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Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
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LCMC
Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ
"Knowing Jesus, Growing in Jesus, Sharing Jesus"

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**FREE COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER**
OSLC Downstairs Social Room
December 25th, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Everyone welcome!
Turkey and all the trimmings!
Reservations appreciated by December 20th
Sign up on the bulletin board
or call the church office

The Community Christmas Dinner is an important community outreach ministry held at OSLC in the Social Room. Because of the generosity and prayers of volunteers and donors, this heart-warming free Christmas Dinner and time of fellowship started in 2004 consistently serving over 200 people per year.

Sign-up sheets with information about attending the dinner, volunteering to work, or providing desserts are located on the bulletin board in the entryway. This is a community event which welcomes & encourages volunteers from the community.

Carry Out available!



Sunday, December 24th
9:00 a.m. Worship
5:00 p.m. with Holy Communion/Holy Family
Monday, December 25th
10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Christmas Day Dinner



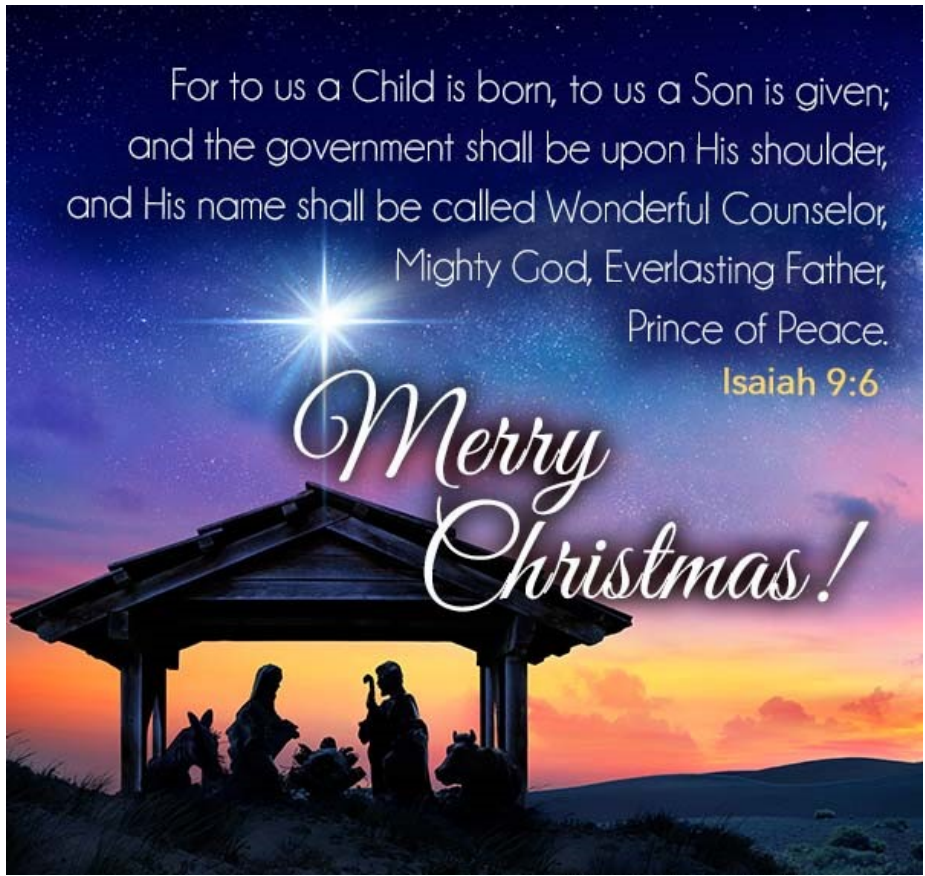
ALTAR FLOWERS
Thank you to those who so generously sponsor altar flowers throughout the year! The altar flower chart is posted on the bulletin board if you would like to sponsor flowers in 2024. If you have not paid your 2023 flowers, please bring a check to the church office or drop in the offering plate (marked altar flowers) for \$22.00.

ANNUAL MEETING
Sunday, January 28th (Note time change)
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 Worship
Annual Meeting will follow Worship



ANNUAL MEETING





PULPIT SUPPLY/VISITS

Thank you to Pastor Frock for filling in for Worship Services through the end of the year. If you are hospitalized and would like a visit, please contact the church (712-588-1113). OSLC lay leaders would love to come pray with you. As we grieve the loss of Pastor Dan, we pray for Pastor Dan’s family and we pray for our church family during this difficult time. If there is anything the church staff or church council can do to support you, please reach out.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

THANK YOU!

The family of Jean Jensen wishes to thank all of those for their sympathy and prayers, and for their assistance with her funeral and luncheon. OSLC was very special to Jean and we are glad she could have her final service at OSLC with her OSLC family. We are thankful to Pastor Dan for the wonderful service and Pam for all her help. As well thank you to the talented musicians that played or sang during the service. Thanks to those that helped usher during the service. The meal was a wonderful gathering for remembering Jean and we thank those that provided food/desserts as well as those that helped serve and prepare.

