

SIDELITES

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

August 2018

OSLC Youth Mystery Trip 2018



July 15

Group heading off on trip:

Allie Cooke, Paige Frederick, Makenna Lang, Zach Lund, Logan O'Neill, Rylan O'Neill, Tatiana Roloff, Amber Sullivan, Chris Cooke, Susan Kogstrand, Pastor Dave Nissen

Stop #1 today: Wall Drug!



July 16

Day 2 – first stop: Bear Country USA! It was a Bear-y good time! After checking into the hotel and swimming for a bit... stop #2: Mount Rushmore!



Mystery Trip 2018

July 17

Today was spent in **Yellowstone** seeing the **Mammoth Hot Springs** and **Old Faithful**. We saw beautiful scenery and wildlife including elk, buffalo, moose, and a bear! After leaving Yellowstone we headed south into the incredibly beautiful **Grand Teton** mountain range.



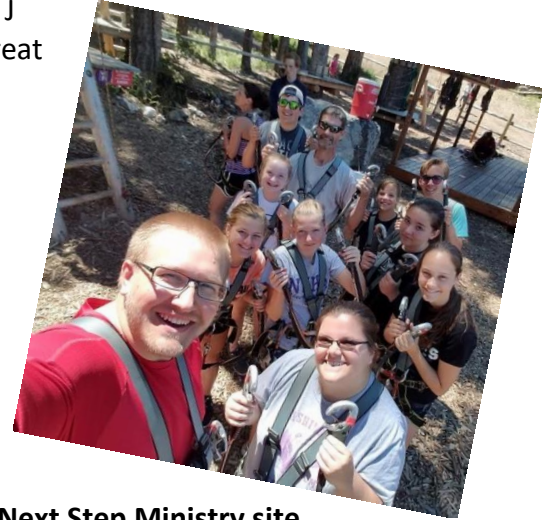
OSLC Youth Mystery Trip 2018



July 18

Today we explored **Jackson Hole, Wyoming!** We spent the morning walking around downtown, then went to Snow King Mountain to do a ropes course and ziplines! In the evening we went to the Bar J Chuckwagon for a delicious dinner and a great show.

Ropes course to bring the group together....also to terrify us! A great time for team building, taking in some of God's great creation, and encouraging each other. God is good!



July 19

Today we braved gravel roads and over 10 hours of driving to arrive at a **Next Step Ministry site in South Dakota.** We are so excited to get out and work hard for God's children!

July 20

We got to spend this morning at the Oglala Sioux Lakota Care Facility playing games, decorating cupcakes, and making crafts with some of the residents. After eating lunch, we helped weed and clean up a large garden. Everyone worked hard and we got SO much done. The owner was very happy and impressed with our work. This afternoon we toured the Red Cloud Indian School in Pine Ridge.



Mystery Trip 2018

Pastor's Page:

A couple of weeks ago I was a witness to an amazing series of events. It was an incredible experience to watch the spontaneous outpouring of compassion by a community for someone's need. I'd like to share the story with you and explain the ways I find so much joy in it.



It was a Tuesday morning. We were just getting done with staff meeting. I had learned more about a family in crisis and decided it was important for me to go and visit them in Rochester. We were barely out of that meeting when I discovered how quickly word can spread. It had already gotten out that I would be going to Rochester the next day. It started with a phone call. Or rather, I started getting phone calls. The calls were inquiries, would I/could I take something along with me for the family. "Of course" I said. Two simple words seemed to open the floodgates for an amazing sequence I hadn't expected.

Cancer is a nasty word. It is a disease that comes in many shapes and attacks. And, it touches most all of us. The news came about one of our families being in crisis. And that Tuesday, a surprising number of people found connections. With compassion and concern, they were seeking ways to help. That morning, there were inquiries, but the real story happened in the afternoon. There were a trickle of people who came to see me during the lunch hour and they all brought cash. Whoa – I don't like handling money. That's an awkward conflict just waiting to happen. So – I got out an envelope and asked my visitors to put their cash into it. It filled quickly, so then I found a box. It was profound afternoon - the movement that began with a trickle and swelled into a wave. There was practically a constant flow of people showing up at my door. As the afternoon progressed, their hands carried less visible cash and more cards with written greetings. Did I mention the wave? There were a lot of familiar people, but also a lot more folks I had never met. I kept wondering where did all these people come from? Obvious answer – they were people from the church and from the community. And they were all saying "thank you" to me for being a courier and carrying their gift(s) to Rochester. They kept coming, right up to the end of the day. By then, the box was full.

Compassion is an awesome thing. Generosity is also an awesome movement to see. To see both is to see into the heart of a community of people. I am delighted and amazed; appreciative and humbled at the same time. Not because of one heart, but a hundred hearts that stepped forward together. And then the spontaneity – wow, I did not know that OSLC could react so quickly and so positively. Within hours there was a converging response.

