

**Current Worship Series: Living a Life of Freedom: God's blueprint for Flourishing**

- Sep 6: . The Heart of the Matter - Exodus 20:17

**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:**

Tricia & Derek Baker, Tracey Berry, Ginger Berggeson, Terry Brenner; Danielle's aunt, due to breast cancer, Crue Bucknell & Family, Lorinda Cruikshank, Pamela Dawson, Joy Evenson, Lynn Vallandingham's sister, Bill Gathright (Judy's brother), Bill Gerth, pancreatic cancer (friend of Pastor Merkel), Dean Godsy and Carol Howard suffering with kidney disease waiting to be put on transplant list. Darren Johnson, Betty Karr, cancer diagnosis (Dawn Schneiderer's mother), Marica Kennison, Pastor Bob Klein, put on Hospice Care, Charla Kusilek (eyes), Darrin Lee, Nancy Michaelson's nephew; Frankie Lindquist, Chip Long, Gordie Menken, Jim Morris, McKenna Mortimer & Family, Fred Naes, Jesse Northweather (Joy's father-in-law) for healing, Shari Ommen (Joy's sister) for healing, Betsy Otterness and her parents Gale & Cory, Bruce and Linda Petersen, Holly Petersen (Chrones), Pastor Joel Pike, Kirstin Sanning (Linda Petersen's daughter), Laura Schooley, Scarlet, Brian Sill, Greg Tellman, Jean Walker and LaTrice Wilson.

*(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

**Flowers:** The flowers today are in honor of Ed & Carole Merckel's 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Flowers:** *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 09/06/2026**

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| <b>Sunday:</b>               | <b>All Day</b>    | Fill The Truck                            |
|                              | <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:<br/>Sunday:</b> | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> | Discipleship Group                        |
|                              | <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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|                              | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> | Children's Worship, upstairs to the right |
|                              | <b>02:00 p.m.</b> | Recital (2pm to 6pm)                      |

**Fill the Truck:** Thanks to all who brought non-perishable items to help fill the truck today. If you forgot and would still like to participate you may bring your items next Sunday. The truck won't be here but the barrel will be in the Narthex. If you wish to make a monetary donation see me or drop it in the offering plate designated "Fill the Truck". Wayne Sharp

**Ladies Night Out:** Come with us for Ladies Night Out on Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. We will be going to Santo Anejo Tacos & Tequila, 2930 Edgewood Drive, Jefferson City, MO. Our plan is to be seated outside, weather permitting. We'll enjoy fellowship and great food. I need to let them know the number of guests no later than *September 20th*, so *please sign the sign-up sheet in the narthex as soon as possible, so we can reserve enough seats for our group.*

**Youth Ministry Team Members Sought:** Are you gifted in working with children and/or teens? Then the Youth Ministry Team has a spot for you! We are looking for teachers, music leaders and musicians, small group leaders, crafters, and more! If you are interested in joining this powerful ministry, please contact Pastor Joel or Jessie Melendez.

**School Kits! School Kits! School Kits!** - It's that time of the year again! Women of the ELCA members are putting together school kits and we need your help! You are welcome to bring any or all of the following items for completed kits:

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

Cash donations are also greatly appreciated and may be given to Gloria Sharp or Karen Brockmeyer. Thank you for shining the Light of Jesus for this coming school year!

**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 in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m.

Hannah Circle: Tuesday, September 8 at 7 p.m., Nene Heet's home, 304 Willow Creek Dr.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** The Women of Our Savior's have three prayer chains. We are now updating the chain - if you would like to be added on to the prayer chain, please contact Gloria Sharp. Thank you!

**Got a song in your heart?** Come share it with choir! Our Savior's Singers begin this Wednesday, September 9th, at 7:00 p.m. (after Labor Day.) We do a lot of singing, share concerns and joys, and encourage and pray for each other. Singing and sharing can fill you up. God listens to us. Come sing!

**A representative from Mobility Worldwide** will be here today to talk to our congregation about their organization. The group manufactures and distributes mobility carts to areas of Africa where there is great poverty and a scarcity of paved surfaces for conventional wheelchair use. Their plant, in Columbia, operates almost entirely with volunteers. Join us in welcoming Gary Moreau today as he tells us more about this amazing organization.

**Thrivent Memberships Available:** You can become a Thrivent Associate Member by completing a membership application and paying an annual fee of \$19.95. Applying for this membership will make it possible for you to request one grant per year of \$250.00 for Our Savior's to use for our many worthy projects.

To be eligible, you just need to be 16 years of age or older and a Christian seeking to live out your faith, or the spouse of a Christian seeking to live out their faith. Obtain the Membership Application (I have printed a few and they are available on the counter in the Narthex), or you can apply online at <https://www.Thrivent.com/about-us/membership>.

- Fill in your personal information and confirm that you agree to support Thrivent's shared purpose and Christian Common Bond.
- Submit Payment – Annual Fee is \$19.95 (If mailing a paper application, submit check along with it to the address provided on the application).
- Once your application is processed, you will receive a membership number.
- After you receive your membership number, you can register online and apply for an Action Team grant to participate in community projects.

There is much more information available online, and if you need help with the application, you can contact Customer Service at 800-521-5308.

**Website Calendar: Calling all congregation event & project planners!**

Please check your personal calendars and get all OSLC planned events to Dee Ann so we can get them on our church calendar. Simply provide:

- Day and date of the event
- What the event is
- Name of the organizer
- Where it will be held (sanctuary, fellowship hall, on the church parking lot (like for fill the truck) or upstairs in the Church offices.

Email is Best: [ddeemac1952@aol.com](mailto:ddeemac1952@aol.com)