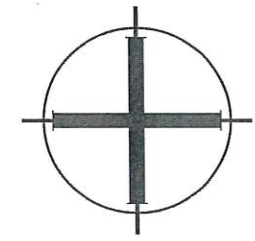




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Sharing the Joy

Church Office Hours:
Monday -Thursday
9am -1 p.m.
Closed Fridays



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2021

Our Savior's Lutheran Church



Sunday Worship

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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After record breaking highs, CoVid 19 cases, hospitalizations and deaths are rapidly coming down. Experts state that this is in part due to the vaccine but also to better adherence to public health guidelines—wearing masks, social distancing, good handwashing and avoiding large groups. While the vaccine is still only being given to front line workers and others deemed to be high risk, a third vaccine is expected to be approved in the next couple of weeks. It is estimated that by July, anyone who wants a vaccine will be able to get one. We'll still need to follow public health guidelines for awhile but experts predict we should be able to get back to normal by the end of the year., perhaps earlier. In the meantime, we will continue our safety guidelines here at the church.

Along with the in house services, we will continue to offer the service online. The online service is accessible through our website or our Facebook page. If you have any problems, contact Pastor Koos or the office. Lenten services will also be offered online. See elsewhere in this newsletter.

Communion will still be offered during the online service. If you want, the prepackaged communion kits are available outside of the office.

At this time the office is open, Monday through Thursday 9 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

I don't want to see your grin.

I don't want to see your chin.

I don't want to see your nose.

I should not see your lips exposed.

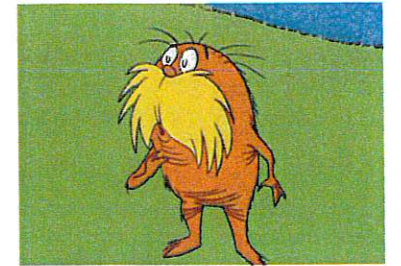
The lower region of your head

Should be concealed from sight instead.

It's for YOUR sake

I wear my mask.

Please wear one too.



Jackson County Public Health

Over this past weekend, the United States reached a grim milestone, 500,000 Americans have now lost their lives due to the coronavirus. This staggering number is painful to think about and even harder to picture. According to experts, the human brain is not inherently wired to make sense of such large numbers. So what does the loss of so many lives look like?

- In 2020, the United States saw more than a 15% increase in deaths over 2019, the highest year-on-year rise in deaths across the United States since 1918, which experienced both a global flu epidemic and the First World War.
- There are 525,600 minutes in a year. This would make one Covid-19 death per minute for almost a year.
- If you laid 500,000 coffins end to end, it would stretch 645 miles reaching from New York City to Indianapolis.
- If you made a memorial wall to list the names of every American who has died from Covid-19, it would be nine times the length of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington DC which has 58,318 names of those who perished in the Vietnam War etched in black granite.
- It is nearly the number of all fast food cooks in the United States. Before the pandemic and the resultant massive unemployment, there were 527,220 cooks in the industry.
- The losses from Covid-19 are 25% greater than the military death toll from World War II which was 405,339.
- It is like losing almost all the inhabitants of Atlanta Georgia in 2019 when there were 488,800 inhabitants.
- It is like losing all the school bus drivers in the United States. In 2018 there were 504,150 drivers.
- It would be as if you lost all the postal workers. In 2019 the postal service had 496,934 career employees.

- It would be like losing all the public school teachers in Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Oregon and Wisconsin combined. In 2017, combined, there were 499,196
- If each death was marked with the blink of an eye, it would take 14 hours of rapid blinking to count off all the victims.
- If measured in the skies, 500,000 is one hundred times more than all the stars which would be visible to the naked eye.

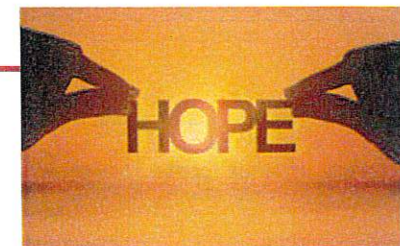
These numbers do not include tens of thousands of deaths that may have been related to the virus but not recorded as Covid-19 deaths.

