# **SIDELITES**

#### Our Savior's Lutheran Church

June 2024

### **Encouragers Needed**

First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. <sup>9</sup>For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, <sup>10</sup>asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. <sup>11</sup>For I long to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift so that you may be strengthened—<sup>12</sup>or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. Romans 1:8-12



These verses remind me of the love and encouragement I have received from many people throughout my life. There have been so many who have encouraged me in my faith. The people who taught me the stories of our faith, the people who have prayed for me, the people who were there for me when I needed help, and the people who showed me what God's love looks like in word and action. There are the obvious people like my parents, my grandparents, and other family members. There are so many others, too. Sunday school and VBS teachers at my home church are people I still remember and appreciate. Friends with whom I have had deep conversations about faith and life. Pastors and other staff I have worked with, and the people I have served in my congregations. I have been encouraged in faith in so many ways.

I pray that all that we do here for children and youth help them trust and believe that they are beloved children of God. When we know we are loved with the unconditional grace filled love of God, it changes us. It encourages us to grow and use the gifts God has given us. It encourages us to keep going. It gives us strength to get through the tough stuff. It isn't just children and youth, though. We all need encouragement in our faith. When we encourage one another in faith, we grow in our trust in God.

God loves us. That love gives us confidence to serve God and God's people with our time and our gifts. Who needs your encouragement in faith and in life? And when it comes to our children and youth, thank you for the ways you encourage them in faith. LinC†, bible camp, the ELCA Youth Gathering, and youth events all encourage them in faith. Your words of kindness, your patience, and your smiles encourage them, too. As the early Christians needed encouragement, so do we. Let's be that encouragement for one another.

#### Pastor Kathy



# **ELCA Youth Gathering Update**

An important meeting for youth attending the gathering will take place on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM. Parents should plan to join the meeting at 5:15PM. Contact Pastor Kathy with any questions.

# Valleyfair - July 10th 8:30 AM - 8:30 PM

OSLC Youth will be going to Valleyfair again this summer. We will take a bus from the church and go to enjoy the fun of Valleyfair. More information to come!

This year we have over 30 kids attending bible camp with GLLM from June 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>. They will enjoy sunshine, games, songs, crafts, camp fires, and lake time, along with bible studies, fun worship services, and friends. Kids will take a break from their busy day to day lives and unplug from electronics to dive into all of God's blessings in the beautiful outdoors. There is no better place to grow in faith and make life long memories then at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp. We are so blessed to be a part of this wonderful camp family. Year after year, many OSLC kids attend camp and enjoy time to just...be kids.



Please pray for us as we enjoy time away at camp discovering all the possibilities we are CREATED TO BE...

#### **OSLC** at the Minnesota Twins!

Minnesota Twins vs. Kansas City Royals at Target Field on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. The game is at 12:15 PM, and the bus will load in the Our Savior's parking lot at 9:00 AM. Bring a lunch for the bus or plan to buy lunch at Target Field. The cost is \$34/ticket. Our tickets are in Section 126, rows 36-39, so we will have some shade. All ages are welcome! To reserve your spot, sign up on the Twins poster in the Social Hall, and give your payment to Pastor Kathy. Please make checks payable to OSLC and write "Twins Game" in the memo line.

Youth who have completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up are able to come without an adult, and we will provide supervision. Anyone younger than that must be accompanied by an adult. Youth attending without a parent or adult guardian are also required to turn in a parent permission form, available by the Youth bulletin board. Contact Pastor Kathy with any questions.

## Come and Play/Learn the Ukulele

Have you always wanted to learn an instrument? Has it seemed really intimidating? How about coming to the church on a Wednesday afternoon this summer to give it a shot? **Wednesdays from July 17**<sup>th</sup> **to August 21**<sup>st</sup> **from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM** come and learn how to play the Ukulele! No experience required. Judgement free. Bring your own ukulele (New Ulm's new bookstore, Lykke Books/Ulm Sweet Ulm, has ukuleles available for purchase) or borrow one of ours. Open to anyone ages 14 to 112! If you are interested, talk with Pastor Dave.

