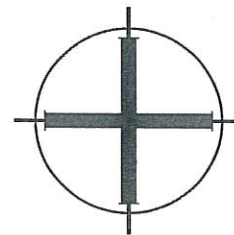


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# Sharing the Joy

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



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2021

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Sunday Worship  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service  
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## August 2021

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

We're in the dog days of summer now. The year's hottest days will quickly be upon us and then the slow descent into winter chill will begin. I pray all of you somehow took advantage of the relaxed pandemic restrictions over the last couple months. Perhaps you took an overdue vacation away from home or reconnected in person with isolated friends and family. Perhaps you enjoyed local traditions and events that weren't available last summer. Perhaps you simply went about your daily routines without worrying about mask and distance restrictions. No matter how you took advantage of the freedom, I pray you did so with a joyous and grateful heart. Over and over, I hear the catchy expression, "Freedom isn't free," going through my head this summer. Heaven knows there is a great cost for all freedom, but this was made most evident in the events of the last year. Between the pandemic (masking/distancing/gathering restrictions) and the rioting and the vaccinations, freedom has taken on a particularly hefty price tag. And not all of us are willing or able to pay the cost and yet we have come to expect it, especially in a country that values freedom so highly. But there is always a cost! Freedom *isn't* free! Whatever freedom we have is a result of our own or someone else's paying the price for it. To take advantage of it without a joyous and grateful heart, well, is foolish.

That said, I'm going to use the freedom of these remaining weeks before the program year gets underway to take another vacation and prepare for the confirmation class. Do try to take advantage of these relaxed summer days and all their freedom.

Blessings,

Pastor Koos

Pastor will be on vacation August 05-August 10. Jenny Carey will be covering the pulpit for Pastor Koos on Sunday, August 08.

**August Narratives** The second summer series on Ephesians ends 08/01/2021. The third summer series is on Revelation and begins 08/08/2021 for 5 five weeks.

08/08/2021	Revelation 4:1-11
08/15/2021	Revelation 5:1-13
08/22/2021	Revelation 6:1-8; 7:9-17
08/29/2021	Revelation 13: 1-18
09/05/2021	Revelation 21:1-6; 22:1-5

## *From our Congregation President*

What a Summer !!!

Now is time to start thinking about our programs and activities starting soon.

First - I want to remind everyone about our special Congregation Meeting on August 8th after our regular service. We will be voting to approve the Trustee's recommendation for fixing our heating system.

We still need donations toward funding this plan, but don't forget that we still need your support for our regular expenses and to keep working on paying off our Mortgage.

The church's roof looks great and the side walk repairs, thanks to city, have been completed.

I want to thank the Trustees for working in July and look forward to our committee and Council meetings in August.

Thanks be to GOD.

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The church council did not meet in July.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. It is celebrated by millions of neighbors and thousands of communities across the nation.



## **National Night Out August 3rd, 2021**

To celebrate OSLC will be serving  
**free root beer floats or sundaes**

to our friends, neighbors and family  
right outside our front doors.

**from 5 p.m. to**

**7 p.m.** Please join us. There  
will also be information on



the church.

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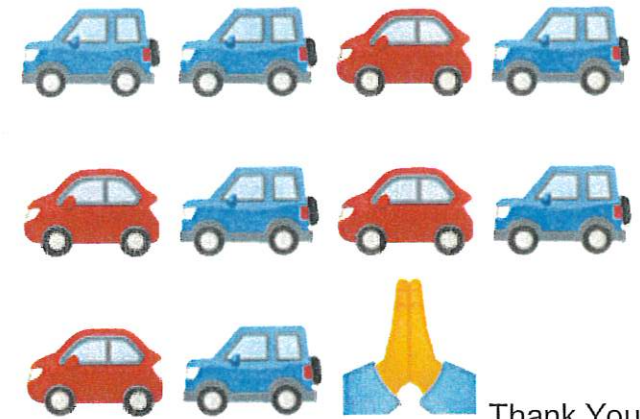
August 1—hygiene products, shampoo,  
conditioner, tooth brush, toothpaste,  
mouthwash