(from the National Geographic Society February 2021)

hope

If you can carry one thing throughout your entire life,
Let it be hope.
Let it be hope that better things are always ahead.
Let it be hope that you can get through even the toughest of times.
Let it be hope that you are stronger than any challenge that comes your way.
Let it be hope that you are exactly where you are meant to be right now,
and that you are on the path to where you are meant to be...
Because during these times, hope will be the very thing that carries you through.

Nikki Banks




Easter Flowers

We are doing Easter flowers again this year. Please print off the order form below, attach payment and place it in the offering plate or send it to or drop it off at the office. **Orders must be in by March 28th.**

Lenten Services

We are again going to share Lenten services with the other Lutheran churches in Superior but this year they will all be virtual. A different Pastor will do the service each week at 6:00 p.m. The members of each congregation will be able to join in the service by accessing the service from the church's virtual website of the Pastor who is doing the service that week. The date and the information for each church is given below. Contact Pastor Sean if you have questions.

Easter Flowers	
In Honor, Memory, or Donation	
	
	
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Lily.....	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Tulip plants.....	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Hyacinth plant.....	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation.....	\$\$\$
Please attach payment with order form and place in the offering plate or send or drop off at the office (oslcsuperioroffice@gmail.com). March 28 th last day.	
In honor of _____	
In memory of _____	
Given by _____	
<i>These prices are an estimate of what locate stores will charge. Any donations and extra money will be used to purchase things for the altar.</i>	

02-24 Zion Lutheran Pastor Vic St. George

(<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCs74h1pTJRh2lqPfJ311ig/videos>)

03-03 Concordia Lutheran Pastor Michelle Rowell

<https://www.facebook.com/ConcordiaSuperior>)

03-10 Our Savior's Lutheran Pastor Sean Koos

(<https://www.superioroslc.com>) or (<https://www.facebook.com/Our-Saviors-Lutheran-Church-Elca-120392761305068/>)

03-17 Pilgrim Lutheran Pastor Will Mowchan

(<https://www.plcsuperior.org/>)

03-24 Bethel Lutheran Pastor Bridget Jones

(<https://www.facebook.com/BethelLutheranSuperior>)



March 2021

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

It's looking like our long winter is beginning to thaw out there and I'm not just talking about the season. Yes, the days are getting longer and the temperatures are slowly rising but those aren't the only signs of hopefulness returning to our community. More and more people are getting vaccinated and the collective fear surrounding our global pandemic is beginning to lessen as well. It's hard to believe that fear would've gripped our world so strongly over the last year. It just goes to show how powerful fear can be in our lives. Our fear-filled predicament reminds me of the eerily wise words of C.S. Lewis from his work, "The Screwtape Letters," written nearly 80 years ago:

One young devil asked an old devil, 'How did you manage to bring so many souls to hell?' The old devil answered, 'I instilled fear in them!' Answers the youngster, 'Great job! And what were they afraid of? Wars? Hunger?' Answers the oldster, 'No, they were afraid of the disease!' For this youngster, 'Does this mean they didn't get sick? Are they not dead? There was no rescue for them?' The old devil answered, 'But no...they got sick, died, and the rescue was there.' The young devil, surprised, answered, 'Then I don't understand?' The old devil answered, 'You know they believed the only thing they have to keep at any cost is their lives. They stopped hugging, greeting each other. They've moved away from each other. They gave up all social contacts and everything that was human! Later they ran out of money, lost their jobs, but that was their choice because they were afraid for their lives, that's why they quit their jobs without even having bread. They believed blindly everything they heard and read in the papers. They gave up their freedoms, they didn't leave their homes literally anywhere. They stopped visiting family and friends. The world turned into such

a concentration camp, without forcing them into captivity. They accepted everything! Just to live at least one more miserable day...And so living, they died every day! And that's how it was very easy for me to take their miserable souls to hell...