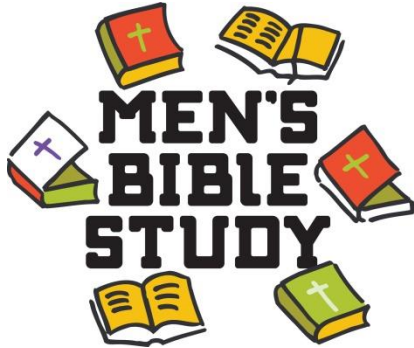
I watched with a sense of hopefulness. Something has awakened among us. There is a heart. There is energy. There is compassion and joy for working together. The only thing I can add is "Thank you God!"

Pastor Gene



Job opening at Our Savior's: Education Ministry Coordinator

For a complete job description please follow this link: [Education Ministry Coordinator job description](#) or visit our website at www.oursaviorsnewulm.org



Men's Bible Study Note: The men's Bible study group plans to meet **Saturday, August 11** and will return to their normal weekly schedule in September.

Confirmation Pictures

Recently discovered – Confirmation pictures from the past 2-3 years that have not been claimed. These packets of pictures will be available on a table in the social hall. Confirmands and parents – please check this table out and pick up your pictures as soon as possible.

Graduation & baby Pictures

2018 Graduates! There are still some graduation/baby pictures that need to be picked up. These will be available on a table in the social hall. Please pick yours up today! Thank you

Newsletter Deadline: Please have items for the next newsletter to JoEllen by **August 9**. Thank you.

Washington School:

This Mission Team encourages that we again support all of the early childhood programs at Washington School with other items, in addition to school supplies that they will need.

Examples include: additional tissues, wipes, socks, underwear, markers, crayons, glue

Should you wish to contribute, see the display board and collection box in the church social hall mid-July to mid-August! There are example items of what could be purchased, shopping lists, and donation envelopes that could be submitted in the church offering.

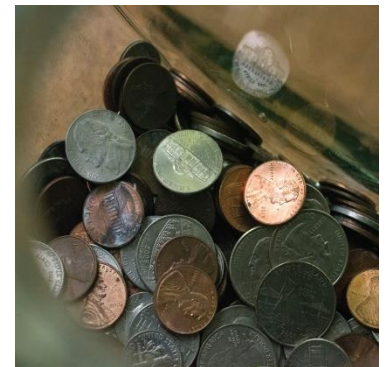


The noisy offering in July will go towards Washington School to purchase a special need.

Our Savior's Mission Ministry Team

The noisy offering is being revamped.....

The children will love it! We wanted to make noisy offering more energized, give the children a chance to be involved, and have them start learning what offering is all about. Any interested kids will be called up to grab a small bucket to go out and collect coins from the congregation. Then they get to make noise and drop all the coins into a larger bucket that will be at the front of the church. Please note: To make it more of a routine, starting in August, instead of every 5th Sunday, noisy offering will now be every 4th Sunday!
Mission Team



Thank You Notes

Thanks so much for the quilt! I really enjoy mine and plan on bringing it to college.
Matthew Messenger

Dear Our Savior's Lutheran,
Thank you for the card and the warm, beautiful quilt. The cake and coffee was also delicious.
Hannah Laron

Thank you for the plant and plate of cookies.
Mary Raitz (Oak Hills)

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, cards and support. I was at UCLA in early July for my third in the series of four treatments for the clinical trial that I am participating in and I'm very grateful that I've been healthy enough to continue the treatments. If all goes as planned, I'll return to California in late August for the final treatment in the trial. Thank you so much for your support!
Dean Tessmer

Thank you Our Savior's, for being a wonderful church to start my religious journey in! I also want to say a special thanks to the people who made my wonderful quilt.
Thanks again,
Alex Portner

OSLC,
Thank you for supporting Green Lake Bible campers! I was at Green Lake last week and did Stargazers. I learned about how to get *lost* in God by: Love, Prayer, Service and Sabbath. I think it really grew my faith. Thank you again for supporting Green Lake Bible Camp!
Katie Wilker

Dear Our Savior's Church,
Thank you so much for all of the wonderful years and memories of Our Savior's Church. Thank you also for the beautiful quilt for my senior milestone, this will come in handy at Waldorf University where I'll be attending college.
Love,
Jacob Beranek

I want to thank all those who sent cards, prayers, good wishes and plants my way while I was 'incarcerated' after my stroke! Thanks also to Pastor Gene and Pastor Dave for their visits and for bringing me communion. I'm home now but will still be taking some occupational therapy for a while.
Thank you again,
Carol Forsberg

Thank you everyone at OSLC who helped make the quilts! I love my quilt a lot....it has rainbows!
Love,
Oliver

In & beyond our
COMMUNITY

**Get Hooked on Fishing
Free Youth Fishing Contest**
(For children up to 18 years old)
Entry: Free!
Wed., Aug. 15 – 4:00-7:00PM
At Riverside Park
(Rain-out date Thurs., Aug. 16)
21st Annual sponsored by:
The New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen
Fishing, Food, Fun & Prizes

**2018 Benefit Drew's Crew
5K COLORFEST Run/Walk**
Sept. 8, 2018
Harman Park, New Ulm
5K Colorfest starts at 11:00 am
To Register: RaceEntry.com
Drew Aufderheide was diagnosed with an incurable form of Leukemia (CML). Proceeds will go to help Drew with the ongoing cost of his medication and medical expenses.
To donate or for info: Drews Crew, PO Box 24, New Ulm, MN 56073 or DrewCrew.org
Donations are tax deductible run through Oakwood Church 501c3



Summer's gifts

Summer brings longer days, warmer nights and — for many people — time spent near water. Complete this puzzle to find out who's behind all those summertime joys.



