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Our Saviour's Lutheran Church April, 2024 Newsletter

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Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

"Knowing Jesus, Growing in Jesus, Sharing Jesus"

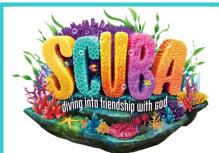
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"SCUBA" VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Monday, July 22nd-Thursday July 25th

Registration forms are on the table by the coat racks. If you would like to sponsor a child to attend VBS, fill out an envelope by the registration forms and put in the church office drop box. \$25 to sponsor a child.

Youth and Adult helpers are needed!

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

LET'S VISIT!

EVERY home visitation is a wonderful ministry that will allow OSLC's Intentional Interim Pastor Chris an opportunity to develop a relationship with each member of Our Saviour's. Additionally, part of the every home visitation ministry is to find out where you have been, where you are, and where you would like to grow! Not only will the visit be on a personal level (congregant to pastor) but these visits will allow for 4 important points:

relationship building, spiritual moment, connection with the church, and prayer.

Oftentimes these visits will include conversation about your life and your thoughts regarding OSLC.

These visits are desired to be done in your home *(unless you have a cat... Chris is very allergic!)* so that you can share freely in the comfort of your own home. Each visit will be for about an hour and a half. Please look for the signup list on the table in the coat area at the church or call the Office at 712-588-1113 to get on the schedule.

OSLC WEBSITE: <u>oslcauduboniowa.org</u>

Go to the tab **Pastor's Thoughts** to read thoughts from Intentional Interim Pastor Chris Townsend!

He is Risen... *He is Risen Indeed!* This is a proclamation that we are blessed with through our Savior, Jesus the Christ. We are Easter people through the powerful **change** found in knowing of the life, death, and resurrection blessing God, our Father, gave us through His Son, Jesus. Our Saviour's will celebrate Easter 2024 with Lee Nielsen sharing the message of love provided in our resurrected Lord.

Did you know we are people of **change**? **Change** in our heart and daily life because of our faith in Jesus! **Change** in our regular habits from working out to worship. And **change** comes in special forms as well... especially from God's Word. From the OSLC website: In the May, 2022, "Pastor's Thoughts" OSLC's dearly departed Pastor Dan wrote: Jesus speaks with all authority on earth and in heaven when he says, "I tell you the truth, unless you **change** and become like little children you will never enter the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 18:3)." God **changes** hearts of stone into hearts of flesh. God **changes** prideful people into humble people. God **changes** self-centered people into caring and generous people. As swiftly as Jesus **changed** water into wine, he **changes** hopeless into hopeful, faithless into faith-filled. God even uses **change** to **change** us. If you ask him to show the way(s) you need to **change** and become like a little child, he will show you. He will also work those **changes** in you, for your good, because he loves you and delights in you. (Bold highlights added for impact!)

These words, written by Pastor Dan nearly 2 years ago, continue to be appropriate as OSLC enters into a new chapter, which includes **change**. That new chapter and **change** begins with the arrival of an Intentional Interim Pastor! My name is Chris Townsend, and I, along with my wife, Sara, look forward to joining you in worship on April 7th as we continue proclaiming "He is Risen... *He is Risen Indeed!*"

Pastor Chris Townsend

OSLC EASTER SCHEDULE—SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH

7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Worship with Holy Communion 8:00 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Easter Breakfast 9:00 a.m. Easter Worship with Holy Communion



OPERATION MOTORCYCLE MERCY -

John 15 "I have chosen you to go and bear fruit" – Jesus.

We are continuing our efforts for our Motorcycle Mission this year. Please support our efforts by purchasing a sign for yourself or someone you know. We are asking for donations of \$40 to cover the cost to make them and the rest will be used for our mission of helping our neighbors. If you have any questions or are interested in getting one, please contact a mission team member. Thank you for your continued support with our Operation Motorcycle Mercy and if you know of someone that has fallen on hard times, please let us know!! God's blessings!!

MARCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



- 1. Property Committee is planting four shrubs. Two by the south entrance and two by the church sign. The chimney will be tuck pointed.
- 2. Vacation Bible School is July 22-25. Acolyte classes are April 7, 14, 21. Confirmation Sunday is April 28. Senior Recognition is May 12.
- 3. Good Friday This Blood with Mary the Mother of Jesus Narration.
- 4. Evangelism will recognize Seniors and Mothers for Mother's Day on May 12.
- 5. Motion was made to donate \$1000 from Other Benevolence Fund to help a family in need pay a water bill due to frozen pipes.
- 6. Council member Traci Irlmeier will give Council members a refresher on using the AED.
- 7. Pastor Chris will conduct an every member visit. There will be sign up sheets in the Narthex. Pastor Chris will be installed April 7.
- 8. First Communion classes will be scheduled after Pastor Chris arrives.
- 9. A motion was made to donate \$1000 from Mission Outreach to Geralyn Anderson's project at Micah House, a women's shelter in Omaha. In Addition she will receive the Heartland District memorial given in memory of Pastor Dan.
- 10. Motion made to donate \$600 from Mission Outreach to the Saturday Morning Bible Study project making respite kits for the homeless.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Monthly newsletters are available by mail or email, if you would like to receive differently than you currently are, contact the church office!

Stewardship Square								
Regular offerings	02/25	\$3,614.74						
	03/03	\$5,809.74						
	03/10	\$2,674.74						
	03/17	\$11,951.31						
Weekly Worship	02/25	134						
Attendance	03/03	129						
	03/10	75						
	03/17	121						
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Questions regarding OSLC finances, contact Office Manager Pam Steckler or Council Treasurer Tammy Sauers.

Needed Weekly to meet budget—\$6,433.84

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.



INGHAM OKOBOJI LUTHERAN BIBLE CAMP

Summer camps for all ages... go to okoboji.org for more information! OSLC helps with camp fund expenses for all youth!

Ingham Okoboji's 100th Anniversary, June 28th-30th, 2024, celebrating 100 years of ministry!

Campfire, Worship, Bible Study, Games, Reunions, Pontoon Rides, Beach Activities... go okoboji.org, or call 1-800-OKOBOJI to register or for more information!

APRIL SPONSORED ALTAR FLOWERS

7-Jon & Ashley Irlbeck 21-Jeff & Chelle Madsen 14-Terry & Norma Burger 28-Sponsorship available

Altar Flowers are \$22 payable to the church office. The 2024 flower chart is on the bulletin board if you would like to sponsor flowers for 2024.



CHURCH LIBRARY

Check out the books of the month on the table by the coat area, and the many Christian books we have in our church library located in the lounge by the Women's restroom!

Thank you to everyone who has ben working hard updating our church library, it looks great!

Questions, talk to church librarian Joan Mortensen or any church staff!



ACOLYTES

- 7- Tyler Ellingson Levton Elmauist
- 14- Bryli Petersen Layne Slater
- 21- Kodi Lansman Halo Goetz
- 28- Alex Eldal Kamdan King

SOUND

- 7- Logan Nielsen
- 14- Volunteer needed
- 21- Jim Dick
- 28- Jim Dick

PROJECTION

- 7- Curtis Derry
- 4- Raydene Mathisen1- Lori Applegate
- 28- Lori Applegate

VIDEO/STREAMING

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

ALTAR GUILD

Jolene Burns

Lois Baier USHERS

- Dick Baker, Captain
- Dan Smith
- Terrill Burger
- Craig Jensen Jeff Jacobsen
- Dave LaFov
- Greg Baier
- Curtis Derry

COFFEE SERVERS

- 7- Barb Smith Diana Deist
- Jolene BurnsMary Ann Pomeroy
- 21- Sharon Frederiksen Lisa Frederiksen
- 28- Evangelism Committee

GREETERS

- 7- Don & Janice Andersen
- 14- Jason & Caylee Rokke
- 21- Lorri Thygesen McKenzey Thygesen
- 28- Rod & Tracy Hansen

JH SS ADULT

- 7- No JH SS class
- 14- Brad or Sara Slater
- 21- Volunteer needed (last day of JH SS until fall)



YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITES

7th-12th Grade Youth Group @ OLSC

OSLC Youth Group will be taking a break.
Watch Facebook/texts/bulletins for updated information!