Fear is a great killer of the soul. It's no wonder Jesus' most common words of advice are, "do not be afraid." He knows the mighty power of fear and wants nothing more than for us to live without fear. Well, that and to love each other as much as he loves us. We need to cling to his words now more than ever. As C.S. Lewis illustrated, fear can't win in the fight for our souls.

We'll continue on our Lenten journey this month and close it out with Holy Week. Be sure to join us online or in-church for our midweek Lenten services. Stay strong and healthy through this spring thaw. There is much to be hopeful for.

Lenten blessings,

Pastor Koos

March Narratives

03-07-21	Luke 15:1-32	Parables of lost sheep, coin, Prodigal son
03-14-21	Luke 16:19-31	Parable of the rich man and Lazarus
03-21-21	Luke 18:31-19:10	Zacchaeus
03-28-21	Luke 19:29-44	Triumphal Entry

From our Congregation President

Dear OSLC Members and Friends,

Have you been lucky enough to get your Covid 19 vaccine? It can be a daunting job to schedule. Being a health care worker I know you have to be your own advocate.

I have been involved with giving the Vaccine once a week with 30 other RNs at the DECC for MN residents. One day a week we have been working. Our goal each time is to give 1500 vaccines. They register on line and it is a lottery system. I have gained some information along the way that I would like to share with you.

The shot is painless with very few side affects. A sore arm, tiredness and some have flu like symptoms the next day. The 2nd shot you may get a bigger reaction. But this means you are getting a strong immune response. After you get your vaccine you need to wait at least 15 minutes to make sure you don't have a reaction to the vaccine. If you have had a serious allergy to something we ask that you wait for your safety, 30 minutes after vaccine.

The Douglas county sites are as follows.

Douglas County Public Health 715-395-7336 vaccine hotline. Must be a Douglas county resident, 65 or older, health care worker, law enforcement or fire worker. Leave name including spelling, date of birth and phone number. They will contact you when a supply is available. Only call once to register.

Mariner Medical Clinic: limited supply for Mariner patients 65 and over.

Appointments through

myCare portal at slhDuluth.com/mycare. Do not call.

Essentia health St. Mary's Superior clinic.

Ages 65 and older and people in Phase 1a. (high risk health workers and 1st responders) Existing patients should register through mychart portal at Essentiamyhealth.org. Fill out the vaccine questionnaire. Patients are chosen randomly. Even if you aren't an Essentia patient once you register on Mychart you have a chance.

Walgreens is giving vaccines to those over 65.

Supply's are intermittent. Main number is 715-392-9550. Follow the prompts. Or go to Walgreens.com/schedulevaccine.

CVS 2631 Tower 715-392-0487 go to [cvs.com/coronavirus](https://www.cvs.com/coronavirus) to see if they have the vaccine.

Walmart

715-392-9520

Not currently available in our Walmart

One contradiction to taking the vaccine is if you have a severe allergy to colonoscopy prep called Golytly. This has an ingredient in it that is also in the vaccine. So we would not give this vaccine to you.

If you have had a positive Covid test you should still get the vaccine. Some have a more intense response to the vaccine if they have been covid positive.

If you have received a plasma infusion to get the antibodies for a positive covid test you will need to wait at least 3 months to get the vaccine.

Be your own advocate in your search for a spot to get your vaccine. Go to as many sites as possible to schedule and once you get your vaccine - cancel the other sites.

As soon as the next category opens up for under 65 go to these sites and register as soon as possible.

Another bit of information I discovered. If you have had a positive Covid test, you will test positive for 3 months even though you are symptom free.

I hope this makes getting the vaccine a little easier.

God Bless you on this journey to break the pandemic.

Kathy Nelson

OSLC Church Council President



Even with the vaccine, it is still important to continue the safety measures. Please wear a mask whenever you are inside the church, maintain social distancing and wash your hands frequently. We still cannot have any large group events.

