

## Next Sermon Series: "I AM": Unveiling Jesus in Revelation

8/10/2025: "Worthy Is The Lamb"

8/17/2025: "A Great Multitude"

8/24/2025: "The Beast and the Cross"

8/31/2025: "Living Water, New Creation"

**Prayers** - If you would like to have a prayer request shared with the congregation in a public manner, please email them to Deb Curtis by Thursday at 9 am [rcdciowa@gmail.com](mailto:rcdciowa@gmail.com). Email private prayer requests to Pastor Joel: [pastorjoel@reachingoutinlove.org](mailto:pastorjoel@reachingoutinlove.org). Pastor Joel will share these latter requests with the prayer team.

### **Please Pray for:**

Ginger Berggeson, Jody Boehm's brother's health, Andria Huisden Brown, Crue Bucknell & Family, Phyllis Chenoweth (Judy Linsenbardt's sister), Suzanne Cook (Dee Ann's friend), Pamela Dawson, Laverne Edwards who has cancer (sister-in-law of Khane Williams), Joy Evenson, Lynn Vallandingham's sister, Wanda Brenner's friend Ashley Evers for breast cancer, Dean Godsy, Carol Howard suffering with kidney disease waiting to be put on transplant list. Marica Kennison, David Kruse, Frankie Lindquist, Chip Long, Brittney & Hunter Mahon (DeeAnn), Kay Mason, Gordie Menken, Jim Morris, McKenna Mortimer & Family, Fred Naes, Bruce and Linda Petersen, Pastor Scott for continued recovery, Kirstin Sanning (Linda Petersen's daughter), Scarlet, Marilyn Thomas (Judy Linsenbardt's sister), and Steve Walker.

*(Names on this list for more than one month are removed at the end of each month unless an extension is requested.)*

**Military Safety:** Dylan Benedict, Mason Brenner, Cassidy Culver, Lucas Frey, Lewis Kempker and Weston Herman.

**Flowers:** The flowers today are for Bruce & Linda Petersen's 59<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

*You can contribute flowers for our altar in honor or memory of someone, to celebrate an event, or to the glory of God. A flower chart is located at the Information Center. Please indicate if you want live flowers, at a cost of \$45 provided by River City Florists or silk flowers at a cost of \$15. If choosing silk flowers, let Linda Petersen know your preferred arrangement.*

## OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



*I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)*

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### **Calendar for the Week of 08/10/2025**

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>09:00 a.m.</b>	Classic Worship in the Worship Center
	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Brunch in the Fellowship Hall
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	Modern Worship in the Worship Center*
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	Children's Worship, upstairs to the right*
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>07:00 p.m.</b>	Praise Band Rehearsal
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**Thank You** to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, cards, calls and kindness during my chemo. Please keep it up as I'm not through the valley yet, but you have brought me a long way and I can't express how much that means to me . I love you all. Linda Petersen.

**WEED CUTTING!!** Several areas of our lower grounds are getting unsightly due to tall weeds. Therefore, I am asking for all able bodied folks with weed “whackers” to meet at 8 am on Saturday the16th of August to attack the tall weeds. Please let me know if you will be available to help. Thanks, Wayne Sharp.

**THRIVENT GRANTS FOR SCHOOL KITS:** The Women of Our Savior’s is getting ready to collect items for Lutheran World Relief School Kits. We hope that many of you will purchase the needed items or give a monetary gift and we will purchase the items for you. The items needed are listed below:

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| 1 pair scissors                    | 12 or 24 count box of crayons                       |
| 1 30 centimeter (12”) wooden ruler | 4 70 count spiral notebooks (wide or college ruled) |
| 1 pencil sharpener                 | 6 black or blue ink pens                            |
| 1 2 1/2” eraser                    | 6 unsharpened pencils                               |

To assist us in purchasing more school items - we will apply for Thrivent Grants. If you are a Thrivent member and have not used your two Action Team Grants this year and would be willing to let us use it for School Kits, it would be helpful. Please contact Gloria Sharp for more information.

**Our quilters are in need of fabric!** Types of fabric needed are new cotton fabric that you are not using, cotton drapes & shower curtains, dark colored sheets, and light weight blankets. A good place to look for fabric is at a garage sale or estate sale. If you tell them what the fabric is being used for, they often will sell it for a bargain. Thanks so much for your help!

