



OUR SAVIOR'S  
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# The *intercom* In Church and Community

The Monthly Newsletter of Our Savior's Lutheran Church

## From the Senior Pastor Walking Wet



During Lent this year, we are reflecting on what it means to pursue the heart of Jesus. Last month in this space, I described it as unashamedly throwing yourself into an experience of greater intimacy

with Jesus, basing my comments on Mark Allan Powell's book *Loving Jesus*.

This month I want to continue to focus on Powell's thoughts as they relate to spiritual growth because that's what this whole Lenten journey is about—and not just Lent, mind you, but all of life for the follower of Jesus!

Here is an excerpt from the chapter "Baptism and Death":

So what happens between baptism and death? That is the era for what we call "spiritual growth," a time for laying claim to all that God offers us while also recognizing what is not currently on the table. As I have indicated, being in a relationship with God through Jesus Christ does not depend upon our own pitiful attempts at self-improvement. This is the first, and probably the most important, truth of the gospel. When we are baptized, most of the things that would prevent us from being close to God are removed, including the effects of our own sins and inadequacies. We do not have to become better people in order to be close to God and to have rich spiritual lives. Still, spiritual growth is possible, and people

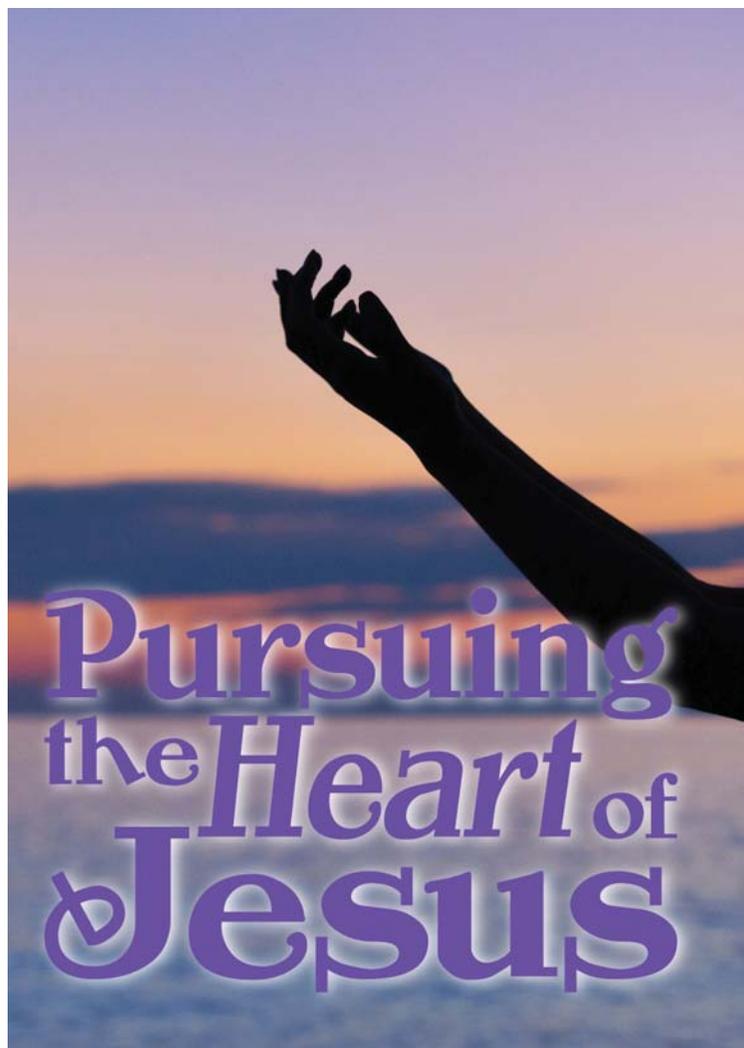
who are close to God and who have rich spiritual lives can, in fact, become better people.

I mentioned above that sin need not separate us from God, because our sins have already been forgiven. The baptized are washed clean of sin and are able to experience spiritual intimacy with God as people who have been "justified by faith" and who "have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 5:1). But that's not all! In baptism God also gives us the power to overcome sin, to improve our behavior, and to become better people. Theologians debate whether it is hypothetically possible for mere humans to progress to a point of perfection (when they no longer sin at all), but we will not bother too much with that question (since it is pretty much hypothetical, anyway). What is certain is that people who confess their sins, repent of their sins, and strive to live better lives can expect to make some progress in that regard. Both the effects of sin and the power of sin are broken

at baptism, and we can experience now the practical benefits of a new life that has already begun.

