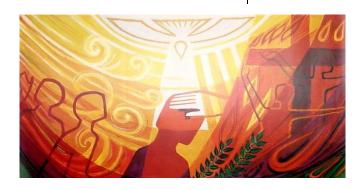


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Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Canby, MN

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It is once again that time of year that our youth are back in school, and back at Confirmation and Sunday school. We have been blessed with an abundance of youth this year, and I am very excited for what the future holds for our church. Our 7th and 8th graders will once again meet with their families on the second Sunday of each month. I also want to once again to take this time to invite you to join our 7th and 8th graders and their families for our conversations on faith. The more voices and stories that join these conversations on faith, the better they will be.

The 7th and 8th graders will be focusing on these questions.

The first question is; **What do you believe?** We will be talking about what we think about God and Jesus, and what has been done for us.

The second question is; **Why do you believe?** We will be talking about the things that have happened in our life that help us believe what we believe.

The third question is; **How will you grow your faith?** We will be talking about how we as believers can strengthen and promote the expanding of our faith.

The final question is; **How will you live out your faith?** We will be talking about ways in which we can take our faith from a place of belief to a place of action.

For Sunday school this year we will be meeting once again after church on Sundays. Pre-k through 4th will be meeting upstairs, where they will be diving into famous Bible stories and learning what God has done for them. The 5th and 6th graders will be meeting downstairs with Pastor Levi where we will be using the book "Manna and Mercy" to take a bit of a deeper dive into what those familiar Bible stories have to teach us about how to live. We of course will also be playing games and singing songs.

I am extremely excited to see how our youth will share their faith with us. My hope is that as the year goes on all of us will find time to ponder and discuss these questions ourselves. If you would like to take a more active role in these conversations, I greatly encourage you to join us on the second Sunday of each month. We are looking for participants of all ages and Biblical knowledge, this isn't about knowing all the answers, it is about the learning that happens when we share our faith with each other. So please come, and join in the conversation.

September
Dates to
Remember ~

<u>9/7</u> – Office Closed

<u>9/9</u> – WELCA 'Over 80' Party for Men & Women

9/12 – Blessing of Backpacks during 9a.m. worship 10a.m.-RALLY SUNDAY for Sunday School

9/19 – 3rd&4th graders receive their bibles during 9a.m. worship

9/26 –WELCA Fall Bazaar & Ham Dinner-11a.m. For August 1st – August 26th:

Gifts/Offerings received: \$17,046.21

Distributions: \$14,406.62

GIVE+Online.....

We invite you to consider our new <u>electronic</u> <u>giving program</u> as a way to automate your <u>regular weekly offerings</u>. 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 for assistance.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



Altar Assistant:

Dee Benson

Ushers

Mitch Groen, Captain 223-5915

Menno Fokken Curt Olsen Wayne Giese Eric Fokken



5th:

12th: Bruce Wornson

19th: Peggy Sik 26th: Milo Larson

Eternal Lights for the month of September

For **September** the **Eternal Lights** burn in the Sanctuary and Chapel in loving memory of Gail Fokken's birthday September 24th. Given by Menno & Lucille.

Mission Work

Our Saviour's mission church is Iglesia Lutherana Paz y Esperanza [Peace and Hope Lutheran Church]. Our Mission Calendar will go ½ toward our new mission church and ½ to our missionary.

The Mission Calendar is \$10 per day and you may designate it for birthdays, anniversaries, or any special day you may have.

August Mission Calendar

11th: In loving memory of my mom's *(Gladys Pearson)* birthday today. Given by Bev Dybsetter.

21st: In loving memory of my dad's (Harold Pearson) birthday today. Given by Bev Dybsetter.

Our Saviour's Lutheran offers a mission opportunity for individuals and families to partner in spreading the Gospel through financial support of our TV broadcasts. Broadcasts may be given in honor or memory of loved ones with their names being published in our weekly bulletin and our monthly newsletter. One TV broadcast costs \$50.

Our Dearly Departed in August

Lorraine Hubbs

Newly Baptized

Brynn Darla Rogers Bexen Dean Baer



Women's Circle Meeting Date & Time

Tuesday, September 14th

Elizabeth/Naomi Circle 2:00pm-Fireside Room

*A list of categories where you can designate your money when giving Memorials to Our Saviour's

Lutheran include: **Altar Fund**

Building Fund

Campership Fund

Cemetery Fund

Cornerstone Fund

Eternal Lights

Foundation

Lutheran Educational Aid Fund (L.E.A.F.)