We all miss meeting for coffee and fellowship after the church service. Pastor Sean is therefore starting a virtual coffee hour using the Zoom platform. It will be after the church service at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday. If you are attending the service virtually, you will need to log out and reenter with the Zoom invitation. It is not a bible study just a time of fellowship. You need to provide your own coffee though. This will start Sunday March 7th. For those who don't have internet access, you can remain at the church but it will be online using Zoom. If you have questions, contact Pastor Sean or the office.



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Meeting ID: 823 6227 5373
Passcode: 631432

I believe in the sun

Even when it isn't shining.



I believe in love,

Even when I don't feel it.

I believe in God,

Even when He is silent.

I believe—Amen!



- March 1 — Maci Heytens
- March 3 — Johanna Koos
- March 5— Tim Nelson
- March 6 — Lynne Hoff
- March 8 — Katie Perrault
Nancy Gregory
- March 9 — Thoren Netland
- March 10 — Jack Rivord
- March 13 — Lynn Haglin
Kyler Krob
- March 15— Jill Bruno
Roger Prescott
- March 16— Linda Clark
- March 19— Caleb Stank
- March 22— Renada Fall
- March 24— Kim Willie
- March 27— Tom Roeber
Sharon Schultz

March

- March 29— Michelle Krob
- March 30— Logan Lancour
Nora Wells
- March 31— Gracie Johnstad
Olivia Johnstad



Education Corner

Confirmation—

Confirmation continues in house with Pastor Sean at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. The students have to pass a test for each section before moving on. The confirmation retreat is scheduled for April 24-25th depending on the Covid 19 pandemic.

The confirmation ceremony will be May 9th (Mother's Day).

The confirmation mentorship program continues. We have 6 mentors who are meeting with 2 students apiece.

Sunday School-

Sunday School was cancelled on February 14th due to the extremely cold weather but has resumed again using safety precautions.

Adult Education -

Adult bible study is continuing. It meets Wednesdays at 10 a.m. See elsewhere in the newsletter for the scripture lessons and how to access the study group.



We hope to see you soon!

The Board of Stewardship's Campaign of Giving and Thankfulness has ended. By generously giving of ourselves, we discover joy in Christ. Thank you to those who sent in their Giving Card. It is not too late to let the church know your plans for giving this year. This helps to plan the church budget. We understand, particularly this year, that it is sometimes difficult to plan ahead and a gift of any size at any time is always appreciated.

Please also prayerfully consider gifts of your Time and Talent in other ways in support of our church. "If the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has--NOT according to what one does not have" --2nd Corinthians 8:12

Daily Devotionals

Daily Devotionals related to the narrative lectionaries we have been using in our worship service are available in printed form. We will have a few on the table in the narthex. They are also available online at www.clergystuff and put Daily Devotionals in the search bar. Ask Pastor Sean if you have questions.



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Bible Studies-March 2021

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

(Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72682782954?pwd=ckhodWo5aC8wNTZVQjN5dXB4WFkyQT09>

or call 1-312-626-6799, password: 022643)

03-03-21 Luke 15:1-32

1. Who would represent the sinners and tax collectors in our society today. Are there groups of people that society marginalizes and doesn't see the need to reach out to?
2. Why do you think the shepherd wasn't content with just having 99 of his sheep safe? Was it really worth leaving the majority to go search for the one? What does this say about God's desire for the lost?
3. God is committed to pursuing the lost. How do believers obtain this same determination for the lost? How can Christians fight the mentality of it being good enough for having the lost seek God?
4. What are some barriers that keep believers from having an attitude of evangelism?
5. What is the emphasis in the two opening parables? Is it the lost being found or the great amount of effort that was put into searching for the lost?
6. The elder son represented the Pharisees. They felt no joy over a restored relationship with God. They were more concerned with their own relationship and doing everything right themselves. How can believers today guard themselves against this attitude happening to them?
7. Why is it so important to remember that no matter how long we have been a believer that we all fall under the same grace of God as someone who just turned to faith?
8. Do you relate to the older or younger brother? Why?
9. The father declares of the younger son, "He was lost, but is found" (vs. 24). What was he lost from?
10. Why can a religious person be in danger of being 'outside the party'?

