

Remember in your Prayers

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

**Non-Member Friends/Family Concerns:** Sam (Mary Ann Smith’s nephew); Craig (Connie DeLorme’s son); Jon (Wayne Rogelstad’s brother); Shawn Mahoney (son in law of John & Darlene Kelley); Glenn Riekmann (son of Gordon & Lois); Mary Johnson; 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 Svenningsen (Thoreson family member)

**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 Scholarship Recipient:** Sadie Short

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

<b>Sunday, February 25</b>	9:15am Faithfully Fit
P. Nikki off	<i>6:30pm Sons of Norway —Fellowship Hall</i>
9am Worship	<b>Friday, March 1</b>
10am Faith Connections	P. Nikki day off
10am Sunday School	<i>7:30am SEYMO using parking lot</i>
10am Fellowship	<b>Saturday, March 2</b>
10am Orchestra Rehearsal	<b>Sunday, March 3</b>
<i>5pm Troop 83</i>	9am Worship
<b>Monday, February 26</b>	10am Faith Connections
P. Ben day off	10am Sunday School
P. Nikki on visits	10am Fellowship
Joanne working from home all week. Office will be open Tues., Wed., & Thurs. when the Pastors are in.	5pm Funky bunch
	<i>5pm Troop 83—Fellowship Hall</i>
<b>Tuesday, February 27</b>	<b>Monday, March 4</b>
11am P. Nikki at Text Study	P. Ben day off
6:30pm Worship/Music Meeting	P. Nikki on visits
<b>Wednesday, February 28</b>	7pm Media That Moves Us
1am P. Ben at Text Study	<b>Tuesday, March 5</b>
6pm Grace Bells	9am-3pm Office open
5:30pm Soup Supper	11am P. Nikki at Text Study
6:30pm Worship	1pm All Staff Meeting
7:15pm Vocal Choir	2pm Office Staff Meeting
<b>Thursday, February 29</b>	
P. Nikki day off	



February 25, 2024  
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HYMN OF THE DAY

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*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* song #802

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Mark 8:31-38

<sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

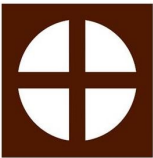
Blessed by the Holy Trinity, + one God,  
who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.  
**Amen.**

Held in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God,  
**we confess that we are caught in the snares of sin and cannot break free.**  
**We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold.**  
**We speak in ways that silence others.**  
**We are silent when we should speak up.**  
**We keep score in our hearts.**  
**We let hurts grow into hatred.**  
**For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace:  
Out of love for the whole world,  
God draws near to us,  
breaks every snare of sin,  
washes away our wrongs,  
and restores the promise of life through + Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**



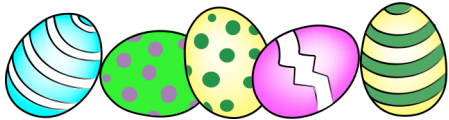
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God’s work. Our hands.

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.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Mark your calendar for March 30, 10am for the annual OSLC Easter Egg Hunt. We will once again be collecting candy for the easter eggs. Please leave in the kitchen back room or church office clearly marked for Easter Egg Hunt.



Please give your college aged youth addresses to Cassie by **February 25th**, so the youth can get some cards sent to them! Thank you also to the congregation for your support of our older youth!!

PASTOR BEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 10:30am  
**NO THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY** on February 29 & March 14

We will be serving soup supper for Wednesday Lenten services and Maundy Thursday, beginning Feb. 21. The cost is ~ **\$250.00/night** and we deeply appreciate your generous free will offering. Please RSVP to Joanne if you plan to come for supper so we order the right amount of food. We will be serving from 5:30-6:15 pm.



Parish Fellowship is a small group and we would love to invite others to help us serve/clean-up for these meals, from 5:15-6:30 pm. Men, women, youth are all welcome, no training needed and the benefits are "out of this world!" If you would like to help, please send a note with the date you would like to help to [ktzahasky4@gmail.com](mailto:ktzahasky4@gmail.com)

March 6th is "**Youth in the Kitchen**" night! The youth will be serving soups and cleaning up for this supper and all donations will go to their fund-raising efforts for their summer trip to New Orleans.

Menu:

**Wednesdays-**

- Feb. 21- Vegetable Beef Barley and Cream of Potato/Ham
- Feb. 28 - Toscana soup and Chicken and Dumpling
- Mar. 6 - Chili and Vegetable Beef Barley
- Mar. 13 - Cheeseburger soup and Chicken Noodle
- Mar. 20 - Bean/Ham and Chicken Wild Rice
- and **Maundy Thursday, Mar 28-** Chicken and Dumpling and Broccoli Cheese

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHOIR & ORCHESTRA REHEARSALS

Grace Bells rehearse at 6pm with Bev Gronvold directing.  
Youth Bells rehearse at 5pm with Bev Gronvold directing.—check calendar  
Vocal Choir rehearse at 7pm with Greg Henderson directing.  
Orchestra rehearsal, January 21 at 10am. Greg Henderson directing.



