

Welcome to Our Savior's!

Time after Pentecost ♦ August 12 and 13, 2017

Today and This Week at OSL

ENJOY FELLOWSHIP, a cup of coffee, and a sweet treat on Sunday mornings between worship services during the summer months. The Sunday breakfast and Wednesday supper schedules will resume this fall. Thank you for contributing to the freewill offering to help cover expenses.

This Sunday, Aug. 13, is the final check-out day for the OSL Library's "**BUILD A BETTER WORLD**" **SUMMER READING PROGRAM**. Kids (through high school) have been building their domino city by checking out books since June 4. Your check-out receipt will make you eligible for a \$5 weekly prize drawing. At the program's completion, the two youths who have read the most books and accrued the most domino city dots will receive a grand prize!

Due to a retirement, OSL is seeking a **PART-TIME CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADER** to plan and lead Celebrate worship. Requirements for the position include a commitment to Jesus Christ and the church, excellent vocal and instrumental musicianship, and effective leadership and communication skills. For more details, download a position description from oslchurch.com (visit <http://wp.me/p7kcCI-1hy>). To apply, send a letter of application to Gene LeVasseur, Director of Worship, glevasseur@oslchurch.com.

THE MARKET FOR HUNGER is back! Beginning on Aug. 13, produce will be available every Sunday, from 9:45 to 11:00 A.M., for a freewill donation, which will be used to fight hunger. Coffee will be for sale at that time, too. Produce is donated by local growers; if you have fresh garden produce to contribute, bring it to the Market for Hunger table in The Gathering Place on Sunday mornings.

Don't miss the season's final **OSL SUMMER BLAST**, this Wednesday, Aug. 16! The theme will be "Farmer's Market." Food will be served starting at 5:00 P.M., with fun and games at 5:30. A simple outdoor worship service will follow, at 6:30.

The summer's final **EMERGE YOUTH GROUP FIRE** will be on Wednesday, Aug. 16, at 7:15 P.M., at the OSL fire pit. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. Snacks will be provided!

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT OSL this summer:

8:45, Celebrate

10:00, Festive

10:30, Celebrate

Saturday evening Festive worship is at 5:00. The next monthly outdoor worship service will be on Sunday, Sept. 3, at 8:45 A.M., weather permitting. If weather *doesn't* permit, an attempt will be made on the following Sunday.

Connecting Faith to Everyday Life.

 **Calendar****Saturday, August 12**

5:00 pm Festive Worship - SA

Sunday, August 13

8:45 am Celebrate Worship - CC

10:00 am Festive Worship - SA

10:30 am Celebrate Worship - CC

Monday, August 14

7:00 pm Pickleball - Gym

Tuesday, August 15

9:00 am Staff Meeting - OCR

2:00 pm Hope for Living w/Illness or Cancer - FR

5:30 pm WELCA Board - FR

7:00 pm Celebrate Band - CC

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry - FR

Wednesday, August 16

7:00 am Conversation With God - Chapel

9:00 am Library Open - Library

9:30 am Friends of the Library - Room 103

5:00 pm Summer Blast - S Entrance

6:00 pm Recovery Advocates Meeting - CM

6:00 pm Woodshop Ministry - Shop

7:00 pm Youth Group Fire - Off Site

7:10 pm Movie: *The Shack* - HolyWord Theater

Thursday, August 17

10:00 am Good Grief Group - FR

10:00 am Preschool Storytime - Library

11:30 am Stephen Ministry - Classroom 009

12:00 pm Board of Finance - OCR

4:30 pm OSL Foundation - OCR

5:30 pm Executive Committee - OCR

Friday, August 18

9:00 am Friends of the Library - Room 103

Saturday, August 19

8:00 am Woodshop Ministry - Shop

10:00 am Memory Care Support Group - Chapel

5:00 pm Festive Worship - SA

Sunday, August 20

8:45 am Celebrate Worship - CC

10:00 am Festive Worship - SA

10:30 am Celebrate Worship - CC

5:30 pm ELCA Youth Gathering Meeting - YR

 **Community**

OSL'S ORGAN RECITAL SERIES returns in August. Recitals will be held on Wednesdays, from 12:15 to 12:45 P.M., followed by a light lunch. Here is the schedule: Aug. 23: Jared Ostermann, St. Joseph Cathedral; Aug. 30: Andrew Paulson, Grace Lutheran, Fairmont, Minn.; Sept. 6: Kyle Quanbeck, Peace Lutheran; Sept. 13: Marilyn Schempp, Our Savior's Lutheran; Sept. 20: Ken Mannes, Salem-Zion Menno-nite Church, Freeman.

