



Remember in your Prayers

Member Concerns: Jane Gronvold; Jim Rushton; Wanda Attlesey; 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: Chris Wilson (son in law of Everett and Vickie Schulz); 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); Brian Howe (nephew of Marti Howe); Shawn Mahoney (son in law of John & Darlene Kelley); Magnus Svennungsens (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

<i>*Events listed in italics are non church activities here in the building.</i>	
Sunday, March 19	Thursday, March 23
9am Worship	9am-3pm Office Open—Bev G. covering
10am Fellowship	P. Nikki day off
10:10am Worship Arts—Music	9:15am Faithfully Fit
1pm Pastor at Councils as Leaders	10:30am Bible Study
<i>6pm Troop 83-Fellowship Hall</i>	Friday, March 24
Monday, March 20	P. Nikki day off
P. Ben day off	Saturday, March 25
6:30pm Prayer Pal Event	Sunday, March 26
Tuesday, March 21	9am Worship
Joanne working remotely	Vote of Support for Shared Ministry
9am Quilting	10am Fellowship
11am P. Nikki @ Text Study	10:10 Worship Arts—Music
1pm Sarah Circle	1pm Pastors at Council of Leaders
6:30pm Worship/Music Team	<i>6pm Troop 83-Fellowship Hall</i>
Wednesday, March 22	Monday, March 27
Joanne working remotely	P. Ben day off
11am P. Ben @ Text Study	Tuesday, March 28
5:30pm Lenten Supper/Worship	9am-3pm Office Open
6:30pm Bell Choir	11am P. Nikki @ Text Study
7:15pm Vocal Choir	1pm All Staff Meeting
	2pm Office Staff Meeting

9:00am Worship

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

PRELUDE

GATHERING SONG

“Praise the One...” ELW 843

COMMUNION SONGS

“Be Thou My Vision” ELW 793
“In the Singing” ELW 466

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Wonderous Love” Bell Choir, directed by Bev Gronvold

BIBLE READING

John 9:1-41

MESSAGE

Pastor Ben Loven

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Amazing Grace” See below

SENDING SONG

“I Heard the Voice Of Jesus Say” ELW 332

Hymn of the Day “Amazing Grace”

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| 1. <i>Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved someone like me!
Sometimes I’m lost, yet always found;
am blind, and yet I see.</i> | 3. <i>Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.</i> |
| 2. <i>The world has taught my heart to fear,
but grace my fears relieve;
how precious does that grace appear
whenever I’m in need!</i> | 4. <i>The Lord has promised to love me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.</i> |

John 9:1-41

¹As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, ⁷saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. ⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" ⁹Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." ¹⁰But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" ¹¹He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." ¹²They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." ¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." ¹⁸The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight ¹⁹and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" ²⁰His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; ²¹but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." ²²His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." ²⁴So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." ²⁵He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." ²⁶They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" ²⁷He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" ²⁸Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. ²⁹We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." ³⁰The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. ³¹We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. ³²Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. ³³If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." ³⁴They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. ³⁵Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." ⁴⁰Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" ⁴¹Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

SPRING CLEANING!

We have been cleaning the Archives room. We now have 3 five drawer, locking file cabinets to give away. Two are lateral style, one is vertical, and all have keys (see example photos). They will be an available to anyone who hauls them away until the end of March or so. After that, we will donate them to ReStore or another charitable business.



CHURCHILL/HOOVER Snack & Food Shelf Ministry-NEW NEED

They are stocked on general pantry items, but still have many kids without a daily snack in several classrooms, at both sites. They are asking for things like individually wrapped: Granola bars Pretzels Fruit snacks, Goldfish or any kind of crackers, etc.



Items can be left in the blue barrel in the Narthex.

It's that time of year again! Let's send some thoughts and prayers to our college youth to remind them we care!! Parents-please send me the addresses of your college kids!! They can change from year to year, so I need them every year. Members-if you'd like to participate, check with Cassie. Deadline is April 2, so we can get things mailed off soon. Text or email Cassie. Thank you in advance for your support of these young adult members of our church!!