#### **Mission Corner:**

The *Noisy Offering* on June 23<sup>rd</sup> will go to the United Way Backpack for Kids Program. Each year, approximately 475 backpacks are filled with grade appropriate school supplies and given to qualifying children throughout Brown County. We pray for our school age children, including those who have recently graduated, may they always feel the love and support of Our Savior's:

Dear God, bless our school age children. Guide their minds and hearts, helping them to learn and grow. Give them strength to face challenges and courage to pursue their dreams. May they find joy in their studies and make lasting friendships. In your name, we pray. Amen.

The Mission Board would like to thank the following people for their help with building the playground equipment for NUMAS Haus: Duane Lambrecht, Paul Egeland, Jeff Julien, Jim Schmidt, and John Ingebritson. With their help, we were able to finish it in record time! The children who stay at NUMAS Haus will so enjoy this new outdoor activity.



Dear members of Our Savior's,

Thank you so much for your donation of \$400.36 from your "noisy offering." You have been so generous to us. We can see the love of Christ in all that you do. Bless you all.

- Your friends at NUMAS Haus

Dear members of Our Savior's,

We'd like to thank you for opening your church to give Blessed Bottoms a new home. We also appreciate your financial support through your noisy offering. You have helped us support the 30+ families that receive diapers monthly. Sincerely,

Blessed Bottoms Coordinators: Nancy, Eileen, Dawn, Sue

### June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Warta Baptism 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 10:00am Worship 11:00am Private Event	<b>27</b> Church Office Closed	28 9:00am Church Staff Meeting	29 6:00pm Facilities & Grounds 6:00pm Finance Committee 6:00pm Kids Kamp Open House 7:00pm Church Council Meeting	30 Last Day ISD #88 3:30pm Pro Kinship Activity	31 10:00am Visitation for Esther Jensen 11:00am Funeral for Esther Jensen 6:00pm Cub Scout Den Meetings	1
2 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 10:00am Worship	3 3:30pm Pro Kinship Activity	9:00am Church Staff Meeting 10:00am Fall Planning Meeting	5 6:00pm Youth Gathering Adult Leaders Meeting	6 10:30am Ridgeway Memory Care Service 11:00am Ridgeway on 23rd Service 4:00pm Pro Kinship Monthly Meeting	7	8
9 Engstrom Baptism 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 10:00am Worship	10 Vacation Bible School	Vacation Bible School 5:30pm Adult Ministry Team 6:00pm Youth Ministry Team	Vacation Bible School 9:00am Cards of Caring 4:00pm New Orleans Youth Meeting 5:15pm New Orleans Parent Meeting	13 Vacation Bible School 4:00pm Oak Hills Worship Service	14 Vacation Bible School	15
16 Green Lake Bible Camp 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 10:00am Worship	<b>17</b> Green Lake Bible Camp	18 Green Lake Bible Camp 9:00am Church Staff Meeting 5:30pm Deacons Ministry 6:00pm Mission Ministry 7:00pm Stewardship Team	<b>19</b> Green Lake Bible Camp	20 Green Lake Bible Camp 9:30am Conference Rostered Leaders 3:30pm Pro Kinship Activity	21	9:00am Visitation for Ron Lebert 11:00am Funeral for Ron Lebert
23 Noisy Offering Sunday 8:30am Worship 9:30am Fellowship 10:00am Worship	24 Sidelites Deadline	9:00am Church Staff Meeting 6:00pm Facilities & Grounds Team 6:00pm Finance Committee 7:00pm Church Council Meeting	26 11:45am Food Shelf Volunteering	<b>27</b> 8:30am Sidelites Group	28	29
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# **Summer Worship Schedule**

Sunday Worship – 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM *The 8:30 service will be live on Facebook.* 

# **Television Broadcasts**

(Comcast Channel 14; Nuvera Channel 3) Mon.–7:00 PM; Thurs. – 5:00 PM 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month – 6:00 PM

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community, experiencing God, reaching out and raising up followers of Jesus Christ