### **Remember in your Prayers**

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

Non-Member Friends/Family Concerns: Jon (Wayne Rogelstad's brother); Larry Coon & Shawn Mahoney (son in law's of John & Darlene Kelley); 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); 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

### Sunday, August 20

P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd 9am Worship 10am Fellowship

### Monday, August 21

P. Ben day off

P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd

6:30pm Women's Board Meeting

### Tuesday, August 22

P. Ben on vacation

9am-3pm Office open

11am P. Nikki @ Text Study

### Wednesday, August 23

P. Ben on vacation

9am-3pm Office open

### Thursday, August 24

P. Ben on vacation

P. Nikki day off

9am-3pm Office open

Friday, August 25

P. Nikki Day off

### Saturday, August 26

**Sunday, August 27** 9 am Worship

10 am Fellowship

### Monday, August 28

P. Ben Day Off

P. Nikki @ Good Shepherd

### Tuesday, August 29

Joanne off

9am-3pm Office Open

11 am P. Nikki @ Text Study

## 2 pm Office Staff Meeting Wednesday, August 30

9am-3pm Office Open

11am P. Ben @ Text Study

6 pm Grace Bells practice

7 pm Vocal Choir practice

### Thursday, August 31

P Nikki Day Off

Joanne on Vacation



# Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN August 20, 2023

**GATHERING SONG** 

"All Are Welcome"

ELW 641

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 15:10-28

MESSAGE

Pastor Ben Loven

### **HYMN OF THE DAY** "Build a Longer Table" ACS 1062

- 1 Build a longer table, not a higher wall, feeding those who hunger, making room for all. Feasting together, stranger turns to friend, Christ breaks walls to pieces; false divisions end.
- 2 Build a safer refuge, not a larger jail; where the weak find shelter, mercy will not fail. For any place where justice is denied, Christ will breach the jail wall, freeing all inside.
- 3 Build a broader doorway, not a longer fence. Love protects all people, sparing no expense. When we embrace compassion more than fear, Christ tears down our fences: all are welcome here.
- 4 When we lived as exiles, refugees abroad, Christ became our doorway to the reign of God. So must our tables welcome those who roam. None can be excluded; all must find a home.

### **COMMUNION SONGS**

"One Bread, One Body"

ELW 496

"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"

ELW 608

### **SENDING SONG**

"Oh, for A Thousand Tongues to Sing"

**ELW 886** 

#### Matthew 15:21-28

<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup>He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup>He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup>She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

<sup>\*</sup>Events listed in italics are non church activities here in the building.



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—bloven@rochesteroslc.org; 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.

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: Jan Matson

Special Music:

Sound Board Engineer: David Flynn
Offering Counters: Kevin & Cindy Weber
Ushers: Wanda Hagquist, Todd McCumber

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Mary Ann Smith

Altar Guild Member: Katie Zahasky Fellowship: Warren & Brenda Harmon

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Income YTD (as of 07/31/23): \$217,847.66 Expenses YTD (as of 07/31/23): \$261,692.45

Net: -\$43,844.79

Net change from last month: -\$3,747.54



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### ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God from OSLC.

**FLOWER SCHEDULE** 

August 27—OPEN

Sept. 3—Valen



Get ready to shout "BINGO!"
Our professional Bingo caller (Pastor Ben) will guide you through multiple rounds of the classic game. A light supper will be provided and we ask that you bring a small bingo prize.

Examples: bottle of wine, purchase food item, candy, used toy etc.

Friday, September 22, 2023 5:00pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 2124 Viola Rd NE Rochester, MN 55906

Bring your friends and family for a night of laughter and excitement. Prizes (provided by you) will be awarded to the lucky Bingo winners!



## GLOBAL MISSION on OSLC WEBSITE

If you would like more information or want to see more pictures from the OSLC trips, go to



www.rochesteroslc.org and click on the Global Mission drop-down menu

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Tim Hornseth, Financial Secretary 507-261-4719 or tjhornseth@charter.net



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LWR JULY/AUGUST COLLECTION

Backpack School Kits:

Drop off items in the box in the narthex.

Needed: Crayons (16 or 24 count), Eraser, Spiral Notebooks, Ruler (30 centimeter), Pencil Sharpener, Blunt Scissors, Pencils (#2 unsharpened), Ink pens