

Remember in your Prayers

Concerns: Lila (friend of Wayne Servias); Brian Howe (nephew of Larry & Marti Howe); Linda (Friend of Mary Ann Smith); Maxine Thoreson; Tim Kunert; Arlysse MacGillivray; Shawn Mahoney (son in law of John & Darlene Kelley); Merle Houdek; Karen Schein; Magnus Svennungsen (Thoreson's great-grandson); David Eberhart; Bob Loos; Francis Pflibsen; Byron Stadsvold; Lois Rink; Mark (Pat Heath's son); Jeanette Erickson, Bonnie Storlie, Marsha Dick; Connie DeLorme, Mike & Sandy Miller

Military Concerns: Andrew McCumber; Chris Sikich; Margaret & Catherine Maher; Clark Rose; Scot Heathman; Ryan Nordstrom; Dan & Kelly Pickett, all our service men and women serving in the Military and all of our veterans who have served.

Missionary Partner: Palliative Care Program at Iambi Hospital, Tanzania

Seminary Student: Martha Bec



WELCOME VISITORS & WELCOME TO WORSHIP! MARCH 20, 2022

"Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, to the glory of God." Romans 15:7

We welcome new visitors and old friends, long-time Lutherans, Christians from every tradition, and people new to faith. To those who have no church home, want to follow Christ, have doubts, do not believe, you are welcome here. Regardless of age, color, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, marital status, abilities or challenges, join us, you are welcome here. You are welcome to worship, to celebrate and sorrow, to rejoice and recover. This is a place where lives are made new.

Lent 2022

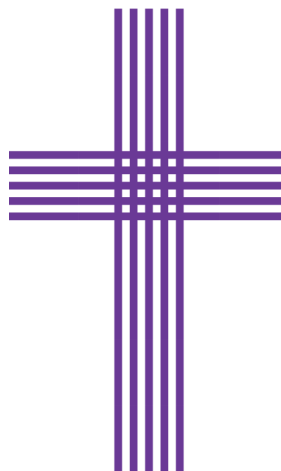
OPENING HYMN *"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"* ELW 325

GOSPEL STORY Luke 15:-32

EXPLORING THE STORY Pastor Ben Loven

SONG OF THE DAY *"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"* ELW 608

SENDING SONG *"What Wondrous Love is This"* ELW 666



Lent is a season of reflection, repentance, and preparation as we build up to our celebration of The Three Days: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. We are invited to examine our lives and to commit to acting in ways that will make the world a better place. We do this by focusing on following Jesus, knowing that we cannot follow him perfectly, but that God is still calling us to this path, a path that takes Jesus to the cross, where he will shock the world with how far he is willing to go in forgiveness and love.

Sunday, March 20

9am Virtual Worship
9am Worship at OSLC
10am Fellowship
10:30am Virtual GIFT

Monday, March 21

P. Ben Day Off
10-12pm P. Nikki Open Door
1pm Sarah Circle

Tuesday, March 22

9am-3pm Office Open
10-11am P. Ben Open Door
11:30am Joanne out of office
2pm Office Staff Meeting
7pm Worship/Music Team

Wednesday, March 23

Joanne on vacation
Bev cover office hours
9:15am-3pm Office Open
1-3 P. Ben Open Door
4-6pm P. Nikki Open Door
6:15pm Lent Worship

Thursday, March 24

Joanne on vacation
9am-3pm Office Open
Bev covers office hours
P. Nikki Day Off
10:30am Bible Study
6pm Bell Choir
7pm Vocal Choir

Friday, March 25

Joanne on vacation
P. Nikki Day Off
10-11am P. Ben Open Door

Saturday, March 26

Sunday, March 27

9am Virtual Worship
9am Worship at OSLC
10am Fellowship
10:30am Virtual GIFT

Monday, March 28

P. Ben Day off
10am-12pm P. Nikki Open Door

Tuesday, March 29

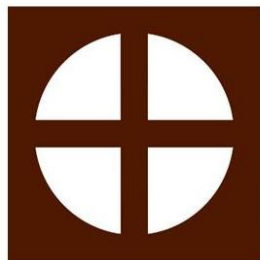
9am-3pm Office Open
10-11am P. Ben Open Door
2pm Office Staff Meeting

Wednesday, March 30

9am-3pm Office Open
1-3pm P. Ben Open Door
4-6pm P. Nikki Open Door
6:15pm Lent Worship

Thursday, March 31

P. Nikki Day Off
9am-3pm Office Open
10:30am Bible Study
6pm Bell Choir
7pm Vocal Choir
Go to www.rochesterosl.org and click the calendar tab for all building activities.