August 8—brushes, combs, hand soap disinfection  
wipes, paper towels, hair ties/bands

August 15—laundry soap, bleach, dryer sheets,  
diapers (all sizes), pillows/pillowcases

August 22— toilet bowel cleaners, wound care products,  
all purpose cleaners

August 29—bath towels, wash cloths, kitchen washcloths,  
Kitchen towels, garbage bags (13 gallon)



Just want to say thank you to all of the  
OSLC Family that purchased car wash gift  
cards. We made \$480 plus an extra \$600  
from a “not so secret” donation.

There is also an extra \$160 out there, that  
was put somewhere in the rummage sale.

If you did not have the opportunity to  
purchase a card this time around or would  
like another, I will keep a list going!

Thank you again, & here’s to keeping “toasty” this  
winter!

Blessings & Hugs,

Linda Clark



## Education Cornm

### Confirmation—

Confirmation will begin again on Wednesday September 8th. If you are aware of any student entering 7th grade not already registered and would like to be confirmed at our church, please contact the office.

### Sunday School—

Sunday School will begin on Sunday September 12th. If you are aware of any child who has turned 3 or will shortly thereafter or a child who has not previously attended our Sunday School but would like to, please contact the office.

### Adult Education -

Adult bible study is continuing. It meets Wednesdays at 10 a.m. At this time bible study is planned to continue on Wednesday mornings. Anyone is welcome to attend. See elsewhere in the newsletter for the scripture lessons and how to access the study group.



**We hope to see you soon!**



August

- August 1 Todd Peterson
- 4 Kate Westlund
- 5 Joseph Pearson
- 7 Jeff Mueller  
Stephanie Shaw
- 8 Ella Thompson
- 14 Kathy Hendrickson
- 15 Letha Bennis
- 16 Casey Rasmussen
- 17 Halle Barker
- 19 Brooke Puchalla
- 21 Lanie DeMeyer
- 22 Lanse Roeber
- 24 Randal Gordon
- 27 Darla Magdzas
- 29 Dustin Puchalla  
Zach Puchalla



## Bible Studies-July 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)

### 08-04-21 Revelation 4:1-11

1. In v1 the author sees a door standing open in heaven. If we saw something like that, how would we feel – e.g., curious, frightened, excited, other – and why?
2. The physical description of “the one sitting on the throne” seems to emphasize brilliance. What does this brilliance say about God to us? Why? Why does the author not mention the size of the throne or the one sitting on it, do we think?
3. The 24 elders are generally thought to represent the twelve tribes of Israel and the 12 apostles. What might it signify, that representatives of Israel and the early church are engaged in eternal, heavenly worship of God? What implications does this have for us? Why?
4. What words would we use to describe the heavenly scene in this text (e.g., awesome, frightening, dream-like, ...)? Why? What difference does it make how we describe the scene?
5. The heavenly liturgy calls God the “ruler of everything,” and emphasizes God’s glory, honor, and power. How is this vision of God similar to the way you most often think about God, how is it different?
6. How is John’s vision of heaven similar to the vision(s) of heaven familiar to us from popular culture? How is it similar to the images you most often have of heaven? How is it different from those?
7. What difference does this vision of heaven make for our thoughts about heaven? Why?
8. Does John’s vision of heaven have a purpose, do we think – that is, is there some reason we need to know what John saw? What is it, do we think?
9. What does the throne symbolize in Revelation? How does it help you to know that God is ultimately in control of human history?
10. How can God be worshipped so passionately in heaven (Revelation 4) when there is so much struggle within the church on earth (Revelation 2-3)?

