
SIDELITES

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

August 2019



I'm back from Paternity Leave and I'm so excited for the Mission Trip! As I've returned to the swing of things, I've been seeing a change in perspective in so many places; Theo has changed how I read the Bible, Work/Life balance has shifted, I've learned how love is expressed in so many ways. Life will never be the same! Thanks for that incredible opportunity to be with my son for the first weeks of his life!

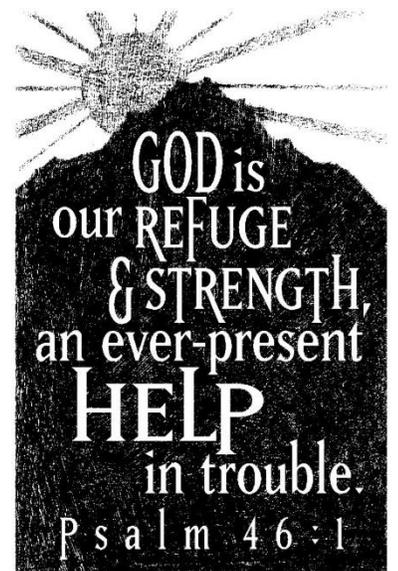
With the change in my life, I've seen changes in the congregation. At Wine, Beer, and Hymns (next one is August 8th, get it on your calendars!), people were fighting over who got to hold Theo. People are so excited to see Theo at meetings, events, and worship. Alyssa and I have been having fun passing Theo off to people during worship as a way to remind everyone that we are all a family together in Baptism. It's wonderful!

All that said, it does bring up a couple of questions for me. How often do other young parents feel this welcome? How about New Members? How about visitors? We do a wonderful job of talking about how welcoming we are, but does that translate to action? How often have I made people feel less/more welcome in the communion of Saints gathered at OSLC?

This time with Theo and all of the newness that entails has been a great opportunity to look at the world with new eyes. The scripture is filled with references to how God cares for us. The Psalmist reminds us God is our refuge and strength (amparo y fortaleza, Psalm 46:1). Jesus tells us that God longs to gather us all in like a mother hen gathers her brood (Matthew 23:37). The Old Testament constantly reminds us to love God, and love our neighbors. We've heard these things a million times; now, for me, it's hitting home in a new way.

The Mission Trip is coming... I'm so ecstatic! But, Missions don't begin in West Virginia. They don't begin in lands far, far away. They begin in our very hearts. Realizing that we need help and we need to help others. Helping those who are family, friends, strangers; everyone! God will place that voice in our head, that pit in our stomachs, that blessed call in our lives to care for the saint and sinner alike. Now, "go and do likewise." (Jesus, Luke 10:37)

Pr. Dave





Please join us for the final Wine, Beer & Hymns of the summer on **August 8th**, starting at 7:00 p.m. at Morgan Creek Vineyard!

Mission Trip Recap and Movie Day!

Join us on **Sunday, August 11th** for a special day! During our 9:00 a.m. worship, OSLC youth who went on the mission trip to the Appalachian Mountains will share their experiences with the congregation.



After worship and fellowship, we will gather in The Upper Room at **10:30 a.m.** to watch the movie **BREAKTHROUGH**. **BREAKTHROUGH** is based on the inspirational true story of one mother's unfaltering love in the face of impossible odds. **BREAKTHROUGH** is an enthralling reminder that faith and love can create a mountain of hope, and sometimes even a miracle.

Please bring a snack to share, and we will have popcorn available!



The Call Committee has received profiles of candidates interested in the Senior Pastor position. We will be conducting initial interviews during the first week of August.

J. Senske, Call Committee Chairman

Building Updates

We are nearly to our goal of raising \$17,700 to cover the cost of the repairs! Weather permitting, we still anticipate the work on the roof to be done in August.

Have you noticed that the cross on top of our building was damaged in a storm? Materials have been ordered for a replacement cross. It will be made out of stainless steel, rather than wood.