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OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION

The office is open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 9:00am to 3pm
Joanne is working from home on Mondays and Fridays.

Office—289-3021; Website: www.rochesterosl.org

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Joanne Hamilton, Office—office@rochesterosl.org

Greg Henderson, Director of Music—music@rochesterosl.org

Carole Joyce, Family Ministry Consultant—carole35@charter.net

Katie Zahasky, Prayer Chain—254-7894 or ktzahasky4@gmail.com

Sound Board Engineer: 9:00am Worship—Tim Pickett

Accompanist: Jan Matson

Special Music: Bell Choir

"Quiet Reflection" written by Jason W. Krug

Offering Counters: Bill Nicklay, Joleen Carlson

Pastor Ben's Open Door Hours: Tue. 10-11am, Wed. 1-3pm, Fri. 10-11am

Pastor Nikki's Open Door Hours: Mon. 10am-12pm, Wed. 4-6pm (during Lent)

We have set aside these times to specifically be in the office and available for conversation, but please note that meetings, visits, vacation time or pastoral emergencies may pull us away from our scheduled office hours.



Thank you for your generosity! Thank you so much for your continued generous financial giving to our congregation's ministry! During the pandemic, your generosity has enabled our congregation to continue witnessing to Christ's love, a message that is desperately needed in our world. We invite you to continue living into this faith-practice; you may give by placing your gift in the offering plate during in-person

worship, by mailing your gift to the church building, by signing up for the automated Simply Giving program, or by going to our website. This QR code will take you directly there! Again, thank you for your generosity!



THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR BEN

Thursdays at 10:30am in person at OSLC.



MUSIC AT OSLC

Rehearsals on Thursdays

Bell Choir—6:00pm

Vocal Choir—7:00pm



SAMARITAN BETHANY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

April 7, 2022—Mayo Civic Center

5:15pm Reception

6:30pm Dinner

7:30pm Divas of the Decades

\$100/person

Register online at

samaritanbethany.com or

email Rita at

rhawkins@samaritanbethany.com



Southeastern Minnesota Synod
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



VOTING MEMBERS

Joanne Heathman and Jennie Loven volunteered and were appointed as Voting Members to our Southeastern Minnesota Synod Assembly, which will be held on May 7th.



Thank you very much for your support of the youth

soup sales!! Over the last two Sundays, we have raised \$265! Thank you!! We are ready for some "Boundless" fun and ministry this summer!! We appreciate all your support in making this happen!!
OSLC Youth

DID YOU KNOW...

PAST BULLETINS are available on the OSLC website. Click the Worship tab on the home page and then click bulletins.

LEADERSHIP MINUTES are available on the OSLC website. Click the leadership tab on the homepage.



Wednesdays in Lent

On Wednesdays in Lent this year we are holding midweek services. These services begin at 6:15 PM with a hymn sing in our sanctuary.

However, *unlike* we have done in the past, these services are not going to be *only* in-building; at 6:30PM **we will go live on YouTube!**

The services themselves are online and in-person conversation! Each Sunday, we will post a topic or a question. From then until Wednesday, we encourage you to think about the topic/question, and then address it in some way. It could be that you're scrolling on Facebook and you see a post that you think addresses it really well – send the post to us! Or it could be that you're out on a walk and you see a beautiful sunset, and that sunset helps you make sense of the topic/question – snap a picture and send it to us with a little explanation! The sky is the limit for your inspiration! The pastors will curate those posts and lead us in a discussion, both online and in-person.

Again, the online portion will be on YouTube, ***not on Facebook!*** Please remember to like and subscribe to our church's YouTube channel; simply search on YouTube for "Our Savior's Lutheran Church – Rochester, MN" so that you can join in the conversation!

WEDNESDAY LENT WORSHIP QUESTION FOR THIS WEEK

Seeking to follow Jesus, we explore this big question:

March 23

Does God's unconditional love and forgiveness make you want to sin more or sin less?

Living In Faith Together (LIFT)

Next Meeting Time: April 3, 11:30am at OSLC

LIFT is for our middle and high school youth, their parents, and other caring adults in our congregation. The whole point of this is to build community while cultivating our curiosity about - and exploring the questions we have – regarding our faith. We will share a meal, have conversations, and engage with each other through a variety of means. Our goal is to meet once a month.

