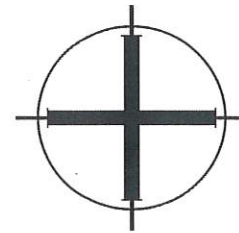




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# Sharing the Joy

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



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2022

Our Savior's Lutheran Church



Sunday Worship

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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August 2022



Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

It's finally starting to feel like summer out there with temperatures consistently in the mid-70s or higher. And just when the summer is winding down! I imagine we've got plenty of weeks left of good weather, but it sure took awhile to get here this year. I know we all treasure these warmer months after putting up with such long winters and to have them start so late in the season doesn't seem fair. We can only hope it's a sign of moderate winter ahead.

Regardless of the weather, we have a month of fun ministry in store for us. During the second week, I'll be heading down to Columbus, OH to serve as a synod representative to the Churchwide Assembly. I've never participated in such a large gathering of church leaders, and I'll be interested to experience the behind-the-scenes operations of the larger church. Stay tuned for my summary report in the September newsletter. I'll be back in time for the combined bluegrass service on the second Sunday of the month. We have guest musicians from northern Michigan to help lead us in song and it'll be a delight to join our brothers and sisters in Christ from Concordia, Pilgrim, and Zion in worship. Be sure to bring a tray of breakfast rolls to the after-service time of fellowship. It will be held at the pavilion in Billings Park beginning at 9:00 a.m. On the third Sunday, the intern at Zion, Sarah Gunderson, and I have decided to swap pulpits. She'll be leading worship at our church while I lead service at hers. We thought this would be good since we're working together this year as intern/supervisor. We'll have three more pulpit swaps before the year is out as well. During the third week of the month, my family and I will be visiting some family down in Iowa, but I should be back to lead service on the fourth Sunday. A busy month ahead for sure!

I pray you all take advantage of these warm weeks and get some traveling in before hunkering down for another long (moderate??) winter. God blessed us with another relaxing summer and for this we ought to give thanks. Thanks be to God!

Summer blessings,

Pastor Koos

## August Narratives

We continue the 2022 Summer Narrative Lectionary Readings with the book of Ruth. The series concludes on 9/3/2022.

### 1 Peter (conclusion)

08/07/2022: 1 Peter 5:1-14

### Ruth (4 weeks)

08/14//2022: Ruth 1:1-22

08/21/2022: Ruth 2:1-23

08/28/2022 Ruth 3:1-18

09/03/2022 Ruth 4:1-22

## *From our Congregation President*

Hope everyone is getting a chance to enjoy the summer. Gene and I just returned from our second stay in the Apostles Islands. We enjoy getting out and viewing God's beautiful creations, trees, beaches and fresh caught fish! August is almost here and your church leadership is gearing up for fall.

We start it off this month with National Night Out, on August 2 and between 6-8 pm at Our Savior's. There will be refreshments for all and activities for the kids.

Sunday School and Confirmation will begin in September with Rally Sunday on the 11 th .

Our Trustees have applied for a \$5500 grant to purchase a new larger shed with electricity! It will house the lawn mower and snowblower. They have also hired a new custodian, Laura Liebaert. From all reports, that is going very well. The Trustees also have some projects that will need completing before winter! They could use some volunteers! More information will be coming on that.

I want to THANK those that have been working hard to keep up the church yard this summer. Our lawn mowers include: Kathy Nelson, Jim Erickson, and the main mower, our neighbor on the block. Also, Len Wicklund has done the parking lot spraying, Jack Arthur is watering the new trees and Dave Kringle has again purchased and planted flowers. I have been weeding the flowerbed next to the main entry!

So, enjoy the last months of summer and try to make "National Night Out" it will be fun.

Hope to see you in church.

In Christ,

Kandee

**Minutes for OSLC Council Meeting  
There were no board meetings nor council meeting in July**

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Tuesday August 2nd National Night Out**

**Tuesday August 9th Board meeting**

Sunday August 14th Joint Service with other Lutheran churches in Billings Park

Tuesday August 16th— Council Meeting

## Pastor Visitations

Pastor Sean would like to visit all the members of our church over the next year. A current schedule of the people he plans to visit along with the dates is available in the narthex.

This month (August) he plans to visit with the families of:

Reid Haglin, Craig Hanson, Jennifer Farrell, Linda Clark, Sharrie Janovick, Jack Arthur, Ed Willie, Kim Gralewski, Tom Krob, Vern Moore, Ralph Rolson, Jeff Liebaert, Vivian Willoughby, Dave Cody, Bill Howard and Randy Gordon.



## Pulpit Swap

On August 21st, we will be doing a pulpit swap with Zion Lutheran. Pastor Koos will be doing the service at Zion and their interim pastor, Sarah Gunderson, will be doing the service here. Please give her a warm welcome.

