
SIDELITES

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

January 2023



***The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
will be held Sunday,
January 29, 2023 at 11:30 A.M.***

All members of the congregation are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Seventy-five voting members shall constitute a quorum. **Voting** members are confirmed members. Such confirmed members, during the current or preceding calendar year, shall have communed in this congregation and shall have made a contribution of record to this congregation. Members of this congregation who have satisfied these basic standards shall have the privilege of voice and vote at every regular and special meeting of the congregation.

Copies of the 2022 Congregational Annual Report will be available in the Social Hall and on our website by January 20, 2023. The Budget Meeting will be held on January 22, 2023 between services.



Church leadership and Ministry Team reports to be included in the 2022 Annual Report are due **no later than Friday, January 6th**. Reports may be dropped off in the church office, or emailed to jen@oursaviorsnewulm.org.

**Ministry Team Members and Leaders...
Thank you for serving!**

Thank you to all those members who served in 2022. Your willingness to serve and participate in ministry through your leadership has made a huge difference! Thank you for sharing your gifts with Our Savior's Lutheran Church.



The nominating committee has been diligently working to nominate people for church council and ministry teams. The council and teams are a place for you share your time and talents further the ministry of our congregation. Thank you to all who have said "yes" to being on a team and thank you to the nominating committee for their work. Please prayerfully consider the opportunity to serve on church council or a ministry team, if you are called. Thank you! Pastor Kathy



Let All That You Do Be Done In Love

The ninth-grade confirmation class selected this bible verse to end each class with this school year: *1 Corinthians 16:14* "Let all that you do be done in love." They say this verse together and to one another as a blessing before leaving class for worship.

Paul has written this first letter to the Corinthians in response to various disagreements they had on issues in the early church. Throughout the letter, Paul urges them to solve their differences based on their Christian unity. As he closes the letter, he gives them this message: Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. **Let all that you do be done in love.** *1 Corinthians 16:13-14*. There is an acknowledgement in this letter to the Corinthians that there will be times we disagree. That we will feel strongly about our beliefs. That we will grow impatient with one another. At the same time, our faith in Jesus Christ unites us and holds us together. Our faith in Jesus Christ guides our words and actions. Whether in our congregations, or in our daily life, we are called to work out our disagreements in love. We are called to act and speak in love.

Saying this verse is a wonderful way to end confirmation class. As we bless one another we are sent to live this not just in confirmation class, but everywhere we go. In school, at practice and games, at home, when you disagree, when you're upset and frustrated, when you are practicing a play or a band piece, when you're at work, when you're at church... "Let all that you do be done in love." It's a good way to begin a new year, too. Maybe that's the only resolution we truly need. Let all that you do be done in love, because we know the love of God in Jesus that unites us is the best thing we have to offer this world.

Happy New Year!
Pastor Kathy

"The Lord's Prayer"



At Our Savior's, we use the updated version of the Lord's Prayer. We began using it sometime in the late 1970's or early 1980's. It's one of the things people notice when they first visit Our Savior's. Why update a prayer that has been prayed for generations? To make it more understandable and similar to the way we currently speak. For example, in the updated version, there isn't an "art" or "thy," as there is in the traditional version. For many at Our Savior's, it's the only version they have ever known.

One thing we've noticed though, is that when our kids go to bible camp or youth gatherings, the traditional version of the Lord's Prayer is used. Our kids don't know that version very well, if at all. We thought it would be helpful for them to learn the traditional version. So after Christmas, on Sundays and Wednesdays from January 8th - February 19th, we will be using the traditional version of the Lord's Prayer. In these weeks, our kids will have an opportunity to become more familiar with traditional version AND we will all have the opportunity grow in our understanding of the beautiful prayer. Just a reminder, this is only for this short church season. When Lent begins, we will again use the updated version.



The food library is a ministry of Our Savior's. You will find the food library located along State Street in the front of the church. We are looking for people who would help keep the food library filled. It is kept full of food that will not spoil or freeze and anyone in the community can stop by a pick up needed food. Are you willing to help? The food we have for the food library is in the wooden box outside the church office. If you would like to help, please call the church office with a week you could help.

Questions? Contact Pastor Kathy or a member of the mission team.

Early Risers Adult Bible Study!

We will meet January 4th, from 7:00 AM-7:45 AM, in the Social Hall. We are on chapter three of the book "Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say" by Adam Hamilton. This month's chapter is titled "God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It." Even if you don't have the book or haven't been at the previous month's conversations, please feel free to attend! Good conversations on faith are had!