Not everything changes. We still have mortal bodies, we live in a finite world, and evil still exists. It is not realistic to expect those

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# Memorials and Honoraria January 2018

In Memory of Tom Fuzzey  
Kenneth Iseminger

In Memory of Joan Hilmoe  
Barb Jensen

In Memory of Laura Lee Keller  
Kimberly A. Byram  
Kristen Rohde

In Honor of Rosalie Ryan's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Floyd and Carol Prouty  
Don and Coryll Weeg

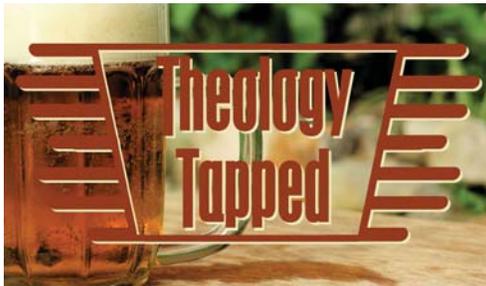
## Baptisms

January 28, 2018

Elin Corrine Johnson, the daughter of Allan and Sarah Johnson.

February 11, 2018

Walter Woodrow Hentges, the son of Bryan and Meagan Hentges.  
Oliver Ryan Capouch, the son of Ryan and Erin Capouch.



## Theology Tapped

If you're looking for engaging conversation on matters of faith and life in a fun, informal setting, join Pr. Randy for Theology Tapped on Thursday, March 22, from 8:00 to 9:30 P.M., at Monk's House of Ale Repute, 420 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St.



## Visit OSL Online

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things to change. It is realistic, however, to expect growth in ways that do not ignore these realities of the human condition. We can grow morally, improving our conduct in accord with God's laws. And we can grow psychologically or emotionally: We can achieve victory over guilt or shame or pride or low self-esteem. We can become healthier people. We not only can, but we should, and we not only should but we almost certainly will, for in our baptism God has already removed every impediment to such growth. We act on God's grace, realizing the implications of our baptism and living in accord with the promise and power of God. [Martin] Luther called this "walking wet."

We can get in trouble spiritually by denying either the validity of our baptism or the necessity of our death. Sometimes, we fail to recognize what God has done for us and allow our spiritual lives to be derailed by problems for which God has already provided the solution. At other times, we harbor unrealistic expectations, imagining that if we grow spiritually we will rise above problems that are in fact unavoidable for mortal beings who live in this world. As spiritual pilgrims seeking to love Jesus in this complicated world, we require faith to let go of every hindrance God has removed in baptism, strength to deal appropriately with those problems that will be with us till death, and discernment regarding which are which. (pp. 97-99)

Powell ends this particular chapter by citing the Serenity Prayer, which has been attributed to Reinhold Niebuhr:

*God, grant me the serenity  
to accept the things I cannot change,  
courage to change the things I can,  
and the wisdom to know the difference.  
Living one day at a time,  
enjoying one moment at a time,  
accepting hardship as the pathway to  
peace;  
taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is,  
not as I would have it;  
trusting that He will make all things right  
if I surrender to His will;  
that I may be reasonably happy in this  
life,  
and supremely happy with Him forever  
in the next.*

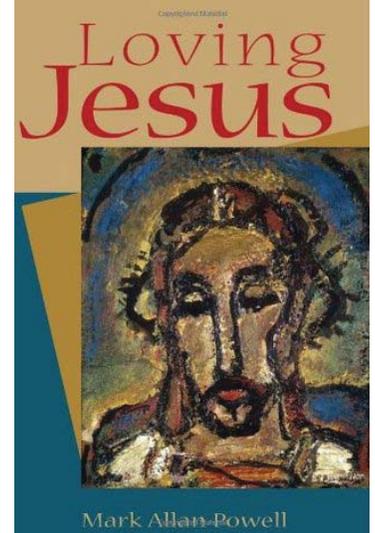
Spiritual growth. Pursuing the heart of Jesus. If these things strike a chord within you, perhaps you would be interested in talking about them further. Several opportunities where this is happening are available during this Lenten season at OSL:

- Midweek worship on Wednesdays at 12:00 and 6:40 P.M.;
- Weekend worship on Saturday (5:30 P.M.) and Sunday (8:45 and 11:00 A.M.);
- Connecting Faith and Life, an adult study group that meets on Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. in the conference room; the book by Powell, *Loving Jesus*, is currently being discussed;
- Theology Tapped, an informal discussion group that meets monthly at Monk's House of Ale Repute.

Be a part of the conversation. Together let's explore where a closer walk with Jesus might take us.

In Christ's love,

Pr. Randy Gehring



## Connecting Faith and Life

This adult discussion and study group, facilitated by Pr. Randy, is studying the book *Loving Jesus* by Mark Allan Powell. All are welcome to join in this exploration of how simple religious practices can move us toward a closer walk with Jesus, on Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. in the conference room. A \$15 donation will help cover the cost of the book, which is available in the Church Office or at the Information Center. All are welcome.

## Challenge Met!

Have you ever wondered what 1,200 rolls of toilet paper would look like? Of course not—that would be ridiculous! Nevertheless, here's a picture of what *more than* 1,200 rolls of toilet paper look like, thanks to the exceptional generosity of you and your OSL friends.



