#### Remember in your Prayers

**Member Concerns:** Shirley Jorde; Jim Rushton; George Meyer; Maxine Thoreson; Merle Houdek; Karen Schlein; Bob & Joan Loos; Francis Pflibsen; Jeanette Erickson, Bonnie Storlie, Connie DeLorme, Mike & Sandy Miller

Those Mourning: Family & Friends of Lois Rink. Funeral is June 10. More information to follow.

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, May 7

Last Day for Hoover/Churchill Food Collections 9am Worship

10am Fellowship 10:10 Worship Arts 10:30am Food n' Chat

Sunday, May 8
P. Ben Day off
Tuesday, May 9

9am-3pm Office Open

11am P. Nikki at Text Study

2pm Office Staff

6:30pm Business/Finance

Wednesday, May 10

9am-3pm Office Open 9am Sprinkler Inspection 9:30am Priscilla Circle

11am P. Ben at Text Study

6:15pm Leadership

#### Thursday, May 11

P. Nikki day off

9am-3pm Office Open 9:15am Faithfully Fit 10:30am Bible Study 6pm Bell Choir

7pm Vocal Choir Friday, May 12

P. Nikki day off Saturday, May 13

11am Sons of Norway—Fellowship Hall

P. Nikki @ Miller Wedding

Sunday, May 14

P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd

9am Worship—Senior Recognition

10am Fellowship

10am Orchestra Rehearsal

10:10 Worship Arts

Monday, May 15

P. Ben day off

P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd



## Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN May 7, 2023 Weekly

**GATHERING SONG** 

**ELW 377** 

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen"

**GOSPEL READING** 

John 14:1-14

MESSAGE

Pastor Nikki Rockne

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

ELW 389

"Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

**COMMUNION SONGS** 

ELW 477

ELW 472

"I received the Living God"

"Eat this Bread"

**SENDING SONG** 

**ELW 543** 

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"



#### John 14:1-14

<sup>1</sup>Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." <sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own: but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

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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.rochesteroslc.org

**Pastor Ben Loven**—<u>bloven@rochesteroslc.org</u>; cell 701-580-1559 **Pastor Nikki Rockne**—pnikki@rochesteroslc.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.

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Pastor Ben & Pastor Nikki

Joanne Hamilton, Office—office@rochesteroslc.org
Greg Henderson, Director of Music—music@rochesteroslc.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:** Dean Frank

Offering Counters: Scott Moon, Tim Valen

**Ushers:** Tim & Megan Valen

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Kim Pickett

Altar Guild Member: Katie Zahasky

Fellowship: Ruth Moran





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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—May 16, 1:00pm

Location: OSLC

# 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



Sunday, May 21 we will be celebrating Our Savior's Lutheran Church's 75<sup>th</sup> 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@rochesteroslc.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.





#### **WORSHIPING ARTS**

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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.

May 14th will be our last meeting date till fall.



#### **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.

#### 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.

### STEWARTVILLE COMMUNITY BAND, DIRECTY BY BEV GRONVOLD

Bev would like to invite you to dust off your instruments and join them.

Practices are at the Stewartville High School Band Room, Tuesday nights 7pm-8:30pm. For more information contact Bev at 282-0815 or bgronvold@charter.net



## FAIRTRADE

#### **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.

### GIFT OF LIFE—TABLE INSPIRATIONS: A TABLE SET

## INSPIRATIONS: A TABLE SETTING COMPETITION

ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 and includes 2 tickets, 1

**DATE:** Saturday, May 13, 10am-2pm **LOCATION:** Rochester Golf & Country Club

for entrant & 1 guest

**REGISTRATION:** www.gift-of-life.org/

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1st Place Cash Prize of \$500

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



#### I've Ben Thinking About...

Worship this summer. As our Music and Worship Team puts the final touches on the service we'll use, the overall feel we're going for is light and fun – 'cause it's summer!

But there's something else you'll notice: there are two options for how we'll finish the service. The first option is the one that will be used most often, and it includes having Holy Communion. In the

second option, we will not have Holy Communion.

This second option is being included because there will be at least one Sunday this summer where neither Pastor Nikki nor I will be leading worship at our building. When this happened in the past, we were able to invite other pastors to cover; we are not going to be doing that this summer.

It is becoming more and more difficult to find pastors to cover for these Sundays. While this is not an insurmountable issue, it has led us to reexamine *why* we try to find pastors to fill-in. We realized that by insisting that pastors are the ones who lead worship, we have unintentionally been robbing *you*, the congregation, of your Godgiven calling to ministry.

The ministry of a congregation, including worship, is *not* the ministry of the pastors alone, it is the ministry of the entire congregation.

So this summer, we are taking the opportunity to *not* find fill-in pastors to cover Sunday worship. Instead, we will be inviting *you* to step into your calling, leading worship by using the second option in our summer worship service.

Again, the feel of worship this summer is light and fun, so let's have some fun trying new ways of living into our faith!

-Pastor Ben

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you so much for the Easter goodies and prayers, cards sent to me from the Lay Ministry.

God Bless. Gladys Jensen



ANY TIME is the perfect time to take advantage of walking in the church. 8 – figure 8 laps around equals one mile. If coming over lunch, please call first.

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the glory of God from Ben, Anders & Annika Loven in honor of Jennie Loven's birthday.

Please consider signing up.

Please remember to return your vase to the church.

Our pricing is based upon us returning them.

**FLOWER SCHEDULE** 

May 14—Jordan/Fohrman Family

May 21 Wallace & Moran

## SENIOR RECOGNITION May 14

Join in celebration our graduates during worship and during our fellowship time.
Adrian Fohrman & Brianna
Train are our graduates this year.



#### **OSLC MUSIC**

Orchestra: Check Calendar Vocal Choir: Thursdays, 7pm Bell Choir: Thursdays, 6pm

For question regarding music at

OSLC, contact Greg Henderson, Director of Music



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

#### **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 May 25-last meeting till Fall





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. Cost and information sheet on the kiosk
in the Narthex.

David Flynn 507-250-3227 of dflynnmn@kmtel.com Pastor Ben 701-580-1559 or bloven@rochesteroslc.org

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **MEMBERS ARE STILL NEEDED!!**

The OSLC Property Team is looking for a small group of volunteers to help with landscaping needs through the summer months. If you are willing to help out, please contact Megan Valen at 507-951-0664 or Joanne in the church office 507-289-3021.

#### **DOROTHY DAY HOUSE DINNER**

Third Thursday of every month.

This outreach is a great way to serve those in our community who are struggling with homelessness. You can volunteer for one month or more. Please call me with your questions. Our congregation has several members who would be happy to support you in getting comfortable with our role. Thank you! Doreen Markus, <a href="mailto:dorwm00@gmail.com">dorwm00@gmail.com</a>, phone 507 281-1700.

#### WORSHIP ASSISTANCE NEEDED at SAMARITAN BETHANY

Can you help residents to and from worship?

Online signup available There are also new policies and procedures that must be followed with covid-19. All volunteers must have been vaccinated, must have a background check done and must go through a short training session. If you are interested in volunteering for this rewarding experience please contact Pam Shulze for details

phone 507-281-5918

email <a href="mailto:pks1752@charter.net">pks1752@charter.net</a>

**THE QUILTING GROUP** meets on 3rd Tuesday of each month in the OSLC Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to join. No sewing skills necessary.

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