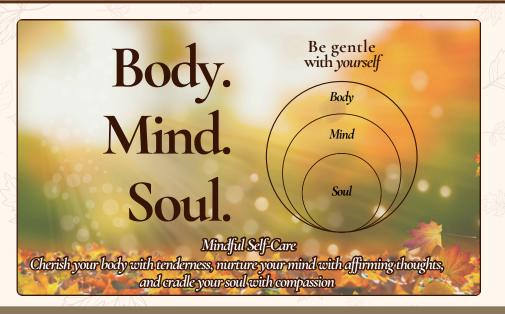


# The Intercom



October 2025



"And now, may the peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your heart and mind in Christ Jesus.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

There are many forms of Benedictions we use as pastors as a final blessing at the end of a worship service. They are a reminder of what we believe, who we are, and the love of God we are sent out to proclaim in our world. The Apostle Paul used the first part of the one I have just shared with you in his letter to the Philippians, chapter 4, verse 7. It is then closed with a familiar reminder of who we believe God to be, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, three in one.

As familiar as these words are to us, it is often difficult to understand this concept of God that we so easily confess to be true, one God, three distinct parts, yet all the same.

Perhaps it would be helpful for us to remember that we too are wonderfully and beautifully made by our creator. Like God, we too have a trinitarian nature. We are made up of three parts, body, mind, and soul, distinct in nature, and yet all three making up the 'oneness' of who we are.

Our bodies are the vessels that carry us through this life.
Our mind is what guides us through life, helping us to reason and ask questions of the world around us. Our soul is the breath of God within us, reminding us of God's presence with us always. Three parts to who we are, yet one in nature, making us who we are.

Throughout the month of October, we will consider the gifts of God that make us who we are, Mind, Body and Soul. We will remember again how God calls us to care for these gifts, and we will give thanks for who we are as important, and loved, members of the Body of Christ.

May the words of Paul in Thessalonians 5: 23 echo within our hearts as we walk through this time together.

"May the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

God's Peace, Pastor Tim

### The Business of OSL

### **Dear Friends in Christ:**

One of the recommendations of the OSL Transition Task Force was to amend the OSL Constitution and Bylaws to institute a congregation led church. A committee was formed and is ready to recommend an amended Constitution and updated Bylaws.

Informational meetings for the congregation are being held on October 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 in the Friendship Room and on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Gathering Place. We intend to take the first vote on the revised constitution and bylaws on November 2<sup>nd</sup> with the second vote required to be taken at the Annual Meeting in January of 2026, per the current constitution.

We hope to see you at one of the informational meetings. There are copies of the updated documents available at the front office if you wish to get a copy of what is being recommended. We will also have copies available at the informational sessions.

Thank you.

Anne Rieck McFarland

Congregation Council President

On behalf of the Constitution and Bylaw Task Force

### OSL Statement of Activity

The cash-basis Statement of Activity shared below is a snapshot of the membership's financial support of the General Fund (daily ministry) of Our Savior's Lutheran Church through the first two months of our fiscal year. What needs to be noted is that our offerings are, in typical end of summer fashion, falling short of our expenditures. What isn't normal is the difference between income and expenses this year. Compared to July/August of 2024, our giving to the General Fund is down approximately 15%. We move forward with confidence. New staff is coming together. More and more visitors are entering our congregation each week. We pray for God's guidance as we trust our work is Spirit-led in this, our time and place. Rudy Kreyer

OSL Statement of Activity - 7.1.25 through 8.31.25	
General Fund Offerings	\$202,483.99
Noisy Offerings	\$708.60
Building Use	\$15,409.40
Memorials/Estate Gifts	\$4,609.69
All Other Income	\$5,355.15
Total Offerings – July & August	\$228,566.83
Facility Expenses	\$44,927.91
Administration Expenses	\$18,118.86
Personnel	\$168,867.84
Professional Expenses	\$936.69
Ministry Teams Expenses	\$27,169.05
Benevolence	\$26,776.67
Total Expenses – July & August	(\$286,797.02)
Operating Loss – July & August	(\$58,230.19)

### Keeping up with the Quilters | 9.16.2025

On Friday, Ray and I took over five boxes of various items to the Synod office to be delivered to Pine Ridge. Included were baby caps, burp cloths, adult size quilts, and various sizes of children's quilts. The two Star Angel Baby quilt tops that were made and given to us for Pine Ridge, and later finished by us into precious blankets, were also included. I wish I could be there when they receive these!