Why, you ask? Because OSL was challenged to donate 1,000 rolls of toilet paper for February's Necessities for Neighbors distribution, Peace Lutheran's local outreach program designed to help neighbors with certain basic necessities that they cannot buy with SNAP (formerly Food Stamps). On the first Sunday of each month, the program distributes toilet paper, laundry detergent, feminine hygiene products, and diapers to over 300 local families.

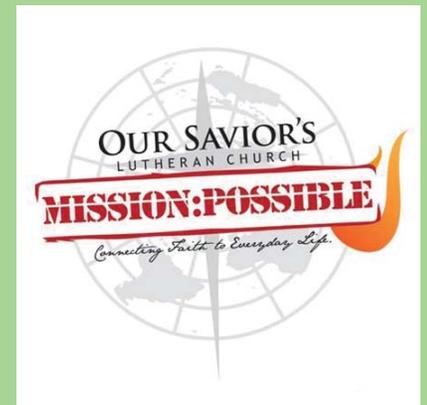
OSL members often help with the monthly Necessities for Neighbors distribution. To find out how you can help, contact Pr. Justin Kosec, [jkosec@oslchurch.com](mailto:jkosec@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 44. And thank you for your support of neighbors across the community!

## Don't Forget! Chili Cook-Off and Cupcake Walk March 4

Everyone had so much fun last year at the first OSL Chili Cook-Off that it's coming around again: Sunday, March 4, in The Gathering Place, immediately after the 11:00 A.M. worship services.

Whip up your best recipe and enter it for judging, or just bring in a pot of your finest to share for lunch (chicken noodle soup will be available, too). Tasting for judging will be from 12:00 to 1:00 P.M. Cupcake donations will be appreciated!

Contact Loretta Nelson, [lnelson@oslchurch.com](mailto:lnelson@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 14. The Cook-Off and Cupcake Walk is a fundraiser for Mission: Possible Phase II.



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## Multiple Meanings: Learning from Other Interpretations (Session Three): The Good Samaritan by Tami Skorzewski

**From Mark Allen Powell:** “For the next two studies, we will look at two of the best-known stories in the Bible (the parables of the Good

Samaritan and the Prodigal Son). I will share some examples of how

those stories have impacted culture, including cultures different from our own.”

Women of the ELCA 

**Bible Study.** Session three: The Good Samaritan. (Luke 10:30–37). The “living word” of Scripture speaks to us all in unique, profound and meaningful ways—and that’s a good thing. (Source: gathermagazine.org.)

## What Is WELCA?

**Our Purpose:** As a community of women, created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

**Membership:** All women of Our Savior’s are welcome to be part of Women of the ELCA (WELCA). No membership application required.

### What We Do:

- **Bible Study.** We currently have 11 circles that meet monthly at various times. See the OSL bulletin for dates and times. Resource: *Gather*, the magazine of WELCA (gathermagazine.org).
- **Experience the Joy of Giving.** We annually support a variety of charitable organizations *and* have a different unit-wide mission project each year that we support with different fundraisers. This year’s Unit Mission Project is “Kids Are God’s Gift.” This will include projects to support local children and their families with not only physical needs but also with emotional and spiritual support.
- **Community Building and Fellowship.** Through three luncheons each year, we gather together to give thanks and support OSL’s Community of Women. Our first luncheon of the year will be the annual Mother/Daughter Luncheon on Saturday, May 5, at 11:00 A.M., in The Gathering Place. The program will be “Love Makes the Journey Great,” with Dee Dee Rapp. Watch for additional details in the bulletins and upcoming issues of *The Intercom*.

“As individuals, we are strong. Together with God, we are unstoppable.”  
—Rosemary M. Wixom

## Seasons of Life by Erin Kaiser

“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:1

There is a season for every part of life. Whether it be for good or bad, each space of life is a season that can be looked back upon for growth.



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MINISTRY

As we walk through this season of Lent, we reflect on who we are: creatures of the Creator. We are

creatures who, at some point in our lives, have been broken by things that have happened to us. Whether it is a death, empty nest, an unpleasant diagnosis, hospitalization, job loss, or anything that has caused an upheaval, life is not what it used to be.

Going through these struggles is not easy, nor are we called to do this alone. Stephen Ministers are trained to listen, have empathy, and console the hurting. We are here during the roller coaster of life, the ups and downs of the situation.

Are you in need of a Stephen Minister? Do you know someone who might be? Contact Pr. Tim Lemme (tlemme@oslchurch.com or 336-2942, ext. 19), Deb Harlan (dharlan@oslchurch.com or 336-2942, ext. 48), or Michelle Anderson (mianderson@oslchurch.com or 336-2942, ext. 28).

“No one should hurt alone. That’s why we have Stephen Ministry.”



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# Health Ministries

Our Savior's has a number of ongoing health ministries that meet on a weekly or monthly basis. Feel free to join any of the following sessions. For more information, contact Michelle Anderson, Faith Community Nurse, 336-2942, ext. 48, or [mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com).

## Footcare Clinic

Cost is \$25 per person. Wednesday, March 7, 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Call the Church Office, 336-2942, to schedule your appointment.

