



Our Saviour's Lutheran Church July, 2023 Newsletter

LCMC
Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ
"Knowing Jesus, Growing in Jesus, Sharing Jesus"

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JUNE IS OSLC CARING & SHARING MONTH

Items needed are:

Kleenex, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Toilet Paper, Spaghetti Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Tuna, Canned Fruit, Canned Soup, Peanut Butter, Macaroni & Cheese, Cereal.

There will be baskets at the church for your donations! Monetary donations are also appreciated, please make checks payable to Caring & Sharing.

Caring and Sharing is excited to announce their new location at 413 Tracy Street. If donating food other than at church, please do so on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month from 1:30 to 3:00 at 413 Tracy St. or contact Judy at 304-4541. Food & clothing are now both at the new location!

PASTOR DAN VACATION

Pastor Dan is on vacation through July 4th and will not be available during this time.

Pastor Steven Frock has made himself available to OSLC for any pastoral assistance needed during this time, (Pastor Frock's #: 712-304-4435). Feel free to call Pastor Frock directly or a pastor of your choosing if needs arise: Hospital visits, crisis, funeral arrangements, etc.,

Pastor Frock is glad to serve and will update Pastor Dan when he returns.

"STELLAR" VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, July 17th - Thursday July 20th
5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Registration forms on table by coat racks or register through OSLC facebook page. If you would like to sponsor a child to attend VBS, fill out an envelope by the registration forms & put in church office drop box.

\$25 to sponsor a child.

List to donate food is also by the registration forms!

Youth helpers needed! Please contact Katie Bierbrodt (712-304-4033) to volunteer!



SPECIAL MUSIC THIS SUMMER

Are you or someone you know interested in sharing your talent through music?

Please contact Mary Jo or sign up on the bulletin board to get a time to share with the congregation this summer! OSLC Choir, Praise Band and Kids Choir take a break in the summer from May until Sept. 1st. Thank you to everyone who participates in any of these musical opportunities!

SOUND & PROJECTION/STREAMING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Talk to Mary Jo Burger to volunteer or for more information!

DANCE LIKE NOBODY'S WATCHIN'

¹⁴ “You are light for the world..... everyone who lights a lamp puts it on a lamp stand. Then its light shines on everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way let your light shine in front of people. Then they will see the good that you do and praise your Father in heaven.” (Matthew 5)

A little later in the same sermon, Jesus gives stern warnings **against** giving to the poor, praying in public, and fasting *in order to be seen by people. So, how does one accomplish the first command without violating the second? I think a popular quote summarizes the answer well. “Sing like no one is listening. Love like you’ve never been hurt. Dance like nobody’s watching, and live like it’s heaven on earth.” The origin of this quote comes from songwriters Susanna Clark and Richard Leigh who, in 1987 composed the song “Come from the Heart” which included the following lyrics:*

You’ve got to sing like you don’t need the money
Love like you’ll never get hurt
You’ve got to dance like nobody’s watchin’
It’s gotta come from the heart if you want it to work.

The application is simple. Live life well, simply seeking to be obedient disciples of Jesus. Have no other concern than serving, honoring, praising Jesus. Be indifferent, giving no thought to the approval or disapproval of others.

When this is your focus you may find yourself surprised at Jesus’ words ringing true right before your very eyes. This is exactly what happened to a group of men I was leading in prayer recently. Here is what happened. Breakfast having been consumed we lingered in the establishment’s parking lot. I then gathered the men together for final instructions and prayer before we went our separate ways. When we finished praying we were all surprised to see a middle-aged ‘cheerleader’ watching us. She leaned from the driver’s seat of her shiny pick-up truck towards the open passenger window. She shouted words of praise. “That was so wonderful! I’m so impressed! Thank you for doing that! Our country needs more men like you!” and other such phrases – it was a lengthy tribute. Then she applauded while saying words like, “fantastic, beautiful, love it.” Then, a final lean towards us, “keep it up, don’t stop, we need you!” She drove off after that, cheerfully waving as she pulled away. When I looked back at the men chatting joyfully regarding the encounter, their faces and voices were beaming with Holy Spirit pride. They were joyfully surprised to see themselves through another’s eyes as men who should be held in high esteem and imitated. Their chests looked broad, and they all seemed to have grown a few inches taller. I believe this was a substantially transformative moment for them, orchestrated by the God of grace and mercy.

So, Dear Ones. Continue enjoying this summer God has given us. But do so with Jesus. Don’t neglect worship and prayer and Bible reading. These are the activities that will lead you to “sing like nobody’s listening and dance like nobody’s watching,” and to “let your light shine in front of people.” And hopefully, you will find yourself in a surprise encounter where someone does see and does hear and then, “praises your Father in Heaven.”