Are you the parent of a two-year-old? Then you're invited to the **WELCOME TO CHURCH MILESTONE**, on Aug. 20, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. After a light lunch, the group will move through the building, taking pictures of your child at meaningful places, which will be made into a forever book for you to read to your child in the years to come. To register, contact Melissa Nesdahl, 336-2942, ext. 17, or mnesdahl@oslchurch.com.

OSL'S HOPE FOR LIVING WITH ILLNESS OR CANCER GROUP (formerly Chronic Illness Support Group) meets on Tuesdays, from 2:00 to 3:00 P.M., in the Friendship Room.

CITY FEST is a celebration of the season of service that has been Serve Sioux Falls, a 60-day citywide service campaign by area churches this summer. City Fest will be held at Sioux Falls Canaries Stadium on Saturday, Aug. 26, and will include a main stage with local and multicultural speakers, and Christian music artists Jeremy Camp and The Newsboys. The event is free, but attendees must have a ticket. Pick up your free tickets on Sunday morning at the Information Center, or in the Church Office during the week.

THE WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT is coming up, on Sept. 22 and 23, at Joy Ranch, near Watertown. The weekend will focus on "Mindfulness and Your Faith," with Pr. Cindy Hoy as facilitator. Cindy is the director of Spiritual Care at Sanford. Music will be provided by Toni LeVasseur. Register at oslchurch.com/events.



Community

HAILEY MOLLNER won the ninth week's drawing in the OSL Library's Summer Reading Program. Congratulations, Hailey! You may pick up your prize in the Library.

BEYOND ADDICTION BOOK STUDY GROUP will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 16, in the Caring Ministries area, from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M., to discuss chapter 8, "Goals (and Problems)." *Beyond Addiction* rejects the drama of interventions and tough love in favor of kindness, positive reinforcement, and motivational and behavioral strategies to help their loved ones move beyond addiction.

Worship services this September will feature a **THREE-WEEK MINISERIES** focusing on key themes from the movie *The Shack*. Prepare for the series by attending one of these movie showings, in the HolyWord Theater: Wednesday, Aug. 16, following Summer Blast worship (approximately 7:10 P.M.), Saturday, Sept. 9, at 2:30 P.M., Sunday, Sept. 10, at 12:30 P.M. (pizza and salad lunch will be served for those who RSVP to the OSL Library by noon on Thursday, Sept. 7), or Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 6:00 P.M. Popcorn will be provided at all showings.

STUDENTS AND TEACHERS: Bring your backpack with you to any worship service on Aug. 27 to receive a backpack blessing and small gift from OSL as you prepare for a new school year.



Service

SERVE SIOUX FALLS: All OSL members and friends are encouraged to sign up to be part of a 60-day citywide service campaign this summer to help transform our city with God's Spirit of love and mercy. Visit servesiouxfalls.com for more information and to sign up. When you sign up, notify the Church Office and your service project will be shared on this list:

Service Project

VOA, Dakotas: Records Storage Relocation – Part 2
Faith Temple Food Giveaway (Completed 7/29)
Laundry of Love (Completed 7/15)

Parents of children through age three are invited to the **NOAH'S ARK PARTY OPEN HOUSE** on Sunday, Aug. 27, from 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. You'll be introduced to the parent/child Frolic room and experience the Noah's Ark story stations to see how this weekly hour together will empower you to infuse faith into everyday play. Plan to be there at 9:30, 9:45, or 10:15 for a brief presentation. A small snack will be served.

EMERGE YOUTH GROUP ORIENTATION for ninth graders and their parents or caring adults will be on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 7:00 P.M., in the Youth Room. You will receive information about your upcoming Affirmation of Baptism service and other events and expectations around this milestone, get a taste of what Youth Group is like, and have the chance to ask questions.

THE 2018 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING will be June 26 through July 2 in Houston, Tex., for youth in grades 8 through 12 in the 2017–2018 school year. An interest meeting for OSL students and parents is coming up on Sunday, Aug. 20, at 5:30 P.M., in the Youth Room. Dinner will be provided.

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION for sixth graders and their parents or caring adults will be on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:00 P.M., in Fellowship Hall. You will receive information about the program, expectations for participation, and opportunities to serve and lead, and you will have the chance to ask questions.