## Hope for Living with Illness or Cancer

Every Tuesday at 2:00 P.M. in the Friendship Room. People and their families who have or are experiencing the challenge of cancer are welcome. If you cannot attend, but would like to be on our prayer and devotional mailing list, contact Michelle Anderson, 336-2942, ext. 48, or [mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com).

## Knitting/Crocheting Ministry

Learn how to knit or crochet prayer shawls (to be given to people to remind them of God's presence and love in their lives) and mittens and scarves (for missions). Wednesday, March 14 and 28, 9:30 A.M., Sunshine Room.  
2nd Saturday Knitters, March 10, 9:30 A.M., Sunshine Room.

## Good Grief

Every Thursday at 10:00 A.M. in Room 103. This group is for anyone dealing with loss and crisis in life.

## Memory Care Support Group

Saturdays, 10:00 to 11:00 A.M., Conference Room. For caregivers of those with Alzheimer's and dementia, a place to share and to receive understanding and empathy. Contact Caring Ministries, 336-2942, for information.

## Pickleball

OSL-sponsored Pickleball: Mondays, 8:00 A.M. to noon and 5:00 to 9:00 P.M.; Tuesdays, 8:00 A.M. to noon; Wednesdays and Fridays, 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.; Thursdays, 1:00 to 5:00 P.M.

# Caring Ministries

## Life-Changing, Life-Giving by Sue Aderhold

My journey on the road of heart disease began on November 22, 2016. It was unexpected. It was life-changing. It was miraculous. I have no memory of how it began.

I collapsed in the Lincoln High School parking lot after attending two granddaughters' music concert. I had what is called Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA). When I now read the definition of and information about SCA, I am humbled and grateful for my survival.

Key to my survival was medical attention given to me within two or three minutes of my collapse. My life was saved by first responders, one of whom was my daughter Heather. She and Jason, a nursing colleague of hers, gave me CPR until an ambulance arrived. The experience of the EMTs in the ambulance in delivering life-saving measures helped insure a better chance of my survival. Again, the initial/timely response to SCA is crucial to survival.

Since my event, I have taken a CPR course to re-educate myself on how to deliver CPR and learn how to use an AED device, which is a portable defibrillator. Anyone can deliver CPR—and it needs to start being delivered as soon after collapse as possible—which should continue till an AED is available or EMTs arrive. (Or until the person who collapsed asks you to stop!)

As I retell my story, I give thanks for the angels who saved my life, especially Heather and Jason. My bond with those two is deep and forever. I give thanks for life and those who knew how to give me CPR and start my heart beating again. I give thanks for wonderful and life-saving medical care. I give thanks for a loving family, especially my devoted husband, Fred. I give thanks for friends and all the prayers said by so many that gave hope and strength and life. Our God is a faithful and loving God—praise be to God!



Sue Aderhold, near one of OSL's AED units.

## AEDs at OSL

Currently there are two automated external defibrillator (AED) units at OSL. One is located on the main floor, between the OSL Library and the Sanctuary narthex; the other is on the lower level, in the hallway across from the Gym. They are designed to talk non-medical users through the process in case of emergency.

Our Savior's offers CPR/AED/First Aid training in the fall for anyone—member, nonmember, staff, etc.—who is interested. Contact Michelle Anderson, 336-2942, ext. 48, or [mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com), for more information.

## Start the Conversation

A two-part discussion of various topics related to family processes and aging will begin on Sunday, March 11, with "Start the Conversation: Anticipating Future Family Transitions." Staff from Good Samaritan will bring a panel to Fellowship Hall, from 10:00 to 10:45 A.M., to lead the discussion.

The second part of the discussion, "Start the Conversation: Advanced Care Planning, or Making Medical Decisions" will take place on Sunday, April 22, from 10:00 to 10:45 A.M., in Fellowship Hall. Staff from Avera and Sanford will present an informal panel discussion on how to prepare advanced directives (for anyone 18 years of age and older).

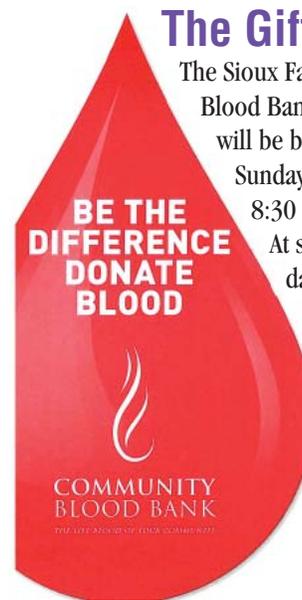
For more information about these sessions, contact Michelle Anderson, [mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 28.

## Recent Loss Group

The current Recent Loss Group series meets on Wednesdays through March 21, at 5:30 P.M., in the Chapel. Members may partake of OSL Community Supper before the meetings, at 5:00 in The Gathering Place. Also, members of the group are invited and encouraged to attend the Lenten Healing Service on March 27. Register with Michelle Anderson, [mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 28.

