UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 28th

8:45am Traditional Worship

9:45am Eleanor Squad Forum

10:45am Contemporary Worship

6:00pm 7th Grade FSS

Monday, September 29th

10:00am Monday Morning Bible Study

6:30pm Scouts Troop 65

Tuesday, September 30th

10:00am Quilters

Wednesday, October 1st

3:45pm Youth Club

5:30pm Youth Club Jr

5:45pm Young Families Group

6:00pm Dolce Bells Rehearsal

6:00pm MS COW

7:00pm Chancel Singers Choir Rehearsal

7:30pm HS COW

Thursday, October 2nd

5:00pm WMA Meeting

7:30pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday, October 3rd

6:30pm Secret Prayer Sisters Set-Up

Saturday, October 4th

8:00am Overeaters Anonymous

8:30am Cornerstone Rehearsal

9:00am Secret Prayer Sister - Coffee Break

Attendance Totals: September 21st, 2025

8:45 AM

In-person = 78Online* = 68

10:45AM

In-person = 93Online* = 58

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PRAYER CONCERN

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> Shana, daughter of Russ and Cindy Ellenwood Denny and Sharon's friend, Larry Annie, granddaughter of Roy & Pat Feine Friends & Family of Eunice Banta Pastor Esther Echeverria of the ELAG

First Responders, Military & their families San Isidro Labrador in Guatemala, Tarkanfi in Ethiopia All those effected by war & conflict

Shut-ins unable to worship with us include:

Marnie Mackey, Marlys Gamm, Elaine Thielke, Cindy Durand, Katie Stormo, Garnet Ellertson, Russ Eklund & Marlena McClanahan.

To join the prayer chain or to add your concerns, please email prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org or call Jeanne Zaske 651-398-2414

SUNDAY WORSHIP September 28th, 2025 †



Created for relationship with God, all people everywhere and creation itself. Called to equip people to serve by growing disciples of Jesus Christ.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost **TRADITIONAL SERVICE - 8:45AM**

SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Leland Armbright Rev. Susie Modrow Katherine Shmelev, Piano

PRELUDE Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

- living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.
- C: Amen.
- L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
- C: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took
- Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
- C: By water and your Word you claim us as your children, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.
- We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus
- C: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.
- L: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN Lord Whose Love in Humble Service ELW#712 verses 1 - 3

GREETING

- L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L: Loving God, Like Jacob, who dreamed of your promises, you have filled us with dreams, too. Show us your promises in our dreams, and give us ability to follow our dreams.
- C: Amen.

KYRIE

Create in Me a Clean Heart

ELW#186

SCRIPTURE READING

Reader: Ron Letnes

Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17

After a long time the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned under their slavery and cried out. Their cry for help rose up to God from their slavery. God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. God looked upon the Israelites, and God took notice of them.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush. "Moses, Moses!" And he said. "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God. "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.' " God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

But Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor even now that you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." Then the LORD said to him, "Who gives speech to mortals? Who makes them mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? Now go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you are to speak." But he said, "O my Lord, please send someone else." Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, "What of your brother

Aaron, the Levite? I know that he can speak well; even now he L: Lift up your hearts! is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you his heart will **C**: We lift them to the Lord. be glad. You shall speak to him and put the words in his L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and | C: It is right to give him thanks and praise! will teach you what you shall do. He indeed shall speak for you to the people; he shall serve as a mouth for you, and you shall THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING serve as God for him. Take in your hand this staff, with which you shall perform the signs."

- L: The Word of the Lord!
- C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON Pastor Leland Armbright

HYMN OF THE DAY The Church of Christ in Every Age ELW#729 verses 1 - 4

APOSTLES' CREED

- I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,
- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried:

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each intercession, please respond to the words,

- L: Lord, in your mercy,
- C: Hear our prayer.

RECONCILIATION

- L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

NOISY OFFERING (to benefit our partnership in Guatemala)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMISSIONING OF CARE TEAM MEMBERS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG Tell All the World About Love

OFFERING PRAYER

- L: Lord of the harvest.
- C: we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. C: Amen. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- L: The Lord be with you!
- C: And also with you.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread,

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial.

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

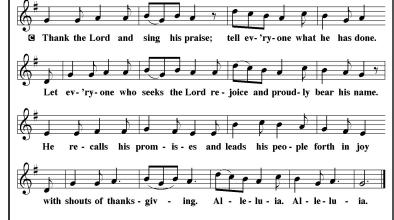
SHARING THE MEAL

I Love to Tell the Story

COMMUNION BLESSING

- L: The body and blood of our precious Lord and Savior, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting.
- C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

- L: O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name
- C: Amen.