03-10-21 Luke 16:19-31

1. Jesus starts out the story by saying "there was a rich man ..." When you hear those words, who or what do you think of? Why? Do you ever think of ourselves as included in the category "rich"? Why?
2. Is this a story about real life? Why do you think this?
3. What is Jesus telling his listeners with this story? What is Jesus telling us with this story?
4. How is God's justice portrayed in this story – or is it?
5. When you envision God's justice, what do you envision? What would be an example of God's justice, according to that vision?
6. Why do you think the "rich man" seem to never notice Lazarus?
7. How can "money" make us less sensitive to the needs of others?
8. In what areas other than "money" might this parable apply?
9. Why do you think Jesus actually gives us the name of the beggar?
10. What, if any changes, do you see in the "rich man's" attitude while he is in Hades? How would you explain that?

03-17-21 Luke 18:31-19:10

1. How did Jesus change the way He was ministering in Luke 18:31?
2. Where were Jesus and the disciples going to go? What would be their normal expectations of going there?

3. Why might the disciples have not understood "these things" that were so clearly announced to them?
4. Why do you think the people in the crowd were disturbed by the blind man? How do you think they should have responded?
5. What can we learn about the blind man's faith from this story?
6. Read Matthew 20:34. How does compassion factor into this story? How can we grow in compassion?
7. What are some of the first things you would do if you knew Jesus was coming to your house?
8. The religious leaders in this story didn't believe Zacchaeus deserved to have Jesus talk with him. How can you fight against the attitude that some people are more deserving of grace while others have fallen too far away?
9. Why was it important for Zacchaeus to take actions that supported his change of heart?
10. What does it mean for believers today to not only repent, but to surrender the areas of their life that are drawing them away from God?

03-24-21 Luke 19:29-44

1. Describe the various reactions that people have when they encounter the real Jesus. What explanations can you give for the differences in reaction?
2. In verses 39-40, the Pharisees tell Jesus to rebuke his disciples and Jesus does not comply. Explain the significance of this interaction.
3. In Luke 12:49-53, Jesus says he did not come to "bring peace, but division." However, Luke 19:38 and 42 refer to Jesus as one who brings peace. How are both of these things true?
4. Describe what it is that the people of Jerusalem missed in verses 42-44. Why are there such dire consequences for missing out on the significance of Jesus?
5. What can we learn from Jesus' demeanor, emotions, and interactions that you can emulate while "causing division" by being his follower?
6. If you were present for the triumphal entry of Jesus, what might you feel as he rode into town?
7. How do our expectations of Jesus differ from who he actually is in our lives?
8. If you had lived in Jerusalem during this time, how do you think you would respond to Jesus' entry? Would you be a follower of Jesus or a skeptic like some of the Pharisees in the crowd?
9. How would you answer if a friend asked you who Jesus was?
10. Does Luke 19: 41-44 have a message for us, or does it only apply to a past situation? Explain.

03-31-21 Luke 24:1-12

1. Who was included in this group of women? What was their, and later the apostle's, response to the message the angels gave to the women?
2. What do we know about one of the women, Mary Magdalene? (Luke 8:1-4)
3. What does this say to us that Mary Magdalene cared for Jesus so much that she was involved in the embalming process when his other followers had scattered?
4. Considering how Mary Magdalene responded to what Jesus had done for her, how might we respond to what Jesus has done for us?
5. What does Mary's witness say to the privileges and responsibilities God may give to someone lowly like us?
6. What did Jesus mean when he used the word, "must"?
7. Does it bother you that Jesus came to earth planning to die and rise again? Why/why not? sense if the apostles were just trying to make up a story about Jesus being resurrected?

Bible Studies continued

8. Many people don't believe that Jesus was really resurrected. What about this passage does not make sense if the apostles were just trying to make up a story about Jesus being resurrected?

9. How did the disciples respond to the women's testimony? Knowing that Jesus really was resurrected, what kind of light does this put them in? How can pride get in the way of accepting truth? What does this passage teach us about the willingness to receive truth from others?