## Wellness Wednesdays

Something new from Caring Ministries, Wellness Wednesdays will begin on April 11 and run through May 2, from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M., in Caring Ministries. The series, which is sponsored by Thrivent, will use Church Health "Model Moments" study guides to encourage one another in our individual wellness efforts. Register with Michelle Anderson, RN, Faith Community Nurse, 336-2942, ext. 28, or [mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com).



### The Gift of Life!

The Sioux Falls Community Blood Bank Blood Mobile will be back at OSL on Sunday, April 8, from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. At some point on that date OSL will hit its 1000<sup>th</sup> donation milestone, and you can help make that happen and help save lives to boot! Watch for sign-up details soon.

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

A guided tour of Calvary Episcopal Cathedral, one of the oldest and most beautiful buildings in Sioux Falls, is on tap for the March Friendship Club gathering. Meet at OSL on March 20 at 10:15 A.M., a bit earlier than usual; the group will leave at 10:30 sharp, carpooling to the Cathedral. Lunch at OSL will follow the tour, at noon in The Gathering Place. Bring a friend and come enjoy this mid-winter outing! For more information contact Pr. Tim Lemme, 336-2942 or [tlemme@oslchurch.com](mailto:tlemme@oslchurch.com).

## Volunteer Opportunity: Project CAR

One of the ways OSL reaches out to people is through the ministry of Project CAR. This transportation ministry, which is based at First Lutheran Church and supported by various local congregations, provides rides to OSL members throughout the week to things such as doctor's appointments, dentist and eye exams, prescription pick-ups, and church-related events. On weekends, Project CAR provides rides specifically to church services and events.

Currently, Project CAR has openings for drivers on Sunday mornings. They have their own fleet of cars to drive, plus their own insurance and complete training and support for volunteers. If you'd like to volunteer part of your Sunday mornings to give rides to those in need, contact Pr. Tim Lemme ([tlemme@oslchurch.com](mailto:tlemme@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 19), Deb Harlan ([deharlan@oslchurch.com](mailto:deharlan@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 48), or Michelle Anderson ([mianderson@oslchurch.com](mailto:mianderson@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 28).

Thank you for considering being part of this wonderful transportation ministry!

## Men of God

OSL's Men's Bible Breakfast and Lutheran Men in Mission group meets on the first and third Saturday of each month at 8:30 A.M. in the Conference Room. A continental breakfast is provided by members at each gathering. Men of all ages are invited to attend this one-hour Bible study when it meets on March 3 and March 17. For more details, contact Pr. Tim Lemme, [tlemme@oslchurch.com](mailto:tlemme@oslchurch.com) or 336-2942, ext. 19.



# Healing Service

March 27, 6:30 P.M.  
OSL Chapel

For anyone who has experienced any type of loss.

Prayer shawls and a blessing will be given to those who come forward for individual prayer and anointing.

"O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me." Psalm 30:2

# LifeGroups

## A LifeGroup Moment: Friendship

Pr. Randy received email following a LifeGroup observation activity last month. The sender reported that one of her group members opened his Bible, *Manual: The Bible for Men* (Zondervan, 2009), “so it didn’t appear we were staring at the passersby,” and happened to land in Matthew 9, where the Pharisees criticize Jesus for eating with tax collectors and sinners (Matthew 9:9–13).

That passage from Matthew is accompanied by a sidebar observation in *Manual: The Bible for Men*:

### at:issue: friendship expanding your circle

Take a good look at your circle of friends and acquaintances—the people with whom you spend the majority of your time. How diverse is the group? Are most of them roughly the same age as you? Same social class? Do most of them share your spiritual beliefs?

It’s certainly not wrong to gravitate toward people who are similar to you. However, recognize that Jesus modeled a more adventurous style of relationship building. He made



a point of crossing social, economic and racial boundaries every chance he got. Why not make it a point this week try to follow his example?

Food for thought!

## OSLC Foundation

### Foundation Notes

Have you heard the good story about the Our Savior’s Lutheran Church Foundation lately? You know, the one about the OSL member who provided for the Foundation in their estate plan in 1978—yes, the gift that was made 40 years ago. You know, the gift that keeps on giving? Yes, that’s the one! A gift that was made as a result of members who were nurtured for years by participating in the core values of this congregation.

Back then OSL didn’t have an “official” set of core values like we do today, but obviously generosity was a component of the gift. Community most certainly was an ingredient as well—just think of all the good things that have come to this congregation in part from that gift of long ago.

Since that purposeful event in 1978, many other gifts have been added,

resulting in an endowment that has grown to now exceed \$2.7 million dollars! The spending policy, established and monitored by the OSLC Foundation’s board, now supports the mission of Our Savior’s to the tune of \$100,000 a year! Wow!

This is made possible by you, the members of the OSL congregation. You support the ongoing mission of Our Savior’s with your annual gifts. You have built and maintain this excellent facility. And to top it off, you have made provisions in your planning for the ongoing support of both areas.