## Joint Service

On August 14th there will be a joint service, with the other Lutheran churches in town, in Billings Park at 9 a.m. in the Billings Park Pavilion. The service is a Jesse Paul Family Concert. The Pauls are a family of seven who manage forest land in Michigan's Upper Peninsula and harvest maple syrup. But from May to November they give concerts featuring traditional gospel music along with a mix of contemporary songs, all featuring positive and encouraging messages.

The concert is sponsored by Concordia Lutheran Church, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Pilgrim Lutheran Church and Zion Lutheran Church.

Remember to bring your lawn chairs.

There will be coffee, juice and treats after the service.

A free will offering will be taken.

The concert is welcome to all so spread the word.

(In the event of rain, the service will be held at Concordia Lutheran Church.)





1. Todd Peterson
4. Kale 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
24. Lanse Roeber
27. Randy Gordon  
Darla Magdzas
29. Dustin Puchalla  
Zach Puchalla



**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, Pat and Amanda Shaw, Larry Gilbertson, Jean Larkee, Meri Will, Judy Nelson, Roger Prescott, Linda Maki

**Family Member:** Mike Klawitter, James David, Judy Johnson, Paula Brostowitz, Nellie, Priscilla Rene, Jeanne David, Pat Hansen, Carol Gruhlke, Ray Moe, Henry Wentzel, Troy Helf, Derek Helf, Reid Sather, Steve Kilby. Shawn Gallagher, Joel Dykema, Casey, Bill Mullens, Gary Wanek

**Friend/neighbor:** Annabel Hanson, Dwaine, Benita Sutherland, Ben Zion Lutheran, Bethel Lutheran, the people of Ukraine

***The Families of:***

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

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## Mission & Outreach

### August 2022

In impoverished Honduras, parents must supply all school supplies. If they are unable to provide the items, their children cannot attend school. For the month of August, we are collecting school supplies for the Honduran children.

Aug.7th: Black or blue ballpoint Pens (no gel ink)

Aug 14th: Spiral notebooks (need 70-80)

Aug-21, #2 Pencils, Pencil Sharpeners, 30-centimeter Rulers (rulers can include inches but must have centimeters),

Aug-28, 2-1/2" Erasers, 24 count Crayons, Blunt scissors

Note: None of the items should have any patriotic or military symbols, names or words, and no camouflage.

Sturdy Drawstring Backpack-Style Cloth Bag approx. 14"x17"with shoulder straps (No standard backpack), Recommended fabrics: sturdy cotton, canvas, denim and twill. If you are interested in making a backpack, contact the office.



The Readers for the month of August are:

8/7/2022 Linda Johnson

8/14/2022 Service in the park

8/21/2022 Carol Roberts

8/28/2022

Communion Assistants for the month of August are:

8/7/2022 Steve Shaw

8/14/2022 Service in the park

8/21/2022

8/28/2022

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As can be seen, we are need of worship assistants. This is an easy way to support our worship services. If you are willing and would like to volunteer to be a reader or a communion assistant, there is a volunteer sign up sheet in the narthex or contact the office.

## Education Corner

### Confirmation—

I can't believe we are talking about the start of the new year already. Orientation for the new class and their parents will be September 7th at 5:30 p.m. It is important that everyone attend. Confirmation itself will then start on September 14th.

### Sunday School—

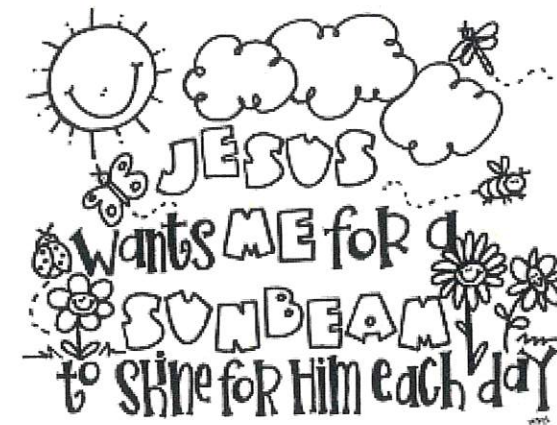


Sunday School is still on hiatus for the summer. Again I can't believe we are talking about the new year already. Just a heads up, Rally Day will be September 11th, the Sunday after Labor Day. This is the start of the new year. We ask the parents to register their children that day and we'll have activities for the children. Our Sunday School is for ages 3 through 5th grade. We also invite those in 6th grade to attend and be helpers for the group.

If you have a child who is over 3 or know of a child will be turning 3 soon and or any child who would like to attend Sunday School, contact the office. The parents do not have to be members of OSLC for the children to attend.

### Adult Education -

Adult bible study is continuing. It meets Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. At this time bible study is planned to continue on Wednesday mornings through the summer.