10. What is it about the resurrection that gives you hope? Do you feel the necessity of the resurrection of Jesus in your daily life?

Memory work

March 2021

Matthew 28:19

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Mark 16:16

"The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned."

Romans 6:4

Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised

Mentor Questions March 2021

1. Which do you think is better: praying aloud or silently praying? Why?
2. Which do you think is better: praying alone or praying with others? Why?
3. Which do you think is better: praying for yourself or praying for others? Why?
4. What is the first image that comes to mind when you hear the word, "grace?"
5. Are you more likely to receive grace or extend grace? Why?
6. Which is harder for you to understand: God's forgiveness, forgiving others, others forgiving you, or forgiving yourself?
7. On a scale of 1 to 10, how willing are you to forgive others?
8. Do you think there are limits to God's grace? If so, where does God draw the line?
9. To what extent do you trust others? To what extent do you trust yourself?
10. What amazes you most about grace?
11. How would the world be different without God's grace?
12. What is the purpose of baptism?
13. Is baptism necessary for salvation? Why or why not?
14. Is it necessary to re-baptize people?
15. Why is baptism an important part of a person's spiritual journey?
16. How does baptism connect us with Christ?
17. What is the gift of the Holy Spirit in baptism?
18. What is the purpose of confession?
19. Is confession necessary for salvation? Why or why not?
20. Is confession a sacrament? If not, should it be a sacrament? Why?

Mission & Outreach
March 2021
**Salvation
Army**



March 7th: Canned fruits and vegetables, canned and dried soups

March 14th: Pasta products, tomato sauce, diced tomatoes

March 21st: Canned tuna and chicken, baked beans, refried beans

March 28th: Meal starters such as Hamburger Helper or Rice-a-Roni, macaroni and cheese

Items may be dropped off at the 20th street (office) entrance during office hours
Monday– Thursday 9am–1pm

If you are aware of need, the clothes closet remains open. It is open Monday –Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We prefer them to call the office ahead of time in order to keep numbers low and maintain social distancing. They must wear masks.

From the Quilters
(and sewers)



We continue to make tied quilts for Harbor House. Instructions and supplies are in the fellowship hall. We will also make quilts for the graduates again this year. Contact Carol Arthur if you have questions.

Annual Meeting

As previously announced, it has been decided to postpone the annual meeting until June. Kathy Nelson has agreed to stay on as congregational president until that time, as have current board members. We thank them for their cooperation. We still need a new president and vice president. We also need members for some boards. Please consider serving the church in this way.

The insurance company is going to pay for the majority of the cost of the roof repairs! There are samples of shingles in the Christopher Lounge. Please indicate if you have a preference and we can go with the majority.

Our other upcoming major expense is the replacement of our aging boilers. Thanks to Rick Gilbertson, they have made it through this winter but they may not make it through another. The Council has decided to take action now. 2021 is also the last year the church would be able to get an energy efficiency rebate and there is then the probability of a substantial reduction in heating bills. A quote of \$55,000 has been received for the replacement of the 2 boilers. We hope to have them replaced this summer. We are working on obtaining grants to assist in paying for the boilers. However, there will likely be a need for additional money. A fund has been set up to raise money to cover this cost. You may be surprised at what an additional donation of \$5 or 10 dollars a week can reap over a year. We are also looking at a number of fundraisers. We will keep you informed of the amount raised as we go forward.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Those serving in the military, those returning home with mental and physical scars, and for all military veterans. For the health of all unborn children and grandchildren, all those recovering or in nursing home care and for those struggling with addiction. those with Covid 19 or who have lost a loved one.