Mission Action

Mission Calendar

Music Fund

Organ Fund

Roof Repair Fund

Sunday School

TEAF (Temporary Emergency Assistance Fund) Video Equip/Broadcast/Technology Fund

Women's Retreat Fund

WELCA Projects Fund

Youth

Or you may give it as:

Undesignated

Cemetery

Lorraine Hubbs

Cornerstone

Lorraine Hubbs

Eternal Lights

Gail Fokken

Mission Calendar

Harold & Gladys Pearson

Undesignated

Lorraine Hubbs

Video Equip/Broadcast/Technology Fund

Gert Zell

Dan Sorby

INTERNAL CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor:

Levi Bollerud

Intern:

Matthew Rossler

President of Congregation:

Dee Benson

Vice President:

Beverly Dybsetter

Congregational Secretary:

Lori Husby

Congregational Treasurer:

Brenda Lothert

Organist/Handbell Director:

Karen Olsen

Choir Director:

Dawn Ourada

Custodian:

Jesse Engesmoe

Office Manager:

Cheryl Norquist

COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS

BOARD OF DEACONS

Cindy Maras	2020
Cheryl Denelsbeck*	2019
Sherri Grengs	2020
Konnie Anderson	2021
Juli Wornson	2021

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Kristen Fairchild*	2018
Jon Hanson*	2018
Linda Richter*	2019
Denise Hanson	2021
	2021

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mark Fokken*	2018
Carol Gorder*	2018
Mike Weckwerth	2021
Tony Ourada	2021
Tricia Bueltel	2021

YOUTH BOARD

Amy King	2020
Beth Beiningen*	2018
Kelly Stoks*-1yr	2019
Carrie Benson	2021
Sheyenne Benson	2021
Ex-officio -	

Cheryl Norquist

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Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Council-at-Large Minutes of the August 8, 2021 Meeting

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Council-at-Large Minutes of the August 8, 2021 Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Dee Benson, August 8, 2021 at 10:32 am. Intern Pastor, Matthew Rossler, led the group in prayer. Minutes from the July meeting were read by Mike Weckwerth. No additions or corrections. Minutes approved as read.

- Cemetery Policy Update: Pastor Levi read the addendum to the Policy to assist in clarification of the procedures. Mark Fokken moved to approve the recommendations from the Cemetery Committee. 2nd by Juli Wornson. Motion Passed.
- Summer Shift to Sunday Meetings discussion:
 Discussion was held that the next Council
 Meeting will move back to the 2nd Wednesday
 evening starting in September. Next Meeting
 will be at 7pm, September 8th.
- Youth Board & Board of Education realignment:
 Discussed the possibility of merging the two
 Boards into one Board. This was tabled for a later meeting until both groups have been included in the discussion.
- Pastor Levi announced that Stephanie Johnson has resigned off from the Board of Education.
 Motion by Mark Fokken, 2nd by Carol Gorder, to accept the resignation. Motion Passed.
- COVID Delta variant planning: Discussion was held regarding the increasing number of cases due to the COVID Delta variant. As of now, the current Action Plan has only been suspended. If changes are needed to current precaution procedures, Pastor Levi and President Dee Benson can activate the suspended plan. Discussion on ordering more masks/follow the school's lead/Synod recommendations.
- Paul Oman Fundraising, Planning & Promotion:
 Pastor Levi announced that a \$500 donation
 was received to goes towards having Paul Oman

come and do the painting November 14th, 2021. The Local Paper has expressed interest in covering the event. Pastor Levi will reach out to others to help partner with the activity.

- A huge Welcome was extended to the new Intern Matthew Rossler.
- With no further business, all groups broke off and the meeting adjourned at 11:00am

Respectfully Submitted by Mike Weckwerth

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Date: August 8, 2021

Attending: Mark Fokken, Carol Gorder, Mike Weckwerth, Tricia Bueltel, Dee Benson, Pastor Levi,

Absent: Tony Ourada

Meeting was called to order at 11:04 am.

Motion made by Mike, seconded by Carol to approve the July minutes as read.

Payment of Bills:

Bills were discussed. Motion made by Carol, seconded

by Mike to pay the bills as presented.

Pastor Levi idea sharing:

*Pastor Levi shared with the Trustee's some ideas he has for the confirmation classes and possible service requirements that may include the confirmands family. No decisions were made.

*Pastor Levi discussed a possible fellowship opportunity in January for church and community members. No decisions made at this time.

Electrical updates:

Mark Whittier has some information on updates to the electrical boxes in the back room. This is on hold until fall. Also, there is a circuit in the breaker box near the men's restroom that may be lose. This will be looked into further.