Theology on Tap

Join us for Theology on Tap at the Schell's Bier Halle on **January 5th at 6:30PM!** Come for a night of conversation, discussions about faith, friendship, and a beer or 1919 root beer. *Event for Adults age 21+.*

Snow Tubing

(Grades 4 and up!)

Monday, January 16th

Meet at church @ 12:45 pm (we are taking a bus)

Our tubing time is 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

We will return around 4:15 pm

\$20 per person. Parent chaperones are needed!

Sign up with Lindsay, or on the Youth Board!



Faith & Books

Our Savior's Book will meet on **Wednesday, January 11th, at 5:30PM** in the Upper Room. Feel free to bring your supper. The January book is "Icy Sparks" by Gwyn Hyman Rubio. Questions to think about: What did you learn from this book? If Icy's diagnosis of Tourette's Syndrome had been known earlier, would the townspeople have been kinder? Would her childhood have been easier? What is it like for Icy when people don't have Icy's best intentions at heart even when they are being "syrupy?" More questions are available in the church library.

Wednesday Night Suppers

We are so grateful to be gathering on Wednesday evenings for suppers from 5:15PM-6:15PM! Carry-out meals are available each week, just stop by the Social Hall to pick up your supper!



January 4th:

Taco Bar

January 11th:

Baked Potato Bar

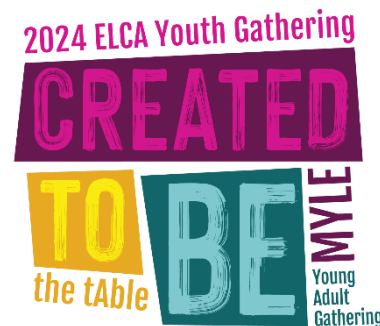
January 18th:

Pizza

January 25th:

Pasta Bar

It's time to begin thinking about the **2024 ELCA Youth Gathering**! It will be held July 16th – 20th, 2024, in New Orleans. Every three years, thousands of high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation and fellowship known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through inspiring speakers, music, bible study, service and worship, young people are challenged and called to live out their faith in their daily lives. Our Savior's youth will be attending the 2024 Gathering.



Unfortunately, the 2021, then 2022, ELCA Gathering had to be canceled, so we look forward to bringing as many youth as possible to the 2024 Gathering. The theme is "Created to Be," and is based on Psalm 139. The ELCA Youth Gathering is an event that helps to shape and strengthen the faith of our young people. Our youth haven't been to the ELCA Youth Gathering since 2015. Together, let's encourage our youth to attend this life changing event in 2024.

Missions Prayer Corner:

The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'—*Matthew 25:40, NIV*

Dear Lord, Your Word often talks about people in need finding safety. We pray today for homeless people, that children and families in need with no place to call home will be guided to places of peace and security. Bring warmth, safety, and nourishment to the homeless on the cold winter nights. We thank you for the people and communities of faith that respond with food, shelter, clothing, social services and health care, and that work diligently to end homelessness. Guide us to know how to help the homeless in our community and around the world. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

"Refresh, Recharge and Renew"

Our Savior's Women's Retreat

What: A women's retreat at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp. We will spend time connecting to God and one another. There will be large group time, small group time, and time for yourself. In our busy and demanding world, we are offering this time away for the women of Our Savior's.

When: April 21-23, 2023. It will begin Friday evening and end Sunday morning before lunch.

Cost: \$75 - The retreat fee covers housing, meals and other supplies for the retreat. There will be an extra fee for those who choose to have a massage.

Housing Options: You can sign up for an individual room, a room to be shared with one other, or a cabin with several others. The individual rooms and double rooms each have their own restroom.

Sign up: Sign up by filling out a registration form and returning to the church office. The forms are available on the WELCA bulletin board, near the kitchen. Please sign up as soon as possible so we know how many rooms to reserve. You may turn in the form without the registration deposit or fee. A \$40 non-refundable deposit is due by February 14th. The remainder of the fee is due by April 15th. If you would like to go and need a scholarship, please speak to Pastor Kathy.



Plan ahead for Bible Camp 2023!

We have reserved spots until February 2nd. Please start planning and talking about camp, if you child is interested in attending.

Talk to Lindsay to get more information.

brochures can be found by the bulletin board



February 21st, 2023 Pancake Tuesday Fundraiser

Come and get some delicious pancakes (plus more) to celebrate the day before the fast of Lent! Funds will help support our youth summer trips and program.



