

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 Svenningsen (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, December 18 —Advent 4

Youth Holiday Bake Sale

9am Worship

10am Fellowship

10:10am Worship Arts—games in Youth Room

Monday, December 19

P. Ben Day Off

Tuesday, December 20

9am-3pm Office Open

11am P. Nikki @ Text Study

2pm Office Staff

Wednesday, December 21

9am-3pm Office Open

11am P. Ben @ Text Study

5:30pm Advent Meal

6:30pm Advent Worship

Thursday, December 22

P. Nikki Day Off

9am-3pm Office Open

6pm Bell Choir

7pm Vocal Choir

Friday, December 23

P. Nikki Day Off

6pm Orchestra

Saturday, December 24

4pm Christmas Eve Worship

5:30pm Christmas Eve Worship

10pm Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday, December 25—Christmas Day

No Worships

Merry Christmas

Monday, December 26

Offices Closed

Pastor Ben on call

Tuesday, December 27

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Wednesday, December 28

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Pastor Ben on call

Thursday, December 29

Offices Closed

Pastor Ben on call

Friday, December 30

Offices Closed

Pastor Nikki on call

Saturday, December 31

Sunday, January 1—Happy New Year

9am Worship

10am Fellowship

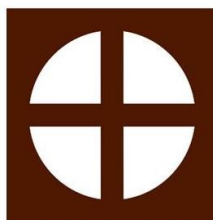


OSLC WEEKLY-December 18, 2022

*"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.





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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:

Sound Board Engineer: David Flynn

Offering Counters: Scott Moon, Tim Valen

Ushers: Tim & Megan Valen

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Kim Pickett

Altar Guild Member: Sharon Peterson

Coffee Fellowship: Ruth Moran



Scan the QR code for easy giving.

POINSETTIA SALES—Deadline is today

Cost is 18.00 for an 6" potted poinsettia.

Deadline to order is December 18.

Forms are available in the Narthex or Office. Please indicate on your check made out to OSLC that is its for poinsettias in the memo and be left in the offering plate or church office. Your plant can be picked up after the Christmas Eve Worship you attend. Thank you.

All money raised from the sales benefits OSLC Youth.



PLEASE NOTE There will no worship on Sunday, December 25 and the church offices' will be closed until January 3. Pastor Ben will be on call December 26-29 and Pastor Nikki Dec. 30 for Pastoral Emergencies.

WORSHIP ARTS TODAY

Worship Arts on December 18 will be held in the Youth Room. We will be playing games.



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.



Thank you for supporting our annual weekend mission trip. The youth left the morning of the 3rd and headed to New Day Thrift Store and helped in the store for a few hours by sorting donations and moving items on the sales floor. We then served for Days for Girls International. This organization provides free “period packs” for youth around the world. We cut fabric and lines and folded underwear and washcloths. After dinner, we served at Feed My Starving Children. We did a devotion back at the hotel on Philippians 2:4 and being ob-servant of people around us. Church Sunday morning was at Nativity Lutheran Church where we were welcomed as visitors. It was a wonderful experience! I invite you to ask Madi, Izzy, Alison, AJ and Hannah about their experience!



Advent Meals Christmas Schedule

Advent Meals will be served from 5:30-6:15pm
November 30—Vegetable Beef Barley and Broccoli Cheese
December 7—Chicken & Dumpling and Bacon Corn Chowder
December 14—Beef Chili and Wild Rice
December 21—Chicken Noodle and Roasted Garlic Potato
Advent Worship Begins at 6:30pm (Hymn Sing) 6:45pm (Holden Evening Prayer)

Christmas Worship

December 24—Worship at 4:00, 5:30 & 10:00pm
December 25—No Worships



This morning, we welcome Maren into God’s kingdom and our congregation through Holy Baptism. Maren was born January 20, 2022 to Eric & Kelly Rogelstad. Her baptismal sponsors are Emily Bainbridge, Sara Rogelstad, and Christian Skadberg . We rejoice at Maren’s rebirth through water and the Word!



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 Wanda Hagquist in memory of Drew & Don.

Flowers given in memory of Edie Jensen from her Funeral on Friday.

2023 Calendar is now posted. 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. **Please remember to return your vase to the church. Our pricing is based upon us returning vases.**



FLOWER SCHEDULE

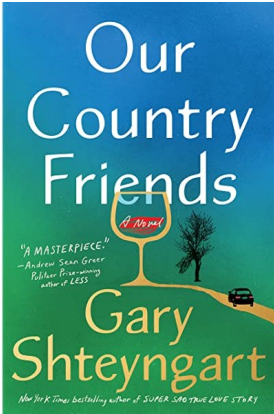
Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve) Pickett; January 1—OPEN; January 8—OPEN

NOTE FROM TIM HORNSETH (FINANCIAL SECRETARY)

Just a reminder that any end-of-the-year contributions MUST be into the church office by December 30, 2022 if you want them to count towards the 2022 year giving. Any contributions received starting January 1 will go towards 2023, regardless of when the contribution was written or dated. Tim Hornseth

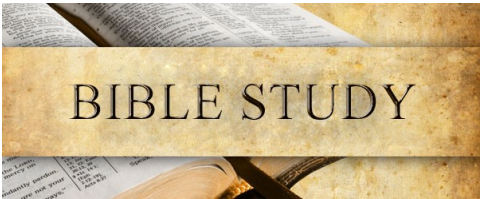
MEDIA THAT MOVES US

Our media for January 4 is "Our Country Friends" by Gary Shteyngart. 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

I'm still looking to get 8 teams filled to cover the coffee prep or to be a sub. This means that you would only have to make coffee & provide treat (3 dozen, purchased or homemade) every 8 weeks. Clean up would be done on Monday morning by our custodian. We're hoping to get enough people to say yes to team you up with another couple or person. Can we count on you to help out with this? If yes, contact Joanne in the church office.



FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12

FOOD-N-CHAT (formerly LIFT) In Dec. we will meet on the 18th.

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



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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

Priscilla Circle—January 11, 2023, 9:30am

Sarah Circle—January 18, 2023, 1:00pm