**SAVE THE DATE!** I hope you will all be happy to hear that the annual **TRIVIA NIGHT** is baaaaaaack! The date to save??? SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH 5:30 PM. You are invited to get together a team of six for a little trivia, a little *FUNdraising* and some amazing Italian food! Must be 12 or older to sit at a table or play. Once again there will be *FABULOUS PRIZES!* More details soon! Questions? Contact Dee Ann McKinney at: [ddeemac1952@aol.com](mailto:ddeemac1952@aol.com) or (573) 619-9693

**August Stewardship Verse:** Malachi 3:10 - 10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

**We all pray . . . some.** We pray to stay sober, centered, or solvent. When the lump is deemed malignant. When the money runs out. When the marriage is falling apart. But wouldn't we like to pray . . . more? Better? Stronger? With more fire, faith, and fervency in this four-session video-based study, bestselling author Max Lucado reveals his own struggles with prayer and how he discovered that it is not a privilege for the pious nor the art of a chosen few but a simple tool everyone has been given to have a conversation with God. He shows you how to: Let go of uncertainties about prayer. Trust that God hears you. Embrace a prayer life that brings peace and rest. Join Max Lucado on a journey to the very heart of biblical prayer and the power unleashed with five simple sentences: "*Father, you are good. I need help. They need help. Thank you. In Jesus' name, amen.*" In a 4 week bible study starting Thursday August 14th and the next 4 consecutive Thursdays starting at 6 pm.

**Ladies Night Out:** Come join us for our ladies night out on August 19 at 5pm. We will meet at Domenico's Italian Restaurant, 3702 W. Truman Blvd., Jefferson City. We will enjoy great food and fellowship! The sign-up sheet and menu are available in the entryway at the information booth. Please plan to attend!

**OSLC CONNECTION SERVICE TEAMS.** OSLC has four separate Connection Teams: Team 1 – Wayne Sharp (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month); Team 2, Gretchen Mueller (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month); Team 3 – Charlene Gregory (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month); and Team 4 - Marjorie Beenders (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month). There are four 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in Calendar year 2025 (March, June, August and November), so that means that each of our four teams will take on the responsibility of one of the 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays. We have made every effort to make certain that **EVERYONE** in Our Savior’s worshiping community is assigned to a **CONNECTIONS** Team. If you have not yet been invited to serve on one of our teams, we apologize, or if you don't recall which team you were assigned to, we encourage you to reach out to Janice Rambo, Marjorie Beenders or Pastor Joel. One of us will be more than happy to help you. Being actively involved with your fellow team members is an opportunity to continue or to start being involved in helping with church activities. An important piece of information is that as a team member, you can volunteer to help on **your team's one Sunday per month** as many months as you can; however, if you know you are going to be traveling or not going to be available for other reasons, you can simply let your leader know that you are not available. Your help and service, as much or little as you can give, will be greatly appreciated.

**Please embrace this opportunity to support and serve on your CONNECTION Team.** It is a great and non-threatening way to enjoy fellowship with your team members and to cheerfully provide service and hospitality to our members and to our visiting guests. And, for our newer members, this is a natural and enjoyable way for you to get to know people in our congregation, and those of you who have been worshiping at OSLC for a number of years can help the newer members feel welcomed and experience the love we share with each other. As a reminder, the type of services that our Connection Teams provide include assistance for Sunday Worship Services. We provide greeters to both Sunday worship services and to other special events hosted at and by OSLC. We also provide ushers to collect the offering, communion assistants to help distribute communion, Sunday brunch hosts that prepare and provide the food and drink, plus kitchen help needed for food service and clean up, take count or attendance for each service, pick up the offering from the offering plates at the doors and on the altar and follow instructions for securing it in the white drop box in the Sacristy. We are quick to invite our new members to come along side one of our experienced team members to find out first hand how they can volunteer their time, service and kindness to one another as a Connection Team member. **Serving and loving our brothers and sisters in Christ is truly a blessing that we can all experience by our commitment to our Connection Teams.** Thank you for your past and continued support and service to the Connection Team program. If you are wanting to get involved for the first time, this is a perfect time to get started. Questions, comments or suggestions are always welcomed.

**Bible Studies: All Are Welcome!!** – Both of these bible studies are held once a month and make use of the ELCA Gather magazine bible study which is geared towards women. The Tamar bible study meets at church and the Circle meets at our individual homes. Please make time in your schedule to attend and if you have any questions, please contact Gloria Sharp at (573)462-9758 or Deb Curtis at (573)338-3779 for details.

Tamar Circle: Meets the last Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. This meeting is on hiatus for now, until Gretchen Mueller returns in September.

Hannah Circle: We will be meeting on Aug 12th at 7pm. It will be at Deb Curtis's, 308 Timber Creek Drive.