### 08-11-21 Revelation 5:1-13

1. Look ahead into chapter 6 enough to get a feel for the content of this scroll. What does “being worthy” have to do with being able to open this scroll?
2. What happens when the seals are broken? What is it about Jesus that makes Him worthy to open the scroll? Consider John 8:7.

3. Why does John weep in verse 4? Why does the lack of a worthy person produce such grief?
4. How did Jesus overcome or triumph in a way that makes Him worthy to open this scroll?
5. Who is speaking in verse 5? See Isaiah 11:1-10 for Root, and Genesis 49:9. What is Jacob prophesying about Judah? How was that fulfilled? Why are these titles -- “Lion of Judah, Root of David” -- important?
6. When John looks at the beginning of verse 6, what does he expect to see? What does he see? What is the purpose of this surprise?
7. Identify three characteristics of the lamb that John notes, and explain why each is important.
8. In verse 8, why do the elders and creatures fall down before the lamb? What is the implication of this action?
9. Compare the songs sung to the Lamb in verses 9, 10, 12, and 13 to the praise spoken to God the Father in 4:8 and 4:11. How are they similar? How are they different?
10. Compare verses 13 and 11 with verse 3. To whom was the angel with the loud voice speaking in verse 3? What is their eventual reaction?

### 08-18-21 Revelation 6:1-8, 7:9-17

1. If a non-Christian asked you – “How could you believe in a God who allows suffering – even of His own people?” – How would you answer them?
2. The opening of the seals represents the unfolding events of history during the age of the church. Why is it significant that “the Lamb” is the one opening the seals?
3. What do each of the 4 horsemen bring with them? What is the progressive pattern in the first 4 seals that is repeated throughout history? Read Matt. 24:4-14, 23-31. Similarities/differences?
4. In 6:8 John declares that “they [the four horsemen] were given power” to kill. Who gave them that power and why?
5. Read Joel 2:28 to 3:21. Are these sections talking about the same event? Now read Acts 2:14-21.
6. Compare Rev. 5:1-6 with 7:1-10. How does the former help you understand the latter?
7. What is the significance of this group “standing before the throne and before the Lamb?”
8. Compare the worship in 7:12 with the same group’s worship in 5:12. What similarities do you notice? What differences? Are the differences significant, and if so, significant of what?
9. Why do you think the elder asks John these 2 questions in v. 13?
10. What is the source of the tears that will be wiped away? Are they from sorrow (i.e. over sin)? From suffering?

8-25-21 Revelation 13:1-18

1. Where does the first beast come from? The second beast? In light of 10:1-2, what can we say about the ability of these beasts to disrupt God's plan?
2. Consider the first beast. Look at Rev 12:3 and Gen. 3:14-15 as well as Dan. 7, especially verses 1-7, 17, 18, and 23-27. List the characteristics of this beast. What similarities are there between the beasts in Dan. 7 and this beast? What do the beasts in Dan. 7 represent? What, then, might this beast represent?
3. Who worships the first beast? Why? What is the relationship between the beast and the dragon?
4. What does this beast say? What does he do? What impact does this have on the saints? How can you tell that God is in control, even now?
5. Reflect on verse 10, and how it would speak to Christians through the ages.
6. Detail the characteristics of the second beast. What does it mean for the beast to look like a lamb, but to speak like a dragon? What other lambs appear in Revelation? What does this beast represent?
7. What is the relationship between the two beasts? Given your interpretation of the beasts, how do you understand this relationship?
8. The beast requires its subjects to get a mark on their foreheads or right hands. Look again at Rev 7:2-3. What do people have to choose between? What are the only two options? What are the consequences of refusing the sign of the beast? What are the implications for us today?
9. Look at verse 18 carefully. How is 7 used in Scripture, particularly in Revelation? How is 3 used? Why might 666 be an appropriate number for the beast, for man's number?
10. What tactic does the beast use to separate unbelievers from true believers? What tactics are used today to pull us away from worship of the one true God?

