

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, Connie DeLorme, Mike & Sandy Miller

Those Mourning: Family & Friends of Marsha Dick. No known funeral arrangements at time of printing.

Non-Member Friends/Family Concerns: Glenn Riekmann (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); 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

**Events listed in italics are non church activities here in the building.*

Sunday, April 23

P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd
9am Worship
10am Fellowship
10:10 Worship Arts-craft

Monday, April 24

P. Ben Day off

Tuesday, April 25

9am-3pm Office open
11am P. Nikki at Text Study
2pm Office Staff Meeting

Wednesday, April 26

9am-3pm Office open
11am P. Ben at Text Study

Thursday, April 27

P. Nikki Day off
9am-3pm Office Open
9:15am Faithfully Fit
10:30am Bible Study
6pm Bell Choir
7pm Vocal Choir

Friday, April 28

P. Nikki Day off

Saturday, April 29

Sunday April 30

9am Worship
10am Fellowship
10am Orchestra Rehearsal
10:10 Worship Arts
2pm Cello recital-Sanctuary

Monday, May 1

P. Ben Day off

Tuesday, May 2

9am-3pm Office Open
11am P. Nikki at Text Study
1pm All Staff Meeting
2pm Office Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 3

9am-3pm Office Open
11amP. Ben at Text Study
7pm Media That Moves Us via Zoom



Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN
April 23, 2023 Weekly

GATHERING SONG ELW 522
“As We Gather at Your Table”

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:13-35

MESSAGE Pastor Ben Loven

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 374
“Day of Arising”

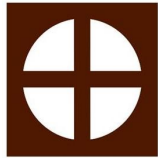
COMMUNION SONGS ELW 495
“We Who Once Were Dead”

ELW 464
“Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal”

SENDING SONG ELW 674
“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Luke 24:13-35
¹³Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word

before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.



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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.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 9:00am Worship

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: Diana Schroeder

Fellowship: Warren & Brenda Harmon



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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



Camp is reserved for Father's Day weekend, June 16-18!

Please contact us if you have any questions. We need a general idea of how many to expect, so please respond when you can.

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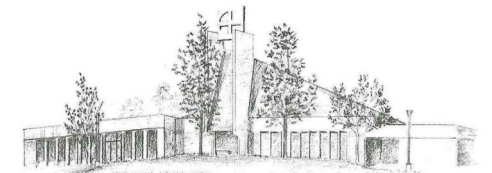
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Sunday, May 21 we will be celebrating Our Savior's Lutheran Church's 75th anniversary! Immediately after worship. We'll be serving a brunch featuring Sausage & Cheese Egg Bake, Ham & Cheese Egg Bake, fresh fruit and cinnamon rolls. **Please RSVP to Joanne in the church office (email office@rochesterosl.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 23—Craft



**APRIL CONGREGATIONAL
COLLECTION—FABRIC KITS**

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.

**UPCOMING MAY
CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTION
GIFT OF LIFE TRANSPLANT HOUSE**

Items can be left in the marked box in the Narthex

1. All Paper Products
2. Wrapped Chocolate Candy
3. Boxes of Various Cards
4. Stamps
5. Luxuries such as DVD's, games, books, etc.
6. General Cleaning Products
7. Pop Tabs



**SAMARITAN BETHANY GOLF
CLASSIC**

WHEN: Monday, June 19
WHERE: Somerby Golf Club
WHAT: 18 hold 4-person scramble
ENTRY FEE: Foursome-\$800. Single-\$200
Includes Cart, Bloody Mary Bar, Lunch,
Dinner, Silent Auction & Raffle
Prizes: Club Gift Certificates to Flight winners
DINNER ONLY: \$60 per Guest
Register online at samaritanbethany.com or
507-923-4723. Entry deadline is June 9.

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.



**GIFT OF LIFE—TABLE
INSPIRATIONS: A TABLE SETTING
COMPETITION**

DATE: Saturday, May 13, 10am-2pm
LOCATION: Rochester Golf & Country Club
ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 and includes 2 tickets, 1 for entrant & 1 guest
REGISTRATION: www.gift-of-life.org/tableinspirations
1st Place Cash Prize of \$500

Not a designer, come and browse the table designs and our artisan boutique.