Questions on The Rock youth events, contact Youth Group Leaders Nate Vorm (712-304-0548), Dan Bierbrodt (319-929-1290) or Jacob Sauers (712-304-4400)!

8th-12th Grade Fellowship of Christian Wheelers (FCW)

April 7th @ OSLC @ 6:00 p.m. (Meal served by OSLC/Devotion/Cross Net) April 21st @ Albert The Bull Park @ 6:00 p.m. (Meal/Devotion/Olympics)

Questions on FCW events, contact President Mason Steckler or the church office!

The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:2

UPPER ROOM/OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

Please pick up a copy of "Our Daily Bread" and also a copy of "The Upper Room" and compare and give staff your input if you like one better than the other.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDS!

Confirmation will be celebrated at OSLC on Sunday, April 28th. Congratulations and God's blessing to the following Confirmands:

Karli Burger Leyton Elmquist Halo Goetz Kodi Lansman Mason Kasperbauer Bryli Petersen Aiden Kjergaard Lucas Stroeher

MEALS ON WHEELS

OSLC is responsible for "Meals on Wheels" for the month of April!

Thank you to all who have signed up to deliver meals on wheels for the month of April!

Praise God, our list is complete!

Questions? Contact OSLC coordinators Shellie Madsen (563-4012) or Shelby Jensen (304-2833).

END OF YEAR KID'S CHOIR CELEBRATION!

The last day of Kid's Choir will be Wednesday, April 24th! Praise God for these young people who have came to OSLC weekly during the school year to grow in their faith! Questions on this ministry, talk to Kid's Choir Director Mary Jo Burger.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Upril	1	2 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study	3:45 pm Confirmation 3:45 pm Kid's Choir	4	5	6 8:00 am "Be A Light" Bible Study
\mathcal{J}	Ezekiel 6	Ezekiel 7	Ezekiel 8	Ezekiel 9	Ezekiel 10	Ezekiel 11
7 Second Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion- Installation of Intentional Interim Pastor Chris Townsend 10:15 am Coffee, Sunday School 10:30 am OSLC Choir, Adult Bible Study 11:15 am "BTC" Praise Band Practice 6:00 pm FCW (8th-12th grade) Cross net at OSLC 6:30 pm Bible Study @ Burger's	8 1:00 pm Quilting 5:30 pm Alzheimer's Support Group (AMVC Management Office)	9 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study	10:00 am Women at the Well Bible Study at Bakery on Broadway 12:00 pm Audubon Ministerial Meeting at the Bakery on Broadway 3:45 pm Confirmation 3:45 pm Kid's Choir	11 10:30 am Friendship Home Communion	12	13 8:00 am "Be A Light" Bible Study
Ezekiel 12	Ezekiel 13	Ezekiel 14	Ezekiel 15	Ezekiel 16	Ezekiel 17	Ezekiel 18
14 Third Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Worship with "BTC Praise Band" 10:15 am Coffee, Sunday School 10:30 am OSLC Choir, Adult Bible Study 11:15 Jr. Parent Planning Meeting 11:15 Education Committee Meeting	15 6:00 pm Building & Property Committee Meeting	16 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study	17 3:45 pm Kid's Choir 3:45 pm Confirmation (last day for 7th graders) 6:00 pm Church Council Meeting	18 Newsletter Deadline	19	20 8:00 am "Be A Light" Bible Study
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21 Fourth Sunday of Easter 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 FCW (8th-12th grade) Olympics at Albert the Bull Park 6:30 pm Bible Study @ Burger's	22 1:00 pm Quilting	23 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study	24 10:00 am Women @ the Well Bible Study @ Bakery on Broadway 3:45 pm Kid's Choir (last day celebration) 3:45 pm Confirmation (8th grade only)	25	26	27 8:00 am "Be A Light" Bible Study
Ezekiel 26	Ezekiel 27	Ezekiel 28	Ezekiel 29	Ezekiel 30	Ezekiel 31	Ezekiel 32
28 Fifth Sunday of Easter 9:00 am Worship-Confirmation Sunday 10:15 am Coffee, Sunday School 10:30 am OSLC Choir, Adult Bible Study 4:00 pm Friendship Home Vespers	29	30 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study				
Ezekiel 33	Ezekiel 34	Ezekiel 35				