

---

# ***SIDELITES***

***Our Savior's Lutheran Church***

***September 2023***

---



Woven Together:  
**Our Family  
of Faith**

**Reunion Sunday  
September 17th!**

10:00 AM - Worship  
11:00 AM - Meal, Games & Music



It's hard to believe that summer is soon gone and the new program year is beginning. That traditionally means we have Rally Sunday at Our Savior's, when we begin LinCT, confirmation, bible studies, and other church activities that take a break in the summer.

This year we will have "Reunion Sunday," rather than Rally Day. We chose to do this because of the many different directions we travel in the summer: cabins, vacations, ball games, family reunions, and camping. We are eager to gather for fall programming and worship, and believe that in many ways it is a big family reunion. The second change is that Reunion Sunday will be on September 17<sup>th</sup>, the third Sunday of September. We know that many of you like to attend the fly-in breakfast on the second Sunday, so we changed our gathering and meal to September 17<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will be here for worship and the time we are planning after worship to reconnect with your church family. This will also be a great time to get to know the many new folks who have been attending worship over the summer. As a family of faith, the threads of our individual lives are woven together to make up this beautiful congregation. We grow stronger through worship, learning, and service, for sure. But there is more. We grow stronger as we gather informally and share a meal, and have time to talk and get to know one another. It is in these times we often build the connections of support and encouragement that we all need. We are a family of faith, and to live out our mission takes all of us, woven together, using our unique gifts.

As I look forward to the family reunion my family has each summer, I look forward to Reunion Sunday at Our Savior's! I hope to see you on September 17<sup>th</sup>!

Pastor Kathy

## September Worship Schedule



<b>September 3<sup>rd</sup>:</b>	Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM
<b>September 10<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM
<b>September 17<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>Reunion Sunday</b> One Service at 10:00 AM
<b>September 24<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>Regular Schedule Begins</b> Worship at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

7:30 PM Wednesday Worship begins September 13<sup>th</sup>.

### Living in Christ Together

Faith Formation on Wednesdays and Sundays  
Wednesdays Beginning September 13<sup>th</sup>  
Sundays Beginning September 17<sup>th</sup>



LinCt for Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade is offered on Wednesday afternoon or Sunday morning, and families may choose either day. Our Preschoolers (3 and 4 year olds as of September 1<sup>st</sup>) have LinCt on Sunday mornings only. More information will be available at our Parent Meetings. Registration is open now online at <http://www.oursaviorsnewulm.org/linct-online-registration.html> or pick up a paper form by the Children's Board.

#### Wednesdays at Our Savior's

3:30PM – LinCt (Grades K-6)  
5:00PM – Youth Handbells (Grades 4 and up)  
5:15PM – Wednesday Suppers (all ages)  
5:45PM – Adult Handbells  
6:30PM – Adult Choir  
6:30PM – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group  
6:30PM - 8:00PM – Confirmation (Grades 7-9)  
7:30PM – **Worship** (All ages)

#### Sundays at Our Savior's

8:30AM – **Worship\***  
9:30 AM – Coffee & Fellowship  
9:40AM – LinCt (Preschool-Grade 6)  
10:30AM – **Worship\***

*\*Sunday Worship times beginning  
September 24<sup>th</sup>\**

#### Wednesday LinCt Snack Helper Meeting

September 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM

Join us for coffee and training! Please contact Lindsay with any questions.

#### Theology on Tap

Join us for Theology on Tap at the Schell's Bier Halle on **September 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30PM!** Come for a night of conversation, discussions about faith, friendship, and a beer or 1919 root beer. *Event for Adults 21+.*

#### Fire & Ice for 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders

September 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:00PM - 8:30PM

Warm up by the campfire, play some games, sing some songs, cool off with some ice cream! Bring a friend and we'll see you there!

**BACKPACK  
BLESSING**

**BRING YOUR  
BACKPACK!**

**SEPTEMBER 17TH  
@ 10 AM SERVICE**

Come sing with the **Adult Choir!** Join this easy-going group of talented musicians. No need to be able to read music, we will teach you all of the parts! Rehearsals are from 6:30PM - 7:15PM on Wednesdays, and we sing twice a month for worship. Please contact Madeline Cacciatore-Warta at [mcacciatore@newulm.k12.mn.us](mailto:mcacciatore@newulm.k12.mn.us) for more information, or just show up to our first rehearsal on September 6<sup>th</sup>!