Directions: Read Jeremiah 31:35 (NIV) below. Draw a around words describing God's actions. Draw an around words that describe day. Underline words that describe evening. Draw ~~~ under words that describe the ocean.

He who appoints the sun to shine by day,
 who decrees the moon and stars to shine by night,
 who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar ...



Directions: Circle the capital letters. Then write them from left to right on the lines below to reveal God's name in this Bible verse.

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 e D q r s t c e a t o n a h f z z v u A w y L
 a v n M q z l s k y z G u w H h m o T k j k Y





Answer: The LORD Almighty



POWER OF PRAYER

When life gets crazy, worry creeps in. But God tells us exactly what to do — any time and anywhere.

Directions: Circle the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write those words on the numbered lines below.

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| 1
apple
anxious
artichoke | 2
every
eagle
emu | 3
purple
pink
prayer | 4
Paul
petition
Peter | 5
taste
touch
thanksgiving |
| 6
rest
requests
relax | 7
God
George
Greg | 8
puddle
peace
pond | 9
transcends
train
truck | 10
unusual
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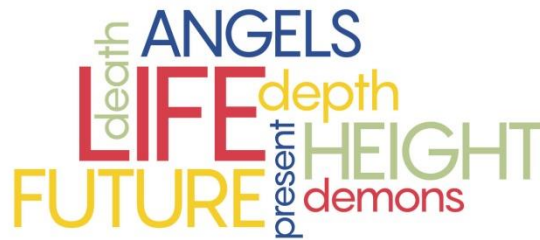
“Do not be _____ about anything, but in
 _____ situation, by _____ and
 _____, with _____,
 present your _____ to _____. And
 the _____ of God, which _____
 all _____, will _____
 your _____ and your _____
 in Christ Jesus.” _____ 4:6-7, NIV

Answers: 1. anxious, 2. every, 3. prayer, 4. petition, 5. thanksgiving, 6. requests, 7. God, 8. peace, 9. transcends, 10. understanding, 11. guard, 12. hearts, 13. minds, 14. Philippians

Bible Quiz

Paul declares that nothing “will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Which of the following does Paul specify as unable to block God's love?

- A. death; life
- B. angels; demons
- C. present; future
- D. height; depth
- E. all of the above



Answer: E (See Romans 8:38-39, NIV.)

AUGUST 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Interim Pastor's Meeting 4:00 PM Prokinship Monthly Meeting	3	4 5:30 PM Worship
5 9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Fellowship Ministry Team 5:00 PM First Call Group at Pastor Gene's home	6	7 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 12:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting 7:00 PM Youth Ministry Team	8 First Call Group Visits 5:30 PM Mission Ministry Team	9 Newsletter Articles Due Today 1:30 PM Ridgeway on 23rd Service 6:00 PM Girl Scout Leader's Meeting	10 3 Points OSLC Bulletin Board Deadline	11 8:30 AM Men's Bible Study 5:30 PM Worship
12 9:00 AM Worship	13 3:00 PM Ridgeway on German Service 4:00 PM Oak Hills Service	14 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 12:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting 5:30 PM Personnel Committee	15 10:00 AM MOPS Leadership Meeting	16	17 Con Ed Class - Pr Gene	18 5:30 PM Worship
19 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Facilities & Grounds Ministry Team 10:15 AM Executive Council Meeting	20	21 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 12:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting 7:00 PM Deacons Ministry Team	22	23	24	25 5:30 PM Worship
26 Noisy Offering 9:00 AM Worship	27	28 9:30 AM Church Staff Meeting 12:00 PM Text Study - Pastor's Meeting 6:00 PM Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Church Council	29	30 9:00 AM Fall Planning	31	



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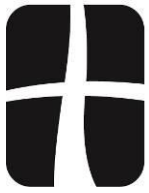
Our Savior's Ministry Teams & Committees

Newsletter Articles & Church Calendar Items.....

- How to submit them: Email, phone call, or drop off in church office

When to submit them: Look for deadline information printed in each Sidelites newsletter.

Please don't miss this opportunity to get the word out about what your ministry team/committee has been working on and information about any event you have planned that members of the congregation may be able to participate in. Please continue to look ahead so events may be included on the monthly calendar.



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Mon.–7 PM; Thurs.–11:00 AM & 5 PM

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OUR **SAVIOR'S** is a Welcoming
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