Project Leader

Pr. Randy Gehring
Melissa Nesdahl
Deb Merxbauer

Number of Service Ministers

6–8
Up to 60
15



Service

Join Pr. Sami at the **SAMARITAN'S FEET: BACK TO SCHOOL** event on Aug. 19, from 8:00 A.M. to noon, at Wesley United Methodist Church, 1700 E. 6th St. OSL volunteers will be part of greeting, washing feet, and giving new shoes to over 700 area students who otherwise would not have them. Sign up for this family-friendly project via oslchurch.com/events, or contact Pr. Sami, sjohnson@oslchurch.com. Also, you may donate new tennis shoes by Aug. 14 (toddler 10–13, children's 1–4, or adults 5–8) in the bin outside Caring Ministries on Sundays, or in the Church Office during the week.

FOOD TO YOU MOBILE FOOD PANTRY distribution will be on Aug. 17 at Augustana Lutheran, 235 N. Prairie Ave. Sign up at the Information Center to assist with set-up and distribution of food. Middle- and high-school volunteers are welcome!

OSL YOUTH AND FAMILIES are invited to serve at Lunch Is Served on Monday, Aug. 21, from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. Meet at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1600 E. 12th St.; we'll end the evening with an ice cream social. To sign up, email Elise, ehasche@oslchurch.com, or use the link at oslchurch.com/youth.

The **MEALS ON WHEELS** fall schedule is being compiled. New drivers are always welcome—you choose the days that fit your schedule; training is provided. To help with this community service, call Sandy Garnas, 338-5440.

Can you help **HOST A SEMINARY STUDENT** from Cameroon? A 38-year-old woman from Cameroon is hoping to train in marriage and family counseling at Sioux Falls Seminary, if she can find room and board. The idea is to find six hosts, each to help for four months. Hosts' homes should be within walking distance of the seminary or near a bus route. Contact Cathy Larson, 335-0483.



Generosity

OSL MINISTRY PLAN UPDATE

Our ministry of proclaiming Christ and nurturing faith that connects to everyday life is made possible through the generosity of OS� members and friends. Thank you for your ongoing support through your gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

Projected Contributions YTD	\$1,134,227
Contributions Received YTD	\$1,081,745
Ahead/(Behind)	(\$ 52,482)

Though our offering income continues to run a little behind our year-to-date projections, our expenses are also less than budgeted.

YTD Budgeted Expenses (6/30).....	\$1,096,635
YTD Actual Expenses (6/30).....	\$ 969,109
Ahead/(Behind) Budget.....	\$ 127,526

May God continue to bless this ministry that we share, the lives that are touched, and all of the ways that each of us contribute—to the glory of God.

BIG SOO COUPON BOOKS are available at the Youth Information Table on Sundays (or in the Church Office during the week). Books are \$40 each, with \$10 of each sale going toward next summer's youth trips!

SIGN UP TODAY for First Fruits giving! Nearly 300 families make electronic contributions to OS� through First Fruits—even when they're out of town! It cultivates consistent giving, predictable cash flow for better planning, and secure, easy cash maintenance. Forms are available at the Information Center and from the Church Office. Call Barb Haugan, 336-2942, ext. 23, with questions.

HY-VEE AND FAREWAY CARDS will be on sale this Sunday, from 9:30 to 10:30 A.M., in The Gathering Place. Check out all the scrip cards you can order as well. Order this Sunday, pick them up next Sunday! Sales support OS� Youth summer trips.

OSL Night at Wild Water West

*Serve the Community While
Building Community with OSL Friends!*

Tuesday, August 15 ♦ 4:00 to 8:00 P.M.



Get \$5 admission (per person) if you bring one of these sets of new school supplies:
5 single subject notebooks; 5 folders; 2 boxes of crayons (24 count); 2 boxes of markers (classic colors only);
2 packages of dry erase markers; 2 pairs of pointed 7-inch scissors; 2 bottles of glue; 2 boxes of Kleenex; 2 packages
of pencils; 2 packages of colored pencils; 2 packages of pens; 3 erasers; 2 rulers; 2 packages of wide-ruled loose-leaf
paper; art box; calculator; 3-ring 2-inch binder; *or* a backpack.

Wild Water West offers these Terrific Tuesdays Back to School promotions to benefit The Banquet's Project S.O.S. This is a great way to have fun, help local schoolkids, and benefit a ministry that OSL already supports!

Don't look for a special OSL tent or gathering place—just come and go on your schedule, and look for familiar faces around the waterpark!