



2025

Sharing the Joy

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

No Sunday School during summer months

Our Savior's Lutheran Church ELCA

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and

Your Presidents Message

PASTOR'S REPORT

AUGUST 2025

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

We're heading into the dog days of summer this month. But with a cool June and July, it just feels like summer has finally settled in up here in the north. I pray you are quickly taking your vacations and tidying up your summer gardening. With such a short summer, we really have to take advantage of every beautiful day we can. Last month I painted our deck and replaced rotted boards. What a project that was! Between that and getting a new vehicle after hitting a deer in early June, it's already been a busy summer of big changes for me. Hopefully this month will be relatively change-free.

We will be working through a sermon series on Revelation during worship. Thank you, pastor Randy, for getting us started on it last month. On Aug. 17, the Lutheran churches of Superior will again worship together at Our Savior's with a potluck meal following the service. Burgers, brats, and hot dogs will be provided. We will head back over to Our Savior's on Sept. 21 for a service with the musical group, "Breaking Chains," potluck meal also following the service. At the end of the month, we will have a brief orientation on the 27th for anyone who'd like to begin the 2-year confirmation program. Any baptized member aged 13 or older can join the program. Just let me know. Otherwise, I hope to see you around the church in these warm summer days.

Summer blessings,
Pastor Sean

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT— BEN GAARD

"Hello Everyone!

Mother Nature sure is keeping us on our toes this year! I hope July has treated you all very well. Taylor and I would just like to thank you all for your love, support, and generosity over the last couple of months since Liv has joined us! We are very blessed to be a part of this wonderful congregation and cannot thank you enough!

Cheers to the start of August and stay cool out there!

Ben



Service Attendants for AUGUST

Steward: Suzanne Riedel

Deacon: Steve Shaw

Altar Guild: Robbye Johnson & Marcy Rigstad

Acolytes None in Summer Months

AUGUST

BIRTHDAYS

Peterson, Todd	01-Aug
Westlund, Kale H.	04-Aug
Shaw, Stephanie J.	07-Aug
Mueller, Jeff	07-Aug
Thompson, Ella	08-Aug
Hendrickson, Kathy	14-Aug
Bennis, Letha M.	15-Aug
Rasmussen, Casey A.	16-Aug
DeMeyer, Lanie K.	21-Aug
Roeber, Lanse	24-Aug
Magdzas, Darla	27-Aug
Gordon, Randal (Randy)	27-Aug

ANNIVERSARIES

Nelson, Andrew and Kathy	04-Aug
Prescott, Roger and Bev	10-Aug
Willie, Ed L. and Kim	10-Aug
Haglin, Reid and Lynn	11-Aug
Skudstad, Eric and Karina	20-Aug
Johnson, Dennis and Patricia	22-Aug
Gregory, Kevin and Nancy	22-Aug
Splinter, James and Cheryl	25-Aug



Bible Studies AUGUST 2025

Wednesdays at Our Savior's 10:30am-11:30am

USING Microsoft Team platform NOW, no longer using Zoom

<https://teams.live.com/join/9334200729711?p=zxEcV9Xuhb6H9Cf8Jf>

08-06-25 Revelation 5:1-13

1. What does the scroll represent? Why is it sealed?
2. Why was John so distraught when no one was found worthy to open it?
3. What does it mean that the Lamb is both slain and standing?
4. How does the Lamb's sacrifice qualify him to open the scroll?
5. What is the significance of the new song sung by the elders?
6. How does the scene of worship in heaven impact our understanding of worship on earth?
7. How does the description of the Lamb's worthiness (power, wealth, wisdom, might, honor, glory, blessing) inform our view of Christ's authority?
8. How does the mention of "every tribe and language and people and nation" in relation to the redeemed influence our perspective on diversity?
9. How does the imagery of the Lion and the Lamb shape our understanding of Jesus' character?
10. How does this passage encourage us to trust God more fully, especially in difficult times?