BLESSING

- L: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, † bless you now and forever.

SENDING HYMN God Be With You Till We Meet Again

DISMISSAL

- L: Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

To God Be the Glory

GROW

Financial Summary For the Eighth Month of our Year Ended December 31, 2025

Aug 2025

| | Actuals | Actuals |
|----------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Total Income | \$42,539 | \$386,994 |
| Total Expenses | \$51,141 | \$441,955 |
| Budgeted Net Surplus / (Deficit) | (\$8,602) | (\$54,961) |
| Pass Through (Income) Expense | \$15 | \$583 |
| Other Income | \$0 | \$34,038 |
| Net Surplus / (Deficit) | (8,587) | (20,340) |

Treasurer's Report

Statement of Operations - We have generated \$387k in YTD Total Income. Our YTD Expenses are \$442k. This puts us at a negative \$55k year to date. However, because of the Employee Retention Credit of \$34,038, our YTD results are a negative \$20.3k.

Summer often brings a dip in financial giving as we go in many different directions. As we transition back from summer, let's ensure our church continues to thrive. Consider stepping up your giving to support our mission to Create, Equip, Serve, and Grow, enabling us to make a difference in the world around us.

Balance Sheet & Cash Flow - The total of cash and accounts receivable is \$266.9k. Funds allocated to dedicated accounts is \$196.4k.

Scripture recounts God's relationship with humanity and invites each of us into the story. The more time we spend in Scripture, the more we growespecially when we make our Bible our own by jotting notes, marking meaningful passages, and more. That's easiest to do when we open and use our Bibles. So please continue to bring your Bibles to worship, and for those who haven't

yet, I warmly invite you to start bringing them. You'll be invited to open them, read along, and perhaps even write in them!

Pastor Leland



Woven Together

GUATEMALA GALA

Sunday, September 28 Midland Hills Country Club, Roseville

Celebrating 20 years of companionship with the Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala!



Please Join (1s!

Saturday, October 4th, 2025 From 9am to 12pm in Luther Hall to share in the Secret Prayer Sister Ministry.

Enjoy some fellowship and a continental breakfast. The current Secret Prayer Sisters will be revealing who they have been praying for over the past year. We will also be Welcoming New Members so come join the fun and hear more about what Secret Prayer Sisters is all about.

We hope to see you all there! Please RSVP by Sept. 29th to Marge Otte @ 763-784-9033 or Donna Juran @ 612-618-5013.

2025 Guatemala Gala (TONIGHT!)

Join us for an evening of fellowship, culture, and celebration with special guests **Pastor** Karen Castillo and Diego Gil from the Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala (ILAG)!



- 4:00 p.m. Social Hour: Enjoy music, a cash bar, Guatemalan crafts, coffee, Giving Tree items, and a live weaving demo. Meet Pastor Karen and Diego, and visit with Chef Amalia Moreno-Damgaard.
- 5:30 p.m. Buffet Dinner featuring Guatemalan cuisine
- **6:30 p.m.** Program of stories, photos, and celebration



As A Reminder:

Tickets are \$5 each and will be available for purchase until September 30th - you can purchase tickets on Sundays or during the week in the office. The lucky winner will then be drawn in October—don't miss your chance to bring this gorgeous quilt home. If you would like to see the guilt in person swing by the office during our open hours.



SERVE



Are you feeling called to serve as a leader of our church? Are you interested in collaborating to impact the future of OSLC? We've got a great opportunity for you! There is an opening on the congregation council, filling a member-at-large role for the next 2+ years.

If you are interested, please take a few moments to fill out an application (scan the QR code) by October 14th. The council will review and vote on a new member at our October meeting. Please reach out to current council members with any questions you may have about serving on the council.

Serve on Council - Vacant Position

~ OSLC Congregation Council

Online Discussion: Sugarcane Documentary Sunday, September 28 | 7:00–8:15 PM (CDT)

You're invited to a meaningful online conversation exploring the legacy of Indian boarding schools through the documentary Sugarcane. The film follows an investigation into abuse and missing children at a Canadian residential school and the community's journey toward healing. "Sugarcane illuminates the beauty of a community breaking cycles of intergenerational trauma and finding the strength to persevere" (National Geographic documentary films).

Please watch the documentary in advance. Search "Watch Sugarcane documentary" online for free and subscription-based viewing options.

Resource links/registration can be found in our weekly Pulse e-newsletter or by scanning the QR code below.