Water in basement leak:

There is water leaking near a window in the basement fellowship hall. It is suspected this is a result of poor grading on the outside of the window. Mark will look into this further.

Offering counting:

Offering counting schedule for August was reviewed.

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Ceiling repair in Narthex and Sunday School rooms:

Repairs are needed from previous water damage. Discussion on best time to make repairs due to budget concerns. The ceiling area above the Narthex is of greater concern.

Interest on Endowment Fund:

Mark updated the Trustee's on the interest earnings on the Endowment Fund.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:53. Respectfully submitted, Tricia Bueltel

BOARD OF DEACONS:

Date: August 8, 2021 **Deacon Board Meeting**

Attending: Cindy Maras, JuliWornson, Sherri Grengs Absent: Cheryl Denelsbeck, Konnie Anderson

Agenda: Communion:

With Intern Pastor Matt and Bruce Wornson assisting with communion most communion Sundays only one Deacon will need to assist.

August 15: Cindy will assist

September 5: Cindy or Juli can assist

Gods Work. Our Hands. September 12. 2021

Discussion by attending boards members agreed that our project this year will be Baking for the OSL Shut Ins. Cindy will get names of shut ins from Cheryl. Cindy will then contact Deacon board members for baked good donations. Baked goods will be delivered by the Deacons after church on Sunday September 12. **Respectively Submitted**

Cindy Maras

YOUTH BOARD

August 8, 2021 No Meeting

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

August 8, 2021 No Meeting





The OSL choir is starting up again this Fall! Do you enjoy singing? We would love to have vou ioin us as we aather to ioin our voices in praise. No matter if you

sing often or haven't done it for a while come try it out. We have scheduled practices 2 or 3 Wednesdays a month at 7:30pm, and usually sing during Worship Service once a month. Not sure of makina a bia commitment? That's ok- just come when you can. The first practice will be Wednesday. September 29th at 7:30pm up in the church balcony. Any questions call the office or call/text Dawn Ourada at 605-360-6744



Happy Birthday to all those born in September:

1st:

Aiden Kack

Beverly Larsen Franklyn Ochocki

Don Erp Brynn Kockelman Milo Larson Kaci Lozinski Helen Stoks

Josie Frank Jacob Winters

Chad Anhalt

8th:

McKenna Hill

10th:

Bailey Hanson Amanda Larsen

11th:

Sharon Birk
Jameson Grong
Doug Haugen
Alayna Pederson
Orville Schultz

12th:

Donald Houtkooper

13th:

Trent Adkison Velma Alleckson Eric Hanson

14th:

Latyn Baer Ernie Chrtt Kelsey Feuerhelm **15**th:

Leon Gehrking

17th:

Mischelle Balvin Corey Nelson Stephen Ufkin

18th:

James Beiningen Sabrina Stockman Nona Verschelde Tierney Viessman Peyton Winter

20th:

Jacob Fairchild James VanDerostyne

21st:

Cameron Anderson Kathy Johnson Alenni Nemitz

22nd:

Blake Haugen Richard Reyerson

23rd:

Greg Coil

24th:

Lyle Gorder Lori Nosbush

25th:

Isaac Bollerud Julia Hanson David Mercer Gary Peterson Briella Pridal Eric Stene

26th:

Bruce Mead Susan Schanning

27th:

Paxton Grong

28th:

Brady Hulzebos 29th:

Debra Cornell Kelly Lothert Roy Fairchild 30th:

Falon Antony Jaden Coil Curtis Olson



September

1st

Mary & Curt Melby

 6^{th}

Karen & Allen Livermore

7th

Pat & Richard Rogers

Lisa & Curt Hoffman

8th

Kelly & Steve Gagnon

 9^{th}

Tawny & Ryan Olson

13th

Ashley & Jordan Anhalt

15th

LaVonne & Dale Anhalt

Kacie & Blake Haugen

16th

Angela & Nathan Hulzebos

17th

Jada & Travis Christianson

19th

Courtney & Stanton Isfeld

20th

Glenda & Rick Olsen

Lindsey & Eric Hanson

22nd

Joan & Lyle Gorder

23rd

Amy Wagner & Paul Pederson

24th

Gail & Darius Eilers

25[™]

Krystal & Ryan Schmitt

27th

Marla & Perry Groenhoff

30th

Megan & Casey Namken

Thank You's.....

Look at all the amazing things that God has done this past month at Our Saviour's: communion services, special music, baptisms and many other unnamed and unknown ministries. It takes many hearts and hands to do God's work. We are truly grateful & blessed!

