

Remember in your Prayers

Member Concerns: George Meyer; Maxine Thoreson; Merle Houdek; Karen Schlein; Bob & Joan Loos; Francis Pflibsen; Byron Stadsvold; Lois Rink; Jeanette Erickson, Bonnie Storlie, Marsha Dick; Connie DeLorme, Mike & Sandy Miller

Non-Member Friends/Family Concerns: Dan (Gladys Jensen’s son) Duane (Renita Miller’s brother); Brian Howe (nephew of Marti Howe); Shawn Mahoney (son in law of John & Darlene Kelley); Magnus Svennungsen (Thoreson's great-grandson)

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

Global Ministry: Palliative Care Program at Iambi Hospital, Tanzania

Seminary Student: Martha Bec

**Events listed in italics are non church activities, but they are using the building.*

Sunday, January 8

9am Worship
10am Fellowship
10:10 Worship Arts
11am Food n’ Chat
5pm Troop 83-Fellowship

Monday, January 9

P. Ben Day Off
Tuesday, January 10
9am –3pm Office Open
11am P. Nikki@ Text Study
6pm Business/Finance

Wednesday, January 11

9am –3pm Office Open
9:30am Priscilla Circle
11am P. Ben @ Text Study

Thursday, January 12

P. Nikki Day Off
9am –3pm Office Open
9:15am Faithfully Fit
10:30am Bible Study
6pm Bell Choir

6:30 Pack 83-Classroom

7pm Vocal Choir
7pm Sons of Norway

Friday, January 13

P. Nikki Day Off

Saturday, January 14

9am Crafting at OSLC

Sunday, January 15

9am Worship
10am Fellowship
10am Budget Meeting
10:10 Worship Arts

Monday, January 16

Custodian on Vacation
P. Ben Day Off
9am Naomi Circle

Tuesday, January 17

Custodian on Vacation
9am –3pm Office Open
9am Quilting
11am P. Nikki@ Text Study
1pm Sarah Circle
2pm Office Staff Meeting



OSLC WEEKLY-January 8, 2023

"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.

9:00am Worship, ELW Setting 8-pg. 184

PRELUDE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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GATHERING SONG

"I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light"

ELW 815

KYRIE

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SONG OF PRAISE

ELW pg. 187

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC

Bell Choir

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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BIBLE READING

Matthew 3:13-17

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

Pastor Ben Loven

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Christ When for Us You Were Baptized"

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CREED

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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OFFERTORY

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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LORD’S PRAYER

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

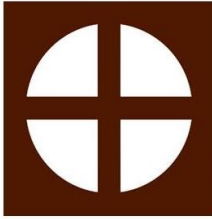
"This Little Light of Mine"

ELW 677

SENDING SONG

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

ELW 310



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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, available by email.

Office—289-3021; **Website:** www.rocheesterslc.org

Pastor Ben Loven—bloven@rocheesterslc.org; cell 701-580-1559

Pastor Nikki Rockne—pnikki@rocheesterslc.org cell 507-398-7710

Our office doors are always open for visits/conversations. Please make a call to the church office before visiting if you would like to specifically visit with one of us to ensure we are in.

Pastor Ben & Pastor Nikki

Joanne Hamilton, Office—office@rocheesterslc.org

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

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

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Organist/Pianist: Greg Henderson

Special Music: Bells, directed by Bev Gronvold

Sound Board Engineer: Warren Harmon

Offering Counters: Kevin & Cindy Weber

Ushers: Wanda Hagquist, Todd McCumber

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Sherry Rengstorf

Altar Guild Member: Katie Zahasky

Coffee Fellowship: Joanne Heathman



Scan the QR code for easy giving.

**Greetings Siblings in Christ,
Happy New Year!**

What does the New Year bring? What does the New Year mean to you? To us as a congregation?

Change seems unavoidable. We have to change too, which is terrifying! It seems messy. Unpredictable. And, if we are honest, we will fail sometimes.

Know this, God is with us. We are the body of Christ living and breathing in this world, we just may need to show up differently- but God continues to hold us tightly.

Here is a blessing for the New Year I give to you written by Kate Bowler.

Blessings to you beloved children of God. -- Pastor Nikki

A blessing for when you want to change

*God, I carry around this incompleteness,
this drive for fulfillment that always seems just around the corner.*

*If only I could get it together and find my true calling,
my real passion, or the right plan.*

God, help me, guide me. What am I missing?

*Blessed are we who strive earnestly
to change ourselves and the world around us,
but feel the drag and pull of what won't budge,
the weight of all our limited and frail humanity.*

We carry it with us.

*Blessed are we, the hungry,
in lives that are both too much and not enough,
willing to tell the truth to ourselves and to each other,
that we languish here...*

*in "what is perhaps the central paradox of our condition—
that what we hunger for more than anything else, is to be known in our full humanness, and yet
that is often just what we also fear more than anything else." (Frederick Buechner)*

To be fully known, and fully loved, in all our humanity.

And that is a God-sized project.

*Blessed are we, thankful that we can live
our human-sized lives in the glad company of the vulnerable and the broken,
the imperfect made whole in the love of God, through Jesus Christ.*

Maybe it's right to be hungry. And stay that way.

DID YOU KNOW...

