



Our Saviour's Lutheran Church August, 2023 Newsletter

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"Knowing Jesus, Growing in Jesus, Sharing Jesus"

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Backpack Blessing

BACKPACK BLESSING

Sunday, August 20th during 9:00 a.m. Worship
Bring your backpack & receive a special blessing.
Any student or teacher/staff member
is welcome to participate!

RALLY SUNDAY WILL BE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH!!

"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 this 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. *The first practice for fall will be Sunday, August 20th at 10:30 a.m. meeting in the sanctuary!*

"STELLAR" VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR ALL
THE SUPPORT FOR BIBLE SCHOOL!

WHAT A WONDERFUL WEEK WE HAVE
HAD TOGETHER LEARNING ABOUT JESUS!



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 Worship Director Mary Jo Burger to volunteer or for more information!

“Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed” Luke 5:16.

How do you feel about being alone?

Some people do not like being alone. If they are alone such people typically need background noise, radio or TV. Some people don't mind being alone while they work on a project with no distractions or watch a show or listen to music, again with no one distracting. But even these folks do not necessarily make an effort to be alone, just for the sake of being alone. There is tremendous value in being alone, especially if it is done on purpose.

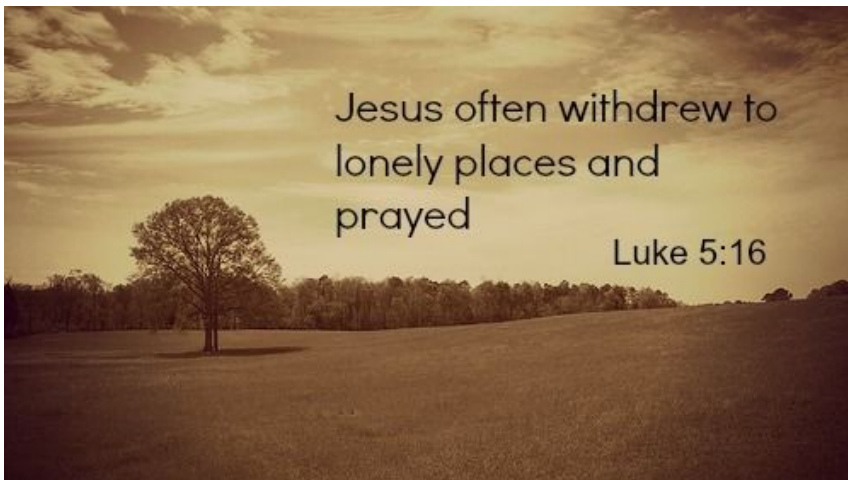
“Jesus withdrew to lonely places.” This plainly tells us he intentionally made effort to be alone. This is enough to validate the claim – “there is tremendous value in being alone, especially if it is done on purpose.” Jesus did it. Therefore, it must be important and valuable. And we are called to follow in his footsteps (1Peter 2:21).

When Jesus came back from withdrawing to lonely places he was highly energized, focused and compassionate as he re-engaged with people. What did he do when he was alone? I'm guessing like us, he observed his surroundings, and he thought about things. The thing we know for sure is, he prayed. (“Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.”) In other words, he talked with his Father. That is what prayer is – talking with God/Jesus (not just talking to him). Talking with means both talking and listening. It is the combination of talking AND listening that leads to energy, focus, and compassion.

When I vacationed this summer, I withdrew to lonely places and prayed, attempting to follow Jesus example. I found tremendous value result from the effort: energy, focus and a deeper love for God and people. In the remaining days of summer, please try it out for yourself and see for yourself. I am confident you will discover similar blessings.

Withdraw to lonely places and pray. *That is a prescription from the Beloved Physician, Luke, the author of the Gospel of Luke, the Book of Acts, the fellow missionary and dear friend of the Apostle Paul (see Colossians 4:14).*

Pastor Dan Beattie





'THE ROCK' YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

Watch Facebook/texts for youth group activities! Facebook: The Rock OSLC

The Sunday night Junior High & High School youth group and High School Fellowship of Christian Wheelers will resume soon!
Be watching for a start date!

**Questions on The Rock youth events, contact Youth Group Leaders
Nate V. (712-304-0548), Dan B. (319-929-1290), Jacob S. (712-304-4400) or church office!**

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 Worship Director Mary Jo Burger.
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 Worship Director Mary Jo Burger. Please come share your God given talent with the nursing home residents of Audubon County.

TOUCH A TRUCK SUNDAY

COMING IN SEPTEMBER!

WATCH FOR MORE
INFORMATION AND A DATE
IN THE WEEKLY BULLETINS,
FACEBOOK AND NEXT
MONTH'S NEWSLETTER!



