ”**

Benediction

**“I Will Follow”**

Announcements

### Are You Getting the Weekly E-News?

If you are not getting the Our Savior eNews in your e-mail box on Fridays, please sign up now! Log onto [www.oslcs.org](http://www.oslcs.org) and sign up toward the bottom of the page or scan the QR code to get started.

You can also log onto [www.oslcs.org](http://www.oslcs.org) and click on **“This Week's Bulletin”** to see the [Friday eNews](#), weekly bulletins and quarterly ministry updates. Don't miss out!



Sunday, April 14



### Baptisms

Today we welcome two children into God's family through Holy Baptism:

Louis James Machemehl, son of Connor & Mikala Machemehl. His sponsors are Alexa and Dustin Draeger.

Leni Lu Okonek, daughter of Mitchell & Lacey Okonek. Her sponsors are Karl & Laura Struck and Kailey Okonek.

### Holy Communion

In the Bible, the Apostle Paul wrote: *Let a person examine himself and so eat of the bread, and drink of the cup (1 Cor. 11:28)*. Before attending the Lord's Supper, ask yourself the following questions

- Do I believe that I am sinner, and am sorry for my sins? (Prov. 28:13; Rom. 3:23; 1 John 1:8-9)
- Do I believe that Jesus Christ by his death, offers me forgiveness for all my sins? (Rom. 5:8; Col. 2:13; Heb. 9:28; 1 John 1:7)
- Do I believe that I receive the body and blood of Christ in and with the bread and wine (not merely symbolically present)? (Mat. 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16; 1 Cor. 11:24-25)
- Do I desire to turn from my sinful ways and live a God pleasing life by the power of the Holy Spirit? (Is. 1:16; John 8:11; Rom. 6:12)

If you are unable to answer yes to these questions, please talk to the pastor or an elder before communing, as participating without a proper understanding of Holy Communion can be spiritually harmful (1 Cor. 11:27-29).

If you can answer yes to these questions, then come with a repentant heart and join us in the reception of the Lord's Supper. Adults and children not yet instructed about Holy Communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

### Greeting Card Fundraiser

Hand made and deep discount Dayspring greeting cards will be available on Sunday, April 7 and 14, between services. Hundreds of Mother's Day, Father's Day, birthday, friendship, thank you and general cards will be priced from \$.50 to \$3 each.

Cash or check payable to LWML, please. Funds will be used to benefit The New Freedom Store, The Dwelling Place, and other missions of the LWML to be determined.



Sunday, April 14

### 8th Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting

There will be another meeting for 8th Grade Parents on **Sunday, April 14 at 6:00pm**.

April 15-20

### New Member Class

There will be a new member class on **Saturday, April 20 from 8:30-12:30pm**. If you are curious about membership or want to become a member, please contact [Sandy.Blumenschein@oslcs.org](mailto:Sandy.Blumenschein@oslcs.org) so she can add you to the list!

### Prayer Vigil

You are invited to a monthly Prayer Vigil on **Saturday, April 20 from 9:00-10:00am** in the Sanctuary. You are welcome to come and go anytime throughout the Vigil. Prayer Guides will be available.

### Youth Event

The 6th-12th grade youth is going to Glow Bowling on **Saturday, April 20 from 10:00pm to Midnight**. Meet at Country Club Lanes, 5601 Manitou Rd, Excelsior. The cost \$10 per person, including shoes with unlimited bowling.



Sunday, April 21

### Mission Guest Speaker

On **Sunday, April 21**, we are welcoming Brooke Pernice, the Lutheran Braille Workers (LBW) Director of Outreach. She will speak briefly at each service and will be sharing even more about LBW's mission, goals and what resources are available for the blind/visually impaired from 9:30-10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. The Matthew Bible Study will resume April 28.

April 22-27

**Men's Breakfast Bible Study**

God's Guys (all men) are invited to attend the stand alone Breakfast Bible Studies on **Saturday, April 27** from 8:00-9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Adam and Roger Martin will be leading a study based on the book called "Thirty Virtues that Built a Man."



**Spring Scrapbooking Retreat**

**Saturday, April 27**  
9:00am-9:00pm

**\$65 per table**  
\$10 discount before March 1, 2024

Includes help hauling your projects in, work space, meals and snacks

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Proceeds benefit Our Savior Youth Mission Trips and the upcoming National Youth Gathering

Sunday, April 28

**Confirmation**

Our Savior's 8th Graders will be confirming their faith on **Sunday, April 28** at the 10:45am service.



