

"Faith in the Fire: Lessons from Kings, Prophets, and Captives"

- 11/02: 1 Kings 19: When Faith Feels Empty
- 11/09: Amos 5: Justice and Righteousness
- 11/16: Jeremiah 29: Thriving in exile
- 11/23: Daniel 3: Standing Firm in the Face of opposition

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. Email private prayer requests to Pastor Joel: pastorjoel@reachingoutinlove.org.. Pastor Joel will share these latter requests with the prayer team.

Please Pray for:

Ginger Berggeson, 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, Prayers for the family of Jeanne van Hoose (friend of Maxine Clark) who was killed in an auto accident, Carol Howard suffering with kidney disease waiting to be put on transplant list. Marica Kennison, David Kruse, Darrin Lee, Nancy Michaelson's nephew; 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, Margie Seleck (friend of Linda Petersen), 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 and Lewis Kempker

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 11/02/2025

Sunday:	09:00 a.m.	Classic Worship in the Worship Center
	10:00 a.m.	Brunch in the Fellowship Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Modern Worship in the Worship Center*
	10:30 a.m.	Children's Worship, upstairs to the right*
Wednesday:	06:00 p.m.	Bible Study "Surprised by Joy"
	07:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
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Our ANNUAL BAKELESS BAKE SALE offers an opportunity to support the ministries for the Women of Our Savior's. Your donation supports such programs as the Samaritan Center, Heisinger Bluffs, Lutheran World Relief, Sweetheart Dinner and the Mother/Daughter Tea. Your generosity also supports both Oaks Indian Mission and ELCA World Hunger. There are designated envelopes available in the narthex at church or you may mail your offering to Gloria Sharp or Karen Brockmeyer. Please designate "Bakeless Bake Sale" on your check, place the envelope in offering plate or give to a board member. We appreciate your support!

OSLC 2025 Annual Meeting November 9th - We have our annual congregational meeting this month. Mark your Calendars for November 9th. **There will be one service that day at 10:00 a.m.** and the meeting will follow shortly after the service ends. The agenda will include:

- Election of: New members for the Vision Team, Synod assembly voting members and Nominating Committee
- 2026 Budget
- Renewing Covenant with Pastor Joel for 2026

Nominating committee: Tim Duggan; Bonnie Verdot; Nancy Michaelson
Synod Assembly Voting members: Wayne and Gloria Sharp

The folks we will be voting in for 2026 and that have graciously accepted the call are the following: President-Bryan Scheiderer; Secretary-Deb Curtis; At large members-Jennifer Darmsted and Frank Heet. We will be electing a new treasurer, as Linda Eisinger's term is up this year. She will be moving to an at large position.

Members of the Vision Team will be available during brunch this Sunday to answer any questions you may have and copies of a proposed budget will be handed out.

Do you have family in the military who will not get home for Christmas? This year OSLC is conducting Operation Christmas! We would like to send a Love Box of holiday cheer to our service members for Christmas. We must first identify all of them and get current addresses for them. Everyone who has a service member - ---whether they are listed on our prayer list or not ---please contact Dee Ann McKinney (573) 619-9693 or Deb Curtis (573) 338-3779 ASAP. *(With Linda Petersen's backing, we are stepping in to help move this forward while she is recovering from her recent hospital stay.)* ***DO YOU KNOW Cassidy Culver, Lucas Frey or Lewis Kempker? If SO, PLEASE CONTACT US IMMEDIATELY!*** We are also still looking for a Thrivent grant and prayers. Once we know how many soldiers we are looking to cheer up at Christmas, we will be looking for donations of snacks, homemade goodies, cash donations. Please get those addresses and names to us TODAY!!!

October Stewardship Verse: – Matthew 6:24: “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

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.

The next Bible study will be October 28..

Hannah Circle: We will be meeting on November 11th @ 7pm at JoAnn Kiesling's, 2039 Buehrle Drive.

It's time! Come be a part of our Christmas Cantata "Kick-Off" rehearsal **THIS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 at 7:20 p.m.** "An Evening in December" will be presented for the church and community on Sunday afternoon, December 21 at 4:00 p.m. This year don't just hear the Christmas story - help us sing it to life! We welcome good voices, not perfect voices. Most of all, you will prepare your heart for Jesus' birth through music. [And I promise you'll have an inspiring and good time!] It's an offering to glorify God! Questions? Jan Houser - 573-690-0632 or janzstudio09@gmail.com.

Basketball Tickets for Luke's game! For those of you that signed up to attend the basketball game which is scheduled for November 7, the tickets are \$7.00. Wayne will contact you this week about where to pick up tickets. If you have any questions, contact Wayne.

Next Scripture Study Surprised By Joy by N.T. Wright: Many Christians believe our future in heaven is all that really matters. But that's not what the Bible teaches. Premier Bible scholar N. T. Wright brings you inside the Scriptures to grasp the full, breathtaking hope Jesus offers the world, and its impact on your life today. Gain an exciting new vision for your life on earth in light of your future in heaven. Wonderful as is the promise of heaven, a glorious hereafter is just part of what salvation is about. What about today? Jesus called his followers the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Your life here and now is of tremendous consequence, and what you believe about the future has a direct impact on how you live in the present. We started ***Wednesday, October 8th at 6 p.m. and over 6 sessions, ending November 12th***, we will be going through the study Surprised by Joy by N.T. Wright to better understand how God's salvation plays itself out in our lives here on earth.

Thanksgiving Food Drive for Foster Care, Kinship and Adoption Families. We NEED YOUR HELP!!!! There is still time for each of us to participate in this churchwide **Act of Kindness**. **We will be accepting food and/or cash donations till 2 p.m. this afternoon.** This afternoon, we will use all of our cash donations to go grocery shopping for the requested non-perishable food items. Also, we have received a **\$250 Thrivent Grant** (requested by Steve Walker) that we will use to purchase frozen turkeys. Tomorrow morning after we purchase the frozen turkeys, we will deliver all food items, including the turkeys, to the Foster Care office. **LOOKING AHEAD: FYI – If you're are a Thrivent member and would like to help with other fundraising efforts taken on by Our Savior's (like Steve did), we would appreciate hearing from you.** Requesting Thrivent grants is easy and quickly done. There are several OSLC members who are Thrivent members that can assist you in completing a Thrivent Grant application for you. We will have a list people willing to help with Thrivent Grant applications available in the church office. Thanks so much for your consideration!!! We are working together to share God's love!!!

Thank you to all who contributed to our quilt/kit shipping fund! Thank you for your generosity - we have reached our goal! This will be very helpful to Lutheran World Relief! Thanks also for all who helped pack our quilts and kits, and got them ready for shipment. Special thanks to everyone who helped us Saturday - we received all the many boxes of quilts & kits from area Lutheran Churches & then loaded them on the big truck which took them to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse in St Paul, Minnesota where they will then be distributed all throughout the world included here in the United States. Thank you! Thank you!

Calendars: The Women are once again selling wall calendars and we only have a few left. Purchase one while we still have them available. You may purchase these calendars in the narthex for \$10.00.