
SIDELITES

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

June 2023



When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:1-4

The followers of Jesus were waiting. Waiting for the Holy Spirit as Jesus had promised. I'm not sure the disciples truly knew what they were waiting for. I'm not sure they knew how they would be changed. Did they know the Spirit would come for everyone or did they think the Apostles would be set apart? Did they worry about the followers of Jesus just falling apart and disbanding? Did they wonder if they would remain united or would they begin arguing over things? Did they wonder who would lead them without Jesus there? As much as they loved Jesus, they must have been worrying. I think that we might have some of the same worries today.

When we worry, we have a tendency to hold on tight to what is familiar and comfortable for us. Yet, we have the same calling as the first followers of Jesus, to share the Good News of Jesus and make disciples. How we do that looks different in 2023 than it did at the first Pentecost. In fact, it looks different than when I began here in 1988, and even different than just a few years ago. What is certain is that there are many who need to hear the Good News, and that we are filled with the Holy Spirit and sent to share the Good News.

Our Savior's has been blessed with many new members, baptisms, and lots of children and youth in faith formation programming. We also have hundreds of long-time members and members who are retired. We have wonderful opportunities here to grow in our discipleship and to share that with our new members, children, and youth. How can we best do that? To know the answer begins with prayer and asking God to show us the way. Then we trust God and move forward. Each of you has gifts to share, and my prayer is that each of us will use those gifts to serve God and God's people in this place (inside and outside the walls of the church). We have an opportunity and a calling to use what God has given us to share the Good News of Jesus to people wherever they are in their faith journey, and that is a privilege. Thanks be to God!

Pastor Kathy



We will continue to need Ushers, Lectors, Communion Servers, and worship PowerPoint clickers during the summer months! If you would like to give it a try, please speak with a pastor to learn more.

The Food Library continues to be a well-used and needed resource for our community, even during the summer months! We are looking for non-perishable foods that will not spoil in the heat, and single-serve items or pop-top containers are especially helpful. Food donations can be left in the box outside the church office. We also need people who would help keep the food library filled this summer! If you would like to help, a sign-up sheet is located in the Social Hall.



On May 11th, our Wednesday LinC† kids thanked Shannon Stuckey for her years leading children's choir. Shannon taught our children to sing, she taught them our faith thru music, and she helped them grow as leaders. It's not just these kids. Since 2001, she has been directing, accompanying, planning, and teaching at Our Savior's. Children, youth and adults have learned from her and grown in faith because of her leadership

The farewell celebration for Shannon Stuckey will be held on **Sunday, June 4th**. There will be special music at both services, and a brunch between services. We are grateful for the 23 years Shannon has served as the Director Music Ministries and wish her well in retirement.

Bible Camp Here We Come!

Wow! I know I have said it before, but I will say it again! **"Our congregation support is AMAZING!"**

We have 47 kids attending Green Lake Bible Camp June 18th -22nd and one attending June 25th-29th. We couldn't have done it without YOUR help! Thank you for donating to our breakfast and envelope fundraisers! Even the smallest donations made a huge difference, because every little bit helped us reach our goal. When we all work together, we can make big things happen, and year after year this rings true. Your continued support of our children and youth programs is appreciated beyond words.

The kids attending camp will enjoy time growing their faith in so many fun ways. Swimming, hiking, canoeing, crafting, playing games and worshiping will fill their time at camp. They will build everlasting relationships with each other and God. Camp week is my second favorite week of the year (VBS is obviously my number one), I am so blessed to be able to join the kids during the week at bible study and worship. I love to watch them grow and make beautiful memories at Bible Camp.

Please add these kids to your prayers during their time at camp. Help support them spiritually as they venture away from home, some for the first time.

God Bless,
Lindsay Medina, Education Ministries Coordinator



Missions Prayer Corner:

Dear God,

Help us follow Jesus' example of love for all our neighbors. Help us share this love in tangible ways in our community. Help us love all your world and help us remember that we are not alone, but can lean on one another. Be with us daily so we have joy in your constant love. Amen.

News & Notes

Join us for Theology on Tap at the Schell's Bier Halle **June 1st 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+.*

The June 25th *Noisy Offering* will benefit the United Way Backpack Project!

