



# “The Visitor”

Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church, Canby, MN

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*One of the recurring themes I have seen here at Our Saviour’s through the years is an incredible sense of responsible stewardship and joyful offering that has sustained a vital sense of Christ’s mission here in our community and throughout the world. Whenever a need is made known this wonderful congregation steps forward to meet it. The faithful giving of this congregation has been a blessing, and the Board of Trustees and myself would like to respond to this blessing by always being as transparent as possible when it comes to your offerings.*

*One of the ways we decided on doing that is by me making use of the Pastor’s space in the Visitor a few times a year to share with you information on where we stand in our offering and budget goals for the year so far. An educated congregation is a healthy congregation and knowledge can be an invitation to learn more, so hopefully you will find this information useful.*

*Now in the past with these articles I have focused mostly on budget goals and where offering is in relation to them. This time I thought it would be good to zoom out and give a more overall look at the health of the congregation’s finances. I am very happy to report that our congregation’s financial health is very strong. With one week left this month we have taken in \$153,672.24 in offering for an average of just over \$4,276 a week so far in 2023. This is a very encouraging sign for the year. However, there is more to the financial health of the congregation than just the weekly offering, so I want to take a moment here to share with you some other information that will help you see more of the complete picture. As of the writing of this article, OSL’s checking account had just about \$37,419.60 in it, and our Cornerstone savings account had \$26,525.34, with all bills paid for the month.*

*One of the more successful financial moves this congregation has done in the last couple of years, (and the one that will have long lasting effect on the financial security of the church), is our establishing of an Endowment fund through the ELCA. At the current time our endowment fund has grown to the amount of \$269,828.19 the interest returned on the fund this year will total \$10,680.40. That money was then able to be used to fund different missions here in the church while the principle amount in the endowment stayed the same. Over the years as the endowment fund grows the interest returned to the church will be able to be used for more and more missions without reducing the principle.*

*This fiscal security has allowed us to expand our mission in many ways, both here locally and for the church globally. It has also allowed us the ability to contribute to the future of the church by helping to prepare future leaders of the church through the intern program. Fiscal success is important, but only in how it allows us to live out the mission of God. I hope this information has been useful to you, and may God continue to bless your lives.*

Pastor Levi

## September Dates to Remember...

9/3: Worship at  
9:00 a.m. with  
Holy Communion

9/4: Church Office  
Closed

9/5: Circle @  
Sylvan Place @  
2:00p.m

9/6: ELCA 2024  
Youth Gathering  
informational  
Meeting @  
7:00p.m. @ Bethel  
in Porter

9/10: Sonshine  
Worship with Holy  
Communion,  
Blessing of  
Backpacks,  
Teachers, Students  
during 9:00a.m.  
worship-Sunday  
School Rally  
Sunday 10:00a.m.

9/13: Council  
Meeting At Large-  
7:00p.m.

9/14: WELCA  
‘Over 80’ Party

9/17: 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders  
receive bibles  
during 9:00a.m  
worship

9/24: Worship  
with Holy  
Communion

**For July 28<sup>th</sup>-August 24<sup>th</sup>:**  
**Gifts/Offerings received:** \$16,501.30  
**Distributions:** \$20,042.95

**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 for assistance.

**September WORSHIP ASSISTANT**



**September Altar Assistant:**  
Dee Benson

**September Ushers:**  
*Captain: Milo Larson – 223-5082*

Darius Eilers  
Curt Rangaard  
Jerome DeVos

Greg Coil  
Dan Kraft



3<sup>rd</sup>: Dawn Giese  
10<sup>th</sup>: Sonshine  
17<sup>th</sup>: Milo Larson  
24<sup>th</sup>: DeLon Clarksean



**Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:30 a.m.** Holy Communion at  
Sylvan Court Chapel  
**12:45 p.m.** Holy Communion at  
Sylvan Place  
**3:00 p.m.** Holy Communion at  
Twinwood A and Twinwood B

**Women's Circle Meeting Date & Time**

**Tuesday, September 5th**  
**2:00p.m. – Sylvan Place**

**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.

***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.

**August Mission Calendar**

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** In honor of **Adalyn Hanson's Baptismal Anniversary**. Given by her family.  
**12<sup>th</sup>:** In honor of **Gary & Pam Hanson's Anniversary**. Given by Adalyn, Julia & Noah.

### August TV Broadcasts

13<sup>th</sup>: In loving memory of *Paul Livingston*. Given by Dan & Terry Dybsetter.