08-03-22 1 Peter 5:1-14

1. According to 1 Peter 5:1-4, what are some of the characteristics of a good elder?
2. Peter begins in 5:1 by appealing to them as “one of them.” What does this tell you about the nature of Christian leadership in the church?
3. What would be some of the implications if Christian leaders viewed their congregations as “theirs” not God’s? (5:2)
4. If leaders are supposed to lead willingly, how much more should this principle apply to those who are serving in other ways (beside leadership)?
5. in 5:3, elders are instructed to be an example, not a domineering leader. In what ways does the life of a leader (their example) back up and support their message?
6. In 5:5-7, what is a chief problem for young people? Why do you think young people struggle with this?
7. What are some of the reasons given here for why someone would humble themselves?
8. What would it look like to be submissive to those who are older than you?
9. What does Peter say about Satan? How does he instruct us to respond in light of who Satan is?
10. How can vs. 9 be a source of strength to Christians as they struggle?

08-10-22 Ruth 1:1-22

1. What do you think Elimelech’s motivations were for leaving Israel and going to Moab?
2. What indications do you see in this passage that Elimelech was disobedient to God?
3. What wisdom do you take from Naomi’s choice to return to the land of Judah?
4. Why does Naomi discourage her daughters-in-law from returning with her?
5. Have you ever given up comfort for a chance to know God deeper? What discourages you from clinging to Jesus?
6. How would it feel to return to your hometown empty handed as Naomi had?
7. What do you think compelled Ruth to persist in following Naomi back to Judah?
8. What do you think compelled Orpah to stay behind in Moab?
9. Do you think Naomi was justified in renaming herself, Mara? Why or why not?
10. Do you think Naomi should have allowed Ruth to come back with her to Judah? Why or why not?

08-17-22 Ruth 2:1-23

1. What do we learn about Boaz (whose name means “Standing is strength”). Who is he and how is he described?
2. What obstacles did Ruth have to overcome as a poor foreigner in a new land?
3. (Lev 19:9-10; 23:22; Deut 24:19-22) What do these laws tell us about God’s heart for the poor, foreigner, and widow?
4. The phrase “as it happened.” Do you believe that things “just happen” in the life of a believer? Why?

7. God doesn’t want us to be comfortable, He wants us to be conformable.

According to Romans 8:29 whose image are we being conformed into?

8. How was Ruth’s response to Boaz in vs. 10 an example for us to follow in our response to Jesus?

9. Boaz knew all Ruth had gone through, the loss, the rejection and the loneliness. In what ways did he comfort her?

10. Before God changes our circumstances He wants to change our hearts. How was Naomi’s heart being changed?

08-24-22 Ruth 3:1-18

1. Naomi’s plan for Ruth’s “rest” or “security” seems to hinge on Ruth’s cultivating a relationship with Boaz. How does this feature of the plot make the story “ancient”? “Contemporary”?

2. What do these events reveal about Naomi’s character? About Ruth’s character? About Boaz’s character?

3. Does this “winnowing time” symbolize anything going on in the human relationships in the story?

4. Is this a story about food? About sex? About love? About family? About ... what? What difference does it make how we describe the subject matter of this story?

5. What determines Ruth’s identity as “a worthy woman” in this story?

6. Should a young lady today do the same to show her interest in a man? What possible dangers are there in such a plan?

7. Do you think Boaz loved Ruth? Why or why not?

8. Are there any indications in the text about the possible age difference between Boaz and Ruth? Is this a problem?

9. What impressed Boaz about Ruth? What decision did Boaz make?

10. What does the word “redeem” mean? How is this similar to Christ redeeming us?

08-31-22 Ruth 4:1-22

1. What do you think is the significance of this scene occurring before ten elders at the “gates” of the city in verses 1-2? (see 2 Samuel 15:2-6; Amos 5:10, 12, 15)

2. For what reason do you think the initial relative chose not to redeem Naomi and Ruth?

3. What seems to be Boaz’s chief motivation in verses 5 and 10?

4. How does Boaz response in verses 4:9-10 contrast with Naomi’s despair back in 1:19-21?

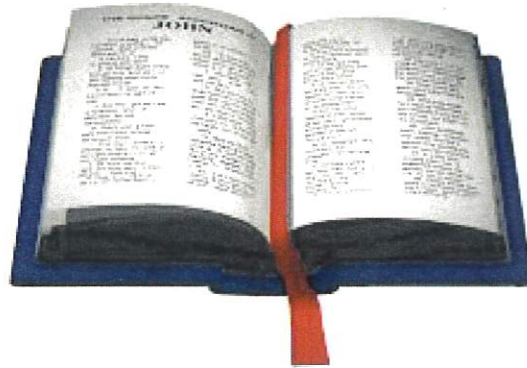
5. How does Naomi’s dialogue with the woman in chapter 1:19-22 and in chapter 4 demonstrate resolution to the plot of Ruth?