Twins Game Bus Information – We will load the bus at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, June 14th. Please bring a lunch to eat on the bus or money to eat lunch at Target Field. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kathy.

A motion passed at the annual meeting that the church council give a report to the congregation in the month of June, regarding conversations with Zion Lutheran in Hanska. The meeting has been set for **Sunday, June 11th at 9:30AM**. There will not be any kind of vote at this meeting. There will be a handout available so that those who cannot attend can see the report. Thank you to the committee who has been working on this and those who have attended the question and answer sessions.



Summer Youth Events!

Ice Cream and conversation at MN EIS! For 7th -12th graders on May 31st at 3:00PM.

Pet Parade at Oak Hills! All ages are invited to bring their pets to Oak Hills on June 7th at 3:00PM.

Applebee's Evening for those entering 9th – 12th grade at 9:00PM on June 14th, July 12th, and August 16th.

Comfy Chair at Caribou for those entering 7th – 8th grade on June 28th from 1:00PM – 2:00PM.

Volleyball, Bowling & Pizza at Concordia Lanes for those entering 7th – 12th Grade on July 19th from 3:00PM – 5:30PM.

VALLEYFAIR! For kids entering 7th – 12th Grade on August 9th from 8:00AM – 8:00PM.

Events at Our Savior's

We have celebrated multiple special events at OSLC over the past few months. Thank you for a wonderful program year!

Children's Musical: "A Not So Terrible Parable" – February 26, 2023



5th Grade First Communion – April 6, 2023



Mankato Curling Club – March 26, 2023



Women's Retreat at GLLM – April 21 – 23, 2023



**6th Grade Hymnal Milestone
May 7, 2023**



**Senior Graduate Quilt Milestone
May 14, 2023**



Ivy House Garden Planting – May 16, 2023

Thank you Missions Team and volunteers for this work at Ivy House!



Dear Our Savior's,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$416.80 to Ivy House, given on May 9, 2023. Your donation means we can continue to bless families in our community by providing them a safe and caring place for kids to stay. By donating to Ivy House, you are supporting families & children in crisis or stressful situations and giving them a light in their life. Our staff takes pride in providing care that is both loving and compassionate.

Thank you for doing another Noisy Offering for Ivy House. We are so thankful for your support!

- Trisha Homan, Executive Director

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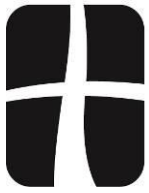
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Noisy Offering Sunday 8:30am Worship 10:30am Worship 11:30am Private Event	29 Church Office Closed	30 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 11:30am Retirement Lunch	31 3:00pm MN EIS for 7th-12th Grade	1 11:00am Ridgeway on 23rd Service 4:00pm Pro Kinship Monthly Meeting 6:30pm Theology on Tap	2	3
4 8:30am Worship 9:30am Shannon Retirement Brunch 10:30am Worship	5 9:00am Vacation Bible School	6 9:00am Vacation Bible School	7 9:00am Vacation Bible School 3:00pm Oak Hills Pet Parade 6:00pm Missions Ministry Team	8 9:00am Vacation Bible School 4:00pm Oak Hills Worship Service	9 9:00am Vacation Bible School	10
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Summer Worship Schedule begins **Sunday, June 11th**:
Sunday Mornings at 8:30AM (also on Facebook) and 10:00AM.

Memorial Day through Labor Day, the church office will be open Monday – Friday from 8:00AM – 12:00 Noon.

Have you moved recently, changed your phone number/email address, or gotten rid of a land line? Help us stay in touch with you! Please contact Jen with any updates at jen@oursaviorsnewulm.org or call the church at (507) 233-4430.



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Worship Schedule

Beginning June 11th

Sunday Worship – 8:30AM & 10:00AM

Television Broadcasts

(Comcast Channel 14; Nuvera Channel 3)

Mon.–7:00 PM; Thurs. – 5:00 PM

4th Thursday of the month – 6:00 PM

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OUR SAVIOR'S is a Welcoming

community, experiencing God,

reaching out and raising up followers of

Jesus Christ