Come ring with a Handbell Choir! **Adult Handbell** rehearsals are from 5:45PM - 6:15PM on Wednesdays, and we play once a month for worship. **Youth Handbells** are for students in Grades 4 and up. Older students are welcome and encouraged to join or continue playing! Youth Handbells rehearse from 5:00PM - 5:30PM on Wednesdays, and also play once a month. Contact Sarah Berger at [mattsarahberger@msn.com](mailto:mattsarahberger@msn.com) with questions, and join us for our first rehearsals on September 13<sup>th</sup>!

### Wednesday Night Suppers

We are so grateful to be gathering again on Wednesday evenings (*beginning September 13<sup>th</sup>*) for suppers from 5:15PM-6:15PM! All proceeds from the free will offering go to support Wednesday LinC† programming.



September 13 <sup>th</sup> :	Pizza
September 20 <sup>th</sup> :	Pancakes, Sausages & Cinnamon Rolls or Caramel Rolls
September 27 <sup>th</sup> :	Hot Dogs, Calico Beans & Chips

### Women's Night Out at Sweet Haven Tonics!

Come out for a fun night of conversations and a refreshing drink with friends of OSLC! **September 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00PM - 8:00PM.** We will have a sign up on the WELCA board with more information.



### Faith Milestones

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Milestone:

**Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 PM Worship presentation  
(after Confirmation)

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bible Milestone:

**Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 AM Worship presentation  
9:30 AM Bible Milestone Class (for parents & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders)



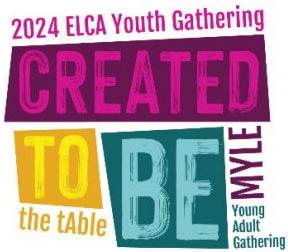
Southwestern Minnesota Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Synod Minister Heather Cularis will join us for both worship services on **September 24<sup>th</sup>**. Pastor Heather will preach and lead a forum between services. She will share what is happening in the Southwestern Minnesota Synod and be available for questions.

### WELCA News

Programs are starting up again! Do you like working with fabric? Join us for our Mission Quilt Assembly project the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at 9:00AM.

Join one of our circles! Beautiful Savior Circle meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1:00PM. Immanuel Circle meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 9:00AM.



## Created to Be: The 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

Registration is open for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans. All youth in grades 8-12 are encouraged to sign up for this once in a lifetime Gathering. Besides the Gathering, we will be doing many fun and interesting activities. Check out the youth bulletin board for more information and for registration forms. Questions? Contact Pastor Kathy.

## Faith & Books

The books for the 2023-2024 Faith & Books group have been chosen through January! There will be one copy of each book at the church. The book group will meet the second Wednesday of the month in the church library, beginning in October. We will meet from 5:30PM - 6:30PM. Pastor Kathy would like to share ideas for the February-April books, with the group choosing which ones we will read.

- October – *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus
- November – *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman
- December – *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens
- January – *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray

## New Members at Our Savior's

We will be welcoming new members at worship on **October 15<sup>th</sup>**. We will have a New Member Orientation on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30PM. Children are welcome! If you are interested in becoming a member at Our Savior's or to sign up for orientation, please contact the church office at (507) 233-4430 or [jen@oursaviorsnewulm.org](mailto:jen@oursaviorsnewulm.org).



---

## Mission Prayer Corner:

Gracious God,

Your word of peace stills the storms that rage in our world. Bring hope to places that know devastation in the calm after this disaster. Bring comfort to those who grieve the loss of loved ones and property. Let Your love be known through those who work to bring order in the chaos. Help us to shoulder the burden of suffering. And make us bearers of the hope that can be found in you. Through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, Amen.

(Adapted from ELCA worship resources for natural disasters)



We are also in need of food to fill the Food Library! Please consider donating non-perishable foods that will not spoil or melt in the heat. Donations can be left in the wooden box outside the church office.

---

Heart to Home Furnishings is in need of the following items: dressers, end tables/night stands, small kitchen appliances, loveseats, and twin box springs and mattresses. Call (507) 276-6228 or email [hthfurnishings@gmail.com](mailto:hthfurnishings@gmail.com) to initiate a donation of any of these items. Cash donations can be sent to Heart to Home Furnishings, c/o Gary Neubauer, 45 Woodland Drive, New Ulm. Our organization serves low income individuals and families living in the Brown County area who are in need of beds, and other furniture and household items. All persons served are referred to us by a human services agency, healthcare agency, or a church.