If you visited OSLC in late July, you have noticed that the air conditioner stopped working. Part of the main floor felt a bit warmer than a rest of the building. The rooftop air conditioning unit that cools the church office, seating area, library, and nursery went out, and a new compressor had to be ordered.



Our Savior's Quilters,
Thank you for the wonderful quilt and recognition on Senior Sunday! It's a great reminder of the memories I have made at church.

- Kellyn Emerson

Quilters of OSLC,
Thank you so much for the beautiful quilt! I know I will get a lot of use out of it when it gets cold in St. Paul. I really appreciate you thinking of me in my graduation and I feel lucky to know I have such a wonderful congregation supporting me from New Ulm!

- Jamie Anderson

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for the Labor Day holiday.





Save the Date!

Rally Sunday

September 8th, 9:00 AM

Outside on the church lawn (weather permitting).

Bring your lawn chairs or blankets!

August is already here, can you believe it? That means the school year is fast approaching, and along with it, our Fall programming begins! Here are some important dates to put on your calendar:

September 8th: Rally Sunday

September 11th: Wednesday activities resume

- Choir Faith & Fun
- Youth Choir
- Adult Choir
- Hosanna Handbells
- Rejoice Ringers
- Confirmation – NOTE: 7th Grade has been added back into our Confirmation programming!

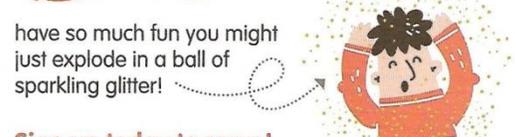
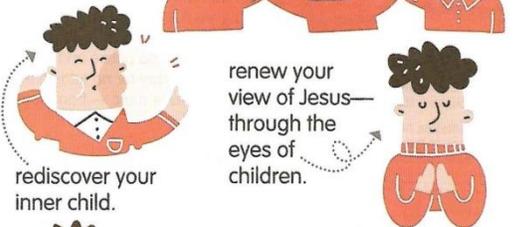
September 15th: Sunday School begins! Sunday School will now meet at 10:15 a.m.

Additionally, our adult bible studies and groups will be resuming their normal schedules in September:

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| Men's Bible Study: | Every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. |
| Beautiful Savior Circle: | Second Wed. of the month at 1:00 p.m. |
| Immanuel Circle: | Second Thurs. of the month at 9:00 a.m. |
| Quilting Group: | Fourth Tues. of the month at 9:00 a.m. |

Our Savior's also provides space for the New Ulm area Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) group! **MOPS** meets two Wednesday mornings per month in the Social Hall, beginning on September 11th at 9:00 a.m. For more information, contact mops.nu@gmail.com.

When you serve in children's ministry, you...



Sign up today to serve!



We need your help!

If you have ever considered helping as a Sunday School teacher, assisting with confirmation classes, or volunteering for some of our children's and youth activities, now is the time to get involved! Please contact Lindsay at lindsay@oursaviorsnewulm.org to see how you can put your gifts and enthusiasm to work raising up our youngest members in faith.



Sunday School, Wednesday Choir, Faith & Fun, and Hosanna Handbell registration forms are available on the church website, in the church office, in the display rack in the social hall, and in the children's ministry office. We require new forms every year as contact numbers, addresses, e-mails, and medical concerns sometimes change. This information is very important for safety! We seldom need to use these forms, but when a child becomes ill at Sunday school, accurate and up to date contact information is very important! Also, e-mail addresses help us keep you informed of what is going on in Sunday school. ***Please return all registration forms to the church office.***

Wednesday Choir Faith and Fun

The school year will be starting and so is Choir Faith and Fun, and we're adding back the Kindergartners! Every Wednesday afternoon, children in grades Kindergarten – 6th will board the church bus right after school and arrive at church to enjoy fellowship, singing and games. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn about being worship leaders, to strengthen their faith through anthems and hymns, and to build relationships with each other. Our Savior's is blessed to have a strong music program, and I know how much the congregation appreciates hearing all of our choirs during our weekly worship services. Watch for a letter from OSLC in the next few weeks and we'll give you all the information about bussing.

