#### **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); 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, Sept. 17 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Family Sunday School 10am Congregational Forum 5pm Troop 83-Fellowship Hall Monday, Sept. 18

#### P. Ben day off P. Nikki at G.S. **Tuesday, Sept. 19**

9am-3pm Office open

9am Quilting

11am P. Nikki at Text Study
2pm Office Staff Meeting

5:45pm Family Childcare Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 20 9am-3pm Office open 11am P. Ben at Text Study 6pm Grace Bells

7pm Vocal Choir

**Thursday, September 21** P. Nikki day off

9am-3pm Office open 9:15am Faithfully Fit 10:30am Bible Study Friday, September 22

P. Nikki day off

5:00pm Bingo Night!!!
Saturday, September 23
Sunday, September 24

9am Worship 10am Fellowship

10am Family Sunday School
5pm Troop 83 in Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 25

P. Ben day off P. Nikki at G.S.

Tuesday, September 26 9am-3pm Office open 11am P. Nikki at Text Study 2pm Office Staff Meeting



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#### Matthew 18:21-35

From The Inclusive Bible

21 Peter came up and asked Jesus, "When a sister or brother wrongs me, how many times must I forgive? Seven times?" 22 "No," Jesus replied, "not seven times; I tell you seventy times seven. 23 And here's why. "The kingdom of heaven is like a ruler who decided to settle accounts with the royal officials. 24 When the audit was begun, one was brought in who owed tens of millions of dollars. 25 As the debtor had no way of paying, the ruler ordered this official to be sold, along with family and property, in payment of the debt. 26 "At this, the official bowed down in homage and said, 'I beg you, your highness, be patient with me and I will pay you back in full!' 27 Moved with pity, the ruler let the official go and wrote off the debt. 28 "Then that same official went out and met a colleague who owed the official twenty dollars. The official seized and throttled this debtor with the demand, 'Pay back what you owe me!' 29 "The debtor dropped to the ground and began to plead, 'Just give me time and I will pay you back in full!' 30 But the official would hear none of it, and instead had the colleague put in debtor's prison until the money was paid. 31 "When the other officials saw what had happened, they were deeply grieved and went to the ruler, reporting the entire incident. 32 The ruler sent for the official and said, 'You worthless wretch! I cancelled your entire debt when you pleaded with me. 33 Should you not have dealt mercifully with your colleague, as I dealt with you?' 34 Then in anger, the ruler handed the official over to be tortured until the debt had been paid in full. 35 "My Abba in heaven will treat you exactly the same way unless you truly forgive your sisters and brothers from your hearts."

<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—<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.

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 <a href="mailto:ktzahasky4@gmail.com">ktzahasky4@gmail.com</a>

#### **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 9:00am Worship**

Organist/Pianist: Greg Henderson & Jan Matson

**Special Music:** "God's Amazing Grace" by Lloyd Larson Grace Bells, directed by Bev Gronvold

Communion: "How Beautiful arr. Lloyd Larson, Vocal Choir, directed by Greg Henderson

**Sound Board Engineer:** Tim Pickett **Offering Counters:** Tim & Jean Hornseth

**Usher:** Kevin & Cindy Norgard

Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant: Ruby Florine

Altar Guild Member: Joanne Heathman

Fellowship: Bill Nicklay

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Income YTD (as of 08/31/23): \$250,490.77 Expenses YTD (as of 08/31/23): \$306,180.22

Net: -\$55,689.45

Net change from last month: -\$11,844.66



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We will be having Family Sunday School this year after worship.

We are in need of volunteers to help teach!
It is pretty easy, everything you will need will be in a bag and ready for you to teach that morning (no prep needed).
A Half hour lesson following worship.

About 15 students and their parents will be there. Please contact Pastor Nikki if you are interested.