If you haven’t yet made long-term provisions, I am able to work with you through this process. You may reach me, Jon Oien, by leaving a message at the Church Office or by emailing [joien@sio.midco.net](mailto:joien@sio.midco.net). Let me hear from you—we can get together, share a few more good OSL stories, and create some new ones!



## Faith Formation Notes

The Preschool Walk with Jesus milestone will be on March 11. Students and their parents will attend Family Time with Pr. Sami at 10:00 A.M. in the Friendship Room, in lieu of Sunday School. The milestone will be celebrated with a video during Kidtalk at all worship services.

All rotation students will sing at the 8:45 Celebrate worship service on March 11. Please show your child where you are sitting and then bring him or her to the Labyrinth Room for to warm up. Sunday School leaders will bring the children up to sing, after which they may sit with you for the rest of worship.

Rotation students through fifth grade will be waving branches in the 8:45 Celebrate and 11:00 Festive worship services' Palm Sunday processions, on March 25.

Fifth graders and their families will celebrate the Holy Communion milestone during Holy Week. Here's how that week is shaping up:

- Augie Fun Night will be on March 23 from 6:00 to 10:00 P.M.
- Holy Communion instruction will be on March 24 from 10:00 A.M. to noon in the Youth Room, with parents present from 11:30 till noon.
- The Agape Meal will be on Wednesday, March 28, from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M., in The Gathering Place (please invite family and baptismal sponsors).
- The Holy Communion milestone will take place during the Maundy Thursday worship service on March 29.

## An Easy Way to Support OSL Youth Ministry

When you purchase gift cards at the OSL Youth Ministry table on Sunday mornings, for yourself or to give to others, you support youth programs while receiving full value for your purchase—the amount rebated to Youth Ministry comes from the retailer!

Hy-Vee and Fareway cards are available for purchase on Sunday mornings; cards from many other stores (Barnes and Noble, Best Buy, Kohl's, Bed Bath & Beyond, etc.) are available to order, at the Youth Ministry table or in the Church Office. Cards ordered by 2:00 P.M. on Monday will be available for pick-up on Thursday. Check out the Youth Ministry table in The Gathering Place for details.

## Youth Notes

The Silent Auction, which is the fundraiser to support the 36 students going on mission trips and to the ELCA Youth Gathering, will end on March 4. Don't miss your chance to bid on the many items that have been generously donated to the auction! In addition, your breakfast ticket on March 4 will go to support OSL youth.

Questions about OSL Youth Ministry? Contact me, Pr. Sami Johnson, 336-2942, ext. 12, or [sjohnson@oslchurch.com](mailto:sjohnson@oslchurch.com).

## Youth Groups at OSL

OSL offers two youth groups: MSYG for middle-school students and Emerge for high-school students. Youth group is meant to be a safe place for students to meet, ask questions, have some snacks or donuts, play games, and get to know other students at OSL.

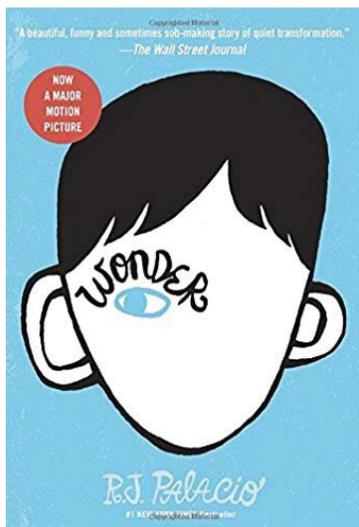
MSYG meets on Sunday mornings, from 10:00 to 10:50, with Trish Syverson.

Emerge gathers on Wednesday nights, from 7:00 to 8:30, with Pr. Sami.

Don't forget: if you are going on a summer trip, you earn \$5 toward your fundraising goal each time you come to youth group!

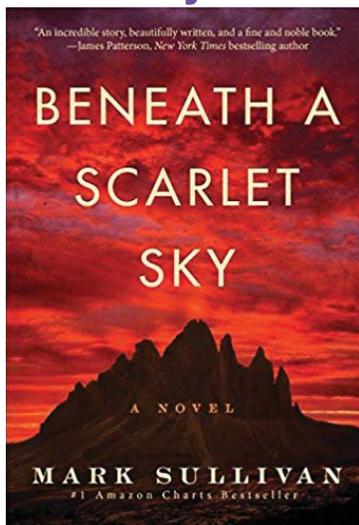


## Winter One Church One Read Selection



To help make adults aware of some of the outstanding junior novels available, and to encourage families to discuss junior titles, the OSL Library Committee has selected *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio as its intergenerational Winter One Church One Read title. Twelve books and two picture books are available for checkout from the Library. The book discussion is scheduled for March 18, at 10:00 A.M., in the Conference Room.

## Monthly Book Club for Adults



The Book Club for Adults meets at 7:00 P.M. on the fourth Thursday of each month in the OSL Library to discuss that month's novel. The March 22 selection will be *Beneath a Scarlet Sky* by Mark Sullivan.

