

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church May, 2020 Newsletter

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Update on OSLC May worship services

OSLC May 3rd 9:00 a.m. Worship service will be Facebook Live only, and not open to the congregation.

For those of you that cannot access Facebook live worship services, we continue to offer a DVD to view in your home or in the church chapel. Please contact the church office to check out a DVD or with any questions.

Decisions on future worship services will be made weekly.

Please continue to check the OSLC Facebook page, the OSLC website or contact the church office.

Please check Pastor Dan's Thursday, April 30th Facebook video for a very important message regarding COVID-19 and what to expect when we are able to return to worship safely in the sanctuary.

We appreciate your understanding and patience. Pastor Dan, OSLC church council and the staff continue to make decisions regarding everyone's safety and well-being based on required COVID-19 mandates. Please continue to pray and extend grace to those making difficult & important decisions on behalf of our congregation as new information is received.

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever" Hebrews 13:8

While the manner in which we go about proclaiming him may change, the Word of God never changes, and for that, we say, "Thanks be to God!"

Our Saviour's Weekly Offerings

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| 04/05 | \$18,710.85 | 04/12 | \$11,069.00 |
| 04/19 | \$5,629.36 | 04/26 | \$2,724.09 |

Needed Weekly to meet budget—\$7,175.74

Our Saviour's continues to serve and do the work of our Lord through these unusual and difficult times. Your continued partnership through your gifts of offering are crucial.

Thank you to those who have donated online, by text, mailed or dropped off their offering at the church!

ONLINE GIVING (Go to <http://oslcauduboniowa.org>

and click on online giving tab located at the upper right hand corner of the webpage.)

GIVEPLUS+MOBILE (Go to the App store or Google Play and search for "GivePlus Church" to download for free.)

GIVE PLUS+TEXT (Text 833-973-0220, and enter the amount you wish to donate, and press send.)

Upper Room devotions

The May/June Upper Room devotions are available on the table at the church by Pastor Dan's office.

OSLC Graduating Seniors

We wish our graduates God's Blessings as they begin a new chapter in their lives!

OSLC Graduates are:

Cody Budd, Amy Burns, Melissa Deist, Kaleb Fox, Dennis Jackson, Jackson Jensen, Noah Morgan, Mallory Riebhoff, Jacob Sauers

We also congratulate and wish God's Blessings to AHS graduates Clare Christensen & Landon Frahm who have both been members of the "Behind the Cross" Praise Band!

We hope our congregation can celebrate with the OSLC Seniors at a later time. We will keep everyone updated on a Senior Recognition celebration when we know plans.



Confirmation at OSLC was scheduled for April 26th. The following 8th Graders will be confirmed at a later date once it

is safe to worship together again. God's blessings to the

Confirmation students as they patiently wait to share

their faith on their Confirmation day at OSLC.

Geralyn Anderson

Michelle Brooks

Amalie Lansman

Ezekiel Konkler

Mattie Nielsen

Alexis Obermeier

Jordan Porsch

Ashlyn Pruitt

Ava Slater

Morgan Smith

Carson Vorm



Hello Our Saviour's Lutheran Church family,

Getting started with you in this last week of April gives me a chance to share a thought or two in this May newsletter. So, that is pretty neat, I think. Here goes:

Thought #1. "Whoa! Whoa! Whooooo, Big Fella!" I've heard something like that watching old westerns on T.V. A seasoned cowboy yells it as he grabs hold of the reigns on a runaway horse. At times, these first few days of being Our Saviour's new pastor has felt like I'm on one of those runaway horses, and I'm wanting to holler, "Whoa! Big Fella! Whoa!"

Thought #2: God is so cool! Every day I pray, "Lord, please order my steps today." And, each day I see ways he grants my request. A couple of examples; A few days ago I was in Pam's office asking for Frank Olsen's phone number. As I came out, guess who was just leaving the church building-yup, it was Frank! I ran after him and we talked. God was ordering my steps. Fun! Today, I needed to talk to Kyle Kjergaard, so I sent him a text message in the morning asking him to call at his convenience. He called a couple hours later. He said something like, "I'm heading over to the field to plant...I could stop by the church building on my way...see you in about 10 minutes." I told him I was on the square walking to the post office, and 10 minutes ought to be good timing. Inside the post office, it seemed to take a bit longer than I expected, but when I was walking back east almost to City Hall, guess who drove by and honked at me from his truck. Yep, Kyle. God was ordering my steps. Fun!

Thoughts #3: I am riding a runaway horse, but the Lord Jesus himself is playing the role of the horse. And rather than have me saying, "Whoa! Big Fella! Whoa!" he wants me to just enjoy the ride. He wants you to do the same. By his grace, I am enjoying the ride. You can learn to do the same. Start by praying, "God, please order my steps today."

Peace,
Pastor Dan

Pastor Dan would like to hear from you!

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To send a secure, private text message to Pastor Dan, you may download the "Signal" app, and enter 712-217-1008.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER MAY 7TH

*"Pray God's Glory Across the Earth", based upon the Bible verse of Habakkuk 2:14, which says:
"For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD as the waters cover the sea."
is the theme for the 2020 National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 7th*

The National Day of Prayer is ours; it belongs to all Americans. It is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for the nation. Created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, it was signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. It is a day that transcends differences, bringing together citizens from all backgrounds. Please join your fellow Americans on May 7th to pray for our nation.

★**NATIONAL**★
DAY of PRAYER

'THE ROCK' YOUTH GROUP (7th-12th GRADE)

Stay tuned to Facebook/texts for when we will resume youth group activities.

High School Youth Group is meeting through Zoom on Sundays at 8:00 p.m.! We can't wait until we are back together again!

The Rock Youth Group Leaders:

Nate Vorm (712-304-0548), Dan Bierbrodt (319-929-1290),
Ellen Oster (712-223-7471)

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Please continue to pray for all those affected in any way from COVID-19!!



Sunday School

Thank you to all the teachers, students and parents for a wonderful Sunday School year. It did not end the way we planned, but please know every one of you is in our prayers, and we look forward to the time we can all be together again! Be watching for future summer plans for a possible get together when it is safe for us to gather together again!

The Education Committee

May Daily Bible Readings

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| May 1—2 Chronicles 6 | May 17—Psalm 103 |
| May 2—2 Chronicles 7 | May 18—2 Chronicles 34 |
| May 3—James 4 | May 19—Isaiah 1 |
| May 4—1 Kings 11 | May 20—Isaiah 2 |
| May 5—1 Kings 12 | May 21—Isaiah 5 |
| May 6—1 Kings 14 | May 22—Isaiah 6 |
| May 7—1 Kings 18 | May 23—Isaiah 40 |
| May 8—2 Kings 2 | May 24—Colossians 1 |
| May 9—Proverbs 5 | May 25—Isaiah 43 |
| May 10—Proverbs 31 | May 26—Isaiah 44 |
| May 11—2 Kings 4 | May 27—Isaiah 52 |
| May 12—2 Kings 5 | May 28—Isaiah 53 |
| May 13—Jonah 1 | May 29—Isaiah 55 |
| May 14—Jonah 3 | May 30—Isaiah 56 |
| May 15—2 Kings 17 | May 31—1 Corinthians 7 |
| May 16—Nahum 1 | |