## Required Meetings for Parents of LinC† and Confirmation Students

There will be a **required** meeting for all parents who have children registered for LinC† - Sunday and Wednesday sessions, and parents of Confirmation students. One parent/guardian per household needs to attend a meeting, or their child/children cannot attend OSLC programming. Please choose one meeting to attend.

**LinC† Families:** In teaching our faith, it is so important that parents and church work together. We need your help to run a successful program. Because it is so important, we are offering the meeting at different times to make it possible for all parents to attend. We are requiring the meeting because we have important information to pass along, and know our year will be more successful if every parent has this needed information. We are busy planning for a wonderful year of LinC†, and look forward to sharing all we will be doing with parents. Meeting times are:

Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM

**Confirmation Families:** Confirmation will begin again on **Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM**. We will also be having multiple meetings for confirmation before we begin. Attendance at one of these meetings is required. This is to help all parents and guardians know what is going on in confirmation, the expectations, the requirements, and to pass on very important information. Attendance will be taken at each meeting to make sure that each student has had one of their parents or guardians attend one of these meetings. These meetings will be under 30 minutes long. Meeting times are:

Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 AM



**Our Savior's is hiring a Children's Ministry Assistant for Wednesdays during the school year.** Hours will be Wednesdays, on days of LinC†, from 1:00PM - 5:30PM.

The Children's Ministry Assistant will assist the Children's Ministry Coordinator with classroom prep, curriculum prep, teaching faith formation classes, and supervising the Wednesday LinC† programming for Kindergarten - Grade Six. Qualifications include: A desire to share the joy of Jesus Christ with children and parents. Work

well with children and teenagers. Reliable, dependable and responsible. The ability to work well under pressure in a multi-task environment and pass a background check . Please send a resume to Pastor Kathy ([kathy@oursaviorsnewulm.org](mailto:kathy@oursaviorsnewulm.org)) or speak to her with any questions.

## Snacks for our Wednesday After School LinC† Program

We are blessed to have so many children coming to OSLC after school on Wednesdays. We had over 100 kids last year on Wednesdays! We are asking for donations of individually-wrapped treats that we can easily have ready for the kids when they get here after school. There is a box marked "Wednesday LinC† Snacks" by the church office. If you would be willing to donate treats for the children, we would greatly appreciate it. Here is the list of snacks we are looking for. And again, they need to be individually-wrapped.

Fruit Snacks

Fruit Roll Ups

Rice Krispie Bars

Granola Bars

Little Debbie snacks

Small bags of Gold Fish Crackers

Small bags of cookies

Small bags of chips



Dear Our Savior's Lutheran Church Members,

Thank you for donating so much towards my YAGM fundraising page. I really appreciate it. I am grateful for the extraordinary support shown for my YAGM year in England. Growing up I received an abundance of support and love and I wanted to pay that forward. I want to share the love of God with the girls at St. Swithun's the same way it was portrayed to me throughout my life.

I will be sending updates every two months on my adventures in Winchester at St. Swithun's all girls boarding high school. In each update I will include my experiences and activities. This will include the activities and duties I do with the girls, chaplain, and housemistress and also the adventures I experience outside of my normal "placement/job" hours.

At the moment, I am at orientation in Chicago, Illinois. I will be at orientation until Monday, August 28th. Each day we have two to three speakers on important topics to prepare us for our upcoming YAGM year. The days also consist of devotions, small group time, and fellowship time. I am making lots of friends and meeting many people. I am learning important information that will help me for years to come.

I am so excited for this new adventure. I could not have this amazing opportunity without the support of every donor and church member. I am so grateful for this experience and I can't wait to spread God's love to the girls at St. Swithun's.

- With Love, Lucy Sletta

Dear Members of Our Savior's Lutheran,

Thank you for your mission support and generous contribution to all that is happening here at camp! Please share our sincere thanks to everyone for being so kind and thoughtful! Your gifts are being put to work already. Through summer camp, day camp and Serve Boldly, over 70 summer staff members are sharing God's word with campers in new and innovative ways, maintaining the beautiful spaces we've been blessed with, and spreading God's love and grace further through retreat ministry. We're so grateful for your contribution and support!

Blessings,

- Travis Aufderheide, Executive Director, GLLM

Our Savior's and Pastor Kathy,

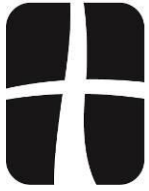
Thank you for allowing Kids Kamp to use this space for the summer. Thank you for letting the kids be kids and have a fun summer. Having an area where they could safely play inside and out each day was so great. We staff loved it here and so did the kids. You really helped us make a safe and welcoming space. Words can barely describe how grateful we are for you, your space, and your staff. Thank you for everything!