Pino Lella wants nothing to do with the war or the Nazis. He's a normal Italian teenager—obsessed with music, food, and girls—but his days of innocence are numbered. When his family home in Milan is destroyed by Allied bombs, Pino joins an underground railroad helping Jews escape over the Alps

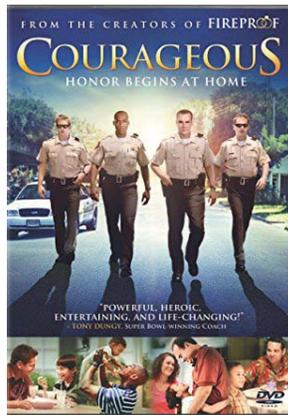
and falls for Anna, a beautiful widow six years his senior.

In an attempt to protect him, Pino's parents force him to enlist as a German soldier—a move they think will keep him out of combat. After Pino is injured, he is recruited at the tender age of 18 to become the personal driver for Adolf Hitler's left hand in Italy, General Hans Leyers, one of the Third Reich's most mysterious and powerful commanders.

Now, with the opportunity to spy for the Allies inside the German High Command, Pino endures the horrors of the war and the Nazi occupation by fighting in secret, his courage bolstered by his love for Anna and for the life he dreams they will one day share.

Join this exciting community of readers! A list of the 2018 selections is available in the OSL Library.

## Second Saturday Movie



*Courageous* will be the Second Saturday Movie, on March 10 at 2:30 P.M. in the Holy Word Theatre.

As law enforcement officers, Adam Mitchell, Nathan Hayes, and their partners are confident and focused. While they consistently give their best on the job, “good enough” seems to be all they can muster as dads. They know that God desires to turn the hearts of fathers to their children, but their children are beginning to drift further and further away from

them. Will they be able to find a way to serve and protect those that are most dear to them?

When tragedy hits home, these men are left wrestling with their hopes, their fears, their faith, and their fathering. Can a newfound urgency help these dads draw closer to God and to their children?

Make a day of it with the movie, followed by worship at 5:00 and dinner afterward!

## All Finished!

Thanks to patrons for checking out over 3,900 items from the OSL Library between September 10 and February 7 to complete the intergenerational reading program mosaic, which revealed one of God's many blessings—peace.



## Eggs-on-the-Shelf Lent and Easter Activity

To help keep God's grace at the heart of the Lenten season, each Sunday and Wednesday through April 1, patrons who check out items and find one of the 12 Resurrection Eggs hidden among the shelves in the Library will receive a prize after they explain the way the picture of the item inside relates to the Easter story.

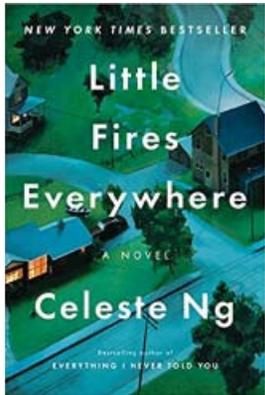


## Lent and Easter Displays

Enrich your Lenten journey with seasonal books, movies, and music from the Library. To make your selection easy, a large array of items is on display for children, youth, and adults.

## New for Adults

***Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng** is a riveting novel that traces the intertwined fates of the picture-perfect Richardson family and the puzzling mother and daughter who upend their lives.



In Shaker Heights, a placid, progressive suburb of Cleveland,

everything is planned—from the layout of the winding roads, to the colors of the houses, to the successful lives its residents will go on to lead. No one embodies this spirit more than Elena Richardson, whose guiding principle is playing by the rules.

Enter Mia Warren—a mysterious artist and single mother—who arrives in this tranquil bubble with her teenaged daughter, Pearl, and rents a house from the Richardsons. Mia carries with her a mysterious past and a disregard for the status quo that threatens to upend this carefully ordered community.

When old family friends of the Richardsons attempt to adopt a Chinese-American baby, a custody battle erupts that dramatically divides the town and puts Mia and Elena on opposing sides. Suspicious of Mia and her motives, Elena is determined to uncover the secrets in Mia's

past, but her obsession will come at unexpected and devastating costs.

### Additional New Titles for Adults

- *The Two Marias* by Jonathan Kis-Lev
- *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman
- *Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth* by Reza Aslan

## New for Middle- and High-School Youth

***Just Like Jackie* by Lindsey Stoddard.** For



as long as Robinson Hart can remember, it's just been her and Grandpa. He taught her about cars, baseball, and everything else worth knowing. Now, Grandpa's memory has been getting bad—so bad that he sometimes can't even remember Robbie's name.

She's sure that she's making things worse by getting in trouble at school, but she can't resist using her fists when bullies like Alex Carter make fun of her for not having a mom.