100th Anniversary Events



**100th Anniversary Event**  
**Sunday, May 5**

**Single 10:00am Worship Service followed by a Salad\* Luncheon in the Community Center**

**Sunday, May 5**  
**\*Please Bring a Salad to Share**

**Ice Cream will be Provided for Dessert**

A Mite offering will be taken for 2024-2025 Mission Grants.

**Entertainment by "We Three Kings"**

Jeff & Renee King love to share how God allowed their son, Justin, who is blind and developmentally disabled, to be a part their lives.



**100<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

**Sunday, June 16, 2024**

**OPEN HOUSE - 8:30am**  
Donuts & coffee and tour the Our Savior campus

**WORSHIP - 10:00am**  
Gather in the Community Center for a time of worship

**RECEPTION - Immediately following the service**  
Chaska Event Center (3210 Chaska Blvd) for a time of fellowship  
A complimentary lunch is served at 1:00pm, followed by a short program  
(Advanced registration is required for meal by May 31)

**Lunch registration**

For more details, visit: [www.oslcs.org/100th-Anniversary/](http://www.oslcs.org/100th-Anniversary/)  
Our Savior Lutheran Church, 23290 Highway 7, Excelsior, MN

# This and That

## Lawn Mowers

We are seeking people to help with the lawn mowing this summer. We would like to have several teams (of 2-3 people) who are willing to rotate throughout the summer. The more teams we get, the less frequently you have to mow.



The equipment and training will be provided. Please contact [andy.bowyer@oslcs.org](mailto:andy.bowyer@oslcs.org) or 952-474-5181 x216 to sign up or ask questions.

## Community Easter Event

Thanks to everyone who came to the 2024 Travel to Easter and Indoor Obstacle Egg Hunt. The Easter story was shared with about **170 kids and about the same number of parents/grandparents**. The kids made crafts to help them remember the Easter story. And of course, there were eggs!

**Thanks for the 70 volunteers** who helped, before, during and after! (Not everyone is pictured above.) Wow. We had an amazing crew who were essential in pulling off this wonderful event for our community!

## Multiplying Easter Eggs

If your kids were at the hunt, and you don't want the empty eggs laying around your house, we will take them off your hands. You are welcome to put them together and return them to church office.



## Budget Update

Weekly offering received: April 6

- Total received: \$22,141.91

Fiscal offering year to date: April 6

- Total offering received: \$279,741.94
- Total offering budgeted: \$302,500.93
- % above or below budget: -2.2%

## Attendance

April 7: 77 + 74= 151 Livestream: 59/27+

# Vacation Bible School

**KIDS**  
ages 3-6th grade  
**VBS**

OUR SAVIOR EXCELSIOR : 23290 HIGHWAY 7 EXCELSIOR, MN 55331 : JULY 8-12 : OSLCS.ORG

Full Day VBS: Entering 1st-6th Grade, \$65/student  
Half Day VBS: Ages 3-entering Kindergarten, FREE

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [Laura.kimber@oslcs.org](mailto:Laura.kimber@oslcs.org)

Child & Volunteer Registration

## Prayers

- Guide and direct the leaders of Our Savior; Give the leaders of this state and nation the wisdom and integrity to lead us;
- Grant Your peace and reconciliation to overcome all hatred, conflict, and war;
- God, please grant us wisdom as we wait on Your timing to provide a Director for Our Savior School;
- Provide healing to those who are sick and strength to those facing long term illnesses including: Lu Beise, Ken Kuhnly, Darwin & Vangie Krueger, Don Hoekstra, Sarah Pietz, Rosie Breheim, Marlene Doheny;
- We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week.

# Committee News

# Mission Updates

## Building Expansion Committee Update

After a fascinating Tuesday evening of interviewing our three highly qualified architectural candidates, the Building Expansion Committee (BEC) went home to pray and contemplate over our decision. We agreed to meet Thursday night to discuss our choices.

The BEC is happy to announce our unanimous decision to recommend Station 19 as our choice as the architect of our building expansion project

One of the things that stood out in favor of Station 19 was their clear commitment as a faith biased organization. A company that demonstrates the act of growing God's ministries through the building of churches. That is all they do.

Station 19 is also very active in the west metro area. They have designed a number of projects in Minnetonka, Excelsior and Plymouth. Thus making them familiar with our community needs.

One of the more notable qualities of Station 19 was their use of the Vision Casting Concept. This is where they assist us to build congregational consensus on a single vision building project. All in an effort to provide hospitality in the form of accessibility for members, a welcoming environment for guests, and a transitional atmosphere for our worship services.