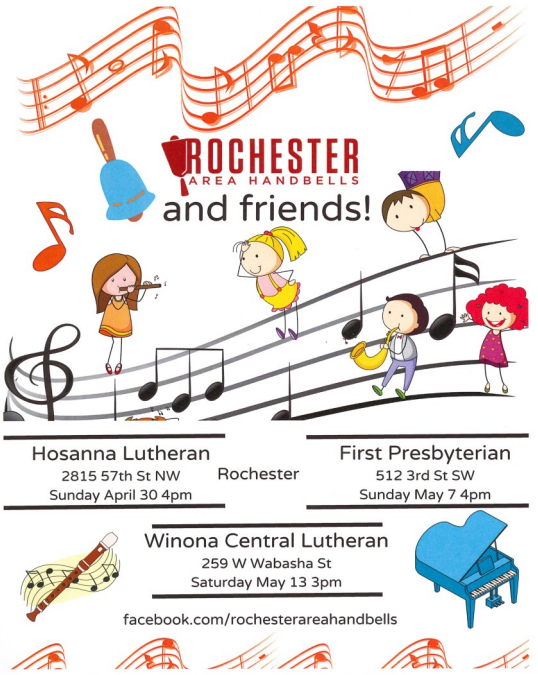
FROM OUR VICE-PRESIDENT

Hi all. With a busy and germmy kindergartener, I can often be hard to track down on Sunday mornings (if we're even healthy enough to be there!). If you have questions or things you'd like to bring to my attention, please feel free to email me at emilyjblain@gmail.com

- Emily Blain, Leadership VP

FROM LEADERSHIP

At our meeting on 4/12, the Leadership Team discussed the idea of offering the pastors additional PTO for 2023. Synod Compensation Guidelines suggest this as a way of adding additional compensation in lieu of salary increases if that isn't feasible. For this year, we offered a 3% salary raise, which was lower than the 2022 COLA increase (5.9%) or 2023 (8.7%), and lower than the national average wage increase (4.8% in 2022). It also did not take into account increases for years of service and experience. Leadership approved an additional two weeks each for both pastors (two full-time weeks for Pastor Ben, two half-time weeks including two Sundays for Pastor Nikki). Additional information can be found in the April 2023 Leadership Minutes; questions can be directed to members of the Leadership Team (other than Jennie Loven, who abstained from voting).



**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 Liz Harwick in honor of Kayla’s birthday on the 24th.

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

FLOWER SCHEDULE April 30—OPEN May 7—OPEN



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

Next Meet Time-May 7—10:30am

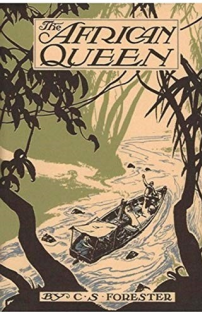
We invite youth and caring adults to gather the 1st Sunday of every month for food and conversations. Exploring and growing in our faith life together. Plan for about an hour of time. Please RSVP so we know how much food to order. Thanks much.
See you Sunday, Pastor Ben and Pastor Nikki

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!

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 June discussion will be "The African Queen" by C.S. Foster & Michael Kitchen. We meet by Zoom. Contact Pastor Nikki if you would like to join.

PASTOR BEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30AM at OSLC
May 25-last meeting till Fall



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Please contact us if you have any questions. We need a general idea of how many to expect, so please respond when you can. Cost and information sheet on the kiosk in the Narthex.
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Greetings siblings in Christ,

Thank you for all your support thus far on our shared ministry with Good Shepherd. Our celebration on the 16th was a great time for our churches. I saw many smiling faces and heard stories of new friends. The joint choir sounded amazing!

I know there are some questions still on how this will all work. I will admit that it is still a work in progress and I don’t have all the answers. This is a holy experiment and it is exciting!

This is what I do know about my position and my goals for the next few months. I am still part-time and my position is shared with Good Shepherd at a 60/40 split (OSLC 60, GS 40).

Schedule: I will be at Our Saviors two Sundays a month (preaching once), at Good Shepherd one Sunday a month and off one Sunday (if there are five Sundays we will figure it out). I will try to split my physical presence between both churches as needed. My hope is that I will be able to do as many visits as I can on Mondays. Tuesday’s and Wednesdays I will be in one office or the other as needed.

Youth & Lay Ministry: I do hope to get these two groups together but will spend the summer getting to know their teams. I hope to start the two groups together in the fall.

It is a slow start. We are not jumping in the deep end right away, we are putting our toes in the shallow end first.

If you have any questions feel free to ask me.
Pastor Nikki