There is a conference in Mitchell beginning today, so all of this will be passed on to someone in attendance from that area. Also, I want to mention that I visited with Madeline to see if there was anything our quilting ministry could provide as comfort items for the upcoming nursery. We'll see what she comes up with and decide if it's something we would like to do. Just thought one ministry can help another if possible.

Marilyn Quam from Peace by Piece Quilters at OSL



# Chorus-pondence



Two new members of the Adult Choir worshipping at Sunday Festive

### Something New

When was the last time you did something for the first time? Many of us have attended church regularly for many years and not tried anything new for a long time. It's our prayer that ALL of us, young and old, will consider ourselves CALLED to serve and try something new this fall.

Here are a few Bible verses using the word "NEW":

- ·Ephesians 4 "Be reNEWed in the spirit of your minds, and clothe yourselves with the NEW self."
- ·Ezekiel 18 "Get yourselves a NEW heart and a NEW spirit."
- ·Psalm 40 "He put a NEW song in my mouth."
- ·Hebrews 10 "We have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the NEW and living way that He opened for us."

As I reflect on the new adventures in my life I realize that all of my good choices were made when I prayed about them. When I have prayed, read the Bible, and thought about God's commands and teaching I finding inspiration, faith, and courage to try new things. As we start our new series, "Body. Mind. Spirit." I pray you will find something new in your life that brings you and our Lord joy.

Again, when was the last time that you did something for the first time? Just in the area of worship at Our Savior's there are many opportunities for you to try something new.

MUSICIAN, COMMUNION, USHER, SOUND, MEDIA, READER, GREETER, TV STUDIO

"SING" cerely, Gene LeVasseur



## Estate Planning with Legacy Law Firm P.C.

Danielle Ihler, attorney with Legacy Law Firm, P.C. The most popular type of estate planning is ostrich planning, says Danielle Ihler, attorney at Legacy Law. It's the stick-your-head-in-the-sand type of planning in which your final wishes will not be realized and is ultimately detrimental to your loved ones. "Two thirds of Americans don't have any estate planning," says Ihler who spoke to the Friendship Club September 2.

Life and death planning is not done just for yourself and your legacy alone, it's done for those we love, to lighten their burden and protect their financial future. To keep your golden years golden be intentional about your plans for today and tomorrow, she says.

It's never too late to plan. Consider this; about 70 percent of people need long term care. If you are in a nursing home or plan to move to one, an elder law attorney can help you organize Medicaid to protect your life savings. If you created a will years ago it's time to update the document to avoid headaches in the future. If you did a do-it-yourself will, it may be time to revisit the document, making sure it's legally binding and that you understand its contents. Be aware that do-it-yourself planning can be costly because you often don't know there is an error until it's too late.

You don't need to be rich to have an estate plan. Having a legal document allows you to take control of your future, Ihler says. You decide who makes end-of-life decisions for you and how your assets will be distributed. Here's a brief round-up of legal terms and references to clarify what you may want or need in your arsenal of legal documents.



Danielle Ihler

Once you have tweaked your will, make sure your loved ones know where to find it and who to call when necessary. If you're considering a visit to an attorney to help make a will, Legacy Law Firm, P.C. offers one visit for no charge to see if you are compatible.

#### **Definitions:**

#### Power of Attorney (POA)

A POA is a legal document allowing someone (the agent) to act on your behalf (the principal) in financial, legal, or medical matters. It can be broad or limited in scope. Choosing a POA ensures your wishes are carried out and avoids court involvement or family disputes.

#### Living Will

A living will tells doctors what medical treatments you want—or don't want—if you can't make decisions yourself. It differs from a standard will, which covers property, finances, and dependents after death.

#### Probate

A legal process overseen by the court in which assets such as money, accounts, personal property, real estate and other valuables are inventoried, administered and transferred from a person who has died to the new lawful owners in accordance with the decedent's will and or state laws. Probate is a slow, public, expensive process which can last anywhere between six months to more than two years. Furthermore, if the individual owns property in another state that property is subject to the laws of that state which could make probate even longer. The public aspect of probate means the contents of your will be available to the public.

#### Trusts

A trust is a legal arrangement where a trustee manages assets for beneficiaries, according to the terms set by the trust's creator. Trusts can avoid probate, reduce taxes, protect assets, and ensure privacy. They are useful for estate planning, charitable giving, and passing on wealth. South Dakota is considered the best state to establish a trust due to strong asset protection laws and favorable tax benefits. Trust options include revocable, irrevocable,

living, testamentary, charitable, and inheritance protection trusts. An attorney can help choose the right type for your needs.