Peace,

Pastor Dan



CHURCH LIBRARY BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Check out the books of the month on table by coat area. We will rotate books monthly. Check out the many other Christian books in the church library. Questions, talk to church librarian Joan Mortensen or the church office. If you have a request for a Christian book for the library, contact the church office!

TAXI SERVICE

Are you in need of a ride to service? Are you someone willing to offer rides to service for those who can no longer drive? Please contact Mary Jo and lets get you together!!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Are you someone who likes visiting with children for a brief amount of time?
Would you consider sharing a Bible story with them during a church service?
Please sign up on the bulletin board or talk to Mary Jo. The children love to come forward and be personally talked to about God and His kingdom!

MUSICAL TALENTS

If you have a musical talent (especially piano talents), and you would like to share your talents with the Friendship Home or Exira Care Center residents during Sunday afternoon vesper services, please contact Mary Jo Burger. Please come share your God given talent with the nursing home residents of Audubon County.

OSLC JUNE BAPTISMS

Halle Amanda Renken

(Daughter of
Andrew & Ellen Renken)
Baptized at OSLC June 4th

Halle's Baptismal Sponsors are
Alex Renken & Emily Oster

Opal Elizabeth Smith

(Daughter of Jason & Betsy Smith)
Baptized at OSLC June 18th

Opal's Baptismal Sponsors are
Chloe Andersen & Katrina Smith

*We give thanks for God's gift
of new life in Jesus Christ!*



OSLC MISSION TEAM

Do you need help getting your lawn ready for summer?
Please let the OSLC Mission Team know.

We would be glad to help you with it!
Please contact Lee Nielsen, 712.304.7137 or anyone on the mission team. See the updated mission bulletin board by the coat area for a list of names on the mission team!

PRAISE IN THE PARK—August 27th



***10:00 a.m.* (note worship time change)**

**with "Behind the Cross" Praise Band
in the City Square Park and a BBQ!**

Pulled Pork and fixins and drinks provided.
There will be yard games and an obstacle course.

Please bring lawn chairs or blankets for the park
*Ushers, Stewardship & Worship Committee members
will be available to assist carrying chairs in the park.
Several chairs will also be available on the park sidewalk.*



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div><div>2</div><div><i>Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship-Worship led by Lee Williams, Gideons 10:15 Coffee</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 59</i></div>	<div><div>3</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 60</i></div>	<div><div>4</div><div>Church offices closed </div></div> <div><i>Psalm 61</i></div>	<div><div>5</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 62</i></div>	<div><div>6</div><div>5:15 Stewardship Committee Meeting</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 63</i></div>	<div><div>7</div><div>Pastor Day off</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 64</i></div>	<div><div>1</div><div><i>Psalm 58</i></div><div>8</div><div><i>Psalm 65</i></div></div>
<div><div>9</div><div><i>Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship 10:15 Coffee 1:30 Pastoral Jail Visit</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 66</i></div>	<div><div>10</div><div>6:30 Bible Study at Terrill & Mary Jo Burger’s</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 67</i></div>	<div><div>11</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 68</i></div>	<div><div>12</div><div>10:00 Women at the Well Bible Study at the Bakery on Broadway 11:30 Audubon Ministerial Meeting at the Bakery on Broadway</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 69</i></div>	<div><div>13</div><div>10:30 Friendship Home Communion <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 70</i></div>	<div><div>14</div><div>Pastor Day off</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 71</i></div>	<div><div>15</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 72</i></div>
<div><div>16</div><div><i>Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:15 Coffee 1:30 Pastoral Jail Visit</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 73</i></div>	<div><div>17</div><div>5:00-8:00 Bible School 6:30 Building & Property Committee Meeting</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 74</i></div>	<div><div>18</div><div>5:00-8:00 Bible School</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 75</i></div>	<div><div>19</div><div>5:00-8:00 Bible School 6:00 Church Council Meeting</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 76</i></div>	<div><div>20</div><div>5:00-8:00 Bible School 6:30 Bible School Program</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 77</i></div>	<div><div>21</div><div>Pastor Day off</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 78</i></div>	<div><div>22</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 79</i></div>
<div><div>23</div><div><i>Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship 10:15 Coffee 4:00 Friendship Home Vespers (led by Pastor Dan) 1:30 Pastoral Jail Visit</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 80</i></div>	<div><div>24</div><div>6:30 Bible Study at Terrill & Mary Jo Burger’s</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 81</i></div>	<div><div>25</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 82</i></div>	<div><div>26</div><div>10:00 Women at the Well Bible Study at the Bakery on Broadway</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 83</i></div>	<div><div>27</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 84</i></div>	<div><div>28</div><div>Pastor Day off</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 85</i></div>	<div><div>29</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 86</i></div>
<div><div>30</div><div><i>Ninth Sunday after Pentecost</i> 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship 10:15 Coffee 1:30 Pastoral Jail Visit Noon-4:00 Social Room reserved for Bridal Shower 4:00 Exira Vespers (led by Pastor Dan)</div></div> <div><i>Psalm 87</i></div>	<div><div>31</div><div></div></div> <div><i>Psalm 88</i></div>					

