

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

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Sonshine Worship Service

Worship Leaders: Mark & Kari Whittier, Greg & Linda Kockelman, Sam & Madeline Knutson, DeLon Clarksean, Molly Verhelst, Pastor Levi Bollerud, Karen Olsen, Dawn Ourada, Craig Kaddatz & Nick Kockelman

****Welcome! We are grateful for the spirit that prompted you to worship with us today and hope you find a meaningful experience in your time with us. We thank you for the prayers you brought and for the witness you made to the world by being in the Lord's house on the Lord's Day. We invite you to worship with us again; our church family will always welcome you!***

To the parents of our young children, may we suggest:

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for children to see and hear.
- Sing hymns loudly, pray, and voice the responses with enthusiasm. Children learn behavior by copying you. If you are fired up about God, they will be too!
- Remember that the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond the Church, to God, to Christ, to one another. Let them know that they are at home in the Church.
- Teach children some of the basic prayers, being able to join in with the prayers help them feel they are contributing too. Attend worship often, children like and need routines where they can participate.
- Children are invited to participate in communion, where they learn that God loves them.

To Members of the congregation: A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children. The presence of children is a gift to the church! They give us a future filled with hope!

Pre-Service Music

We Celebrate"

Call to Worship

Awesome In This Place"

Confession and Forgiveness

L: God,

C: we confess our lack of faith. We see a glimpse of what we ought to be and we know we fall short of the goal. We desire faith that is solid and unswerving, yet we crumble under trials and temptations. We want to be strong, but we know our own weakness. Our sinful condition strips us of gains we humanly devise. God of faith, forgive us. Accept us as we are, unworthy for the task yet gifted for your purposes. Give us your gift of faith.

C: Amen.

L: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

[Silence for reflection and self-examination.]

L: Our God is a great God and knows our needs for all areas of our life.

C: God knows our weaknesses and our unbelieving hearts. God loves us enough to die on a cross and provide forgiveness for our sin. Now the focus is not on the faith that we can muster, but on the great gifts that are ours as we trust God. One of the gifts is faith-faith for the moment, faith for every trial, and faith for every temptation. Praise God for the gift of faith.

C: Amen.

L: Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In † Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: Amen.

Children's Sermon

I Will Enter His Gates"

Greeting/Sharing of the Peace

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day (sing-pray-sing)

Give Thanks"

In All Things, Give Him Thanks"

Welcome and Announcements

Scripture

FIRST READING

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

PSALM 90:1-8 [9-11] 12

God of Wonders"

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

GOSPEL RESPONSE

Glory to you, O Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"Down to the River"

Affirmation of Faith

∴ We believe God is the Creator of the universe and the source of all goodness and love.

∴ we believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who is both human and holy. He was crucified, died and was buried for our sin that we might be free and know the joy of life. He was raised on the third day and ascended to heaven. He will come again in power and glory to judge both the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the power of God at work inside of us. We believe the church of God is the people of faith throughout the world. We believe our sin is forgiven and we will live together with God for now and throughout the eternity. Amen.

Offering

"I Will Give Thanks"

Offertory Prayer

∴ God,

∴ giver of every good and perfect gift, we thank you for the daily blessings of life. For food and family, for friends and neighbors, for the gift of life itself we give you thanks. Bless these offerings of our treasure that they may be used wisely in your service. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Take, Oh Take Me As I Am"

Our Lord's Prayer (As a congregation we will sing)

Blessing

∴ May God's light shine above you to bless you, before you to guide you, within you to warm you, around you to strengthen you. May God's light shine from you to lighten the world. Carry the light.

∴ Amen.