08-13-25 Revelation 7:9-17

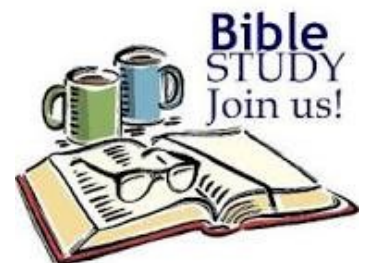
1. What does the vision of the multitude in white robes tell us about God's plan for salvation?
2. How does this vision of a diverse group of people worshipping God together challenge our understanding of unity and inclusion?
3. What does it mean for the robes to be washed white in the blood of the Lamb?
4. What does it mean that God will wipe away every tear from their eyes?
5. How does this passage offer comfort and hope in the face of suffering and tribulation?
6. How does this vision inspire us to participate in God's mission to reach all nations with the Gospel?
7. What personal worship preferences might we have that could hinder us from fully embracing this vision of universal worship?
8. How can we strive to create more inclusive and welcoming environments in our churches and communities, reflecting this vision of unity?
9. How does this passage speak to the concept of perseverance and faithfulness in the face of adversity?
10. How does this vision of the heavenly multitude impact our understanding of God's sovereignty and His ultimate plan for humanity?

08-20-25 Revelation 13:1-18

1. Who or what does the first beast represent?
2. Where does the beast get its power and authority?
3. What does the healing of the beast's mortal wound signify?
4. Who or what does the second beast represent?
5. How do the false miracles of the second beast serve its deceptive agenda?
6. How does Revelation 13 challenge your understanding of spiritual warfare?
7. What does the mark of the beast represent in today's context?
8. What are the dangers of false prophets and deceptions in our time?
9. How can believers endure and remain faithful during difficult times?
10. What hope for believers can be found in this passage?

08-27-25 Revelation 21:1-6; 22:1-5

1. What does the promise of a new heaven and a new earth signify to us?
2. How should the vision of the new heaven and new earth impact how we live now?
3. Why is it significant that there is no temple in the New Jerusalem?
4. How can we experience God's presence now, and how will that be different in the new creation?
5. What does the promise of no more death, mourning, crying, or pain mean to us?
6. What does the crystal-clear river flowing from God's throne symbolize?
7. What does the Tree of Life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit and with leaves for healing, represent?
8. How does the absence of the curse affect our understanding of God's will and our future in eternity?
9. How does this passage encourage hope and faith in the face of adversity?
10. How does this vision of eternity inspire us to live with greater purpose and devotion? , how would you do it?

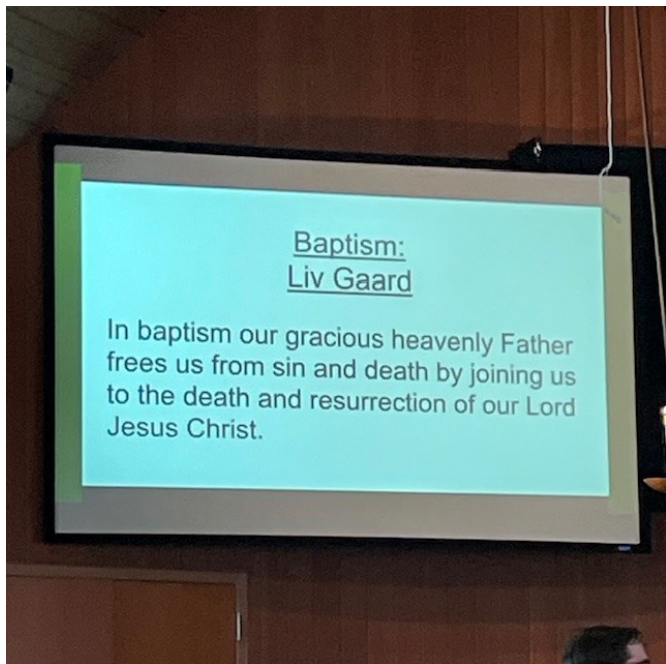


BAPTISM

Ben and Taylor Gaard had their daughter Liv baptized on July 20th.



Liv was wide awake and not a peep out of her.



.....CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....

THE **DULUTH SUPERIOR HARBOR MASTERS** SANG FOR US ON JULY 13TH. What a treat to have them.



Pastor Schwantes and his wife visited us on July 20th. He was OSLC Pastor from August 1978 to April 1989.



Tuesday, August 5

**COME JOIN
THE FUN!!!**



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
1924 Wyoming (Parking Lot)