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.*



PRAISE IN
THE PARK

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 <i>Psalm 89</i>	2 <i>Psalm 90</i>	3 <i>Psalm 91</i>	4 <i>Pastor Day off</i> <i>Psalm 92</i>	5 <i>Psalm 93</i>
6 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost CHOSEN FOR A PURPOSE: The Radical Ordinary Life, Luke 6:27-36 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:15 Coffee 11:30 Pastoral Jail Visit <i>Psalm 94</i>	7 <i>Psalm 95</i>	8 <i>Psalm 96</i>	9 10:00 Women at the Well Bible Study at the Bakery on Broadway 11:30 Audubon Ministerial Meeting at the Bakery on Broadway <i>Psalm 97</i>	10 10:30 Friendship Home Communion <i>Psalm 98</i>	11 <i>Pastor Day off</i> <i>Psalm 99</i>	12 <i>Psalm 100</i>
13 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost CHOSEN FOR A PURPOSE: Living a grace-full Life, Luke 6:37-45 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship-Baptism 10:15 Coffee 10:30 Social Room Reserved 11:30 Pastoral Jail Visit <i>Psalm 101</i>	14 6:30 Bible Study at Terrill & Mary Jo Burger's <i>Psalm 102</i>	15 <i>Psalm 103</i>	16 5:00 Confirmation Parent & Student Meeting 6:00 Church Council Meeting <i>Psalm 104</i>	17 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> <i>Psalm 105</i>	18 <i>Pastor Day off</i> <i>Psalm 106</i>	19 <i>Psalm 107</i>
20 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost CHOSEN FOR A PURPOSE: Demonstrating Jesus is Lord! Luke 6:46-49 8:30 Morning Prayer 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion 10:15 Coffee 10:30 "BTC" Praise Band Practice 11:30 Pastoral Jail Visit <i>Psalm 108</i>	21 5:30 Preschool Parent & Student Bible Meeting 6:30 3rd Grade Parent & Student Bible Meeting 6:30 Building & Property Committee Meeting <i>Psalm 109</i>	22 <i>Psalm 110</i>	23 10:00 Women at the Well Bible Study at the Bakery on Broadway 2:30 Confirmation Begins <i>Psalm 111</i>	24 <i>Psalm 112</i>	25 <i>Pastor Day off</i> <i>Psalm 113</i>	26 <i>Psalm 114</i>
27 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Great Faith in Surprising places. Luke 7:1-10 10:00 Praise in the Park Worship with "BTC" Praise Band 11:00 BBQ/games 11:30 Pastoral Jail Visit 4:00 Friendship Home Vespers (led by Pastor Dan) <i>Psalm 115</i>	28 6:30 Bible Study at Terrill & Mary Jo Burger's <i>Psalm 116</i>	29 <i>Psalm 117</i>	30 <i>Psalm 118</i>	31 <i>Psalm 119</i>		

AUGUST SPONSORED ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are \$22 payable to the church office. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, contact the church office or sign up on the flower chart posted on the bulletin board at OSLC.

6-Jeff & Trish Nielsen
13-Keith & Sheri Bandle
20-Janet Weber
27-No flowers, Praise in the Park



HEARTLAND DISTRICT WOMEN OF THE WORD RETREAT

October 7th (St. Paul Lutheran Church, Osceola, NE)

Ministries represented will be: Reaching the Unreached in India, Operation Christmas Child, and Lutheran Family Services. Music, food, making jump ropes from t-shirts and helping our families who are working giving them a guide to teach young people. Come and be renewed in this opportunity to build and strengthen our churches and our families.

Offering will go to Reaching the Unreached in India Ministry.

Coffee and treats starting at 8 am and sessions to begin at 9 am.

Pastor Raleigh will lead us in a communion service and all will be headed home by 3 pm.

For more info contact: oldwheels@windstream.net or 402-747-6531 or 402-366-1019.

Women of FAITH

WOMEN OF FAITH

Thank you to all who donated to our annual Bakeless Bake Sale! It was a huge success again this year with a total of \$2,850.00 received. Your generosity is amazing. Thank you to everyone for serving Sunday morning coffee and for greeting. We thank God for all the wonderful Women of Faith and their families.



ACOLYTES

6- Mason Kasperbauer
Bryli Petersen
13- Aiden Kjergaard
Alex Eldal
20- Kamdan King
Aiden Kjergaard

SOUND

6- Logan Nielsen
13-
20-

PROJECTION/STREAMING

6- Curtis Derry
13- Tim Andersen
20- Raydene Mathisen

USHERS

Cliff Nelson, Captain
Bill Moore
Randy Nelsen
Myles Nielsen
Kurt Nelson

ALTAR GUILD

Toni Nelson
Judy Baker

COFFEE SERVERS

6- Elayne Sinow
Phyllis Larsen

13-

20-

GREETERS

6- Nick & Jenny Smith
13- Terrill & Mary Jo Burger
20- Chuck & Nancy Hansen

PASTORAL VISITS/ PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor Dan would love to visit with you in your home, during hospitalizations, and also welcomes you to stop by his office for a chat. You are encouraged to contact Pastor Dan or the church office with visit requests and with requests to be added to the Prayer Chain or the bulletin Prayer Page. These requests can also be noted on the cards located in the pew racks and then placed in the prayer boxes. Let us know how we can pray for you!



ATTENTION OSLC COLLEGE STUDENTS!

Our Saviour's has funds designated to loan to OSLC college students. Contact the church office for more information. *Please request loan funds at least three weeks prior to the date needed.* If you wish to receive the monthly newsletter while attending college, please give your mailing or email address to the church office. The newsletter can also be accessed on the church website oslcauduboniowa.org.

INGHAM OKOBOJI QUILT AUCTION

August 4th & 5th

See information on poster on the bulletin board or go to okoboji.org.

*Quilt auction/preview

*Scandinavian Feast

*Glenn Henriksen concert

*5k run/walk

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 Worship Director Mary Jo Burger and let's get you on an Usher Team!!

Stewardship Square

Regular offerings	06/25	\$2,814.49
	07/02	\$4,877.13
	07/09	\$6,679.74
Weekly Worship Attendance	06/25	102
	07/02	75
	07/09	123



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