The Fair Committee would like to give a very special 'Thank You' to Chuck & Bonnie Moberg for their very generous donation to our Fair Foodstand project.

We appreciate their continued help in our fundraising effort each year!



We continue to pray for the Leaders of the Nations, for all the Peacekeeping forces and especially for the service men and women connected with OSL, both those who remain deployed and those who now feel the safety of home: Jacob Merritt (grandson of Bev Dybsetter), Anthony Nemitz, Cody Dinius, Ross Larson, Nicole Nelson (granddaughter of Larry & Joanne Nelson), Tony Geier, Ryan Stoks, Nicholas Schultz, Tony Nelson, Kirk Larson, Ryan Otto, Tyson Coil, Christopher Oellien, Stephanie Geier and Sue Behrens. 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.

We ask God's guidance and prayers for all those who have special needs: Natalie Dinius, Shirley Saum, Jocelyn & Ann Cro, Debra (Haugen) Galecki, Linda Chaney, Troy Hoffman, Audrey Citterman, Kara Mortenson, Ken Club, Audrey Kack, Fred Full, Myrna Tesch, Patty McLain (Sherri Full's sister), Lyla Nelson, Nina Benz, Katrina Vick, Debbie Cornell, Dane Nordquist, Delroy Thompson, John Cornell, LaVonne Winters, Joyce Brouwer, Mary Adler, Robert Kokesh, Fern Emmons and granddaughter Gabrielle, Connie Severson, 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.



Power In Weakness

In the late 1970s, Henry Smith was struggling to find work after finishing his education. He also lived with a degenerative disease that caused him to become legally blind. But one day he heard a pastor explain that Jesus became poor so we might become rich through him. This idea inspired Smith to craft a song of thanks for God's gift of Jesus. Though Smith wrote more than 300 songs, only this one became widely known (sometimes labeled "author unknown" or misattributed, but finally rightfully credited to him).

"Give thanks with a grateful heart," the song begins exuberantly. One of its most poignant lines urges, "Let the weak say, I am strong ... because of what the Lord has done for us." Across two millennia, Smith's words and faith echo the apostle Paul: "[The Lord] said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me" (2 Corinthians 12:9, NRSV).





Youth News.....

Upcoming Dates to remember......

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 12th</u> - 9:00am-Blessing of Backpacks, Teachers & Students during worship. 10:00am- Rally Sunday.

<u>Sunday, September 19th</u> - 3rd&4th Graders receive bibles during 9am worship.

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>October</u> 5th - 10:30am -7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Orientation; 11:00a - 9th Grade Confirmation Orientation

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 30th</u> -4th & 5th graders - 1st Communion Class

<u>Sunday, October 31st</u> - 1st Communion 4th & 5th graders recognized during the 9:00a worship



2021 - 2022 Sunday School Schedule

<u>September</u>

12th - Rally Sunday 19th - Class/3rd & 4th Graders receive Bibles during 9am worship 26th - Class

October

3rd - Class

10th - Sing in church, Class

17th - Class

24th - NO 55 - MEA

30th - Saturday, 4th & 5th Grade -1st Communion Class (letter will be sent)

31st - Class (4th & 5th Graders Recognized during 9am worship for 1st Communion)

<u>November</u>

7th - Class

14th - Class

21st - Class

28th - NO SS - Thanksgiving

<u>December</u>

5th - Class

12th - Class

<mark>19th - Christmas</mark> Program during

worship, NO SS

26th - NO 55

January

2nd - NO 55

9th - Class/Birthday Party for

Jesus

16th - Class

23rd - Class

30th - Class (Annual Meeting)

February

6th - Class

13th - Class

20th - Class

27th - Class

March

6th - Class

13th - Class

20th - Class

27th - Class

April

3rd - Class

10th - Palm Sunday, Children march into 9am worship with Palm Branches, Sing in church

17th - NO SS - Easter

24th - Class

May

1st - NO SS (Confirmation

Sunday)

8th - Class

15th - Class - Last Day of SS

Youth Puzzle & Activity



Answer: D, O, L, K, N, B, E, A, G, M, I, H, C, F, P



What you need:

- Bean bagsTables, chairs,
- rables, chairs, pillows Painter's tape

What you do:

Players line up behind the Leader, who moves around in various ways. Followers must copy the Leader's movements faithfully. Try these variations:

- 1. Players must balance a bean bag on their head as they follow the Leader.
- Set up an obstacle course, and follow the Leader by crawling under tables and chairs, hopping over pillows and so on.
- 3. With tape, make zigzags and curves on the floor. Then follow the Leader as if walking on a tightrope.
- 4. The Leader designates types of terrain to imagine, such as mud, snow, ice and a mountain.
- 5. Also try animal movements, mirrored movements and dancing movements.