Thank you for your generosity in giving to our community! In the past year, our congregation has directly contributed the following to various needs in our church and beyond:

Noisy Offerings:

	Amount
January for Lutheran Disaster Response/Tornado Relief	\$334.94
February for Laundry Love	\$444.95
March for World Hunger	\$402.73
April for NUMAS Haus	\$374.60
May for CADA	\$276.77
June for United Way Backpack Project	\$186.95
July for United Way Backpack Project	\$471.71
August for Ivy House	\$330.74
September for School Hygiene Supplies	\$364.75
October for Coats for Kids	\$349.53
November for Lutheran World Relief	\$285.44

Camp Sunday Breakfast	\$8,525.95
40 Days of Giving	\$1,730.22
ELCA/Lutheran Disaster Response – Eastern Europe Crisis	\$304.79
Youth Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser 9/18/22	\$385.69
Youth Pork Chop Fundraiser 12/11/22	\$1,670.00

Baptisms at Our Savior's!

Over the past several months, we have been delighted to welcome these children into the family of God!



*Nevaeh, Izabella, Hunter, and
Ariah Brown*
Children of Steven & Brittany



Nova Rossing
Daughter of Jordan & Brianna



Eloise Nissen
Daughter of Pastor Dave & Alyssa



Robin Seery
Daughter of Jared & Rachel



Tristan Thedens-Koep
Son of Nicholas & Natasha



Marshall Bornhoft
Son of Michael & Jessica



Eli Mathiowetz
Son of Josh & Samantha



Brecken Kraus
Son of Brady & Ashley



Lincoln Fenske
Son of Alex & Karissa



Eli Hagert
Son of John & Emily

WEATHER RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

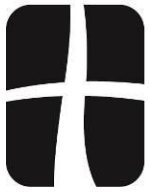
If weather is in question, please check our website and Facebook page for any cancellations or postponements. Be sure to 'like' and follow us at facebook.com/oslcnwulm to stay up to date!

For midweek classes and programs, we'll follow the lead of the public schools. If ISD 88 dismisses early, choirs, confirmation, and groups will not meet. We will also not hold evening suppers.

January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Worship & Facebook Live	2 Church Office Closed 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meeting	3 9:00am Church Staff Meeting	4 7:00am Early Risers Bible Study 11:00am WELCA Board Meeting 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Children's Handbells 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Rejoice Ringers 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship	5 11:00am Ridgeway on 23rd Service 4:00pm Pro Kinship Monthly Meeting 6:30pm Theology on Tap	6 Annual Reports Due 10:30am MRCI Group	7
8 8:30am Worship & Facebook Live 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship 9:40am Sunday LinCt 10:30am Worship	9 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meeting	10 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 5:30pm Adult Ministry Team 6:30pm Children's Ministry Team 6:30pm Youth Ministry Team	11 9:00am Cards of Caring 10:30am NU Ministerial Mtg 1:00pm Beautiful Savior Circle 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Children's Handbells 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:30pm Faith & Books 5:45pm Rejoice Ringers 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Group 6:30pm 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 6:30pm Adult Choir 7:30pm Worship	12 9:00am Immanuel Circle 4:00pm Oak Hills Worship Service 6:00pm Scouts Leader Meeting	13 10:30am MRCI Group	14
15 8:30am Worship & Facebook Live 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship 10:30am Worship	16 12:45pm Mount Kato Snow Tubing Trip (Grades 4-12) 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meeting	17 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 5:30pm Deacons Ministry Team 6:00pm Missions Ministry Team 7:00pm Personnel Committee	18 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Children's Handbells 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Rejoice Ringers 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship	19 9:30am Watonwan River Conference Rostered Leaders at OSLC 4:00pm Pro Kinship Annual Meeting 6:00pm Girl Scouts Meeting	20 10:30am MRCI Group	21
22 Noisy Offering Sunday <i>Pfarr Baptism</i> 8:30am Worship & Facebook Live 9:30am Budget Meeting 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship 9:40am Sunday LinCt 10:30am Worship	23 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meeting	24 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 9:00am Quilting Group 6:00pm Facilities & Grounds Team 6:00pm Finance Committee 7:00pm Church Council Meeting	25 11:45am Food Shelf Volunteering 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Children's Handbells 5:00pm LinCt Family Worship 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Rejoice Ringers 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship	26	27 8:30am Sidelites Group 10:30am MRCI Group	28
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The church office will be closed January 2nd for the New Year's Holiday.



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Address Service Requested

Regular Worship

Sunday Worship – 8:30AM & 10:30AM

Wednesday Worship – 7:30 PM

Television 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