# High School Youth Group News

High School Youth Group is a space for building community, diving into faith, and of course, having fun together. We're looking forward to a year filled with meaningful conversations, laughter, and memorable experiences.

One of those experiences is just around the corner! On Wednesday, October 29th, the youth group will head out together for a special fall outing: a trip to a Haunted House! We'll gather at OSL at 7:00 PM and then depart as a group. This is a great opportunity to invite friends along for a night of fun (and maybe a few scares!).

We're so grateful for the new energy and leadership that's shaping this group and can't wait to see what God has in store for our high schoolers this year.

### High School Youth Group Haunted House:

- Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>
- Meet at OSL at 7:00pm
- Depart together as a group



# Family Fun Night at OSL Wednesday, October 15

Our Savior's Lutheran Church invites the entire church family and the wider community to join us for a Family Fun Night on Wednesday, October 15th, from 5:30–7:00 PM in the Gathering Place (and outside if the weather allows)! This evening is all about gathering together for fellowship, laughter, and fall fun for all ages.

We'll kick off the night by sharing a meal together. Pizza will be served for a free-will donation, making it simple for families to come straight from work or school without worrying about cooking. After dinner, the fun continues with pumpkin painting! Children, and adults who are kids at heart, are encouraged to pick out a pumpkin and get creative. There will be a suggested donation of \$1 per pumpkin, and all supplies will be provided.

We'll wrap up the night with *a festive costume parade*, where everyone is invited to dress up in their favorite (family-friendly) costumes. Whether you go for silly, spooky, or creative, this is a chance to show off your imagination and enjoy the smiles and laughter of friends and neighbors. Prizes may be involved,

so bring out your creative side!

# Family Fun Night

- Wednesday, October 15
- 5:30-7:00 PM
- Our Savior's Lutheran Church (909 W 33rd St)

This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, and extended family to come and experience the warmth and hospitality of our OSL community. Mark your calendars and join us for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship! We can't wait to see you there!

# Our First Intergenerational Sunday School



On Sunday, September 7th, Our Savior's gathered for our very first Intergenerational Sunday School of the

Intergenerational Sunday School of the year and what a joyful morning it was! We began with a camp-styled worship, filled with energy and participation from all ages. Through a silly skit, we learned that when we share with others, we are truly spreading God's love in the world!



The morning wrapped up with a hands-on project that everyone enjoyed, painting flower pots. Each pot was decorated beautifully, serving as a tangible reminder of our church's mission to plant faith, nurture hope, and share God's love. Thank you to all who helped to prepare, clean up, and check kids in!

We invite you to join us for our next Intergenerational Sunday School on Sunday, October 5th at 10:00 AM. Come ready for meaningful connection, fun activities, and another chance to experience the joy of faith across the generations. All are welcome—bring your family, invite a friend, and be part of this growing ministry!

### Confirmation 2025-2026: The Real Presence of Christ

On Wednesday evening, September 10th, our downstairs Hub was buzzing with energy and excitement! Our newest 6th–8th grade confirmation students gathered with many of their parents, Our Savior's staff, and nine adults who have stepped up to serve as confirmation guides.

This year of confirmation, our focus is twofold: we'll begin by diving deeply into the sacrament of Holy Communion, and then spend ten weeks exploring the different parts of worship. Together, the students and guides will write an entire worship service (music included, perhaps!) to be shared with the congregation this coming spring. As we also look ahead to October 26th, when five ninth graders will affirm their faith on Confirmation Sunday, we give thanks for a vibrant new class of eleven 6th graders, bringing our total confirmation group to 27 students plus nine guides!

One of the great blessings this fall is that our confirmation program now has a dedicated space. A large classroom down the blue hallway has reopened, giving us room for seven tables of youth and their guides to gather each week. It's a space that will foster learning, fun, youth group connection, and service opportunities both inside and outside the church.

Keep this growing and faithful bunch in your prayers as we step into what promises to be an impactful year of confirmation ministry!

### Pastor Greg and Madeline Trosvig













'I was hungry and you fed me,
I was thirsty and you gave me a drink,
I was homeless and you gave me a room,
I was shivering and you gave me clothes,
I was sick and you stopped to visit,
I was in prison and you came to me.'
Matthew 25:35



Mission statement:
Stephen Ministry at OSL shares
the love of Jesus Christ by
providing confidential, one-to-one,
distinctively Christian care to
individuals who are experiencing
life's challenges.