### Dearly Departed

*Paul Livingston*  
*Norris Peterson*

### Newly Married in August

Taylor & Miranda Olsen

### Newly Baptized in August

Emerson Rose Nelson

*\*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**

**Sunday School**

**TEAF (Temporary Emergency Assistance Fund)**

**Video Equip/Broadcast/Technology Fund**

**WELCA Projects Fund**

**Youth**

*Or you may give it as:*

**Undesignated**

**Cemetery Fund**

Paul Livingston

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

Paul Livingston

**Music Fund**

Paul Livingston

**Video Equip/Broadcast/Technology Fund**

Paul Livingston

**TEAF (Temporary Emergency Assistance Fund)**

Paul Livingston

**Mission Calendar**

Adalyn Hanson

Gary & Pam Hanson

### INTERNAL CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor:

***Levi Bollerud***

President of Congregation:

***Dee Benson***

Vice President:

***Mark Fokken***

Congregational Secretary:

***Karen Hacker***

Congregational Treasurer:

***Brenda Lothert***

Organist/Handbell Director:

***Karen Olsen***

Choir Director:

***Dawn Ourada***

Custodian:

***Jesse Engesmoe***

Office Manager:

***Jill Winters***

### 2023 COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS

#### BOARD OF DEACONS

Cindy Maras\* 2020

Sherri Grengs\* 2020

Glenda Olsen 2022

Janice Zimmerman 2023

#### BOARD OF YOUTH EDUCATION

Kathy Becker 2022

Jill Winters 2022

Pam Hanson 2023

Amanda Appel 2023

Josie Frank 2023

Amanda Anderson 2023

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Loren Hacker 2022

Jeff Grengs 2022

Kerri DeVos 2023

Rick Olsen 2023

Linda Blackwelder 2023

#### OSL Foundation

Mark Fokken 2022

Mark Whittier 2022

Carol Gorder 2022

Linda Blackwelder 2022

Dawn Giese 2022



***Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
Council-at-Large Minutes of  
the July 12, 2023 Meeting***

These are the minutes of the regular, monthly meeting of the Council at Large for Our Saviour's Lutheran Church on August 9, 2023. President Dee Benson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Pastor Levi led the council in prayer.

The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

Access to WiFi in the church basement was discussed, as there was some difficulty using it during the Vacation Bible School program. Mark has tested the WiFi with an extender. It seems to be working fine, and the Trustees will discuss whether another extender is needed. It is password protected, and individuals using the signal will need to request access.

Pastor Levi reported that cushions have been gathered for the Children's Playground. Curt Olsen will help remove some of the pews in the back, but Pastor will also enlist help from some youth to move them temporarily to the Fellowship Hall as they are quite heavy. When that step is complete, Pastor will then begin to request donations of toys made from washable soft plastics and fabrics.

Pastor also updated the council on rides to and from church for Sylvan Place residents. He has enlisted the help of Peggy Sik to coordinate this with Jason, and volunteer drivers and helpers to get on and off the bus may still be needed. The pick up would take place at about 8:45, and the return drop off would be about 10:45.

Another question was raised about the air conditioning for VBS and for church that week, as it was particularly warm. Mark Whittier has been very helpful in reprogramming the system when necessary.

A suggestion was made by Pastor Levi to try having Coffee Talk after services in the chapel by setting up a few round tables. There was some concern for the logistics of serving, clean up, and for the floor covering. Another suggestion was to extend a verbal invitation to more individuals to participate in the fellowship of coffee talk. Many

times, people do visit with one another after church for a good length of time, but they may not participate in coffee talk. It was also suggested that Rally Sunday might be a good day to initiate the trial of coffee talk in the chapel.

Mark Fokken reported that more time is needed for the revision of the Employee Handbook, especially given the busy time of the fair and VBS. He was also joined by the council in a round of applause of appreciation to the Board of Youth Education for the amazing Vacation Bible School program, and he expressed thanks to the boards and congregation for the terrific support of the dining hall at the fair.

Pastor Levi will meet with a group of volunteers to begin planning for the 75th Anniversary of OSL Church. The date of Oct. 29, Reformation Sunday, has been suggested for the celebration.

An informational meeting for the National Youth Gathering trip for students entering grades 9-12 this fall will be held at Bethel Lutheran in Porter on Sept. 6 at 7:00 pm.