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God from Chuck & Diana Schroeder in memory of Lorrie.

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2022 Calendar is posted. Get your favorite date/s now!

You can sign up on the large bulletin board, email Joanne or by calling the office. Cost is \$40 and checks can be made to OSLC with Altar Flowers in the memo and can be left in the offering plate or dropped off at the office.



FLOWER SCHEDULE

Mar. 27—Rengstorf

Apr. 3—OPEN

Apr. 10—OPEN

WOMEN'S NEWS

ZUMBRO RIVER CONFERENCE SPRING EVENT

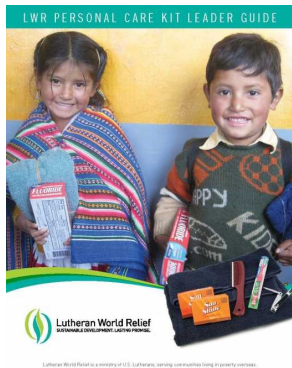
The WELCA Spring event will be held on April 21st at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church at 4:15 pm. Bishop Regina Hassanally will be the featured speaker. The offering will be divided between Good Earth Village and Lutheran Campus ministries.

Registration fee is \$15. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin and place a check made out to OSLC Woman in the locked Women's mailbox by April 5th. Jean will make out 1 check and I will get to the convener. Mary Ann Smith

PRAYER PAL EVENT APRIL 11

I am excited to announce the program for Our Prayer Pal event. We will be touring the Jeremiah Home at 2915 Jeremiah Lane NW off of 19th St. After the tour Ally Hanten-Ebert, Executive Director, will explain what the Jeremiah project is and any volunteer opportunities they might have.

We will meet at the church at 6:20 pm and carpool to the Home. Afterwards we will return to the church to reveal our prayer pals, drew new ones and enjoy a light refreshment. If you are unable to attend but would like to have a Prayer Pal for the year, please call Ruth Moran 282-7971. A signup sheet is on the women's bulletin board near the office with a place to check if you are willing to drive.



MARCH & APRIL CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTION

Sarah Circle has organized for March & April the collection of items for Personal Care Kits. A box is available in the Narthex for your items.

Items Needed to complete 1 kit:

- 1 lightweight bath towel
- 2 bath sized soaps
- 1 adult sized tooth brush
- 1 metal nail clipper
- 1 comb



SEMINARY
SCHOLARSHIPS

LENTEN & HOLY WEEK OFFERINGS
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QUILTING TO RESUME

The Quilting Group will meet on Tuesday, March 15 in the OSLC Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to join. No sewing skills necessary.



THE FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY TEAM has set up a volunteer list through signup genius seeking church members who would be able to set up and take down the coffee for our fellowship time. All instructions are in the kitchen and the Fellowship team would be happy to orient new volunteers. Go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49AEAC29A0F94-sunday> to sign up.

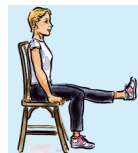
CHURCHILL/HOOVER Snack & Food Shelf Ministry



Along with our continued snack ministry for the classrooms, Hoover has reached out and asked if we could help to fill their food pantry. This pantry has easy to make items for food insecure kids to take home with them for the weekends or even week nights. The most wanted items are

- Peanut Butter/Jelly, microwave mac & cheese, oatmeal, microwave or stove top packets, ramen, rice, cereal, fruit cups

Please help them fill their pantry so no kids in Rochester are food insecure. Items can be left in the blue barrel along with the classroom snacks.



FAITHFULLY FIT Thursdays at 9am. Come to the narthex at church to do chair exercises, balance work, and routines with light hand weights. Laughter, another good part of keeping fit, and conversation make an enjoyable morning hour. All are welcome.



ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

Saturday, April 16 at 10 am

Hunt for eggs and join in some Easter activities.

We'll be outdoors if the weather cooperates but move indoors if needed.

EGG HIDERS AND EASTER EGG ACTIVITY LEADERS ARE NEEDED

Adults and youth are welcome. Come at 9 am on Saturday, April 16. Please email Carole Joyce at carole35@charter.net to sign up to help.

MEDIA THAT MOVES US (1st Wednesday of each month at 7pm unless otherwise stated) We meet by Zoom or by phone link.

For April we are reading **The Social Graces** by Renee Rosen. **We will meet on Tuesday, April 5 at 7pm**

Contact Pastor Nikki by phone or email for the Zoom or phone link.