- Paige & Alex, Kids Kamp Directors

## September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> Noisy Offering Sunday <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship <b>10:00am Worship</b> 6:30pm LinCt Parent Meeting 7:00pm Confirmation Parent Meeting 7:30pm 2024 Youth Gathering Meeting	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> First Day of School ISD 88 9:00am Church Staff Meeting	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 2:00pm Pro Kinship Activity	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> <b>8:30am Worship</b> <b>10:00am Worship</b>	<b>4</b> Church Office Closed	<b>5</b> 9:00am Church Staff Meeting	<b>6</b> 10:00am LinCt Snack Helper Meeting 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm LinCt Parent Meeting 7:00pm Confirmation Parent Meeting 7:30pm 2024 Youth Gathering Parent Meeting 7:30pm Confirmation Leader Training 7:30pm LinCt Leader Training	<b>7</b> 11:00am Ridgeway on 23rd Service 4:00pm Pro Kinship Monthly Meeting 6:30pm Theology on Tap	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Pineda/Kortuem Wedding 8:30am Men's Bible Study
<b>10</b> <i>Friesner Baptism</i> <i>Furth Baptism</i> <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship 9:45am LinCt Parent Meeting <b>10:00am Worship</b> 11:30am Confirmation Parent Meeting 12:00pm 2024 Youth Gathering Parent Meeting 7:00pm Fire & Ice	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 5:30pm Adult Ministry Team 6:00pm Youth Ministry Team	<b>13</b> 9:00am Cards of Caring 1:00pm Beautiful Savior Circle 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Youth Handbells 5:15pm Children's Ministry Team 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation <b>7:30pm Worship</b>	<b>14</b> 2:00pm Pro Kinship Activity 4:00pm Oak Hills Worship Service	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 8:30am Men's Bible Study
<b>17</b> <i>Reunion Sunday</i> 9:40am Sunday LinCt <b>10:00am Worship</b> 11:00am Meal, Games & Music	<b>18</b> Sidelites Deadline 6:00pm Women's Night Out at Sweet Haven Tonics	<b>19</b> 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 5:30pm Deacons Ministry Team 6:00pm Missions Ministry Team 7:00pm Stewardship Team	<b>20</b> <i>7th Grade Bible Milestone</i> 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Youth Handbells 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation <b>7:30pm Worship</b> 8:00pm 10th Grade Confirmation	<b>21</b> 9:00am OSLC Work Day 9:30am Conference Rostered Leaders 3:30pm Pro Kinship Activity	<b>22</b> 8:30am Sidelites Group	<b>23</b> 8:30am Men's Bible Study
<b>24</b> <i>3rd Grade Bible Milestone</i> <i>Hale Baptism</i> Noisy Offering Sunday <b>8:30am Worship</b> 9:30am Coffee & Fellowship 9:30am Synod Minister Culuris Forum 9:40am Sunday LinCt <b>10:30am Worship</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 9:00am Quilting Group 6:00pm Facilities & Grounds Team 6:00pm Finance Committee 7:00pm Church Council Meeting	<b>27</b> 3:30pm Wednesday LinCt 5:00pm Youth Handbells 5:15pm Wednesday Suppers 5:45pm Adult Handbells 6:30pm 5th & 6th Gr. Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Choir 6:30pm Confirmation <b>7:30pm Worship</b> 8:00pm 10th Grade Confirmation	<b>28</b> 2:00pm Pro Kinship Activity	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 8:30am Men's Bible Study

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, for the Labor Day holiday.



# OUR SAVIOR'S

**Lutheran Church**

NEW ULM, MN

NON PROFIT  
ORGANIZATION  
US POSTAGE PAID  
New Ulm, MN  
Permit #6

1400 South State Street

New Ulm, MN 56073

Phone: 507-233-4430

Website: [www.oursaviorsnewulm.org](http://www.oursaviorsnewulm.org)

[www.facebook.com/oslcnwulm](https://www.facebook.com/oslcnwulm)

***Address Service Requested***

## **Worship Schedule**

*Through September 10<sup>th</sup>:*

Sunday Worship – 8:30AM & 10:00AM

*Beginning September 24<sup>th</sup>:*

Sunday - 8:30AM & 10:30AM, Wed. - 7:30PM

## **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

# SIDELITES

OUR SAVIOR'S is a Welcoming

community, experiencing God,

reaching out and raising up followers of

Jesus Christ