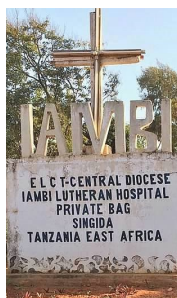
PAST BULLETINS are available on the OSLC website. Click the Worship tab on the home page and then click bulletins.

LEADERSHIP MINUTES are available on the OSLC website. Click the leadership tab on the homepage. There you can find our financial numbers and what Leadership is discussing.

OSLC HAS A PRIVATE FACEBOOK PAGE It's a place for members and those who are active in the life of our congregation to stay up-to-date with events and activities! This is also a place for us to share life-events with our siblings in Christ. Search Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN and ask to join. We also have a public page for all to view.

HEARING DEVICES are available in the sound system area at the back of the Sanctuary. These devices can be used with or without a hearing aid.

OSLC DIRECTORIES can be found in the Business/Mail Room.



GLOBAL MISSION on OSLC WEBSITE

If you would like more information or want to see more pictures from the OSLC trips, go to www.rochesterosl.org and click on the Global Mission drop-down menu



BUDGET REVIEW & ANNUAL MEETING

BUDGET REVIEW MEETING

January 15, 10am

ANNUAL MEETING

January 29, 10:30am

QUILTING

Third Tuesday of the month at 9:00am
Fellowship Hall

No sewing skills are needed.
If you can tie a knot, you can help.
Everyone is invited to help out.



FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS

Fair Trade Products are always available in the Narthex cupboards. Payment is the honor system and can be placed in the box available on the counter.



FAITHFULLY FIT

The Thursday morning exercise group meets at 9:15am in the Narthex. Join us for light exercise and joyful conversation. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.



An invitation ~ We know that prayer is one of the powerful tools we have to lift up and support others. Here is how it works, the person (or family member/friend) requesting prayers calls or sends an email with their request to me. I send it out to the prayer chain distribution list via email and the praying starts!

Gratefully, OSLC has a very active prayer chain with 26 members. If you are not a member, we would like to invite you to join us. All are welcome (children, young adults, and senior saints)!

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain distribution list, please send an email to ktzahasky4@gmail.com or call 254-7894 and leave me a message.
Thank-you Katie Zahasky



CHURCHILL/HOOVER Snack & Food Shelf Ministry

The most wanted food shelf items are Peanut Butter/Jelly, microwave mac & cheese, oatmeal, microwave or stove top packets, ramen, rice, cereal, fruit cups
Items can be left in the blue barrel along with the classroom snacks.



OSLC MUSIC

Orchestra 10am on scheduled Sundays

Bell Choir Thursdays at 6pm

Vocal Choir Thursdays at 7pm

If you have any questions regarding music here at OSLC, contact our Director of Music, Greg Henderson at music@rochesterosl.org or 505-975-1425



Simply Giving is an easy way to keep up on your giving. There are forms in the Business Center on the wall rack.

They can be filled out and left in my box marked Financial Secretary in the Business Center, or you can contact me for more information.

Tim Hornseth, Financial Secretary
507-261-4719 or tjhornseth@charter.net

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God from OSLC



Please consider signing up.

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. Weekly deadline to sign up is Wednesday noon to make printing. The flowers are yours to take home after worship.

Please remember to return your vase to the church. Our pricing is based upon us returning vases.

FLOWER SCHEDULE

January 15—OPEN

January 22—OPEN

January 29—OPEN

THERE'S STILL TIME...

The Stewardship Team would like to invite you to turn in your pledge card if you haven't already done so. You can mail, leave them in church office, put in the offering plate or pledge online by clicking on the Pledge link at the bottom of the OSLC Website Home Page.

MEDIA THAT MOVES US

Our media for February 1 is a Podcast "Unlocking Us by Brene Brown We meet at 7pm by Zoom. If you would like to join, please contact Pastor Nikki for the link.



PASTOR BEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30AM at OSLC



Crafting at OSLC

Calling all crafters! Do you scrapbook, quilt, knit, draw, sculpt, whittle, or do other crafty things?



Join us on the second Saturday morning of every month, from 9-11 AM, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own supplies for your craft and gather with some other crafters to work on your projects and enjoy some fellowship. This is not meant to be a class, just a time to work on individual projects with members of your church family. Hope to see you there! The next gathering is January 14.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Do you enjoy coffee fellowship on Sunday morning? If yes, can you help make it happen?



We could use a few more volunteers to help out.

Contact Joanne in the office for more information if interested.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Naomi Circle—January 16, 2023, 9:00am
Location: OSLC
Hostess-Megan Valen
Leader-Shirley Harbeck

Priscilla Circle—January 11, 2023, 9:30am
Location: OSLC
Hostess—Ardie O'Hanlon
Bible Study: Wanda Hagquist

Sarah Circle—January 17, 2023, 1:00pm
Location: OSLC

THANK YOU

Thank you OSLC for all your work making the goodie bag. We are really enjoying eating the treats.

Lois & Gordon Riekmann

Thank you OSLC Members for thinking of me with your generous Christmas gift. It is greatly appreciated. **Joanne Hamilton**



FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12

FOOD-N-CHAT

In February we will meet on the 5th —10:30am

We invite youth and caring adults to gather the 1st Sunday of every month for food and conversations. Exploring and growing in our faith life together. Plan for about an hour of time. Please RSVP so we know how much food to order.

Thanks much. See you Sunday, Pastor Ben and Pastor Nikki