Motion and second to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Hacker

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

08/09/2023

Jeff called the meeting to order at 19:40. Minutes from the July meeting were read. Need to make a correction to the meeting minutes. Invoice for organ repair was \$3,392 and not \$610 as read. Discussion had on the invoice and the corrected amount. Loren made a motion to pay the full amount from the Lois Hanson Memorial fund. Rick 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Rick to accept the minutes as amended, Loren 2nd. Motion carried.

Reviews bills. Motion to pay the bills nu Loren, Linda 2nd. Motion carried.

Money counting schedule set for the next month.

Discussion on Wi-Fi/Technology for the basement. After VBS last week and some technical difficulties, it was discovered that the Wi-Fi in the basement was spotty. Mark placed a booster

in the basement to try to mitigate the issue. Board discussed getting a couple of them. The router is in the balcony and the boosters would help disperse the signal better.

Cemetery – Discussion on putting a message in the Church Bulletin advertising the need for a cemetery sexton. Anyone interested should contact the Church office or talk to a Board of Trustees member.

Job reviews – Discussion on job reviews being done in the fall. Pastor Levi will take care of getting those done.

Discussion on preparation for the 2024 budget. Need to start working on it. It's due for review in January.

Update on AED supplies – Jill and Kerri met and Jill will be ordering a new battery, adult and pediatric pads. Cost on that should be under \$500.

Insurance premium on building increased 7%. Discussion on having Kari Harding at SW Insurance come and review the policy with the Board of Trustees at the next meeting.

Jeff made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Linda, 2nd by Loren. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 20:20.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kerri DeVos

#### **BOARD OF DEACONS:**

Board of Deacons meeting

Date: August 9, 2023

Attending: Glenda Olsen, Sherri Grengs, Cindy Maras

Agenda: Communion Dates

Sunday, August 13: Sherri, Glenda and Cindy

Sunday, August 27: Glenda, Sherri and Cindy

Sunday, September 3: Cindy, Sherri and Glenda

Next Council Meeting: September 13, 2023

Respectfully submitted, Sherri Grengs

#### **BOARD OF YOUTH EDUCATION:**

7/12/23 – Board of Youth and Education Minutes

8 pm – Kathy called meeting to order.

Members present: Kathy Becker, Pam Hanson, Amanda Anderson

Discussed Rally Sunday – Kathy secured the dunk tank.

Discussed VBS:

- Confirmed one banner to order

- Worked on itinerary for daily schedule/meals/supplies

Discussed weekly newsletter

8:30 pm – meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,  
Amanda Anderson



## **September**

**1<sup>st</sup>:**

Aiden Kack

**2<sup>nd</sup>:**

Beverly Larsen

Tanner Balvin

**4<sup>th</sup>:**

Don Erp

Brynn Kockelman

Milo Larson

Kaci Lozinski

Helen Stoks

**6<sup>th</sup>:**

Josie Frank

Jacob Winters

**7<sup>th</sup>:**

Chad Anhalt

**8<sup>th</sup>:**

McKenna Hill



10<sup>th</sup>:

Bailey Hanson  
Amanda Larsen

11<sup>th</sup>:

Sharon Birk  
Jameson Grong  
Doug Haugen  
Alayna Pederson  
Orville Schultz

12<sup>th</sup>:

Donald Houtkooper

13<sup>th</sup>:

Trent Adkison  
Velma Alleckson  
Michael Bliss  
Eric Hanson

14<sup>th</sup>:

Latyn Baer  
Kelsey Feuerhelm  
Austin Welker

15<sup>th</sup>:

Leon Gehrking

17<sup>th</sup>:

Mischelle Balvin  
Corey Nelson  
Stephen Ufkin

18<sup>th</sup>:

James Beiningen  
Benjamin Hall  
Sabrina Stockman  
Nona Verschelde  
Tierney Viessman  
Peyton Winter

20<sup>th</sup>:

Derrik Cornell  
Jacob Fairchild  
James VanDerostyne

21<sup>st</sup>:

Cameron Anderson  
Alenni Chitwood

22<sup>nd</sup>:

Blake Haugen  
Richard Reyerson

23<sup>rd</sup>:

Greg Coil

24<sup>th</sup>:

Lyle Gorder  
Lori Nosbush

25<sup>th</sup>:

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

26<sup>th</sup>:

Scott Roth  
Susan Schanning

27<sup>th</sup>:

Tripp Antony  
Wells Antony  
Paxton Grong

28<sup>th</sup>:

Brady Hulzebos

29<sup>th</sup>:

Debra Cornell  
Kelly Lothert  
Roy Fairchild

30<sup>th</sup>:

Falon Antony  
Curtis Olson



**September**

1<sup>st</sup>

Mary & Curt Melby

6<sup>th</sup>

Karin & Allen Livermore

7<sup>th</sup>

Pat & Richard Rogers  
Lisa & Curt Hoffman

8<sup>th</sup>

Kelly & Steve Gagnon

9<sup>th</sup>

Tawny & Ryan Olson

13<sup>th</sup>

Ashley & Jordan Anhalt

14<sup>th</sup>

Tricia & Rick Bueltel

15<sup>th</sup>

LaVonne & Dale Anhalt

Kacie & Blake Haugen

16<sup>th</sup>

Angela & Nathan Hulzebos

17<sup>th</sup>

Jada & Travis Christianson

19<sup>th</sup>

Courtney & Stanton Isfeld

20<sup>th</sup>

Glenda & Rick Olsen

Lindsey & Eric Hanson

22<sup>nd</sup>

Joan & Lyle Gorder

23<sup>rd</sup>

Amy Wagner & Paul Pederson

24<sup>th</sup>

Gail & Darius Eilers

25<sup>th</sup>

Krystal & Ryan Schmitt

27<sup>th</sup>

Marla & Perry Groenhoff

30<sup>th</sup>

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, baptism, Sonshine worship and many other unnamed and unknown ministries. It takes many hearts and hands to do God's work. We are truly grateful & blessed!*



### **We ask God's guidance**

**and prayers** for all those who have special needs: Sue Fairchild, Shirley Hanson, Gary Fokken, Fritz Urban, Mandy Kack, 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 Vlamincck 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 connected with OSL, both those who remain deployed and those who now feel the safety of home: Anthony Nemitz, Cody Dinius, Ross Larson, Nicole Nelson (granddaughter of Larry & Joanne



**PRAYERS**

*for our*

**Military**

Nelson), Ethan Webster, 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.





## **WELCA NEWS AND NOTES**

**Mark your calendars!!!**

### **\*September 14<sup>th</sup> -**

**2:00 p.m. - "Over 80" Gathering.**

**Women & Men Welcome.**

**\*NO FORMAL INVITES WILL BE SENT\***

The theme of the program will be:

**Farming and Harvest**

Please bring memorabilia, pictures, memories  
and stories to share with the group.

**Please call to RSVP to the church office.**

**We need this for food count. Thank you!**

### **\*September 24<sup>th</sup> -**

**Bazaar/Special Coffee Talk**

The WELCA Board has decided to **NOT**  
have a dinner this year. September 24<sup>th</sup>  
from 10:00am-12:00pm will be a Bazaar as  
usual with a Special Coffee Talk.

Bazaar items can include: baked goods,  
canned goods, plants, crafts.

**Check with board members for your planned  
donation so we can have ample tables  
available.**

**Anyone is welcome to come to the Bazaar  
and Coffee Talk-members or general public.**

### **Coffee Talk**

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.



## **Going to school with Jesus**

In *Faith Takes a Name*,  
Dwight E. Stevenson  
writes that if we consider  
ourselves to be disciples

of Jesus, then we must remain "learners under  
the instruction of Christ." He notes, "Quite  
literally, a disciple is a pupil, scholar, student or  
learner. In [Jesus'] world a teacher with his  
band of disciples was to that culture what  
schools and universities are to our society. To  
be a disciple of Jesus is to go to school with  
him."

, God loves us all the more. He loves us into a  
fresh start — even, and especially, when we  
least deserve it.

—Heidi Hyland Mann

## ***Safe & sound***

I am one in whom Christ dwells and  
delights. I live in the strong and unshakable  
kingdom of God. The kingdom is not in  
trouble, and neither am I.

—James Bryan Smith



# Youth News



## Acolyte Sign up:

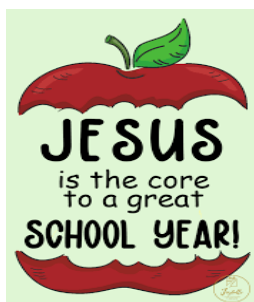
We invite and encourage ALL youth to sign up to acolyte.

This ministry is a fun privilege, that our youth get to engage in every Sunday! If your youth would like to acolyte, please sign up in the office. Pastor Levi will assist younger children if they'd like to have a turn.

## Sunday School Teachers:

We are currently looking for help co-teaching Sunday School this year. If you or your older youth are willing to help co-teach or be a "fill-in" teacher as needed, please connect with Jill in the office or reach out to one of the members of the Board of Youth Education. Weekly lesson plans and supplies will be prepared ahead of time so no prep work or planning would be required by you.