### 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](http://www.clergystuff) and put Daily Devotionals in the search bar. Ask Pastor Sean if you have questions.



### 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.

**Congregation Members:** Jim and Marcy Rigstad, AJ Nelson, Pat, Steve and Amanda Shaw, Larry Gilbertson, Jean, Jan, Ralph Rolson, Linda Maki

**Family Member:** Jordan Zurn, JR Pietz, Andy, Mike Klawitter, Florence Olson, Amy Klawitter, James David, Mark Klawitter, Judy Johnson, Paula Brostowitz

**Friend/neighbor:** Gail Hoffman

**The Families of:**

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

## OSLC Cooks



We have some great cooks here at OSLC and we'd like to feature some of your recipes. If you're willing to share, you can drop them off or email them to the office or email to [jnjoski@gmail.com](mailto:jnjoski@gmail.com). We can acknowledge you or you can remain anonymous. .

### **Sister Tooti's Blue Cheese Dressing**

(Linda Clark)

- 1 quart Helman Mayonaisse
- 4 cups sour cream
- 12 ounces of more Blu Cheese
- 1/2 heaping teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon (scant) or to taste
- 1 ounce (2 Tablespoons) lemon juice
- 1/2 medium onion, grated
- Dash red pepper



### **Southwest Pork Chop Foil Packs**

(Bonnie Wentzel)

- 1 can black beans, drained & rinsed
- 1 1/2 cups frozen corn, thawed
- 1/2 cup salsa
- 2 tsp. chili powder
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- 4 boneless pork chops 3/4—1 inch thick
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 cup Pepper Jack Cheese

Spray a sheet of aluminum foil with oil and place the chops on the foil. Mix all the ingredients and spoon over the chops. Make into a packet.

On the grill cook 10 minutes, turn over and cook another 10 minutes.

In the oven cook 30 minutes at 375\*

### **Easy Pistachio Salad**

- 1 package pistachio instant pudding
- 1 can crushed or chunk pineapple with the juice
- 1 container Cool Whip

Mix together until thick and light green in color. Add white miniature marshmallows (optional).



## From the Quilters and Sewers

The quilters continue to meet and invite anybody interested to join them. They meet the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 9:00 a.m. to about 11:30 a.m. The next meeting will be August 9th. Call Kande Rosburg if you have questions.

## Thank You!

A big thank you to all of you who donated spring and summer clothes to the children's clothes closet last month. The closet is now fully stocked with summer clothing. Keep them in mind though as you begin your school clothes shopping. If you are aware of someone in need, the clothes closet is open Monday –Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## Readers—Remember the Book Cart

Bring in books you have already read and exchange them for another. There are also books on CD available. The cart is located in the basement at the bottom of the steps from the middle doors.

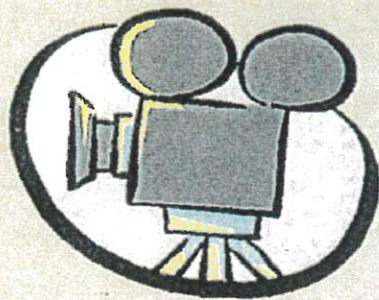


## Puzzle Corner

We also now have jigsaw puzzles available. They are located with the book cart in the basement by the middle staircase. Like with the books, you can take a jigsaw puzzle of your choice. When you are finished, you can keep it or return it and take another. You can also donate any puzzles that you have.

