

**Remember in your Prayers**

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

**Non-Member Friends/Family Concerns:** Lucille (Kari Wright’s mom) Lori (George Meyer's cousin); Matt (Wayne Rogelstad's cousin); Kayla & family (Gladys Jensen’s granddaughter); Dennis Dick (Marsha Dick’s brother); Becca, (Connie Delorme's niece); 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 here in the building.*

**Sunday, February 26**

9am Worship  
10am Congregational Discussion

**Monday, February 27**

P. Ben Day Off

**Tuesday, February 28**

9am-3pm Office Open  
11am P. Nikki @ Text Study  
2pm Office Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, March 1**

9am-3pm Office Open  
11am P. Ben @ Text Study  
5:30pm Lenten Meal/Worship

6:30pm Bell Choir  
7:15pm Vocal Choir

**Thursday, March 2**

P. Nikki Day off  
9:15am Faithfully Fit  
10:30am Bible Study

**Friday, March 3**

P. Nikki Day Off

**Saturday, March 4**

**Sunday, March 5**

9am Worship  
10am Fellowship  
10:10 Worship Arts  
10:30am Food n’ Chat  
5pm Troop 83-fellowship

**Monday, March 6**

*SEMYO using Parking Lot*  
P. Ben Day off

**Tuesday, March 7**

9am-3pm Office Open  
11am P. Nikki @ Text Study  
1pm All Staff Meeting  
2pm Office Staff  
6:30pm Leadership Meeting



**OSLC WEEKLY-February 26, 2023**

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

**9:00am Worship**

You will need a worship bulletin for the order of worship. Please see an Usher for one.

**PRELUDE**

**GATHERING SONG**

*“The Glory of These Forty Days”* ELW 320  
**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**BIBLE READING** Matthew 4:1-11

**PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS**  
Pastor Ben Loven

**HYMN OF THE DAY**  
*“Oh Love, How Deep”* ELW 322, vs. 1-4

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**  
*“When Peace Like a River”* ELW 785  
*“Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal”* ELW 464

**SENDING SONG**  
*“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer”* ELW 618



**Matthew 4:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

<sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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.

**OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION**

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

**Office**—289-3021; **Website:** [www.rocheesterslc.org](http://www.rocheesterslc.org)  
**Pastor Ben Loven**—[bloven@rocheesterslc.org](mailto:bloven@rocheesterslc.org); cell 701-580-1559  
**Pastor Nikki Rockne**—[pnikki@rocheesterslc.org](mailto: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](mailto:office@rocheesterslc.org)  
**Greg Henderson, Director of Music**—[music@rocheesterslc.org](mailto:music@rocheesterslc.org)  
**Carole Joyce, Family Ministry Consultant**—[carole35@charter.net](mailto:carole35@charter.net)  
**Katie Zahasky, Prayer Chain**—254-7894 or [ktzahasky4@gmail.com](mailto:ktzahasky4@gmail.com)

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**Organist/Pianist:** Greg Henderson  
**Special Music:**  
**Sound Board Engineer:** Maureen Lemens  
**Offering Counters:** Bruce & Tammy Olson  
**Ushers:** Bruce & Tammy Olson  
**Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant:** Pam Shulze  
**Altar Guild Member:** Katie Zahasky  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Tim & Jean Hornseth



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**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.

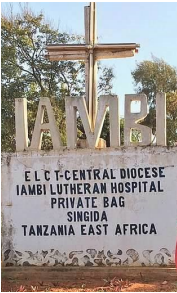
**CHURCHILL/HOOVER  
Snack & Food Shelf  
Ministry-**



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

**GLOBAL MISSION on OSLC  
WEBSITE**

If you would like more information or want to see more pictures from the OSLC trips, go to [www.rocheesterslc.org](http://www.rocheesterslc.org) and click on the Global Mission drop-down menu



**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.

**WORSHIPING ARTS**

The first and 3rd Sundays Greg (our music director) & Bev (our bells director) will lead us in music. The 2nd & 4th Sundays there will be a craft or an activity.

