# **SIDELITES**

#### Our Savior's Lutheran Church

November 2023

# Because of You Our Church Changes Lives Stewardship Sunday 2023 - Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Worship at 8:30AM and 10:30AM

Caramel and Cinnamon rolls between services

Ministry teams will have tables sharing their work and ways you can volunteer.

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

On Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the many blessings God has given us and commit to sharing our blessings with others by giving our time, talents, and financial resources. Since the last newsletter, you have received a letter with a pledge card and time and talent form. Please bring your pledge cards and time and talent forms with you to worship on November 12<sup>th</sup>. We will consecrate these gifts and trust God will use them in this congregation and beyond.

Over these last weeks you have heard members of Our Savior's sharing their faith stories. These stories have shown the impact this church has made in the lives of Our Savior's members. Your gifts are needed to make the ministries of Our Savior's possible.

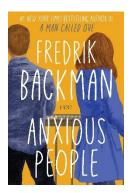
God's call to Abraham is the model for God's call to us. God promises to bless us so that we might be a blessing to others (Genesis 12:2-3). We are called to give back part of what we have received from God, so that others might be blessed through us. That blessing changes lives! When we think of stewardship in that way, it feels more like a privilege to give back to God than a duty. To know God will use what we give to change lives is a beautiful way to think of what happens when we give our time, abilities, and financial resources back to God.

In case you doubt that you've been a part of changing lives, let me tell you that's not true. Here is just a small sample of how God has worked through this church and your offerings of time and talent to bless and change lives: Your *Noisy Offering* has gone to local organizations and to global concerns such as ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response. Your offering provides for staff that carry out our ministry. Your offering of time and talent provides LinC† teachers, confirmation small group leaders, committee members, and worship volunteers. Your gifts mean we have a building that serves organizations like scouts and MRCI. Your gifts send kids to camp, cards to the homebound, and make sure future generations know the love of God. None of this would happen without YOU! God has blessed you to be a blessing to others so that they, too, will know the life changing love of God.

We have been changed by God's love and have been richly blessed by God. These blessings are not meant to be squandered or hoarded, they are meant to be shared. What gifts has God given you? What specific skills, knowledge, talent, or financial resources do you have through which others could come to know the life changing love of God? Please prayerfully consider this question and commit to how you can share these gifts with Our Savior's. Don't forget to bring your pledge cards and time and talent forms to worship on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Theology on Tap**

Join us for Theology on Tap at the Schell's Bier Halle on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30PM! Event for Adults 21+.



#### Faith & Books

The Faith & Books group will meet on **Wednesday, November 8**th, at 5:30PM in the church library. We are reading "Anxious People" by Fredrik Backman. Some questions as you read: The people held hostage are all as different as can be in so many ways. But yet, there are some similarities, especially when it comes to grief, fear and loneliness. What similarities do you see? What are some key takeaways from this story? Which character storyline were you most engaged with in this book? You will find more discussion questions in the church library.

## Curling – for Adults 21 and older November 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM - Meet at Mankato Curling Club

Come Curling at the Mankato Curling Club with the Adult Ministry team! Scan the QR code to register.

Please eat beforehand (there are plenty of restaurants in the area) and meet at the Curling Club at 6:30PM. This is a "Learn to Curl" class, so there is no need to have ever gone curling before. Bring clean shoes and a fun attitude. Cost is \$20.00. Please see Pastor Dave with any questions.

### **Game Night!**

Grades 3-6 Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> \* 5:00pm-7:00pm

Join us for fun games and good food!

Friends welcome! Sign up on the Children's Board.

#### Green Mill - 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade November 12<sup>th</sup>, 4:00PM-5:30PM

Come and hang out, eat some appetizers, and enjoy each other's company! The church will buy some appetizers to share, you can buy a pop or other food for yourself. We hope to see you there!

#### **Wednesday Night Suppers**

We are so grateful to be gathering on Wednesday evenings for suppers from 5:00PM - 6:15PM! All proceeds from the free will offering go to support Wednesday LinC† programming.



November 1st:	Spaghetti		
November 8 <sup>th</sup> :	Tacos		
November 15 <sup>th</sup> :	Pizza		
November 22 <sup>nd</sup> :	No Programming – Thanksgiving Break		
November 29 <sup>th</sup> :	Chili and Hot Dogs		



Our Savior's is looking for a part-time **Church Business Administrator** to coordinate daily financial and business operations. Knowledge of accounting practices, record keeping, and working with Microsoft Excel, QuickBooks and/or church financial software is needed for this position. If interested, please submit a resume to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, <a href="kathy@oursaviorsnewulm.org">kathy@oursaviorsnewulm.org</a>. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kathy.



On Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, we observe All Saints Day. On this day, we give thanks for all the saints from Our Savior's Lutheran Church who have died in faith and gone to be with the Lord since last All Saints Day.

Delphine Domeier	Steve Farasyn	
Cameron Haugen	Ann Julien	
Bert Marth	Al Meyer	
Helen Runck	Ted Sauers	
	Cameron Haugen Bert Marth	

Tanya Wiesner

#### **Mission Prayer Corner:**

Holy God,

We pray today for innocent families in Israel and Gaza who struggle to survive. We pray also for the people of Ukraine and all people who struggle due to war. Let us show through our lives that we are people of peace and inclusion of everyone. Be with us as we show your love to the world. Amen.

#### **Mission Team Gifts**

The mission team is charged with giving away the gifts given directly to mission. At the October meeting they voted to give \$500 to Lutheran Disaster Response and \$500 to Lutheran World Relief. These funds are designated to bring relief and aid to those affected by the Israel-Hamas war.



#### Thanksgiving Worship at Christ the King

Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM

We celebrate and give thanks to God with our friends in Christ from Christ the King Lutheran Church this Thanksgiving.

The OSLC church office will be closed November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



### 2023 Junior High Youth Gathering November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> in Willman

Please pray for our youth and adults attending this event. We have 28 youth and 6 adults attending the Jr. High Youth Gathering!





The family of Ted Sauers would like thank everyone for their prayers, cards, food, and kind words over the past year. Thank you to Pastor Kathy and Pastor Dave for your many visits, phone calls and prayers throughout Ted's illness. Pastor Kathy, Shannon, and Dennis, thank you for your part of the service. Thank you to Carolyn and all the workers for serving the food and, of course, the dishwashers. You are not forgotten. Scott - thank you for the setup and take down. Can't do a funeral without you. God Bless you all!

Betty, Travis, Melissa, Ben, Jack, Traci, Brian, and Ava!

Many thanks to Caryn Nelson, our church business administrator. Caryn has resigned her position here to take a full-time position elsewhere. We are very thankful for the good work she has done here and will miss her! Caryn's hours will vary in the next weeks as she begins a new job and helps us through our budgeting process. Again, thank you to Caryn for the gracious way she has served Our Savior's. Our prayers go with her as she begins a new position.

#### **November 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Rite of Confirmation 8:30am Worship 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship 9:40am Bible 101 Study 9:40am Sunday LinCt 10:30am Worship	<b>30</b> 1:30pm Bible 101 Study	31 9:00am Church Staff Meeting	1 11:00am WELCA Board Meeting 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Wednesday Suppers 5:00pm Youth Handbells 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship	11:00am Ridgeway on 23rd Service 4:00pm Pro Kinship Monthly Meeting 6:30pm Theology on Tap	3 10:30am MRCI Group 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meetings	4 8:30am Men's Bible Study
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12 Stewardship Sunday 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 9:40am Bible 101 Study 9:40am Sunday LinCt 10:30am Worship 4:00pm Green Mill Gathering for 9th-12th Grade 5:00pm Game Night for 3rd-6th Grade	13 Sidelites Deadline 1:30pm Bible 101 Study	9:00am Church Staff Meeting 5:30pm Adult Ministry Team 5:30pm Deacons Ministry Team 6:00pm Youth Ministry Team 7:00pm Stewardship Team	15 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Wednesday Suppers 5:00pm Youth Handbells 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship	Activity 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting	J7 Junior High Youth Gathering 8:30am Sidelites Group 10:30am MRCI Group 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meetings	18 Junior High Youth Gathering 8:30am Men's Bible Study
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26 Advent Festival Gudmonson Baptism Noisy Offering Sunday 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 10:30am Worship	27	Staff Meeting 9:00am Quilting Group 6:00pm Facilities & Grounds Team 6:00pm Finance Committee 7:00pm Church	3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Wednesday Suppers 5:00pm Youth Handbells 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Worship	<b>30</b> 3:30pm Pro Kinship Activity	1 10:30am MRCI Group 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meetings	<b>2</b> 8:30am Men's Bible Study



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### **Worship Schedule**

Sunday Worship – 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Wednesday Worship – 7:30 PM

### **Television Broadcasts**

(Comcast Channel 14; Nuvera Channel 3) Mon.–7:00 PM; Thurs. – 5:00 PM 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month – 6:00 PM

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