Adult and Youth Choirs/Handbells

If you enjoy making music and wonderful fellowship, please join us in the music ministries at Our Savior's. We have six choirs that all meet on Wednesdays. The children's choirs meet right after school with a church bus to pick the kids up and bring them to church. The Youth and Adult Choirs meet in the evening. If you would rather play an instrument, we have youth and adult bell choirs – beginners are welcome! Being involved in Our Savior's Music Ministries is a great way to meet people, to serve, and participate in worship. I hope you will join us!

You may choose from the following choirs:

CELEBRATE CHOIR

(Take "church" bus from school to church)

WHO: Kindergarten – 3rd grade students

WHEN: Wednesday, 3:10 – 5:10 p.m.

JUBILATE CHOIR

(Take "church" bus from school to church)

WHO: 4th – 6th grade students

WHEN: Wednesday, 3:10 – 5:10 p.m.

YOUTH SINGERS



WHO: 7th – 12th grade students

WHEN: Wednesday, 5:45 – 6:15 p.m.

WHERE: Choir Room

ADULT CHOIR



WHO: All adults who enjoy singing.

NEW MEMBERS are most welcome!

WHEN: Wednesday, 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.

WHERE: Sanctuary choir loft

HOSANNA HANDBELL CHOIR

WHO: Youth (grades 4-6)

WHEN: Wednesday, 5:10 – 5:40 p.m.

WHERE: Sanctuary

REJOICE! RINGERS

WHO: Adults

WHEN: Wednesday, 6:15 – 7:05 p.m.

WHERE: Sanctuary

QUESTIONS: Shannon (Music Ministry) shannon@oursaviorsnewulm.org

Our Savior's Registration 2019-2020



Sunday School - Wednesday Choir, Faith & Fun - Hosanna Handbells

Primary Household Information

Parent name(s) _____ Home phone _____

Address _____ Work phone _____

Communication—we will be using both text and email to communication important information to you:

MIN TEXT: Preferred cell **user/#** _____ Alternate cell **user/#** _____

EMAIL: preferred address: _____

Secondary household—*Is there a second household that you would like information sent to regarding programming?*

Name: _____ email _____

Address: _____ cell: _____

Sunday school: age 3 (by Sept 1) – grade 6: Meets after worship on Sunday from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Choir, Faith and Fun: grades Kindergarten – 6th: meets Wednesdays after school from 3:10-5:10 p.m.

Schedule: Children bus from Jefferson/Middle School, have snack, sing in choir, have faith time and play games. Parent pick up at 5:10pm.

Requested: \$30 per family

Hosanna Handbells: grades 4-6: meets Wednesday evenings from 5:10 – 5:40 p.m.

Directions: Please box under your child's name for each area in which they will participate.

Child's full name	Date of Birth	Grade
1. _____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School	<input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Choir, Faith, Fun	<input type="checkbox"/> Hosanna Handbell Choir
2. _____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School	<input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Choir, Faith, Fun	<input type="checkbox"/> Hosanna Handbell Choir
3. _____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School	<input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Choir, Faith, Fun	<input type="checkbox"/> Hosanna Handbell Choir

- State any medical (allergies, asthma), learning, or other conditions we should be aware of (which child?): _____

- We will put pictures of children on the web. Please sign if you **DO NOT** give consent: _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: *If needed*, I would be willing to volunteer to help with: Sunday School Wed. Choir, Faith, Fun

QUESTIONS: Please contact - Lindsay: lindsay@oursaviorsnewulm.org or Shannon: shannon@oursaviorsnewulm.org

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Confirmation and Youth Group Registration 2019-2020

7th Grade Pre-Confirmation (Wed. 6:30 PM): 7th graders will make the transition from learning Bible Stories to learning how to directly apply the Bible to their lives.