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:
March 19--Music
March 26--1st Communion Class
April 2—Music
April 9—Easter
April 16—Music



MARCH/APRIL CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTION—FABRIC KITS

Sewing is a valuable skill that can help men and women earn reliable income. Fabric Kits provide fabric and thread for vocational training programs teaching sewing, and for newly trained tailors to launch their sewing businesses.

Each Kit includes:

2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester) Each piece should match on of the sizes below.

2 1/4 yards of 58"-62 wide fabric

3 yards of 42"-45" wide fabric

4 yards of 34"-37" wide fabric

2 spools of matching or neutral colored general purpose thread, 250-300 yards

Items can be left in the Narthex.



Fabric Kits stand out among LWR projects in their application as tools to help people gain a skill they can use to earn an income. In 2019 alone, more than 16,600 kits were shared with people in nine countries. Among these were more than 1,000 kits distributed in Lebanon and Iraq to provide our neighbors displaced by conflict with tools to build a brighter future for themselves and their families.

Greetings Siblings in Christ,

At our Leadership Team meeting on March 7, the Team approved entering into a shared ministry agreement with Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Rochester.

On Sunday March 26, 2023 the people of Our Savior's are invited to publicly give support of our shared ministry with Good Shepherd!

What this Ministry Is:

A time to be intentional about doing ministry together.

Pastors do better when we can lean into our own gifts and do ministry together. People of God do better when more people share the load.

When we are working together more opportunities are opened.

What this Ministry Isn't:

A merger of our congregations.

A forever commitment; it will begin on April 10, 2023 and every few months we will be assessing how it is going, with the ability to make changes as necessary. At the end of two years we will evaluate and decide what is best for our congregation moving forward.

Please come and show your support for this ministry opportunity on March 26th.

Pastor Ben Loven
Pastor [Nikki Rockne](#)
Our Saviors Leadership team

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.rochesterosl.org

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

Pastor Nikki Rockne—pnikki@rochesterosl.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@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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Organist/Pianist: Greg Henderson

Special Music: Bell Choir, directed by Bev Gronvold

Sound Board Engineer: Tim Pickett

Offering Counters: Bill Nicklay, Joleen Carlson

Ushers: Bill & Jackie Rohe

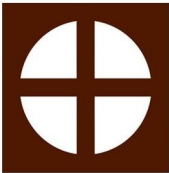
Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Katie Zahasky

Altar Guild Member: Darlene Kelley

Coffee Fellowship: Warren & Brenda Harmon



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Our pricing is based upon us returning them.**

FLOWER SCHEDULE
March 26—Kunert

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!

WEDNESDAY OFFERINGS are going to the OSLC Scholarship Fund.



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.



March 22
Chicken Noodle & Cream of Potato and Ham

March 29
Tomato & Vegetable Beef

OSLC Egg Hunt for families
Saturday, April 8 at 10:00am

- Hear the Easter story
- Make Easter projects
- Hunt for Easter eggs

Helpers are needed to hide eggs and lead projects. Contact Carole at carole35@charter.net to volunteer.

Candy donations are needed too. Please bring candy to church by **April 2**

Holy Week at OSLC

Palm Sunday
April 2—9am Worship
Breakfast to Follow

Maundy Thursday
April 6—6pm Supper/Worship

Good Friday
April 7—6:30pm Worship

Easter Saturday
April 8—10am Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday
April 9—7:30am Sunrise Worship
9:00am Worship
10:00am Fellowship

Palm Sunday Breakfast
April 2
After Worship
Pancakes/Sausage/Juice
Hosted by OSLC Youth

Crafting at OSLC

Calling all crafters! Do you scrapbook, quilt, knit, draw, sculpt, whittle, or do other crafty things? Join us on the Third 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!

FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12
FOOD-N-CHAT

We will not meet In April .
Next Meet Time-May 7—
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—April 10, 9:00am
Location: OSLC
Hostess:
Leader:

Priscilla Circle—April 12, 9:30am
Location: OSLC
Hostess: Ardie O’Hanlon
Bible Study: Group

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