**Usher Ministry:** We are looking for families to help usher during Sunday Services. Some things ushers are responsible for are: handing out bulletins as church starts, collecting offering and excusing the congregation by rows for communion. There will be a sign-up sheet posted outside the office. What a great way for **YOUR** family to be involved. Please consider helping out with this ministry.



## 2023-2024- Sunday School 3yr olds - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

- **Rally Sunday** - September 10<sup>th</sup> - 10:00a.m.
- 9:00am-Blessing of Backpacks, Teachers & Students during worship.
- **1<sup>st</sup> Class for Sunday School** - September 17<sup>th</sup> - 10:00a.m.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Graders receive their Bibles** - September 17<sup>th</sup> during the 9:00a.m. worship
- **Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**
- 4<sup>th</sup> graders - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class (Letters will be sent)
- **Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>** - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion 4<sup>th</sup> graders recognized during the 9:00a worship

**Rally Sunday --immediately following 9a.m. service, September 10<sup>th</sup>** -- We are inviting all church families to join us for Rally Sunday. A kick-off to the new Sunday School year! We are planning a free-will donation, hot dog meal. Learn who your Sunday School teacher will be, enjoy some games and see if you have what it takes to dump Pastor Levi into the dunk tank!!

**Sunday School Schedule:** Sunday School begins September 17<sup>th</sup>, immediately following 9:00a.m. service. All youth in pre-school –6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome!!

# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

Our Saviour's Lutheran  
2023-2024 Sunday School Schedule

## September:

10<sup>th</sup>- 9:00am during worship, Blessing of  
Backpacks

Rally Sunday at 10:00am

17<sup>th</sup> - Class; 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders receive Bibles  
during 9:00am worship

24<sup>th</sup>- Class

## October:

1<sup>st</sup>- Class

8<sup>th</sup>- Class

15<sup>th</sup>- Sing in church

22<sup>nd</sup>- NO CLASS (MEA)

28<sup>th</sup>- SATURDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- 1<sup>st</sup>

Communion Class (letter will be sent)

29<sup>th</sup>- NO CLASS- (4<sup>th</sup> Graders  
recognized during 9:00am worship for 1<sup>st</sup>  
Communion)

## November:

5<sup>th</sup>- Class

12<sup>th</sup>- Class

19<sup>th</sup>- Class

25<sup>th</sup>- NO CLASS (Thanksgiving)

## December:

3<sup>rd</sup>- Class

10<sup>th</sup>- Class

17<sup>th</sup>- Children's Christmas Program

24<sup>th</sup>- NO CLASS

31<sup>st</sup>- NO CLASS

January:

7<sup>th</sup>- Class

14<sup>th</sup>- Class

21<sup>st</sup>- NO CLASS

28<sup>th</sup>- Class

## February:

4<sup>th</sup>- Class

11<sup>th</sup>- Sing in church

18<sup>th</sup>- NO CLASS

25<sup>th</sup>- Class

## March:

3<sup>rd</sup> - Class

10<sup>th</sup>- Class

17<sup>th</sup>- NO CLASS

24<sup>th</sup>- Class- Palm Sunday, children march  
into 9:00am worship with Palm Branches

31<sup>st</sup>- NO CLASS (Easter)

## April:

7<sup>th</sup>- Class

14<sup>th</sup>- Class

21<sup>st</sup>- Class

28<sup>th</sup>- Class- Confirmation Sunday

## May:

5<sup>th</sup>- Class

12<sup>th</sup>- Sing in church- **Last Day of Sunday  
School**

**\*\*\*CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE  
DATES\*\*\***

**12/6/23- WEDNESDAY**

**12/9/23- SATURDAY**

**12/13/23- WEDNESDAY**

**12/16/23- SATURDAY**

**TIMES TO BE DETERMINED**

## **NEW ORLEANS YOUTH GATHERING:**

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

**CREATED**

**TO BE**

the table

**MYLE**

Young  
Adult  
Gathering

We are looking at putting together a trip for high school students (grades 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) to attend the New Orleans, Louisiana, ELCA Youth Gathering **July 16, 2024-July 20, 2024.**

Right now, we are trying

to gauge interest in this. More details and an informational meeting will be coming soon! Fundraising will be set up to help defray costs. **We are hoping to offer this trip every three years.** If your high schooler would like to consider this, please connect with Jill in the OSL office at 507-223-5528 or by email at [oslcanbymn@gmail.com](mailto:oslcanbymn@gmail.com)