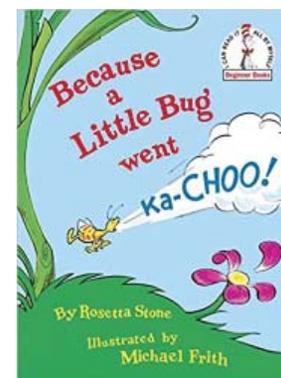
Now she's stuck in group guidance—and to make things even worse, Alex Carter is there too. There's no way Robbie's going to open up about her life to some therapy group, especially not with Alex in the room. Besides, if she told anyone how forgetful Grandpa's been getting lately, they'd take her away from him. He's the only family she has—and it's up to her to keep them together, no matter what.

### Additional New Titles for Middle- and High-School Youth:

- *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds
- *The Lone Rainforest* by Eliot Schrefer
- *Abduction* by Peg Kehret

## New Early Reader, Picture, and Chapter Books

***Because a Little Bug Went Ka-CHOO!* by**



**Rosetta Stone.**

Little things can have a big impact, as in this funny Beginner Book by Dr. Seuss (writing under the name Rosetta Stone) and Michael Frith. When a little bug sneezes, he unknowingly sets off a hilarious chain

reaction that wreaks havoc clear across town.

From a toppled turtle to a disrupted circus parade, *Because a Little Bug Went Ka-Choo!* takes a hysterical look at consequences in a way that only Dr. Seuss can. Originally created by Dr. Seuss, Beginner Books encourage children to read by themselves, with simple words and illustrations that give clues to their meaning.

#### Additional New Early Readers:

- *Axel the Truck: Beach Race* by J.D. Riley
- *Chicken Said "Cluck!"* by Judyann Ackerman Grant

#### New Picture Books:

- *When God Made You* by Matthew Paul Turner
- *Imagine* by John Lennon

#### New Chapter Books:

- *Mighty Robot* by Dav Pilkey
- *The Dog Rules* by Coco La Rue

## OSL Library Online Catalog

Anyone may access the OSL Library's online catalog, OPAC, to search for items, see a carousel of new books, read snapshots of featured books, access tutorials for using OPAC, view Library news and messages, and more. If you've provided your e-mail address, you may view your personal OPAC account to reserve and renew items, develop watch lists, and more. See Library staff for log-in details.

Visit OPAC by going to [oslchurch.com/library](http://oslchurch.com/library) and clicking the button, or scan the QR code below.



## OSL Library Hours

Sunday	8:15 A.M.–12:15 P.M.
MONDAY	9:00 A.M.–noon
Tuesday	9:00 A.M.–noon
Wednesday	9:00 A.M.–7:30 P.M.
Thursday	9:00 A.M.–noon
Friday	Closed
2nd Saturday of the Month	10:00 A.M.–noon and 4:30–6:30 P.M.

# A Laugh a Day Keeps...

## OSL Spring Women's Retreat April 14, 8:30–11:00 A.M.

Come join OSL women and guests in The Gathering Place for the Spring Women's Retreat, April 14, from 8:30 to 11:00 A.M.! There will be a light brunch, devotions, music, door prizes, and a wonderful speaker, the charismatic and entertaining Trish Syverson, whose topic will be "A Laugh a Day Keeps..." Register now for a fun and inspirational morning! Visit [oslchurch.com/events](http://oslchurch.com/events) and follow the links to register online, or contact the Church Office, 336-2942.



## What is Continuum of Care?

Sunday, March 11 • 10 – 10:45 a.m.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

To learn more, visit  
[good-sam.com](http://good-sam.com).



All faiths or beliefs are welcome.



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*Worship Services*

Saturday Evening – 5:00 P.M., Sanctuary  
Sunday Morning  
Festive Worship – 8:45 and 11:00 A.M., Sanctuary  
Celebrate Worship – 8:45 and 11:00 A.M., Celebrate Center

*Lent and Holy Week Services*

Wednesday Midweek Lenten Worship – 12:00 and 6:40 P.M.  
Healing Service – March 27, 6:30 P.M., Chapel  
Maundy Thursday – Holy Communion, noon and 6:30 P.M.  
Good Friday – Tenebrae Service, 6:30 p.m. (broadcast at 10:00 P.M.  
on KTTW)  
Holy Saturday – 5:00 P.M.  
Easter Sunday  
Sunrise Worship – 7:00 A.M.  
Festive and Celebrate Worship – 8:45 and 11:00 A.M.

*Television and Internet*

Celebrate: 9:00 A.M., KTTW (cable channel 9; channel 7.1)  
Festive: 1:00 P.M., KSCB (cable channel 30; channel 53)  
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Your Offering Makes a Difference

Your generosity is making a real difference in people's lives through the mission and ministry of OSL. The pages of this newsletter tell that story in more depth. Thank you for your faithfulness in giving and your passionate commitment to God's work through this congregation. Your continued generosity helps us reach our congregational goal of fully funding our ministry of connecting faith to everyday life.

**Ministry Support  
through January 31**

	Annual Giving
Pledged	\$1,849,306
Received YTD	\$253,089
Remaining	\$1,596,217
Projected YTD	\$167,262
Ahead/(Behind)	\$85,827