INGHAM OKOBOJI LUTHERAN BIBLE CAMP

It's not too late to attend summer Bible Camp at Okoboji! Check out okoboj.org for summer youth camp opportunities. OSLC has funds available to help with camp expenses! Contact the church office for more information, or call the camp directly at 1-800-okoboji.

JULY SPONSORED ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are \$22 payable to the church office. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers,

2-Sharolyn Fett
9-Arch Andersen
16-Kurt & Toni Nelson

23-Randy & Natalie Lange
30-Sponsorship available



"BEHIND THE CROSS" PRAISE BAND

Anyone who has a passion for making music in praise of our Lord, and will be in 8th grade or older next fall, please prayerfully consider becoming a member of the "Behind the Cross" Praise Band! Along with Pastor Dan, Praise Band leads worship the fourth Sunday of the month, August – May. Please contact Director Jo Beane or Worship Director Mary Jo Burger for more information.

ATTENTION OSLC COLLEGE STUDENTS!

If you wish to receive the monthly newsletter while attending college, please give your address to the church office. The newsletter can also be accessed on the church website oslcaduboniowa.org or talk to the church office about getting it by email.



ACOLYTES

2- Bryli Petersen
Lucas Strocher
9- Aiden Kjergaard
Kam King
16- Mason Kasperbauer
Leyton Elmquist
23- Layne Slater
Kodi Lansman
30- Tyler Ellingson
Alex Eldal

SOUND

2-
9-
16-
23-

30-

PROJECTION/STREAMING

2-

9-

16-

23-

30-

USHERS

Dave Albers, Captain
Randy Blohm
Brad Borkowski
Jason Smith
David Madsen
Chris Bylund
Jon Irlbeck

ALTAR GUILD

Raydene Mathisen
Tammy Sauers

COFFEE SERVERS

2- Brian Jensen
Kathy Jensen
9- Brandon Hansen
Shelby Hansen

16-

23-

30-

GREETERS

2-

9-

16-

23-

30-

Lorri Thygesen

Craig Jensen
Shannon Jensen

Rodney Hansen
Tracy Hansen

Steve & Suzann Derry

Traci Irlmeier
Chris Bylund

Janet Collins
Mary Anne Pomeroy

Karen Elmquist
Lee Nielsen

Norma Nielsen

JUNE COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- *Education Committee has planned a great vacation Bible School. Rally Sunday is Sept. 10.
- *Property Committee informed the Council that the east air conditioner is not working. The unit cools the chapel. Cost of replacement is approximately \$4600.
- *The final proof of the picture Directory was approved and is now being published.
- *Pastor will be on vacation July 2 so Communion will be postponed to the following Sunday.
- *Mission Ministry helped a local family with yard cleanup. The Mission Team will meet with them again in October when city wide clean up takes place.
- *The committees will be working on goal setting. Each will be asked to bring their goals to the next meeting and a possible Goal Setting workshop may be planned.



USHER CAPTAINS

Please try to reach out to your team members when it is your month to usher. Monthly teams are listed in bulletin/newsletter, but some may miss seeing it! Thank you to all who volunteer for this ministry!

USHER TEAMS

Do you enjoy visiting with others and helping to make them feel welcomed as they are coming in for church? Do you enjoy being a part of the service? Please reach out to Mary Jo Burger and let's get you on an Usher Team!!

Stewardship Square

Regular offerings	05/21	\$4,564.74
	05/28	\$3,579.74
	06/04	\$4,754.74
	06/11	\$5,094.74
	06/18	\$2,619.74
Weekly Worship Attendance	05/21	83
	05/28	128
	06/04	100
	06/11	113
	06/18	95

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.

If you have any questions regarding the OSLC financial report, you are welcome to contact Office Manager Pam Steckler or Council Treasurer Tammy Sauers.

Needed Weekly to meet budget—\$6,798.19