Sending Song

Soul On Fire"

Sunday, November 19th: 25th Sunday after Pentecost
 8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar available prior to worship
 9:00 a.m. SONSHINE Worship
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:10 a.m. **Coffee Talk**

Monday, November 20th: Pastor's Sabbath
Office Hours 9a-3p
 2:00 p.m. Quilting

Tuesday, November 21st: Office hours 9a-3p
 Pastor Levi Gone

Wednesday, November 22nd: Office hours 9a-3p
 Pastor Levi Gone

Thursday, November 23rd: Office hours 9a-3p
 Pastor Levi Gone

Friday, November 24th: Office hours 9a-3p
 Pastor Levi Gone

Saturday, November 25th:

Sunday, November 26th: 26th Sunday after Pentecost
 8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar available prior to worship
 9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk

Monthly Giving Report for October

Total Giving Needed Each Month:	\$ 22,586.16
Simply Giving for the Month:	\$ 4,637.28
Weekly offering received for the Month:	\$ 12,923.51
Total Giving for the Month:	<u>\$ 17,560.79</u>
Monthly Surplus/Deficit:	\$ -5,025.37
Thrivent Choice Deposits (YTD 10/31/2023):	\$ 1,170.00
Total Giving (YTD 10/31/2023):	\$ 212,281.25
Joisy Coin Offerings: (YTD 10/31/2023):	\$ 5,360.40

Cornerstone Fund Balance as of 10/31/2023: \$26,525.34

**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Invites You To:
 Belong – Believe – Become – Be a Blessing**

Austodian: Jesse Engesmoe

Office Manager: Jill Winters

Organist/Handbell Choir: Karen Olsen

Digital Projection: Linda Kockelman &

Dawn Ourada

videographers: Mark Fokken, Rick Bueltel, & Jon Hanson

Choir Director: Dawn Ourada

Treasurer: Brenda Lothert

Guest Accompanist:

Lector: Sonshine

7th: In loving memory of *Chris Blackwelder's birthday, November 7th.* Given by Richard & Linda Blackwelder.

2th: In loving memory of *Erroll Harding.* Given by Shirley Saum.

8th: In honor of *Gary Fokken's Birthday.* Given by Mark Fokken.

9th: In loving memory of *Piper Saum Johnson.* Given by Shirley Saum.

11st: In loving memory of *Gail Fokken's Baptismal Anniversary.* Given by Mark Fokken.

For **November**, the *Eternal Lights* burn in the Sanctuary and Chapel in loving memory of *Chris Blackwelder's birthday on November 4th.* Given by Richard & Linda Blackwelder.

If you would desire a pastoral visit for any reason, please call the **church office at 507-223-5528.** If you have an emergency, i.e., hospital or family issue, please call **Pastor Levi's cell phone at 507-01-367-7072.**

GIVE+Online.....

We invite you to consider our new **electronic giving program** as a way to automate your **regular weekly offerings.** Electronic giving is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for our church. There is no cost for you to participate. To get started you will need to sign up in the link on the front page of our website (oslcanby.org) or you may call the office 223-5528 or assistance.

We ask God's guidance and prayers for all those who have special need: Sue Fairchild, Shirley Hanson, Gary Fokken, Fritz Urban, Mandy Cack, David Sorby, Paulette Johnson, Karen Wendroth (Sherri Full's sister), Shirley Markegard, Charlotte Thompson, Nick Benson, Bonnie Olson, Debra (Haugen) Galecki, Troy Hoffman, Kara Mortenson, Ken Club, Fred Full, Myrna Tesch, Patty McLain (Sherri Full's sister), Lyla Nelson, Nina Benz, Katrina Vick, Debbie Cornell, Dane Nordquist, John Cornell, Joyce Brouwer, Mary Adler, Robert Kokesh, Fern Emmons and granddaughter Gabrielle, Fran Beecher, Patricia Hoffman, Bruce Garrels, Karin Livermore, Deanna Stephenson, Dean Hedge, Sandra Nelson, Sherry Olson, Linda Vlaminck and all whom we name before you in our hearts. May God strengthen all who are in need.

