

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Wednesday, May 7th, 2025

JOIN US FOR L.I.F.T. This Sunday, May 11th at 9:45AM

You don't want to miss it!



9th Grade Confirmation Stepping **Stones**

This past Sunday, 11 of our 9th graders prepared for their confirmation by learning what it means to get confirmed, placing their hand on the wall of the youth room, and making a stole. Confirmation Sunday is May 18th at 1:30 pm.

All are welcome to attend and celebrate these young people.







Amazing Gray's Outtings

Last week on Wednesday, the Amazing Grays marveled at the talent of the Centennial High School students as they watched them perform The Addams Family.

Last week on Thursday the Amazing Gray's completed a service activity packing food for Feed My Starving Children at Incarnation Lutheran Church. The dusty, hairnet crew worked quickly to pack 30 boxes (36 bags of food in each one).



ALL CHURCH DAY CAMP

All ages are welcome!

Join us as we partner with MN Interfaith Action and The Department of Indian Work.

SCHEDULE

- Bible Study
- Service Project
- Cultural learning
- Time to play





Join Us!

June 27 July 25 August 15

Cost is \$20/person

For more info contact: smodrow@oursaviorsonline.org



Food Shelf, Pop Tops, and Ink Cartridges

We need your help to update our records regarding our volunteers. If you are currently volunteering to take care the Food Shelf items, Pop Can tops,

or empty Ink Cartridges, please reach out to the office, so Sierra can update our volunteer records. Thank you for your help in sorting this out!



Beginners Fly Fishing Class

Who – anyone who wants to learn to fly fish (youth need an adult with them)

What – learn the basics of fly fishing (Equipment, Casting, and Basic thoughts on catching fish with a fly rod)

Where – May 17th in Our Savior's parking lot and/or May 31st at Golden Lake park (weather permitting)

When – Saturday, May 17th & 31st from 10am-Noon **Instructor** – Paul Erickson

Please bring your own fly rod if you have one. The instructor will bring extra rods, etc. Paul has been fly fishing extensively in the US and Canada for the past 30 years. Come and join him to learn about this exciting sport!

Please contact Paul and Marilyn Erickson at *mlpderickson@comcast.net* with any questions.

Signup between services in the Narthex or online at https://oslcp.breezechms.com/form/FlyFishing

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Financial Summary For the Third Month of our Year Ended December 31, 2025

Total Income
Total Expenses
Budgeted Net Surplus / (Deficit)
Pass Through (Income) Expense
Net Surplus / (Deficit)

Mar 2025	YTD 2025
Actuals	Actuals
\$58,007	\$146,630
\$54,507	\$151,644
\$3,500	(\$5,014)
\$471	\$855
3,971	(4,159)

Treasurer's Report

Statement of Operations - We have generated \$146.6k in YTD Total Income. Our YTD Expenses are \$151.5k. This puts us at a negative \$5k year to date. However, there are some expenses, from our latest sewer backup in late March, that have not been approved to include in our financials yet. These expenses will hit our books in April (\$5k deductible plus expenses not covered by insurance).

Balance Sheet & Cash Flow - The total of cash and accounts receivable is \$281.7k. Funds allocated to dedicated accounts is \$188.3k.

Facility Loan Update

The paperwork to secure our \$360,000 loan with Mission Investment Fund, approved in January during a special Congregation Meeting, is progressing. Legal counsel has been obtained to review the agreements and we hope to finalize this week.

A requirement that was not clear during initial conversations, is for OSLC to invest \$15,000 with Mission Investment Fund as part of our partnership with MIF. Council is working with the Endowment Board to shift identified investment dollars from Thrivent to MIF to satisfy this requirement. This investment will be short term, low risk, will earn interest quarterly that will be available to the Endowment Board, and the monies will be returned to the Endowment Fund at the end of the 3 year Term Investment vehicle selected by the Endowment Board.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Kerry Gustafson.



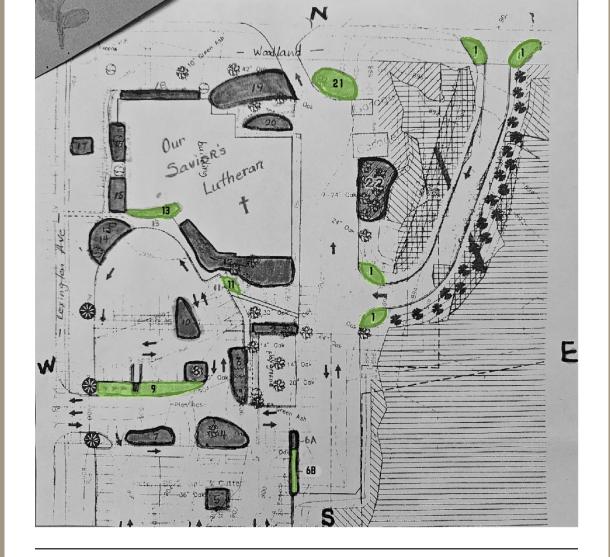
Spring is here...it's 'Yarden' time!!

