

**Discovering and Responding to the Revelation of Jesus:**

John 2:13-25 Zeal for God's house 1/18

John 3:1-31 Born Again 1/24

***Next Sermon Series***

John 4:1-42 Church Shopping – 2/1

John 4:46-52 Faith Beyond Distance – 2/8

**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:**

Tracey Barry, Ginger Berggeson, Andria Huisden Brown, Kim Cash, the Morris's daughter, Kenley Cash, the Morris's great granddaughter who is having a pacemaker replaced, Crue Bucknell & Family, Phyllis Chenoweth (Judy Linsenbardt's sister), Suzanne Cook (Dee Ann's friend), Lorinda Cruikshank, Pamela Dawson, Joy Evenson, Lynn Vallandingham's sister, Wanda Brenner's friend Ashley Evers for breast cancer, Dean Godsy, Robin & Ron Hill, friends of Bruce & Linda Petersen. Carol Howard suffering with kidney disease waiting to be put on transplant list. Betty Karr, cancer diagnosis(Dawn Schneiderer's mother), Marica Kennison, Darrin Lee, Nancy Michaelson's nephew; Frankie Lindquist, Chip Long, 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 and Cassidy Culver

**Sympathy:** To Khane's brother Greg Edwards and family on the death of his wife Laverne.

*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 01/25/2026**

<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>Wednesday:</b>	<b>07:00 p.m.</b>	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>09:30 a.m.</b>	Sunshine Boys
	<b>06:10 p.m.</b>	Jubilation Bells Rehearsal
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>07:00 p.m.</b>	Praise Band Rehearsal
	<b>09:00 a.m.</b>	Classic Worship in the Worship Center
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**Lent is fast approaching** and we will be celebrating the Names of Wondrous Love. In this series, we see how God's plan of salvation unfolded during Lent in a discussion of some of the names for Jesus. Come Join us for a meal at 5:30 and service at 6:30 as we learn how each of God's names reflect his loving character.

Ash Wednesday/Midweek 1: Names of Wondrous Love—JESUS

Midweek 2: Names of Wondrous Love—IMMANUEL

Midweek 3: Names of Wondrous Love—THE TRUTH

Midweek 4: Names of Wondrous Love—KING

Midweek 5: Names of Wondrous Love—CHRIST CRUCIFIED

Midweek 6: Names of Wondrous Love—THE WAY

**Sunshine Boys:** meeting will be this Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30a.m. Eric is bringing the goodies!!

**THE 2026 KINDNESS PROJECT** As a reminder, 2025 was the first year that money was set aside in our church Outreach budget to implement a community kindness project. The OSLC Project Kindness Committee was responsible for reaching out into the community to become familiar with not-for-profit, charitable and humanitarian organizations that we could partner with to make a positive impact in the lives of people who are in need of not only our financial support but also our love and kindness. Representatives from various organizations were invited to come to Our Savior's to make presentations to our congregations (both the early and second services) to share with us their organization's purpose and mission. Making sure that our congregation was kept informed and involved in this campaign was one of the most important components of the Kindness Project Committee as they responsibly determined how the \$12,000 would be spent. We all learned a great deal about the various needs in Jefferson City. Our congregation was able to knowingly help our committee make decisions. Recipients of our grants were: Common Ground, Independent Living Organizations, Ramsey Garden, Healing House, Missouri Cares Soup Kitchen. And, as a result of the various presentations, individuals from our congregations requested Thrivent grants that were used to help support the following organizations: Room at the Inn, Halo, and Red Slipper Warriors; and a food and clothing drive plus a cash donation was provided to Calvin's Closet. **We are beginning to make plans for our 2026 Kindness Campaign. Different organizations will be invited to come to our services again this year to make presentations about their organization's purpose and mission. IMPORTANT: If anyone has any ideas or suggestions about different groups or existing programs that you would like us to consider as beneficiaries this year, please let Pastor Joel know. Thanks to everyone in our congregation for your outpouring of generosity. Our Savior's accomplishes multiple acts of kindness every single day without even trying. A smile, a handshake, a simple question as "HOW CAN I HELP?" is an everyday occurrence that we are all used to here at Our Savior's. What a blessing we have if from Jesus and one another!**

**The Women of the ELCA invite you to our annual Shrove Tuesday Breakfast** scheduled on Feb. 17th at 7:00 a.m. in the church Fellowship Hall. Shrove Tuesday is the celebration before Lent begins. A delicious breakfast will be served; followed by a short devotional and singing of hymns. Please make reservations for yourself and guest(s), and indicate what breakfast item you will prepare and serve (egg casserole, coffee cake, breads, and hot or cold fruit) on the sign-up sheet at the church Information Center.

**Sweetheart Dinner:** Our annual dinner will be held on ***February 7th at 5:30 p.m.*** We are again using Lehman BBQ & Catering of Jefferson City. Our menu is still being determined, but if you had a favorite, let us know. The price for the meal is \$20 per person. ***Since this is only about 3 weeks away, please sign up as soon as possible so we have a count to give the caterer prior to the event.*** To pay or if you have any questions, please see Gloria Sharp or Karen Brockmeyer. ***We ask that each person bring a gift for the Cupid exchange.*** Thanks!

**The New Testament You Never Knew:** Do you know the real story behind the New Testament? Are you curious about how the New Testament came into being and was developed? We all share a fascination for discovering 'the rest of the story.' Through reading the New Testament we discover that God indeed keeps his promises, but those promises don't always look like what people expected. Especially when it comes to Jesus. Join well-known Bible scholars N.T. Wright and Michael F. Bird as they team up to take you on a tour of the explosive story behind the story of the New Testament. Come join us at 6 p.m. on Wednesday Nights, starting January 7th for this 6 week Bible study, "The New Testament You Never Knew."

**Thanks to everyone** who took an ornament off the personal care tree or otherwise participated in the personal care kit collection. We will finish this project during lent if you have not had a chance to donate to the worthy project.

**January Stewardship Verse** – Malachi 3:10 (NIV) - 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.

**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.

Hannah Circle: Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – location to be determined.