#### Sept./Oct. FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL (FSS) SCHEDULE

Family Sunday School (FSS) will meet either in the 1st Pod area or the music room at 10am depending on date. See schedule:

Sept. 17—Pod

Sept. 24—Pod

Oct. 1—10am-11am—Music Room

Oct. 8—9am Sing in Worship— 10am Pod—then music room from 10:30-11am

Oct. 15—9am Bells in Worship—10am Pod

Oct. 22-MEA-No Class

Oct. 29-Pod

Nov. 5—Pod

Nov. 12—10am-11am—Music Room

Nov 19—9am Sing in Worship—10am Pod—then music room from 10:30-11am

Nov. 26—No Class—Happy Thanksgiving

Dec. 3—Pod—then music room from 10:30-11am

Dec. 12—10am-11am—Music Room

Dec. 17—9am Christmas Program—10am Party in Pod

Dec. 24/31—Christmas Break—No Class



#### MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL FAITH CONNECTIONS

Starting Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Ben will be meeting with our Middle and High School Youth after worship!
They'll gather in the Youth Room to talk about faith issues, read scripture, and play games!

Schedule: Sept 24—Oct 1, 8, 15, 29
Later dates to be announced

#### CHANGE TO CHURCH SECURITY

Due to an incident here and the safety of our staff, we will be locking the outside/inside office doors when staff are in the building. Knock at the door or call the office when at the entrance door. The inside door will not be locked when no staff is in the building. If you need a key, see Joanne in the office.



ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God from Cameron & Megan Rask in celebration of their wedding anniversary

FLOWER SCHEDULE

Sept. 24—Pederson

Oct. 1—Open



Please RSVP to Joanne in the church office. This will help with food planning. Also each family only needs to bring 1 or prizes.



#### **Congregational Discussion**

Please join us TODAY, September 17 right after worship for a congregational brainstorming session! The Leadership Team will lead us in exploring options for our congregation's future ministry. We will be paying specific attention to our finances, and dreaming about who God is calling us to be. For context, our congregation's president, Bob Westland, spoke at the end of our worship service on August 13th about our current financial reality. If you weren't there, haven't seen it yet, or just want a reminder, please go to our public Facebook page or our YouTube channel, find that service, and watch it. Please join us for this time of prayerful discernment.



#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT & ORCHESTRA REHEARSALS

Grace Bells will rehearse at 6pm with Bev Gronvold directing.

**Vocal Choir** will rehearse at 7pm with Greg Henderson directing.

**Orchestra** will rehearse, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, Nov. 19, Dec. 17 at 10am after worship.

We invite all to come and give it a try.

## CHURCHILL/HOOVER Snack & Food Pantry Ministry-

We will once again be making kids happy at Churchill & Hoover Schools this year. They are asking for things like individually wrapped: Granola bars Pretzels Fruit snacks, Goldfish or any kind of crackers, etc. for school snacks.

They will also be filling their food pantry for those kids with food insecurities at home. Items like peanut butter, cereal, microwave mac & cheese or any other kid friendly non-perishable item would be useful.

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



**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

#### **FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS**

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tjhornseth@charter.net

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.

### PASTOR BEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30AM at OSLC





#### **WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY**

#### **NAOMI CIRCLE—change of date**

Date: Monday, September 18

Time: 9:00am

Leader/Location: Jodie Westland

1624 19th St NE

#### PRISCILLA CIRCLE

Date: Wednesday, October 11

Time: 9:30am Location: OSLC

Hostess: Ardie O'Hanlon Bible Study: Jackie Rohe

#### **MARTHA CIRLCE**

Date: Wednesday, October 11

Time: 10:00am Location: OSLC

#### SARAH CIRCLE

Date: Tuesday, September 19

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Maxine Thoreson

1602 7th St NE

Rochester, MN 55906



#### **FAITHFULLY FIT**

The Thursday morning exercise group meets at 9:15am in the Narthex. Join us for light

exercise and joyful conversation.

Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

#### QUILTING, Sept. 19

Third Tuesday of the month at 9:00am
Quilting Area in Pod
No sewing skills are needed.
If you can tie a knot, you can help.
Everyone is invited to help out.

## CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTION for SEPTEMBER Hope Lodge

Please bring all items to the basket provided in the Narthex. Thank you.

- \*\*Towels & bedding, \*\*Laundry supplies, \*\*Office supplies, \*\*Cleaning supplies
- \*\*Paper products, \*\*Gift certificates (gas cards-Target-Hy-Vee)
- \*\*Puzzles, board games, CDS, \*\*Greeting cards
- \*\*Night lights, \*\*Grocery & Kitchen supplies.