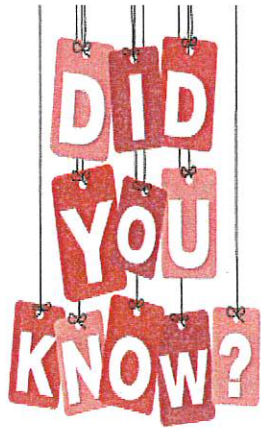
Congregation Members: Jim and Marcy Rigstad, AJ Nelson, Vern Moore, Pat Shaw, Audrey Larson, John and Linda Maki, Steve Shaw, Fred Paine, Amanda Shaw, Larry Gilbertson, Meri Will, Letha Bennis, Dave Kringle, Jean

Family Member: Jordan Zurn, Pat Hansen, Paula Brostiwitz, Matthew, JR Pietz, Greg McGarry, Andy, Michelle Oman, Mike Klawitter, Darlene Shaw, Betty Samuell, Florence Olson, Amy Klawitter, James David, Mark Klawitter, Kathy Kangas, Judy Johnson

Friend/neighbor: Billy Jo Cronin, John Gaul

The Families of: Vivian Lary, Larry Flynn, Pat Flynn, Joseph Genovese, Michael LeMay, John Sapik

Call the church office (715-394-3472) to add individuals to the prayer list.



We will again share Lenten services with the other Lutheran churches and they will all be virtual.

The rummage sale continues downstairs.

The quilters are making fleece blankets for Harbor House.

The annual meeting in January has been postponed to June.

The insurance company is going to pay for roof repairs! We now need to turn to replacing our aging boilers.

Rummage Sale Update

The rummage sale continues downstairs. We have made over \$1500.00.00 so far. The sale is for just members and their family and friends. So, if your family and friends want to come, ***you have to bring them.*** It will be open during normal office hours: Monday—Thursday 9 a.m.— 1:00 p.m. The items are not marked. Instead we ask that you make a generous donation to the building fund (mortgage). You will need to sign in at the office and wear a mask.

We only put out what we have room for in the space and add things as things sell. So it never hurts to look again.'

If you have questions call Kandee Rosburg 715-392-4426.

Script Cards Update

This year we raised **\$2450.00**. Just think, we could double the amount given to the church at no extra cost to YOU by buying cards for local places you already go to such as -

Kwik Trip -\$25, \$50 and \$100 cards; Holiday Gas—\$25, \$100; BP—\$50, \$100, \$250

Menards—\$25, \$100, \$500; Ace Hardware—\$25, \$100

CVS—\$10, \$25, \$100 / Walgreens—\$25

Walmart—\$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500

Superior Meats—\$25

Applebee's—\$10, \$25, \$50/ Papa Murphy's -\$10

Hardee's—\$10/ Burger King—\$10/ Subway—\$10, \$50

Dairy Queen—\$10/ Dunkin Donuts—\$10, \$25.00

ALL LOCAL—curbside, drive thru, home delivery or scheduled pickup

Plus 100's more in Duluth or other parts of the country. Bottom line : It's an easy way to do your shopping, help yourself stay healthy and help the church.

Orders go in every 3rd Sunday of the month. This month is March 20th.

Questions—call Carol Skamser at 715-781-0753 or email at scskamser@charter.net

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Our Saviors Lutheran Church Superior Council Minutes

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February 16th, 2021

The meeting called to order by President Kathy Nelson at 5:35 pm

Present: Pastor Koos, Jack Arthur, Carol Arthur, Kathy Nelson, Andy Nelson, Doris Maki, Bonnie Wentzel, Julianne Koski, Stephanie Shaw, Steve Shaw, Carol Skamser, and Kande Rosburg

The meeting was opened with Pastor gave a devotion and lead us in prayer.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously pass to approve the January Council minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Bonnie reported that January was much better than December. January income was \$17,808.78 and expenses were \$11,855. Building fund is in good shape with \$11,428 (monthly payment \$5,245). A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously pass to approve the Treasurer's report.

Board Reports:

Deacons: Steve S. reported that they did not meet, but he prepared the palms so that people could do self-service ashes on Ash Wednesday.