8th & 9th Grade Confirmation (Wed. 6:30PM-8:15PM): 8th and 9th graders learn both in small group and large group settings about their faith. This is the next step in Affirming their Baptism.

10th – 12th Grade Youth Group (Wed. 8:20PM-9:20PM): 10th – 12th graders have fellowship with other Christians and discuss their faith. Youth group is based around discussion rather than curriculum.

Primary Household

Parent name(s) _____ Cell phone: _____

Address _____ Email: _____

Secondary Household* **Emergency Contact** (Please check one)

Parent name(s) _____ Cell phone: _____

Address _____ Email: _____

Primary Household consents to being added to a Text Update System, if it becomes available: Yes No

*Please also send information/updates to Secondary Household (if applicable): Yes No

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Student Cell Phone: _____ Student Email: _____

Activity (Please check one) 7th Grade Pre-Confirmation Confirmation Youth Group

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Student Cell Phone: _____ Student Email: _____

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List any medical (allergies, asthma), learning, or other conditions we should be aware of, and for which student:

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1 Interim Pastor's Meeting Youth Mission Trip to WV 4:00 PM Prokinship Monthly Meeting	2 Youth Mission Trip to WV	3 Youth Mission Trip to WV 5:30 PM Worship
4 Youth Mission Trip to WV 9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Fellowship Ministry Team	5	6 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 2:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting	7	8 1:30 PM Ridgeway on 23rd Service 7:00 PM Wine, Beer & Hymns	9	10 Private Party 8:30 AM Saturday Men's Bible Study 5:30 PM Worship
11 Mission Trip Welcoming 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Movie Day - Breakthrough	12	13 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 11:30 AM Church Staff Lunch 2:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting	14 9:00 AM Cards of Caring 5:30 PM Mission Ministry Team	15	16	17 5:30 PM Worship
18 9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Executive Committee Meeting 10:15 AM Facilities/Grounds Team	19 Sidelites Deadline	20 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 2:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting 5:30 PM Personnel Committee 7:00 PM Deacons Ministry Team	21 9:30 AM Conference Pastor's Mtg 5:15 PM Adult Ministry Team Meeting	22	23	24 5:30 PM Worship
25 Noisy Offering Sunday 9:00 AM Worship	26	27 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 2:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting 6:00 PM Pre-Council Meeting 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	28 6:30 PM Confirmation and Sunday School Leader Night	29 12:30 PM Sidelites Group	30 8:30 AM Sidelites Group	31 5:30 PM Worship

Pastors' Office Hours

Our Pastors are called out of the office during the week for meetings, visits, and other work, but during these hours the Pastors plan to be in their office. Stop by to visit, have a cup of coffee, or just to chat.

*Pr. Gene: Monday 9 AM - Noon
Pr. Dave: Friday 9 AM - Noon*

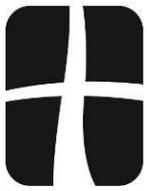


Summer Office Hours

Mon. – Thurs.: 8:00 am – 2:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:00 am – 12:00 p.m.

Ministry Teams!

We would love to help you promote events happening at OSLC! Please send items to be included in the next edition of Sidelites to Jen by **August 19th**! Grab 'N' Go pieces are due to the office each Wednesday by noon. Email news to jen@oursaviorsnewulm.org. Thank you!



OUR SAVIOR'S

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Worship Services

Saturday worship – 5:30 PM

Sunday worship – 9:00 AM

Coffee/Fellowship – 10:00 AM

Regular Broadcasts

(Comcast Channel 14; Nuvera Channel 3)

Mon.–7:00 PM; Thurs. – 5:00 PM

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OUR SAVIOR'S is a Welcoming
community, experiencing God,
reaching out and raising up followers of
Jesus Christ