Social Statement on Faith & Civic Life

At it's recent Churchwide Assembly, the ELCA adopted a new social statement on Faith and Civic Life. This statement explores what it means to be both Christian and citizen within our national and global realities.

In preparation for our upcoming conversation, we encourage you to read the document in advance. It can be accessed at: www.elca.org/faith/faith-and-society/ current-social-writing-projects/civic-life-and-faith or scar the QR code below.

Details:

Sunday, September 28th (TODAY) 9:45 AM in Luther Hall Leader: Rev. Dr. Ron Letnes





Tuesday, Sept. 30 | 6:00-8:00pm

Bethlehem Lutheran Church ~ Commons/Langemo 4100 Lyndale Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55409

Healthy Screen Time Habits:

Explore research-based solutions for managing screen use.

Navigating Digital Challenges:

Address social media, video gaming, and early exposure concerns Audience: Grades K-7 youth with parents, caring adults, & community Dinner included • Childcare Available • Screening & Panel









Kids in K-6th grade are invited to join "CELEBRATION SINGERS CHOIR!" Come learn new songs, hang out with new friends, and share your gift of worship music with Our Savior's Lutheran

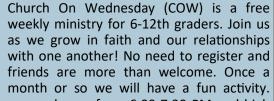
The choir sings at worship approximately one time a month plus a couple special events. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays beginning September 24, 6:05-6:45 pm.

Registration forms are available in the church narthex or can be completed online at www.oursaviorsonline.org.

For more information, please call or text Joy Rauner at 763 234-8131 or Email joyrauner2@gmail.com.







Middle schoolers are welcome from 6:00-7:30 PM and high schoolers from 7:30-9:00 PM. If you have any questions contact Nick.

FAITH ON FRIDAYS

Our monthly after-school Faith on Fridays ministry at Our Savior's kicked off this past week on September 19! This special program is designed just for 6th graders and offers a once-a-month opportunity for fun, learning, service, and

prayer. It helps students transition more smoothly into middle school and serves as a pre-confirmation ministry while building important relationships.

One Friday each month (September-May) we will gather at church immediately after school until 6:00 PM. Past activities have included swimming at Shoreview Community Center, volunteering at Centennial Area Food Shelf, and Winter Olympics! Information and registration QR codes are available below or packets are available outside Nick's office.

Faith On Friday Registration Form





Faith On Friday Intro Letter



Registration is open!

Children, Youth, and Family News

YC JR/Youth Club

Join us after school on Weds! We'll have a

Grades 2-5 will meet from 4-7 pm. They'll

YC JR registration is \$25 w/o meal or \$150

snack, games, crafts, Bible study.

PreK-Grade 2 will meet at 5:30 pm.

also learn a worship skill.

w/ meal for the year.

PreK - Grade 5





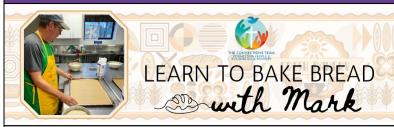
LIFT

Twice a month, join us for an intergenerational faith formation opportunity. Think of it as Sunday School for the whole church! Crafts, snacks, and Bible study!

Trunk-Or-Treat

We'll be hosting an evening of trick-ortreating in the upper parking lot in conjunction with Noah's Ark Fall-O-Ween Festival on 10/24

CREATE



This Fall the Connections Team will be offering two bread baking classes led by resident baker Mark Gustafson. Mark Through hands-on activities, storytelling, music, and has been an enthusiastic baker for about 28 years, but who's counting? He led an adult baking small group 2004-2005 at Our Saviors and more recently has done baking with Youth for you at the table. Because we're not whole unless Club for about 10 years. No experience is necessary. The good news is that you will go home with a recipe and hot, fresh bread that you created from scratch. Ingredients will be supplied, bring a favorite apron and be ready to have a good time! Ingredient expense is \$5.00/person.

Session 2, Saturday Oct. 18, 9:00AM-Noon

For session 2 we will take a deep dive into the Old Testament and make Ezekiel 4:9 bread, using the Biblical recipe as our starting point. We will start by milling and grinding/mashing some of the ingredients, then mix and knead and let it rise. During the rising we will attempt to make sense of the Ezekiel 4:9 and related scripture that led us to this special bread. Ezekiel 4:9 formed into rolls have been a Youth Club favorite so we will bake a multitude of Come experience church in a new way—where faith is rolls. Sampling our "holy" rolls will complete this session. Limited to 8 participants. We still have 1 spot left. Signup sheet is in the office.

Session 1 (that was scheduled for September 20th but was cancelled) is now re-scheduled for November 22nd 9AM-Noon.