Trustees: Jack reported that the roof color charts are in and if you want to vote on the color you can do that in the next couple weeks in the Christopher Lounge. The elevator has to be inspected quarterly at \$180 a time. Maybe if we could find someone to do the fire alarm inspection that cost could be lowered. Belknap Plumbing's bid for a 2-unit boiler is \$55,000. That includes boilers, installation, and cutting up the old boiler. We would have to get rid of the old boiler. Stewardship said they would be in charge of the fundraiser for the boiler. There will be an energy incentive rebate on it if we do it this year, besides more energy efficient making our heating bill less. The kitchen hood has to be inspected annually and Jack thinks he has gotten that cost down to \$200.

Mission & Outreach: Carol A. reported that they had three at their meeting. Continue to quilt in fellowship hall. Also, will see if we can get Thrivent money to make quilts for our graduates.

Stewardship: Doris reported that the pasties for the sale were sold out in one day. Len W. will make them again in March. Dawn W. will be making scones at about that time to be purchased ready-made or bake your own. They are also in the process of getting a letter together to better explain the script cards to people. And some cards now can be reloaded.

Education: Julianne reported that Camp Amnicon trip will be 4/23-24/2021 if enough confirmation students will go. Confirmation will be Mother's Day weekend 5/9/2021. Confirmation, Sunday School and Adult Bible Study a all going well.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously pass to approve board minutes.

Pastor Koos Report: Pastor reported:

Ash Wednesday 2/17 will be at 6:30 pm inhouse and online. The other 5 services will be at 6:00 pm online except the March 10 which Pastor Koos will have inhouse and online. Pastor will show the other Pastor service at 4:00 pm inhouse on the screen for those that would like to come view them (2/24, 3/3, 3/17 and 3/24).

Our first PPP loan for small business has been changed to a grant, so we don't have to pay it back.

Pastor and Kathy have applied for a second PPP loan, which also pays salaries.

Vision Victories:

PPP loan now a grant

Applied for a second PPP loan

Roof replacement has been scheduled

Inhouse Ash Wednesday service

Old Business:

Synod benevolence was \$2500, we paid half (\$1250). Lutheran Social Service benevolence was \$500, we paid half (\$250).

Nomination Committee is still searching a President and Vice-President to start in June. Please consider this. The audit isn't complete yet.

Doors have been locked this last month, but lights have been found left on.

New Business:

It was suggested we do a takeout meatball fundraiser. It was discussed and decided that we should wait.

Emily Morrow would like to use our kitchen for hemp infused bakery products. She understands it has to be licensed and a person needs to take the required food prep test.

Upcoming:

February 17th at 6:30 pm Ash Wednesday service, inhouse and online

February 24th Lenten Service 4:00 pm inhouse on screen or 6:00 pm online

March 3rd Lenten Service 4:00 pm inhouse on screen or 6:00 pm online

March 9th at 6 pm All Board meetings

March 10th at 6:00 pm Lenten Service inhouse and online

March 16th at 5:30 pm Council meeting

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously pass to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm.

We recited the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted

Kande Rosburg



March Events

2021

2021Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Pastor Text study 11 a.m.	3 Bible study 10:00 a.m. Confirmation 2:30 p.m. Lenten Service 6:00 p.m. Concordia	4	5	6
7 9:30 a.m. worship service online and in house 9:30 a.m. Sunday School	8	9 Pastor text study 11 a.m. All Boards 6 p.m.	10 Bible study 10:00 a.m. Confirmation 2:30 p.m. Lenten Service 6:00 p.m. Our Saviors	11	12	13
14 Daylight Savings Time 9:30 am worship service online and in house 9:30 a.m. Sunday School	15	16 Pastor text study 11 a.m. Council 5:30 p.m.	17 St. Patrick's Day! Bible study 10:00 a.m. Confirmation 2:30 p.m. Lenten Service 6:00 p.m. Pilgrim	18	19	20 1st Day of Spring Script orders due
21 9:30 a.m. worship service online and in house 9:30 a.m. Sunday School	22	23 Pastor text study 11 a.m.	24 Bible Study 10:00 am Confirmation 2:30 pm Lenten Service 6:00 p.m. Bethel	25	26	27
28 Palm Sunday!	29	30	31	April 1	April 12	