

Remember in your Prayers

Member Concerns : Jim Rushton; 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: Glenn Riekman (son of Gordon & Lois); Raymond Heckman (Shirley Thomann’s son); Mary Johnson; Rita Balm (Wanda Hagquist’s friend); Chris Wilson (son in law of Everett and Vickie Schulz); Lori (George Meyer's cousin); Matt (Wayne Rogelstad's cousin); 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 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

<i>*Events listed in italics are non church activities here in the building.</i>	
Sunday, April 16	6pm Bell Choir
9am worship	7pm Bell Choir
10am Fellowship	Friday, April 21
10:10 Worship Arts-music	P. Nikki Day off
3pm Celebration of Shared Ministry	<i>6pm Piano Recital-Sanctuary</i>
Monday, April 17	Saturday, April 22
P. Ben Day off	Sunday, April 23
Tuesday, April 18	P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd
9am-3pm Office open	9am Worship
9am Quilting	10am Fellowship
11am P. Nikki @ Text Study	10:10 Worship Arts-craft
1pm Sarah Circle	Monday, April 24
2pm Office Staff Meeting	P. Ben Day off
Wednesday, April 19	Tuesday, April 25
9am-3pm Office Open	9am-3pm Office open
11am P. Ben at Text Study	11am P. Nikki at Text Study
Thursday, April 20	2pm Office Staff Meeting
P. Nikki Day off	Wednesday, April 26
9am-3pm Office Open	9am-3pm Office open
9:15am Faithfully Fit	11am P. Ben at Text Study
10:30am Bible Study	

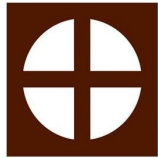


Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN
April 16, 2023 Weekly

GATHERING SONG	ELW 384
<i>“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”</i>	
GOSPEL READING	John 20:19-31
MESSAGE	Pastor Ben Loven
HYMN OF THE DAY	ELW 386 vs 1,5-8
<i>“O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”</i>	
COMMUNION SONGS	ELW 487
<i>“What Feat of Love”</i>	
	ELW 595
<i>“Jesus Loves Me”</i>	
SENDING SONG	ELW 535
<i>“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”</i>	

John 20:19-31
¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.





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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

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

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 9:00am Worship

Organist/Pianist: Greg Henderson

Special Music:

Sound Board Engineer: David Flynn

Offering Counters: Bruce & Tammy Olson

Ushers: Wayne & Carol Rogelstad

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Ruth Moran

Altar Guild Member: Tammy Olson

Fellowship: Ruth Moran & Ardie O'Hanlon



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WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Naomi Circle—April 10, 9:00am

Location: OSLC

Hostess:

Leader:

Priscilla Circle—May 10, 9:30am

Location: OSLC

Hostess: Julie Mullen

Bible Study: Group

Sarah Circle—April 18, 1:00pm

Location: OSLC

ZUMBRO RIVER CONFERENCE

SPRING EVENT will be held April 20th

at West St. Olaf Lutheran Church 70640 260th Avenue Hayfield MN. Registration starts at 4:30 pm followed by dinner at 5:15 pm.

Jeanie Thompson from the Women's Shelter will be our speaker. Please bring in-kind gifts for the shelter such as bath towels and cloths, twin bed sheets, toiletries such as toothpaste, tooth brushes, etc, and feminine hygiene products. A box will be in the narthex to place them.

A sign up slip is on the WELCA bulletin. Please indicate if you need a ride or can drive. Place your \$15 check made out to OSLC Women in the WELCA locked mailbox by April 3.



Sunday, May 21 we will be celebrating Our Savior's Lutheran Church's 75th anniversary! Immediately after worship on May 21 we'll be serving a brunch featuring Sausage & Cheese Egg Bake, Ham & Cheese Egg Bake, fresh fruit and cinnamon rolls. Please RSVP to Joanne in the church office (email office@rocheesterslc.org) by Tuesday, May 16. There will be an opportunity for a free will offering to offset the cost. We are looking for pictures and recorded stories from your memories here. You can either set up a time to record here or send your recording to Joanne. Joanne can also scan any hard copy pictures that you might have.



75th Anniversary Celebration

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:

April 16—Music

April 23—Craft



**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.



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.



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.