As springtime arrives at Our Savior's many of the 'Yardeners' from our congregation have been busy preparing their areas for the upcoming growing season. A 'Thank You' goes to all who have offered to help with this mission of the church. Thanks, also, to all who found time to help prepare the grounds for Easter Sunday!

If you are interested and able to join this group of 'Yardeners', there is a poster in the narthex showing the various plots around our building that are still available for 'caretakers'. Green areas below are available: 1 (four small plots), 6B, 9, 11, 13, and 21 are available.

Please feel free to ask for more information by emailing the Zaske's at bandjzaske@comcast.net. If you are unable to help with this mission, please thank those who do as we recognize for their summer long efforts.

See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come. Song of Songs 2:11-12.





Whimsical Wigs Making Smiles Workshop!

May 15th, 2025 6:30PM at OSLC in Luther Hall

Making Smiles! for kids going through cancer treatment by providing adorable, soft character wig & beanies while they are going through a difficult journey. Wigs & beanies are provided free to kids staying at hospitals & Ronald McDonald Houses in MN.

Thrivent Dollars will be used to purchase materials. There is no charge to participate. All are welcome and no experience is necessary! Please register for this event using the button below.



Register for Whimsical Wigs **Event Here**

Check out our flier and spread the word!



Volunteer to work with Holy Hammers



http://holyhammers.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com

A few volunteers are still needed for the OSLC assigned work dates of May 7th, 8th, 20th.

Donate &/or Serve Lunch: Contact Donna Juran at djaurandesigns@comcast.net to donate snacks or lunch for the 17 volunteers working on May 7th and 8th. Serve lunch at the worksite (1461 McKnight Rd., Maplewood, MN).

Contribute To Twin Cities Habitat For Humanity Using the OSLC fundraising link: https://tchabitat.donorsupport.co/-/NHMXYSNK?member=SELBTRXL

For Additional Information Contact: Ruel477carp@q.com or call: 763-360-8829





The Centennial Community Backpack Program provides students in need with the tools to succeed.

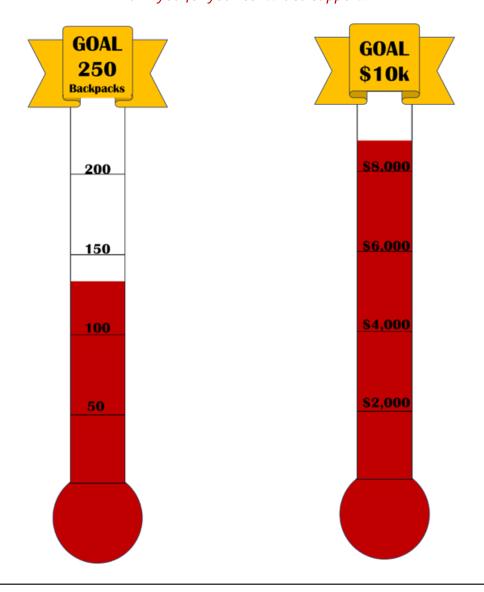
We need your help to reach our goals! Here's what you can do:

- **1.** Adopt a backpack! **118** elementary students are still in need of a backpack and supplies. Click on adopt a backpack to complete the form.
 - **a.** Please complete the registration form as soon as possible, so we know if we are able to meet the requests for support.

- **b.** The cost for one backpack with supplies ranges from \$75-\$120.
- **c.** A letter with a school supply list and backpack drop off information will be mailed to you in June.
- **2.** Make a monetary donation that will be used to provide backpacks and supplies for over **230** Middle and High School students, as well as extra supplies for schools.
 - **a** . Click *donate online* to make a monetary donation (select Backpack/School Supplies in the first drop down).
 - **b.** Write a check to OSLC with **Backpack** written in the memo line.

Please contact us at centennialbackpack@gmail.com with any questions.

Thank you for your continued support!







Registration is still Open!