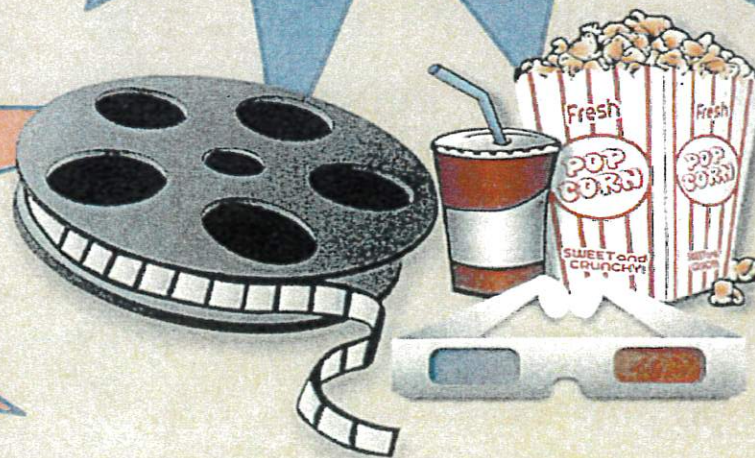


*Our Savior's Lutheran Church presents "Magical  
Mystery Movie Nights"  
through the summer!!*



**WHERE: 1924 WYOMING AVE.  
WHEN: THURSDAYS @ 6:00 P.M.  
COST: FREE! FREE! FREE!  
BRING A PILLOW & BLANKET**

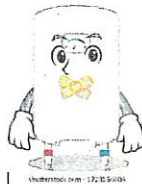
**Every week through the summer we will be offering a fun, family movie on the big screen in our sanctuary. And admission is FREE, FREE, FREE!! But you have to come and find out what the movie is. Hint: they're popular movies from the last fifteen years. Hope to see you there!**



## New Boiler

The trustees recommend we accept a bid of \$55,000 from Belknap Plumbing for the new boiler. This does require approval by the congregation. **A congregational meeting has been scheduled for August 8th after the service.** A quorum of 50 in house/virtual members is required. If you plan to attend virtually, please let the office know.

The boiler fund continues to raise money to cover the cost. Any donation large or small is appreciated. While the donations have reached \$49,435, there is still some to go. We would like to get the boiler installed this summer. Any donation large or small is appreciated. We will continue to keep you informed of the amount raised as we go forward. Look for the thermometer in the St. Paul's Room.



## Challenge to Donate

A challenge has been given to congregation members to make a donation to the boiler fund between now and the congregational meeting on August 8th. For every dollar donated, it will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$500.00. That means if 10 people donate \$50.00 or even if 20 people donate \$25.00, the boiler fund will get \$1000.00. If you haven't made a donation already, this may be the time to do so.

### Script Cards Update


*As a reminder **Script cards are an easy way for you to make money for the church.*** You purchase a card through the church and then use it as you would any other gift card. The church receives a small percentage of the value but you do not pay any more. We have already made over a thousand dollars with only 10 people participating. Just think, how much the church could make at no extra cost to YOU, if you buy cards for local places you already go to such as:

Kwik Trip , Holiday Gas, BP, Menards, Ace Hardware, CVS, Walgreens, Walmart , Superior Meats, Applebees, Papa Murphy's,, Hardees, Burger King, Subway, Dairy Queen, and Dunkin Donuts.

Bottom line : It's an easy way to do your shopping and help the church at the same time



# 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Pastor text study 11 a.m. 5 p.m. National Night Out 	4 Bible study 10 a.m.	5 Pastor on vacation until August 10th. No movie night	6	7
8 9:30 a.m. worship service in house and online Jenny Carey covering service 10:30 a.m. <b>Congregational Meeting</b>	9	10 Pastor text study 11 a.m. Boards 6 p.m.	11 Bible Study 10 a.m.	12 Movie night 6 p.m.	13	14
15 9:30 a.m. worship service in house and online	16	17 Pastor text study 11 a.m. Council 5:30 p.m.	18 Bible study 10 a.m.	19 Movie night 6 p.m.	20	21 Script Cards orders due.
22 9:30 a.m. worship service in house and online	23	24 Pastor text study 11 a.m.	25 Bible study 10 a.m.	26 Movie night 6 pm.	27	28
29 9:30 a.m. worship service in house and online	30	31 Pastor text study 11 a.m.				