DO YOU LIKE TO VACUUM?

OSLC is looking for someone to vacuum the sanctuary, offices & fellowship hall only. Pay is \$30.00/week. Offices & Sanctuary need to be done weekly and the fellowship hall as needed. Vacuum is supplied. Let us know in the office if you are interested.



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.

Thank You

Thank you VERY much for your continued support of our annual Palm Sunday breakfast! The pancakes and sausage were a hit! The youth were able to raise \$402 to go towards this summer's mission trip. Thank you!

OSLC Youth

A colorful graphic for 'ROCHESTER AREA HANDBELLS and friends!'. It features several cartoon children playing musical instruments: a girl with a blue bell, a girl with a yellow bell, a boy with a blue bell, a girl with a red bell, and a boy with a blue bell. There are also musical notes and a treble clef. Below the graphic, there are three boxes with event information:

Hosanna Lutheran 2815 57th St NW Sunday April 30 4pm	Rochester	First Presbyterian 512 3rd St SW Sunday May 7 4pm
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Winona Central Lutheran 259 W Wabasha St Saturday May 13 3pm
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facebook.com/rochesterareahandbells

CHURCHILL/HOOVER Snack & Food Shelf Ministry-We will discontinue collecting on May 7 for the summer.

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.



ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God
from Marti Howe in memory of Larry.

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

FLOWER SCHEDULE April 23—Harwick April 30—OPEN



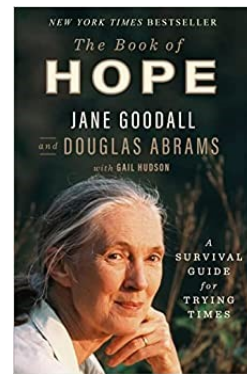
FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12 FOOD-N-CHAT

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

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.



MEDIA THAT MOVES US

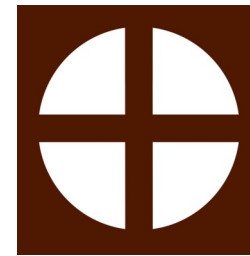
Our May discussion will be "The Book of Hope" by Jane Goodall.
We meet by Zoom. Contact Pastor Nikki if you would like to join.

Crafting at OSLC

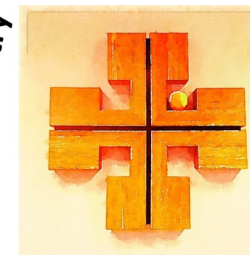
Calling all crafters! Do you scrapbook, quilt, knit, draw, sculpt, whittle, or do other crafty things? Join us on the Third Saturday morning of every month, from 9-11 AM, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own supplies for your craft and gather with some other crafters to work on your projects and enjoy 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!

PASTOR BEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30AM at OSLC



Shared Ministry



CELEBRATION AND KICKOFF OF SHARED MINISTRY—TODAY

Join us at Our Savior's on Sunday April 16th, 3-4PM, to kickoff and celebrate our new shared ministry with Good Shepherd! We'll start with food and fellowship, followed by a short service to officially begin this new partnership. Come help us welcome the folks of Good Shepherd into our space!



I've Ben Thinking...

About our worship in Lent and Easter.

During the season of Lent, our worship was disrupted - most notably, things were out of order (we *started* with Communion!). This was done on purpose. Our Music and Worship Team crafted this service specifically to be disruptive, because the season of Lent is a disruption in our lives.

Instead of going about our expected daily routines, Lent offers us the chance to slow down and reflect, to make changes, and to notice what God is calling us to attend to.

Toward the end of that service, we sang the *Kyrie* (which means "Lord" in Greek, and is short for "Kyrie eleison," which means "Lord have mercy.") from the *Now the Feast and Celebration* liturgy. We've sung this liturgy many times, and one of the unique parts of that service is the *Kyrie*, because it leads so naturally into singing the song *Now the Feast and Celebration*. But in Lent, we only sang the *Kyrie*. And it felt weird... Really, *really* weird. It felt unfinished, discordant. And there was a purpose to that - it heightened the feeling of disruption.

But did you notice what we did on Easter Sunday? We sang it all! *Kyrie* straight into *Now the Feast*! Because Lent is over! Easter is here! And that is something to celebrate!

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