WELCA NEWS AND NOTES

Mark your calendars!!!

September 9th "Over 80" Party

2:00 p.m. - Fireside Room

September 26th Fall Bazaar & Ham Dinner

11:00 a.m.

October 2nd Prairie Conference Fall

Gathering at Ruthton Community Center -Hosted by Peace

Lutheran

October 9th "Setting the Table for

Hospice" Event

Coffee Talk

We are so happy to have been able to start having coffee talk again! If you would like to serve a Sunday, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office. If you would like to donate food but are unable

to physically do the serving, we can arrange for someone to help. Please call the

church office 223-5528 or Juli Wornson - 507-530-8001 with questions.

Thank you! WELCA Board

Fall Bazaar/Ham Dinner – Sunday, September 26, 2021

We are gearing up for the Bazaar to be held Sunday, September 26th. Whatever baked goods, produce, crafts or plants anyone is able to contribute will be appreciated. <u>If</u> you have any ideas on how the Bazaar could be enhanced, please let one of the committee members know. *There will not be a White Elephant table this year*. We will have takeout and delivery options. Orders will be taken in the Church office (507-223-5528) through Friday, (September 24th) before the Bazaar and also that Sunday from 11a-12p you can call the office number.

Please contact Janice Zimmerman 223-7722 or Juli Wornson 507-530-8001 with questions or comments.



"Over 80" Celebration for our Men & Women Thursday, September 9, 2021 -

11:30a.m. - Luncheon at Our Saviour's. The program is 'Antiques' so bring along a favorite antique to share its story with the group. Please RSVP to the church office (223-5528) by Thursday, September 2nd.



Fall 3	September 2021
Wednesday 1	
Thursday 2	
Friday 3	
Saturday 4	
15 th Sunday	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church
after	9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
Pentecost 5	10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk
Monday 6	Pastor's Sabbath - Office Closed
Tuesday	
7	Holiday observed - OFFICE CLOSED
Wednesday 8	7:00 p.m. Council at Large
Thursday 9	2:00 p.m. WELCA 'Over 80' Party - Fireside Room
Friday 10	
Saturday 11	
16 th Sunday	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church
after	9:00 a.m. Worship - Blessing of Backpacks
Pentecost	Baptism - Camri Ruth Haugen
12	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Pastor's Sabbath - Office Closed
13	9:00 a.m. Quilting
Tuesday 14	10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 2:00 p.m. Naomi and Elizabeth Circles meet in Fireside Room
Wednesday 15	8:30 a.m. Hospital Board Meeting - Pastor Levi

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Thursday	
16	
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Saturday	
18	
17 th Sunday	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church
after	9:00 a.m. Worship
Pentecost	3 rd & 4 th Graders Receive Bibles
19	10:00 a.m. Sunday School
	10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk
Monday	
20	Pastor's Sabbath - Office Closed
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
21	
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18 th Sunday	
after	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church
Pentecost	9:00 a.m. Worship
26	10:00 a.m. Sunday School
	11:00 a.m. WELCA Fall Bazaar & Ham Dinner
Monday	
27	Pastor's Sabbath - Office Closed
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
28	
Wednesday	6:15 p.m. Bell Choir
29	7:30 p.m. <i>C</i> hoir
Thursday	All the second s
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2021 YMC FAIR

REVENUE

Food Sales	\$10,743.96
Donations	\$ 1,853.75
Thrivent	\$ 1,250.00
Total	\$13,847.71

EXPENSES

U.S.	Post Office (postage for fair letters) \$	54.57
Kornerstone Bakery (bread)		229.10
Mob	erg Meat Center (meat & groceries) \$	2,276.25
Jim's Market (groceries)	\$	1,634.52
Rein	hart Foods & Maxwell (paper products, etc.) \$	203.46
Pepsi Cola Bottling (pop)	\$	209.00
Misc	ellaneous (misc. food and fair products) \$	365.28
Cour	ntryside Public Health (license) \$	30.00
YMC	Fair (charge for total sales) \$	207.44
MNI	Dept. of Revenue (sales tax) \$	691.00
Tota	ş5	5,900.62
TOTA	L PROFIT - REVENUE LESS EXPENSES \$7	7,947.09

We thank everyone again, who in any way contributed to the success of our Fair Food Stand Project this year!