This verse in Matthew is probably familiar to most of us. While I have not been homeless or in prison before, I have been hungry, thirsty, shivering cold, and sick. I remember what it feels like to receive food, drink, warmth, and care during these experiences. Pause for a moment, and remember what it feels like to receive these good things when we need them and who it was that gave them to you:

- Food.
- Drink.
- · Warmth.
- · Care.

Noticing these experiences and being grateful for them is such an important practice.

It seems that God made us in such a way that when we need something to be healthy, our brain usually tells us what we need. I read recently that denying you feel lonely makes no more sense than denying you feel hungry. Just like when we are hungry, thirsty, cold, or sick, our body tells us when we need human connection as well. We feel lonely.

There are many reasons for feeling lonely. Moving to a new location, relationship changes, death of loved ones, children going to school or moving from home, or just a sense that something is missing to name a few. The important thing is to recognize the feeling of loneliness and having the courage to seek out human connection. Like food when we are hungry, it is a valid human need.

Sometimes this might mean texting a friend or family member to have coffee or tea together. Maybe it means attending a church service and sitting at one of the tables before or after for some fellowship. It also could be contacting Pastor Tim or Faith Community Nurse Lea Delay about ways to receive care that is unique to your situation, including the possibility of a Stephen Minister. The important thing is to find some human connection that is meaningful to you.

In Matthew 25, Jesus encourages us that whenever we do this for someone else, we are also doing it for Him. It is a wonderful gift to be able to provide food, drink, a room, clothes, visitation, and a caring presence for those who need it. Consider taking some time today to remember when someone did one of these things for you. Maybe God will also give you some inspiration as to how you can provide one of these gifts for another as well.

### Spiritual Care October Calendar

It is Breast Cancer & ADHD Awareness Month

Oct. 5 – World Teachers Day & an AED/CPR Forum at 10am!

Oct. 7 - Tues. Friendship Club – Pre-planning a funeral presented by Miller Funeral Home. Stay for a lunch. Free will suggested donation of \$8;

Mahjong 1-3 pm in the Gathering Place.

Oct. 12—Sun. in the Friendship Room. Phyllis Arends, retired psych nurse and current board member for Empire Mental Health will be hosting a presentation on mental health.

Oct. 16 – World Hunger Day

Oct. 19 – Blood Pressure Screenings from 9:30am - 11am & SOSA Recognition at 10am

Oct. 26 – Reformation Sunday; the Bloodmobile will be at the church from 8 am to Noon.

For a more detailed calendar pick up a paper copy from a kiosk in the gathering place or go to our website.

The second and fourth Tuesdays — Peace by Piece quilting group meets from 9 a.m. to noon in the quilting room downstairs; Knitting Group meets from 9:30 am - 11 am in room 102 Wednesdays:

10am – 11am | Walking Wednesdays in the Hub; Card Recycling Group | 9 am - Noon in room 103. Joyful Noize | 6 pm - 6:45 pm in the choir room; Conversations with God | 9 am - 10:30 am in the chapel; Woodshop Ministry | 6 pm - 8 pm

Thursdays and Fridays 11am—1 pm Pickleball in the gym.
Thursdays - Good Grief Group 10am-11am in room 101.
Saturdays - 8 am to Noon - Wood shop ministry

#### Resources:

**Alateen:** In-person meetings are available providing support, understanding, and encouragement to teens whose life has been affected by someone's addiction. Meetings are a 7pm every Tues. at Grace Lutheran Church | 3300 E. 18<sup>th</sup> Street 605-679-5497

**The Furniture Mission** is moving this month to 800 S. Van Eps Ave in Sioux Falls!

The Legacy Foundation (Owen's Outfitters) now has more space to accept donations and assist individuals who need medical supplies. For More information go to

https://www.thelegacyfoundationsd.com/owens-outfitters

# Volunteer Opportunities

### Parade of Lights Clean-up

Date: Friday, November 28 | Time: 8:15 p.m. – 10 p.m.
To volunteer or for more information, call (605) 338-4009 ext. 11 or email events@dtsf.com

# Make a Meal for Those in Need Our mission is not only to help address the incredible

rise in food insecurity among families but also to provide a simple act of love and kindness during a time full of uncertainty and stress.