Our Savior's has a block reserved for June 15-20 for kids completing grades 4-12. You can register at https://lwlbci.com/os-cp Do you have friends that want to go with you but don't go to our church? That is encouraged and they should use the same link to register so you are placed together!!

Are you in 2nd or 3rd grade and want to try camp out for the weekend? Our church has a block of spots for this too. It is June 20-22. Use the link above to register for the SEEDS weekend.

Wapo One-Day

Are you interested in going to Camp Wapo, but you aren't old enough or you're not sure what it is all about? You can to to Wapo for just one day to test it out! Join Pastor Susie for a fun filled day at Wapo on June 18 from 7:30am-4:30pm. It is a day packed with all camp activities but then you will be back home in time for dinner. You can register at the link above!

Any questions on Camp Wapo can go to Danielle Draheim!



VBS Registration Still Open!

VBS will be June 23-26, 2025 from 9am-12pm.
Come and dive into a friendship with God. Here is the link to register!

https://oslcp.breezechms.com/form/ebcb9c511719

Are you in 7th grade or older and would like to volunteer at VBS?

Here is the link to sign up to sign up to help!

https://oslcp.breezechms.com/form/f1d790775515

More info can be found on our webpage



Register now for Noah's Ark Preschool & Before/After School Childcare

Noah's Ark Website



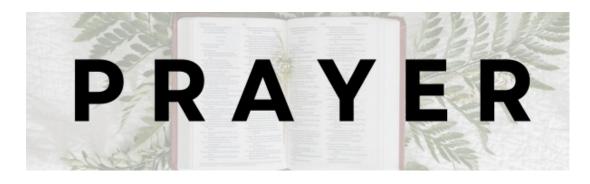


On Earth Day, April 22nd, children from Noah's Ark cleaned up litter around OSLC's grounds. Thank you Noah's Ark!



Noah's Ark Book Donation

Brielle Andersen, who is now in 5th grade, said her years as a student at Noah's Ark Preschool held such wonderful memories and she loved her teachers and had so much fun that when deciding what 'project' to take on to earn her Girl Scout Bronze Award, she decided to hold a book drive for Noah's Ark. Brielle enlisted the help of the fifth graders at her current school. On President's Day, Brielle and her mom surprised the staff of Noah's Ark when they came in with many totes full of beautiful books for our preschoolers to enjoy. Thanks so much, Brielle! Keep in touch!



PRAYER CONCERNS Please remember in your prayers:

Cori Sendle, Carol Shook, Jack DeWalt,
Pat K, Jacque Capistrant, Garnet Ellertson,
Ethan O'Brien, Darlene Hults, Dona Paulsen
Rick Carlson, Dave Hults, Galen, Marnie Mackey
Sharon Dornfeld, Theresa Cullen, Tori Appelhof, Sharon Frick,
Sandy Ellendwood, Jeff Weiss, Bill Mattison & Jim Rauner

Shana, daughter of Russ and Cindy Ellenwood
Denny and Sharon's friend, Larry
Annie, grand-daughter of Roy & Pat Feine
Shannon, wife of Terry Kirberger
Hudson James, great-great nephew of Janice Kluck
Katrina, daughter of Julie Killey

First Responders, Military & their families
San Isidro Labrador in Guatemala
Tarkanfi in Ethiopia
Sudan & Ukraine
Relationships

Shut-Ins unable to worship with us include:

Marnie Mackey Marlys Gamm Eunice Banta Cindy Durand Marlena McClanahan Elaine Thielke Garnet Ellertson Katie Stormo

To join the prayer chain or to add your concerns, please email *prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org* or call Jeanne Zaske at 651.398.2414

LIVESTREAMING

Click here for our live streams

Click the video below to watch this past Sundays 8:45AM worship service



Click the video below to watch this past Sundays 10:45AM worship service



Attendance Totals for May 4th, 2025

8:45 AM

In-Person = 86 Online* = 84 10:45 AM

In-Person = 91 Online* = 128

*The ELCA's online worship reporting guidelines multiply online views by 2 to account for individuals within a household.





Our Services (Sundays): 8:45AM - Traditional 10:45AM - Contemporary Our Pastors: Lead - Leland Armbright CYF - Susie Modrow

Maintenance Request

Staff Assistance Request **Staff Directory**



Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in receiving emails regarding opportunities to serve at worship please click the button below and complete the form it brings you to. The physical sign up sheets can still be found in the Narthex.

For questions specific to volunteering contact: office@oursaviorsonline.org

Email Form Sign-Up

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