Thank you on behalf of the family of Jean Jensen

WOMEN OF FAITH MEETING UDPATE

A meeting of the officers and co-chairs was held November 16, 2023 with 9 members and Pastor Dan in attendance. Pizza and pop were served for a light supper with Carol Albertsen serving dessert.

Secretary’s report was read by Carol. Treasure’s report was given by Sandy with a balance of \$7095.99, with the Bakeless Bakesale contributing \$3230.00 to this balance.

A big thank you to Donis Hansen and Janice Andersen for their many years of serving as leaders of the Mission Action team. They are stepping down from their position and we welcome Natalie Lange as our new leader of the WOF quilters.

We also want to welcome Natalie Lange, Lori Applegate, and Barb Jacobsen as new-chairs. Thank you for joining our team.

We discussed a request from counsel to use our own dishes instead of paper and plastic products which will help our expenses and our landfill.

The benevolences were discussed and approved to be paid for 2024.

WOF will be serving the Lenten supper on February 28, 2024.

Thank you to everyone for their hard work and dedication.

Merry Christmas everyone!

THANK YOU FAITHFUL SERVANTS!

Thank you to those who devote extra time or donate items during Advent and Christmas. To those who help decorate our church, Sunday School teachers/kids for their extra time for the Christmas program, staff, ushers, altar guild, acolytes, sound/video/projection volunteers, Christmas dinner volunteers, organists, Praise Band, and many others who devote extra time during the Advent/Christmas season. Your dedication and time are a blessing to our church family!

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR’S OFFICE HOURS

The church offices will be closed Dec. 25th/26th & Jan. 1st.
The church offices will be open from 8:30 a.m.-noon December 27th, 28th & 29th.

Stewardship Square

Regular offerings	11/19	\$4,519.74
	11/26	\$2,059.48
	12/03	\$7,644.74
	12/10	\$5,679.74
Weekly Worship Attendance	11/19	132
	11/26	76
	12/03	135
	12/06	147
	12/10	184

Questions regarding OSLC finances, contact Office Manager Pam Steckler or Council Treasurer Tammy Sauers.
Needed Weekly to meet budget—\$6,798.19

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.

JANUARY SPONSORED ALTAR FLOWERS

7-Sponsorship available
14-Sponsorship available

21-Sponsorship available
28-Sponsorship available

Altar Flowers are \$22 payable to the church office.



The 2024 flower chart will be on the bulletin board in December if you would like to sponsor flowers for 2024.

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

If Worship or Sunday School is cancelled due to inclement weather it will be announced on KSOM 96.5 FM or KJAN 1220 AM radio stations and posted on their websites.

Please use your best Judgement, worship will only be cancelled when city streets are impassable.

YEAR-END FINANCIAL GIFTS

Year-end financial gifts are encouraged and appreciated. Please bring your gift to the church office no later than December 28th at 12:00 p.m. (our last deposit of the year will be done by 9:00 a.m. on December 29th). As with any giving, clearly mark your intentions on your offering envelope as well as on your check.

AUDUBON COUNTY AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, December 27th from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Center
Contact Kathy at 563-2424 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Audubon to schedule an appointment.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PROJECTION

7- Curtis Derry
14- *Volunteer needed*
21- *Volunteer needed*
28- *Volunteer needed*

VIDEO/STREAMING

7- *Volunteer needed*
14- *Volunteer needed*
21- *Volunteer needed*
28- *Volunteer needed*

ALTAR GUILD

Alice Hemmingsen
Barb Jacobsen

USHERS

Wes Thygesen, Captain
Bruce Andersen
Steve Mathisen
Jeff Albertsen
Danny Budd
Brian Jensen
Kyle Kjergaard

COFFEE SERVERS

7- Kaylene Riebhoff
Monte Riebhoff
14- Jeff Jacobsen
Deanna Jacobsen
21- Kaylene Riebhoff

GREETERS

7- Monte & Kaylene Riebhoff
14- Sharlene Merk
Sharolyn Fett
21- Jeff & Chelle Madsen
28- Christy Konkler Family

JH SS ADULT

7- Barry or Lois Eldal
14- Josh or Jenn Ellingson
21- Terrill or Mary Jo Burger
28- Brad or Sara Slater



'THE ROCK' SUNDAY EVENING YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

Watch Facebook/texts for youth group activities! Facebook: The Rock OSLC
7th-12th Grade Youth Group @ OLSC

January 14th @ 7:00 p.m.

January 28th @ 7:00 p.m.

9th-12th Grade Fellowship of Christian Wheelers (FCW)

January 7th @ Rec Center @ 6:00 p.m. (Trivia)

January 21st @ Rec Center @ 6:00 p.m. (Mini Golf)

Talk to one of the youth leaders if you are interested in attending Winterjam or Ignite Youth Conference!