Volunteers can sign up for a frequency that works for them, making a meal monthly, weekly, 3 times a week, etc. The volunteer would sign up on the website (lasagnalove.org) and then would be provided with a family's information to coordinate a date and time to deliver the meal. To register, please visit lasagnalove.org. For more information, email laney@lasagnalove.org

# Kirby Science Center is looking for volunteers 13 and older

#### Volunteers can:

- Oversee the floors, clean/sanitize exhibits & surfaces as needed, and make sure exhibits look good and working well.
- Lead fun activities for children and families in the Jack's Imagination Lab and the Children's Studio (inside the Visual Arts Center)
  - On-site training will be provided by Pavilion Museums staff.
- Times are flexible. Volunteers often serve once or twice per week in three-hour sessions between the museum hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tues. through Sun.

Volunteers help provide first-class museum experiences for the 120,000 guests who annually visit the KSDC

For more information, call (605) 731-2375.

# Faith Community Nurse



"I owned the grocery store in Edgeley, North Dakota. One day, I was in my office, when I heard a loud thud in the aisle..., and a customer was yelling. I immediately went there, and there was an elderly man face down. I turned him over and he was already turning blue. One of my cashiers came over and I said to her "have you ever done CPR?" I had been trained many years before that, but I told her to follow my instructions. I immediately started chest compressions and showed her how to tilt the head back and to breathe into his mouth. As I recall, we did about three rounds of compression/breaths, and suddenly, his eyes opened and his color returned. By the time the ambulance got there he was talking to us, and he lived many years after that. It was a very memorable day!"

According to the American Heart Association, more than 350,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests (OHCA) occur each year in the United States. Immediate initiation of CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) by witnesses can double a person's chance of survival.

Studies show that bystanders perform CPR less than half the time. The most common reasons for not performing CPR are because someone is afraid of legal ramifications, afraid of hurting the person, lack of confidence in their CPR skills, or assuming someone else will do it.

According to A Scientific Statement from the American Heart Association, though CPR rates are low overall, women are less likely to receive CPR than men, additionally, a Black or Latino appearing person is less likely to receive CPR than a white appearing person.

One of the most stated reasons for not performing CPR on a stranger is fear of legal ramifications, if something were to go wrong during resuscitation attempts. However, most states have some form of a "Good Samaritan" law including South Dakota which allows an exception for emergency care. These laws aim to encourage people to act in emergency situations, while shielding them from being sued for damages.

Although CPR rates are slowly increasing over time. The AHA's emphasis on "hands only" CPR may be a contributing factor. Hands only CPR is CPR without the use of rescue breaths or breathing into the person's mouth to deliver oxygen to the body and brain. Eliminating this step simplifies CPR, increases confidence in performance for a layperson and removes the fear of contracting disease from strangers. Their campaign states that "Only 2 steps can save a life! 1. Call 911, 2. Push hard and fast in the center of the chest."

In addition to CPR, public access AED (Automated External Defibrillator) machines are crucial for saving lives in emergencies. These machines are designed to be user-friendly, which enables those without medical training to provide help until EMS arrives. Widespread access to AEDs in public places such as schools and gyms, including here at OSL, ultimately reduces fatalities and improves overall public health outcomes.

Another story I received from a peer details the importance of public access AED machines. This person states that they were attending a sporting event at The Pentagon in Sioux Falls, where an older gentleman collapsed. There were a wide variety of off-duty medical professionals attending to the man but "... only one of us had ever used an AED. The AED tells you exactly what to do and there shouldn't be any intimidation with using it. ANYONE can do it and save a life."



Having knowledge of CPR shouldn't cause a burden of responsibility but rather boost your confidence and knowledge of what to do in the 10-15 minutes between calling 911 and the arrival of medical professionals. Whether it be a family member, a friend or a stranger, familiarity of emergency care can be the difference between life and death for someone. It really can be as simple as push hard and fast on their chest or locating an AED machine after calling EMS.

Join us in the friendship room, between services October 5<sup>th</sup>, where we will be providing education and a conversation surrounding emergency medical care. This presentation will be focused on cardiac arrest, CPR, using an AED and various other emergency medical situations. Miranda Goodrich, the LEAD emergency medical services (EMS) educator for Sanford Health and Southeast Technical College, will be available to offer hands-on practice with a CPR practice apparatus, and a practice AED machine.