FAMILY  
*Sunday School*

**FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
Family Sunday School (FSS) will meet either in the 1st Pod area or the music room at 10am. Schedule sheet available at FFS

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE

Feb. 21, 28—Mar. 6, 13, 20, 28  
5:30pm Lenten Soup Souper &  
6:30pm Lenten Worship  
Mar. 9 Jazz Concert at Good Shepherd  
Mar. 10 Day Light Savings Time Starts  
Mar. 18 Women’s Event  
Mar. 24 Palm/Passion Sunday  
Mar. 28 Maundy Thursday-6:30p Worship  
Mar. 29 Good Friday-6:30pm Worship

**Middle and High School**  
**Faith Connections**  
"Role"ing our way through the Bible

**Sundays at 10AM!**

**Women's Event**  
**March 18, 2024**  
**6:30pm**

Storyteller, Pati Kachel will tell Irish Tales and Other Blarney

Dessert will follow the Program along with Prayer Pal Exchange

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Sign up on bulletin board in Narthex

SENDING SONG

In a Deep, Unbounded Darkness

1 In a deep, un - bound - ed dark - ness, long be - fore the  
2 Though our world is ev - er - chang - ing, you are con - stant,  
3 Joy trans - forms our lips to boast - ing on - ly in your  
4 God of Ha - gar, God of Sa - rah, God of no - mad

first light shone, you, O God, be - yond all mer - it  
firm, and sure, faith - ful to your cov - 'nant prom - ise.  
match - less grace, send - ing Christ to dwell a - mong us,  
A - bra - ham; God of Mir - iam, God of Mo - ses,

worked a won - der faith makes known: in your mer - cy,  
Trust - ing you, we live, se - cure: sing - ing prais - es,  
Word made flesh in time and space: Friend and Sav - ior,  
Fi - 'ry Pil - lar, great I AM: lead us home - ward,

in your mer - cy, you em - braced us  
sing - ing prais - es, long as heart and  
Friend and Sav - ior, in whose life we  
lead us home - ward, to the love - feast

as your own,  
breath en - dure, ev - er - more and ev - er - more.  
glimpse your face,  
of the Lamb,



### 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.

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**Pastor Ben Loven**—[bloven@rochesteroslcl.org](mailto:bloven@rochesteroslcl.org); cell 701-580-1559

**Pastor Nikki Rockne**—[pnikki@rochesteroslcl.org](mailto:pnikki@rochesteroslcl.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@rochesteroslcl.org](mailto:office@rochesteroslcl.org)

**Greg Henderson, Director of Music**—[music@rochesteroslcl.org](mailto:music@rochesteroslcl.org)

**Katie Zahasky, Prayer Chain**—254-7894 or [ktzahasky4@gmail.com](mailto:ktzahasky4@gmail.com)

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 9:00am Worship

**Organist:** Greg Henderson, **Pianist:** Jan Matson

**Special Music:** OSLC Vocal Choir, directed by Greg Henderson

**Sound Board Engineer:** David Flynn

**Offering Counters:** Kevin & Cindy Norgard

**Ushers:** Bill & Doreen Markus

**Communion Assistant/Offering Assistant:** Cassie Fohrman

**Altar Guild Member:** Katie Zahasky

**Fellowship:** Marie Nelson

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

Income YTD (as of 01/31/24): \$37,935.42

Expenses YTD (as of 01/31/24): \$32,331.31

Budgeted Expenses (as of 01/31/24): \$35,291.25



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**ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the Glory of God from John & Darlene Kelley in memory of Larry Coon

Mar. 3—Hornseth   Mar. 10—OPEN   Mar. 17—Schroeders

Please consider signing up to give flowers. Cost is \$40 and they are yours to take home after worship. Please remember to return the vase as our pricing is based on that.

### WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

#### **PRISCILLA CIRCLE**

Date: Wednesday, Mar. 13 at 9:30am

Location: OSLC

Hostess:

Bible Study:

#### **MARTHA CIRCLE**

Date: Wednesday, Mar. 13 at 10:00am

Location OSLC

Hostess:

Leader:

#### **NAOMI CIRCLE**

Date: Monday, Mar. 11 at 9:00am

Location: OSLC

Hostess: Shirley Harbeck

Leader: Megan Valen

#### **SARAH CIRCLE**

Date: Tuesday, Mar. 19 at 1:00pm

Location: OSLC

#### **YOUTH MUSIC**



On Palm Sunday, March 24, the youth choir and bells will sing/play during the service.

Youth choir practice will be on Sundays in March during the second half of the Sunday school time. 3/3 & 3/17 (and maybe 3/10)

Older youth who want to do bells are invited to practice on Wednesdays before Lenten services at 5:15pm. 3/6, 3/13, & 3/20.

Hello Friends,

Kevin and I are very excited to going on a mission trip to Guatemala in April. We were invited by family members, Pete and Betsy Liljeberg, who have been going there for the past 14 years so are very knowledgeable about the area and the people being served. We will be based in Mazatenango, and from there will go daily to 2 outlying medical clinics. In addition to the clinics, we will be installing cookstoves in individual family homes. Also, Pete's aunt left money in her will for this mission, and a learning center for the community is currently being built. We hope that we will be able to help with the finishing touches on the amazing gift.

One of the things that Pete and Betsy have found to be much needed and greatly appreciated are the health kits they hand out to people who come to be seen at the clinics. We have offered to put together as many of these kits and we can to bring with us and are asking for your help. Pete has provided the following information about the kits:

**Here are the items we include in the health kits:**

1 hand towel, 1 regular sized bar of soap, 1 washcloth, toothbrush and toothpaste, safety pins and bandaids. We like to take the soap and toothpaste out of boxes. We usually include about 5 bandaids and pin about 6 safety pins to the washcloths. Then everything gets rolled into the hand towel and tied with a cloth ribbon. We can use as many as you or your church can put together.

We will be collecting these items, either as a completed kit or individual items, through March. A drop off basket will be in the narthex. Please feel free to contact Kevin or Cindy with any questions. Thank you in advance for your help. **Kevin & Cindy Norgard**