L.I.F.T. – Life In Faith Together An Intergenerational Sunday School Experience

Let's gather as one church family! L.I.F.T. is a special intergenerational faith formation experience where people of all ages come together to grow in faith, build relationships, and share in joyful learning.

discussion, L.I.F.T. promotes community, connection, and oneness. Whether you're 5 or 95, there's a place you join us!

Location: Luther Hall Time: 9:45 AM Dates:

- October 5 & 19
- November 2
- December 7
- February 15
- March 1
- April 19
- May 3 & 17



formed together, across generations! Below are some snapshots from previous L.I.F.T. gatherings—moments of connection, creativity, and faith in action.

(We'd love to see you at the next one!)

② Game Night at The Curious Crow! **③**

Date: Tuesday, October 7

(1) Time: 6:00–8:00 PM

\text{\text{\text{Location: The Curious Crow (in their)}} Event Room) (In the strip mall by Festival Foods, near church — 9157 S Hwy Dr, Circle Pines)



© Cost: \$5/person or \$10/family (register by scanning the QR code to the right)

Note: Youth under 12 must attend with an adult.

What to Expect:

Light snacks and water will be provided.

Beer, wine, non-alcoholic beverages, and additional snacks will be available for purchase from The Curious Crow.

• Bring your favorite game to play — or just show up! Game Table hosts will have plenty of great options to teach and play.

> Invite a friend — the more, the merrier! Let's have some fun and connect as a community. See you there!



EQUIP

Share Your Talents. Build Community. Make Connections.

Do you have a talent, hobby, or interest you'd love to **share?** Whether you're a seasoned bread baker, enjoy chair yoga, want to teach ballroom dancing, or are curious about labyrinths—this is your chance to connect with others who share your enthusiasm.

Last year, we gathered for events like:

- Puzzle Night
- Learn to Make Kransekaka
- Whimsical Wig making
- Game Night
- ...and more!



This year, we're looking to expand the calendar with even more fun, creative, and meaningful gatherings and you can help make it happen. If you'd like to host contact Marilyn Erickson at:

- mlpderickson@comcast.net
- 763-784-4879 (please leave a message if no answer)

Please continue to share your thoughts and ideas with the Connections Team. Let's make this a season of connection, community, and shared joy as we grow together in faith. You don't want to miss this!

Trunk-or-Treat at OSLC! October 24th 5:30 - 7:00 PM

What is Trunk-or-Treating? Trunk-or-

Treating is a festive, family-friendly twist on traditional trick-or-treating. Instead of going door-todoor, children and families visit creatively decorated car trunks in OSLC's parking lot to collect candy and treats. It's a safe, contained environment where everyone can enjoy Halloween fun, costumes, and community spirit, all while staying right on church grounds.

How Can I Participate?

- available in the Narthex.
- friend all are welcome to collect candy and enjoy the fun!
- Narthex.

Cost: Free for everyone!

This event is hosted in conjunction with Noah's Ark Fall-O-Ween Festival for a full evening of family-Questions? Contact Pr. Susie at (9/16/25, Rick Durance) friendly fun. smodrow@oursaviorsonline.org



Since 2007, OSLC has been in a formal partnership with ILA-San Isidro Labrador, a congregation of the Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala (ILAG). Over the past eighteen years, ten different delegations from OSLC have visited SIL. During the visits, delegation members received radical hospitality, experienced the joy of living in Christian community, and witnessed incredible faith in the face of social, economic, and climate challenges. During our visits SIL has shared their dreams and visions of the future of their congregation, which include needs for capital investment beyond that of our annual partnership commitment. Through the years, OSLC has raised funds for some of these larger projects, including a permanent worship space and church kitchen. Last August SIL or lead an event (or just want to explore ideas), please shared their latest vision with the delegation—a more permanent enclosure for the church property. Your contributions towards the Noisy Offering will be used for our annual partnership support, as well as this next building project.



The ELCA has committed to raising awareness about the history and impact of Indian Boarding Schools, where for 150 years Native children were taken

Host a Trunk: Decorate the trunk of your car, from their families, forbidden to speak their languages, and dress in costume, and hand out candy. Sign-up is forced to assimilate. Religious groups, including ELCA predecessor churches, operated more than half of these schools Come as a Participant: Bring your kids, bring a in partnership with the federal government.

Join this effort by wearing orange on September 30 — the Donate Candy: A collection box is located in the National Day of Remembrance for Indian Boarding Schools marking the day in worship, and learning more about the ELCA's Truth Seeking and Truth Telling Initiative.

> **Learn more:** elca.org/IndianBoardingSchools or scan the QR code to the right