### Library News



From Kristie Schreck, library coordinator Library hours:

Mon.-Fri. 9-12 noon; Wed. 3-6pm; Sat. 4:30-6 pm; Sun. 9:30-12:15pm Oct. 23-Book club meets at 7pm www.oslchurch.com/library/

Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> was a day of Celebration for our OSL Community Library as we were recognized by the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce!

The Our Savior's Lutheran Community Library serves all ages, birth to seasoned, providing a variety of books and experiences for all including bestsellers, Christian, and extensive children and youth selections. We aspire to provide a welcoming space in the community dedicated to connecting people and fostering lifelong learning, faith, and literacy. The library is expanding our outreach to serve the greater community with a wider selection of books, genres, and titles thanks to a generous donation from the Elmen Family Foundation. With the ribbon cutting ceremony, the Chamber celebrated Our Savior's Lutheran Church on our expansion. The Greater Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce and community thanked us for our continued support!

Our library team and community are incredibly proud to accept this honor!







#### Share the Gift of Goodies

You can bring a dozen (or more!) of your homemade cookies or bars to share.

Starting Sunday, October 5th (and the first Sunday of each month after that) we are inviting congregation members to bring goodies in for Coffee & Fellowship. Treats can be brought in at anytime during the month, just drop them off at the Church Office

#### Black Hills Adventure

Fall Travel & Fellowship Trip. Spots are limited for this unforgettable fall Black Hills Adventure with Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota. Don't miss the chance to explore the beauty of South Dakota, deepen your faith, and enjoy meaningful fellowship. For more information or to reserve your seat, contact Mary Kettl at Outlaw Ranch:

kettl@losd.org | 307.689.2805. Leave Monday, October 13, 2025 at 7:00 AM. Return Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 8:00 PM





#### Bell Choir at OSL

We need THREE more ringers to sustain Bells of Our Savior's. We meet on Tuesdays 5:00-5:45 and ring in worship when everyone in bell choir can attend worship. You must be able to read music and we will train new folks up as we prepare to RING God's praises. Contact Gene LeVasseur if you are interested in giving Bells of Our Savior's at try.

# Thank you, Denny!

Denny has been with the band since 1998 and been a gifted and faithful leader of the band since 2014 and is stepping away from his staff position but will continue to be a part of the Celebrate band.



### Friendship Club

Oct. 7th – 11am in the Friendship Room. A representative from Miller Funeral Home & Crematory will be on hand to discuss pre-planning a funeral or celebration of life. They will present burial information, review the process of cremation and present options available.

There will be lunch afterwards for a freewill donation. Bring your questions and concerns to the gathering. All are welcome.

# Get Involved!

### Faith & Ferment

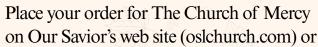
Meet at the Roundhouse Brew Pub 7-8:30 pm Thursday, Oct. 2nd We welcome new faces as we talk about being a church that intentionally engages in social issues. These are our current prayer concerns:

- The care of creation-water, land and sky
- The end of genocide in Gaza
- A deepening of respect between races
- Spirit-led conversations about the proper use of artificial intelligence
- The removal of barriers that lead to pockets of hunger here in South Dakota
- Questions? Contact us using the contact form on the church website: oslchurch.com

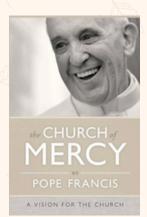
·All are welcome. Questions? Contact Pr. Greg 605-940-5875

# Adult Lifelong Learning

A fall adult learning opportunity will be inspired by the congregation-wide reading of The Church of Mercy—a collection of homilies and lectures by the former Pope Francis. In this year of his death, this book powerfully showcases the width and breadth of our shared confessions.



sign up at the welcome center. The cost of the book + reading guide is \$12. Orders can be placed through the office until October 15th. On Sunday, November 9th, two "book read" sessions (3:00-4:30 pm and 6:00-7:30 pm) will allow for readers to gather for conversation. Contact Pastor Greg with questions.



# Offering Counter Opportunity

We need a few more offering counters. The commitment is for about an hour, usually only once a month. Offering is counted on Monday at 8:30am unless there is a Monday holiday. You would not use a computer, just an adding machine to total up the batches of offering envelopes. A listing of all the counting dates for 2026 will be sent to volunteers in a few weeks where you can check the dates you wouldn't be available. In early December, a 2026 counting schedule will be sent to volunteers. If interested or have questions, please contact Arlys Johnson (605) 310-4868 or the church office.

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