We continue to pray for the Leaders of the Nations, for all the peacekeeping forces and especially for the service men and women

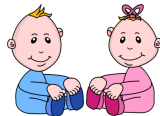
November Mission Calendar

connected with OSL, both those who remain deployed and those who now feel the safety of home: Andrew Fokken, Anthony Nemitz, Cody Junius, Ross Larson, Nicole Nelson (granddaughter of Larry & Joanne Nelson), Ethan Webster, Tony Geier, Ryan Stoks, Nicholas Schultz, Tony Nelson, Kirk Larson, Ryan Otto, Tyson Coil, Christopher Oellien, Stephanie Geier. **May God continue to strengthen these committed military personnel and their families.** If anyone has been omitted or you would like to add a name, please contact the church office. We ask God to surround them and their loved ones with His love and presence.

If anyone would like to provide treats for Coffee Talk please let the church office know what Sunday and WELCA will help you get things set up and cleaned up. Your Coffee Talk friends love to help celebrate birthdays, anniversaries or any other occasion.

At Our Saviour's we have many ongoing opportunities to "BELONG – BELIEVE – BECOME – BE A BLESSING"
Here are some ways you can do that during the month of November:

A Cry Room is available during the morning worship service for infants to 3 years. It is located off the chapel and is wired for sound enabling you and your child to participate in the service. For older children, we offer special activity bags for them to borrow during the worship service, encouraging them to join the congregation in the pews. These **activity bags** can be found at the back of the sanctuary hanging on the back of the last pew.



If you are a Thrivent member and are willing to use your eligibility to apply for a Thrivent Action Grant, please call the church office at 507-223-5528 and leave your name and number and we will be in touch. Thank you!

We are in need of a Cemetery Sexton, if this is something that you would be interested in or if you know of someone who would be interested, please contact the church office or a Board of Trustee member.

Coffee Talk

Santa's Sleigh 2023



Yellow Medicine County Family Services is beginning the planning process for our 2023 Santa's Sleigh program that provides gifts to needy children ages 17 and younger in Yellow Medicine County.

YMC residents with children who need our help this Christmas will need to complete an enrollment form for the Santa's Sleigh program, please call YMC Family Services @ 320-564-2211 and request that an application be mailed. They may also send an email to lori.formo@co.ym.mn.gov. The deadline for applications is Thursday, November 30, 2023.

If you are interested in providing a monetary donation to this program you may drop those off at YMC Family Services dropbox or mail them to:
Santa's Sleigh
c/o Family Service Center
415 9th Ave, Suite 202
Granite Falls, MN 56241

Women of the ELCA.....

On Thursday, December 14th, at 11:30a.m. we will have our Thanksoffering program and our Christmas luncheon combined into one. Please sign up on the bulletin board for Salads, Hotdishes and Desserts.

We will also be collecting cookies for shut-ins and there is a sign up sheet for that. Anyone can bring cookies, you don't have to attend the meeting. We will divide cookies and distribute after the meeting. Suggested amount of cookies is 1-2 dozen.

SHETEK LUTHERAN MINISTRIES

Scandinavian Dinner

Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Enjoy an evening of fellowship, laughter, and delicious food. All you can eat buffet of Lutefisk, Meatballs, Lefse, and more!



\$20 all you can eat!

We need advanced paid registrations.

Reserve your plate by November 27, 2023!

Head over to www.shetek.org, email camp@shetek.org, or call 507-763-3567 for more information!



COMMUNITY
Thanksgiving
- DINNER

Hosted by: The First Presbyterian Church of Canby

Thursday, November 23rd

11am-2pm

Presbyterian Church of Canby
(downstairs in dining hall)

To-Go & Deliveries: Patty @ 507-530-4250

**Dine-In,
Take-Out,
&
Delivery**

Include in message:

- › Name
- › Address
- › Phone Number
- › Number of Meals
- › Delivery/Pick-Up
- › Ham/Turkey

Free Will Donation!
with 100% of the proceeds
going to Prairie 5 Food Shelf