6. How is the first kinsman’s decline an example of God’s work in ordinary circumstances to orchestrate his larger redemptive purposes?



Bible Studies August 2022 continued

7. What is the significance of including Leah and Rachel in the blessing (Genesis 29:31-35; 30:22-24)?
8. Ruth is “better to her than seven sons.” What does this tell us about the kind of people that God blesses and works through?
9. In what specific ways is Boaz a type of Jesus?
10. In what ways does Ruth model the Lord’s steadfast love for us?



**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

**YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE WITH US!**

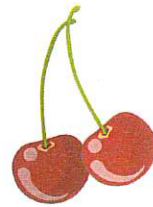
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6pm-8pm  
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Superior

Games; Pizza; Music and Family Fun  
National Night Out in Superior

# OSLC COOKS



Everyone probably has their own favorite banana bread recipe but have you tried any other flavors?



## Cherry Nut Bread

Drain 1 14 ounce bottle maraschino cherries. Keep juice and cherries. Cut cherries in half.

2/3 cup sugar                      1/8 teaspoon salt  
3 tablespoons shortening  
2 well beaten eggs      1 2/3 cup flour  
1 2/3 cup flour              1 2/3 teaspoon baking powder  
1 cup chopped nuts (optional)  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine sugar and shortening. Add eggs. Then 1/4 cup cherry juice. Add flour, salt and baking powder. Fold in cherries, nuts and vanilla. Bake 350\* in well greased pan for an hour or until done.

## Orange Bread



1 cup sugar                      pinch of salt  
1 tablespoon shortening      1 egg beaten  
1 teaspoon vanilla              1 teaspoon baking powder  
2 cups flour                      1 teaspoon soda

Grated rind of 1 orange. Juice the orange. Add water to orange juice to make 1 cup. Add alternately with flour to other ingredients. Add nuts if desired. Bake at 325\* for 1 hour or until done.



## Pumpkin Bread

2 eggs beaten                      1/2 cup salad oil  
1 1/2 cups sugar                  1 cup pumpkin  
1/4 teaspoon baking powder    1 teaspoon soda  
3/4 teaspoon salt                  1/2 teaspoon cloves  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon          1 2/3 cup flour

Mix as given. Bake 300\* until done. May add raisins or nuts. At Christmas may add chopped maraschino cherries.

## REMEMBER TO USE SCRIP CARDS

**How do Scrip cards work?** You purchase a Scrip card through Carol Skamser and pay by check to OSLC. Her phone number is 715-781-0753. The cards can be used to purchase everyday items such as gas, groceries, pharmacy items, and at restaurants. If you purchase a new card, orders must be in by the third Sunday of the month. This month orders must be in by July 16th. Some of the cards can be reloaded by simply calling Carol Skamser at any time and getting a check to her. After each purchase the receipt you get shows the remaining balance of the card.

**Where can I use them?** Some local examples are; Kwik Trip, Holiday Gas, Walmart, Superior Meats, Walgreens, CVS, Menards, Home Depot, Arbees, Applebees, and Dominos. There are many more. There is a list of available cards in the narthex or ask Carol.

**How does this benefit OSLC?** When you purchase these cards, a percentage of the purchase price is immediately given to the church. Each business has their own rebate percentages. This helps the church with additional revenue. **For January through June 2022, Scrip Card usage \$1438.00 was contributed toward the church mortgage.** Remember purchasing Scrip cards helps you give additional funds to OSLC without it costing you anything extra.

## Threads of Hope

The clothes closet has now been switched over from winter to summer clothing. If you are aware of a family in need, the closet is open during office hours 9 a.m.—1 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

## 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.

While there are some children's books on the Book Cart, remember the Little Blue Bookshelf across from the Children's Clothes Closet.

## 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.

## 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 15th.



# 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 	3 9:00 a.m. New Perspective 10:15 a.m. Bible study	4 	5	6
7 9:30 a.m. In house and online	8 Pastor gone	9 Pastor gone 5:45 p.m. All Boards	10 Pastor gone	11 Pastor gone	12 Pastor gone	13
14 9:00 a.m. Joint out door service in Billings Park	15	16 11:00 a.m. Pastor text study at Concordia 5:45 p.m. Council	17 9:00 a.m. New Perspective 10:15 a.m. Bible study	18	19	20 Scrip cards due
21 9:30 a.m. in house and online; led by Sarah Gunderson (Zion intern)	22 Pastor gone	23 Pastor gone 5:45 p.m. Council	24 Pastor gone	25 Pastor gone	26 Pastor gone	27 
28 9:30 a.m. in house and online	29	30 11:00 a.m. Pastor text study at Concordia	31 9:00 a.m. New Perspective 10:15 a.m. Bible study 4:45 p.m. Music committee			