Here is our Schedule:  
**February 26**—Because of the Congregational Discussion, please pick up your Exploring Bibles hand-outs.  
**March 5**--Music  
**March 12**--Craft  
**March 19**--Music  
**March 26**--1st Communion Class



## Family Retreat at Good Earth Village

On **March 10-12**, we will hold a family retreat at Good Earth Village in Spring Valley! We'll gather on Friday between 6 and 7 and leave on Sunday after worship. Our topic this year will be Holy Communion.

### **Lodging:** Log Lodge

9 rooms (8 sleep 4 people, 1 sleeps 6 people)

Cost: \$270 + lodging tax

### **Meals:** Good Earth will be providing lunch and dinner on Saturday

Cost: \$27 per person

Friday supper is on your own.

Bring your own breakfasts for Saturday and Sunday

### **Facilities:** We will be based in Log

Lodge. There is a large gathering space that also has a kitchenette (no stove or oven, but there is a microwave and a fridge). There is a smaller conference room near the large gathering space.

Brings books, games, snow stuff – like sleds and snowshoes (weather permitting), snacks, Bibles, and anything else you think you'd like for a weekend family retreat!



If you are interested in attending (or have any questions), please talk to Pastor Ben!

P.S. – Even if you aren't able to come for the full retreat, if you are interested in taking part in the Holy Communion discussion/activities on Saturday, please let Pastor Ben know that as well.



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.

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 32 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](mailto:ktzahasky4@gmail.com) or call 254-7894 and leave me a message.  
Thank-you Katie Zahasky

## PASTOR BEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30AM at OSLC



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](mailto:tjhornseth@charter.net)



**ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the glory of God from Kevin & Cindy Norgard in honor of their Grandchildren.

**Please consider signing up.**

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



**FLOWER SCHEDULE**  
March 5—OPEN  
March 12—OPEN

**WEDNESDAY LENTEN WORSHIP**

During Lent this year, we are going to be doing something new with our Wednesday meal and worship: dinner church! Soup supper will be served 5:30-6 in our Fellowship Hall. We'll then *stay* in the Fellowship Hall, gathered around our tables, and worship through song, scripture, and art, with the goal of being done around 6:30. Come grow in community!



**OSLC MUSIC**

During Lent, please check the OSLC calendar for rehearsal times for the Bell Choir, Vocal Choir & Orchestra. You are welcome to join us.



**LENT WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPERS**

**March 1**  
Creamy California Blend Vegetable  
Vegetable Beef

**March 8**  
Chicken and Dumpling  
Corn Chowder

**March 15**  
Chili  
Chicken Wild Rice

**March 22**  
Chicken Noodle  
Cream of Potato and Ham

**March 29**  
Tomato  
Vegetable Beef

**UPCOMING EVENTS**



**Tuesday MAR 28 LUNCH AND LEARN**  
Storyteller Pati Kachel returns to share her presentation, "Bloom Where You're Planted."

**Sunday APR 2 EASTER EGG HUNT**  
Get ready for an afternoon of fun Easter activities and an egg hunt! Bring your baskets and joins us for an egg-celent event!

**Tuesday APR 18 LUNCH AND LEARN**  
Witty and engaging birding expert Al Batt shares his stories, experience, and adventures with birds and the outdoors.

**Saturday MAY 6 SPRING SERVICE DAY**  
Want to spend your Saturday outdoors and help us prepare for summer? Bring your friends and family and a pair of work gloves!

**Sunday MAY 7 OPEN HOUSE**  
Come and explore all that we have to offer this summer! We will have hikes, tours, games and music to help you get to know GEV!

For more information please visit [goodearthvillage.org](http://goodearthvillage.org) and click on Events



**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.



**FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12**

**FOOD-N-CHAT**

**In March 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

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

**Naomi Circle**—March 13, 9:00am  
Location: OSLC  
Hostess: Shirley Harbeck  
Leader: Megan Valen

**Priscilla Circle**—March 8, 9:30am  
Location: OSLC  
Hostess: Kathy Norby  
Bible Study: Julie Mullen

**Sarah Circle**—March 21, 1:00pm  
Location: OSLC



**MEDIA THAT MOVES US**

We will be using the month of March to refill our 2023-24 list of media. If you have a media suggestion, please let Pastor Nikki know.

If you haven't joined us before, please feel free to do so in the upcoming months. Everyone is welcome to join in.