\*\*\*\*Informational Meeting for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering will be held on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Bethel Lutheran in Porter. The Pastor from Wabasso will present the information.\*\*\*\*

## ***Confirmation Orientation***

***7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation -***

***Orientation - Wednesday,***

***September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 -***

***6:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall***

***- 1<sup>st</sup> class - Sunday, October***

***8, 2023-10:30 a.m.***



***9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation - Orientation -***

***Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023-6:30 p.m.***

***in the Fellowship Hall - 1<sup>st</sup> class - Wednesday,***

***October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - 5:30p.m.***




## **Rend Collective Campfire**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour in the R/A Facility at SMSU, Saturday, September 30, 2023 at 7:00 PM. Rend Collective is a Northern Irish Christian folk rock worship band originating from Bangor, Northern Ireland. General admission is \$25/person. More information can be found on the Rend Collective Facebook page or at : [rendcollective.com](http://rendcollective.com)



## Youth Puzzle & Activity

Slow down and uncover this message and Bible verse, using the code below.




# PUZZLE


## A PATH TO PRAYER

God's Word offers lots of insights about how to pray.

*Directions: Use the code to fill in the blanks and complete a Bible passage about prayer.*



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 ZYXWVUTSRQPONMLKJIHGFEDCBA



RGSZMPNBTLW

VEVIBGRNVR

IVNVNYVIBLF

RMZOONB

KIZBVIHULIZOO

LUBLFRZODZBH

KIZBDRGSQLB

KSRORKKRZMH

1:3-4, NIV



Use simple ingredients and your imagination to bake these fluffy, cloud-like treats.

### What you need:

- 3 egg whites
- ½ tsp. vanilla extract
- Mixer
- 2 Tbsp. powdered sugar
- 1 Tbsp. cornstarch
- Parchment paper

### What you do:

1. Preheat oven to 300°. In a mixing bowl, combine egg whites and vanilla. Whisk eggs with mixer at medium speed until frothy.
2. While whisking, gradually add sugar and cornstarch. Keep whisking at high speed until stiff peaks form.
3. Spoon mixture onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Create fun shapes.
4. Bake 20 minutes. Cool and enjoy!



	<h2 style="text-align: center;">September 2023</h2>
<b>Friday</b> 1	
<b>Saturday</b> 2	
<b>Sunday</b> 3	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk
<b>Monday</b> 4	<i>Pastor's Sabbath - Office Closed</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> 5	2:00 p.m. Circle at Sylvan Place
<b>Wednesday</b> 6	7:00 p.m. ELCA 2024 Youth Gathering informational Meeting Bethel Lutheran in Porter
<b>Thursday</b> 7	2:00 p.m. Hendricks Communion
<b>Friday</b> 8	
<b>Saturday</b> 9	
<b>Sunday</b> 10	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church 9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion & Blessing of Backpacks <b>10:00 a.m. Rally Sunday</b> 10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk
<b>Monday</b> 11	<i>Pastor's Sabbath - Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> 12	
<b>Wednesday</b> 13	10:30 a.m. Nursing Home Communion 7:00 p.m. Council at Large Meeting
<b>Thursday</b> 14	2:00 p.m. "Over 80 Party"
<b>Friday</b> 15	<i>Wedding Rehearsal: 5:30 p.m. - Hailey Beiber/Riley Full</i>
<b>Saturday</b> 16	<i>Wedding: 3:30 p.m. - Hailey Beiber/Riley Full</i>
<b>Sunday</b> 17	8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar open prior to church 9:00 a.m. Worship & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Graders receive Bibles 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk
<b>Monday</b> 18	<i>Pastor's Sabbath - Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.</i> 9:00 a.m. Quilting



<b>Tuesday 19</b>	
<b>Wednesday 20</b>	<b>8:30 a.m. -Hospital Board Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday 21</b>	
<b>Friday 22</b>	
<b>Saturday 23</b>	<b>Articles due for September Newsletter</b>
<b>Sunday 24</b>	8:30 a.m.    Coffee Bar open prior to church 9:00 a.m.    Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 a.m.    Sunday School 10:10 a.m.    Coffee Talk
<b>Monday 25</b>	<b>Pastor's Sabbath</b> - Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday 26</b>	<b>Articles due for September Newsletter</b>
<b>Wednesday 27</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Orientation- 6:00PM 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Orientation-6:30PM
<b>Thursday 28</b>	
<b>Friday 29</b>	<b>Assembly of September Newsletter</b>
<b>Saturday 30</b>	