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

DECEMBER IS CARING & SHARING MONTH AT OSLC

Items needed: Pasta, Canned Spaghetti sauce, Tuna, Canned fruit/vegetables, Canned soup/stew, Peanut butter, Macaroni & cheese, Cereal, Condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise), Saltine crackers, Kleenex, Toothpaste/ Toothbrushes, Shampoo/Conditioner, Body/Hand lotion, Laundry soap, Dish soap, Bar soap, Toilet paper, Monetary donation

Caring & Sharing is a non-profit, non-perishable food/clothing pantry for Audubon county residents.

WINTERJAM 2024 \$15 at the door

Crowder, Lecrae, Cain, Katy Nichole, Seventh Day Slumber, Newsong

February 1st

Mid-America Center in Council Bluffs

February 2nd

Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines

For more information, go to jamtour.com



CELEBRATION OF BAPTISMS

In conjunction with the church year "Baptism of our Lord" on Sunday, January 7th, we as a congregation will recognize & celebrate those baptized in Christ at OSLC in 2023.



"UNDECORATE" FOR CHRISTMAS

Your help would be appreciated following worship on January 7th when the Christmas decorations and Christmas trees will be taken down.

OSLC BROCHURE

The Evangelism Committee has worked with church staff to create a new OSLC brochure that is available for you and that will be given to new residents of the Audubon community as an outreach ministry!





ACOLYTES

7- Lucas Stroehrer
Kodi Lansman
14- Leyton Elmquist
Bryli Petersen
21- Layne Slater
Karli Burger
28- Tyler Ellingson
Alex Eldal

SOUND

7- Logan Nielsen
14- *Volunteer needed*
21- *Volunteer needed*
28- *Volunteer needed*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1  <i>Isaiah 37</i>	2 <i>Isaiah 38</i>	3 2:30 pm Confirmation 2:30 pm Kids Choir <i>Isaiah 39</i>	4 <i>Isaiah 40</i>	5 <i>Isaiah 41</i>	6 8:00 am “Be A Light” Bible Study 10:00 am Downstairs Social Room Reserved <i>Isaiah 42</i>
7 <i>The Baptism of Our Lord</i> 9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee, Sunday School 10:30 am OSLC Choir, Adult Bible Study 11:15 am “BTC” Praise Band Practice 6:00 pm HS FCW (Trivia @ Rec) <i>Isaiah 43</i>	8 1:00 Quilting 5:30 Alzheimer’s Support Group (AMVC Management Office) 6:30 pm Home Bible Study Fellowship @ Burger’s <i>Isaiah 44</i>	9 9:00 am Women’s Bible Study (Kingdom of God series) <i>Isaiah 45</i>	10 10:00 am Women at the Well Bible Study at the Bakery on Broadway 11:30 am Audubon Ministerial Meeting at the Bakery on Broadway 2:30 pm Confirmation 2:30 pm Kid’s Choir <i>Isaiah 46</i>	11 10:30 am Friendship Home Communion <i>Isaiah 47</i>	12 <i>Isaiah 48</i>	13 8:00 am “Be A Light” Bible Study <i>Isaiah 49</i>
14 <i>Second Sunday after the Epiphany</i> 9:00 am Worship 10:15 am Coffee, Sunday School 10:30 am OSLC Choir, Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm 7th-12th Youth Group <i>Isaiah 50</i>	15 6:00 pm Building & Property Committee Meeting <i>Isaiah 51</i>	16 9:00 am Women’s Bible Study (Kingdom of God series) <i>Isaiah 52</i>	17 2:30 pm Confirmation 2:30 pm Kid’s Choir 6:00 pm Church Council Meeting <i>Isaiah 53</i>	18 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> <i>Isaiah 53</i>	19 <i>Isaiah 55</i>	20 8:00 am “Be A Light” Bible Study <i>Isaiah 56</i>
21 <i>Third Sunday after the Epiphany Transfiguration of Our Lord</i> 9:00 am Holy Communion 10:15 am Coffee, Sunday School 10:30 am OSLC Choir, Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm FCW @ Rec (mini golf) <i>Isaiah 57</i>	22 1:00 Quilting 6:30 pm Home Bible Study Fellowship @ Burger’s <i>Isaiah 58</i>	23 9:00 am Women’s Bible Study (Kingdom of God series) <i>Isaiah 59</i>	24 10:00 am Women at the Well Bible Study at the Bakery on Broadway 2:30 pm Kid’s Choir 2:30 pm Confirmation <i>Isaiah 60</i>	25 <i>Isaiah 61</i>	26 <i>Isaiah 62</i>	27 8:00 am “Be A Light” Bible Study <i>Isaiah 63</i>
28 <i>Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany</i> 9:00 am Sunday School, OSLC Choir 10:15 am Worship w/ Annual Meeting to follow 7:00 pm 7th-12th Youth Group <i>Isaiah 64</i>	29 <i>Isaiah 65</i>	30 9:00 am Women’s Bible Study (Kingdom of God series) <i>Isaiah 66</i>	31 2:30 pm Kid’s Choir 2:30 pm Confirmation <i>Jeremiah 1</i>			