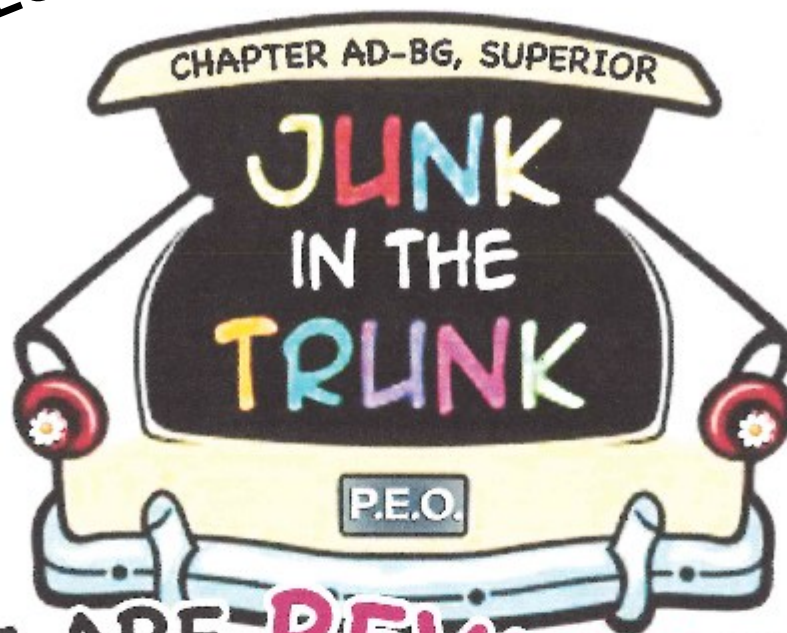
Rootbeer & Orange Floats **FREE !!**



5 pm — 7 pm

Hot Dogs !!

IN OUR FRONT
PARKING LOT



WE ARE **REV** VING UP

THE RUMMAGE SALE WORLD
WITH THIS **MOBILE EVENT!**

DURING BILLINGS PARK DAYS

Friday, Aug 1 and Saturday, Aug 2

**9a-1p - in the parking lot at Our Saviors Lutheran Church
1924 Wyoming Avenue, Superior**

Members of Wisconsin P.E.O.
Chapter AD-BG, Superior will
be lining up their vehicles
and popping open trunks,
backseats and tailgates filled
with treasures to sell as they
raise funds for our
**projects and the
education of women.**

THERE WILL BE A
BAKE SALE
• SPECIAL "PAY WHAT
YOU CAN" DEALS •
AND OH, SO MUCH MORE!

**For more information
contact Kathy Nelson,
218.390.7762**

P.E.O. is an international philanthropic education organization that provides scholarships
and low interest loans for women attending college. Visit our P.E.O. table

**Luther
Point**

BIBLE CAMP

Summer Celebration

August 3, 2025



Join us for Worship at 11am
Followed by Lunch (free will donation)
1pm - Silent Auction/Carnival Games
2pm - Program/Live Auction

11525 Luther Point Rd.
Grantsburg, WI 54840
715-689-2347
Info@LutherPoint.org



Audiovisual assistants

Volunteers are still being sought to help run the audiovisual. This will mainly be for the church services, although help may be requested at other times. Contact Gene Rosburg or the office if you are interested. You will get training.

Offering

We are passing the plate for the offering. You still have the option to place your gift in the plate at the back of the sanctuary or to use the online or mail in options.



Sharing the Peace

It seems that no matter the season, CoVid and RSV viruses are always around. These variants particularly affect small children and those over 65. We encourage congregants to do only as they feel comfortable for sharing the peace. Masks are optional but are available along with hand sanitizers at the church entrance and in the pews. You may hug, shake hands, touch elbows, wave or simply smile and say the words, as you feel comfortable. Be aware of the other person's preferences as well.



Quilting:

The quilters continue to be busy. Anyone is welcome to join them on Mondays from 9 am to 11:30 am or so. Knitters and crocheters are also welcome. It is a great time to get out and socialize with others. During this time, we mainly tie the quilts. Most of the sewing is done at home. We welcome anyone to join us whenever they can.. Talk to Kandee. We will also provide you with donated materials we have.

We can always use donated materials. Our biggest need is always the back material for the quilt. Top sheets that are in good condition work great. Any cotton or cotton-blend fabric. We also will use polyester fabric. Other things that work and are in good condition include: drapes, table cloths, shower curtains, etc. We can also use Thread and Yarn. Thank you,

Also thank Thrivent for their help. Through Thrivent Action Teams we purchase batting and fabric for quilt backs. If you have insurance or investments in Thrivent, you are usually eligible to write for grant moneys on each account . This money can be used to purchase materials. This can be worth two (action teams), worth \$250 each, to help pay for projects at church. Talk to Carol Roberts or Kandee Rosburg for more information.





Mission and Outreach Donations

AUGUST 2025

**Faith United Methodist Church
Food Pantry**

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August 3: Canned Fruits and Vegetables. Canned and Dried Soups

August 10: Canned Tuna & Chicken, Refried Beans, Black Beans, Kidney Beans, Baked Beans

August 17: Meal Start: Mac & Cheese, Hamburger Helper, Rice-A-Roni, Box Potatoes, etc.