As you pray over and discuss this important decision, members of the BEC are willing to be available to answer any questions.

The Building Expansion Committee For individual questions, reach out to one of the committee: Brian Grandstrand, Chairman, Josh Hoyord, Alyson Fauske, Gregg Hove, Steve Pettit, Jared Breiter, Tim Studenski, Janet Renner, Grant Wurdell, Brian Krause, Tim Magnusson, Jeff Machemehl, Jim Machemehl.

**LINK Twin Cities**—Modern day missionaries are going to every corner of our city armed with the powerful gift of freedom. One of those leaders, Beth, is opening Urban Missionary Cafe, a pay-as-you-can cafe designed to provide healthy food and the gospel to those in the Frog Town area. Having been freed from a life of addiction, Beth now goes to some of the hardest places and offers that same freedom to those who are trapped in addiction.

High quality training for leaders like Beth went through LINC's first Mission Accelerator, a course designed for those who are starting churches, nonprofits and gospel ventures in urban and diverse communities. It's our goal that this training, mentoring and ongoing support would be accessible to those who are going to some of the hardest to reach communities and that nothing would hinder the gospel from being experienced in real and tangible ways.

**Mayer Lutheran**—Help Spread the Word! Mayer Lutheran Middle School is now accepting students for the fall of 2024. If you would like to put a sign in your yard about the Middle School, you can stop by the school office to pick one up, or email [Tim.bode@mayerlutheran.org](mailto:Tim.bode@mayerlutheran.org) if you'd like one delivered to you.

Mayer Knights Softball has been added for kids in grades 1-3. Come learn the fundamentals of the game from MLHS baseball coach Dave Lane. Practices are Saturdays from 9:00-10:15am on March 9, 16, 23 and April 6, 13 and 20. Cost is \$70.

It's not too late to register for Mayer Knights Baseball summer play! We have openings on teams at all levels. Learn more and sign up [www.mayerlutheran.org](http://www.mayerlutheran.org) and select Youth Programs.

# Calendar

<p><b>14</b> <b>Worship w/ Communion</b> *8:15am Classic Traditions 9:15am Fellowship 9:30am Education for all ages 9:30am Praise Team Practice *10:45am New Song  1:00pm Sanctuary Rental 6:00pm 8th Gr Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:30pm 6th-8th Gr Woven 6:30pm 9th-12 Gr Elevate Youth</p>	<p><b>15</b> 3:30pm Bible Study: The Messiah</p>	<p><b>16</b> 1:00pm Women's Bible Study: Unshakable 5:30pm 100th Anniversary Committee 6:30pm Board of Directors Meeting</p>	<p><b>17</b> 10:00am Zoom Bible Study 11:00am Mission Committee Lunch 6:00pm Music Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>18</b> 12:00pm A Time for Prayer 6:00pm Childcare Advisory Committee 6:30pm American Heritage Girls 7:00pm Praise Team</p>	<p><b>19</b> 6:15am Men's Bible Study: Luke Perkins, Chaska</p>	<p><b>20</b> 8:00-11:00am Pickleball (13+ with parent to adults) <b>8:30-12:30pm New Member Class</b> (Conference Room) <b>9:00-10:00am Prayer Vigil</b> 9:00am Recovery Support Group (Room B01) <b>6th-12th Grade Glow Bowling 10:00pm</b></p>
<p><b>21</b> <b>Worship</b> *8:15am Classic Traditions 9:15am Fellowship 9:30am Education for all ages 9:30am Praise Team Practice *10:45am New Song  4:30pm Sanctuary Rental 6:30pm 6th-8th Gr Woven 6:30pm 9th-12 Gr Elevate Youth</p>	<p><b>22</b> 3:30pm Bible Study: The Messiah</p>	<p><b>23</b> 1:00pm Women's Bible Study: Unshakable</p>	<p><b>24</b> 10:00am Zoom Bible Study 6:00pm Music Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>25</b> 9:00am Quilters 12:00pm A Time for Prayer 6:30pm American Heritage Girls 7:00pm Praise Team</p>	<p><b>26</b> 6:15am Men's Bible Study: Luke Perkins, Chaska</p>	<p><b>27</b> <b>8:00am Men's Breakfast Bible Study</b> <b>10:00am Fell Hall Rental</b> 9:00am Recovery Support Group <b>9:00-9:00pm Community Scrapbooking Retreat</b> (Youth Fundraiser)</p>