August 24: Pasta Products, Rice, Tomato Sauce, Diced Tomatoes, Spaghetti Sauce

August 31: Breakfast Cereal, Granola Bars, Peanut Butter





SCRIP CARDS

Think SUMMER! Are you planning some projects? Maybe some fixer upper jobs? Use gift cards from Menards, Lowes and Home Depot for those projects. You help the church while getting a jump on those projects. Feels really good!

As of July 17, the use of Scrip cards has raised \$952.91 for the church.

NEXT NEW CARD ORDER WILL go in Sunday AUGUST 10.

August 3rd is the first Sunday of the month, **Mission Sunday!** Be generous with your Mission Sunday donations in the basket in the Narthex. All the money collected stays right in our community !!!

Threads of Hope Children's Clothes Closet

Thank you Diane Tomczak & Carol Arthur for continuing to maintain the closet. It is definitely being used by the community.

32 items were given out in August. We only collect and distribute children's items. They should be clean and in good condition. Contact Diane or Carol if you are willing to help.

FROM STEWARDSHIP:

When Apostle Paul wrote to the churches in Macedonian, he encouraged them with seven principles of Stewardship that still apply for us. **The second is GENEROSITY.** Our first thoughts of generosity are of financial gifts. God encourages us to be generous in spirit, thoughts, and prayers. We should share our talents, smiles, kindness, encourage others, and truly listen to others. God of grace, help us cling to your promises and share them with a generous spirit.



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.

Family of: Pat Shaw

Worship Support Congregation Members: Jim and Marcy Rigstad, Steve & Amanda Shaw, Jan Hendrickson, Meri Will

Family Member: Paulette Jokela, Mickie, Dorothy Huffman, Beth Koos, Cathy Gibson Carlson, Jay Stromback, Bill Janovick

Friend/neighbor: Sue Weber, Tim Meal. David Olson, Arlene, John Manion

(Keeping Names on for 3 months. Let the office know if you want them put back on.)

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



OSLC Council Meeting NO JULY MEETING

Easy Family Recipes

CHICKEN RANCH TATOR TOT

👉 **Make It Tonight!**

Ingredients:

- 6 slices cooked bacon, chopped
- 4 cooked, shredded chicken breasts
- 32 oz. frozen tater tots
- ½ cup ranch dressing
- 1 cup milk
- 2 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 3 tbsp butter
- 1½ cups shredded mild cheddar cheese
- Salt & pepper to taste

Bake 350° 45min



NEW HOPE FOR FAMILIES
6TH ANNUAL LOVE

gala

— 09/11/2025 —
GREYSOLON BALLROOM

The evening will include auctions, fabulous dinner, inspiring stories, and opportunities to get involved. Your presence will make a meaningful impact in the lives of children in foster care.

As Christ calls us to care for the least of these, we invite you to join us for a special evening of love, faith, and hope at NHFF's 6th Annual LOVE Gala. This event will honor the brave children in foster care and the loving families who open their hearts to them.

RSVP: Please RSVP by September 1 at
www.newhopeforfamilies.com

If you have any questions or prefer to RSVP offline please email or call Melissa at nhlovegala@gmail.com or 218-343-3285

August

2025

OSLC- Superior, WI

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 9-1pm Junk in the Trunk	2 9-1pm Junk in the Trunk
3 9:30am CHURCH SERVICE	4 9am QUILTING	5 5-7pm NATIONAL NIGHT OUT In Front Parking Lot	6 9am NP SERVICE 10:30am BIBLE STUDY@OSLC 1:30pm HARMONY Bible.Study	7	8	9
10 9:30 CHURCH SERVICE 10:30am STEWARDSHIP	11 9am QUILTING MUSIC COMMITTEE TO MEET THIS WEEK	12 4:30pm TRUSTEES 5:15pm ALL BOARDS	13 9am NP SERVICE 10:30am BIBLE STUDY@OSLC	14	15	16
17 9:30am CHURCH SERVICE JOINT SERVICE for the SAMARITAN FUND. POTLUCK TO FOLLOW	18 9am QUILTING	19 5:15pm COUNCIL	20 9am NP SERVICE 10:30am BIBLE STUDY@OSLC	21	22	23
24 9:30am CHURCH SERVICE	25 9am QUILTING	26	27 9am NP SERVICE 10:30am BIBLE STUDY@OSLC 1:30pm HARMONY Service	28	29	30
31 9:30am CHURCH SERVICE						