

2025 Sharing the Joy

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Fellowship

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& your President's Message

PASTOR KOOS' REPORT

NOVEMBER 2025

Greetings from your pastor and partner in ministry!!

'Tis the season for giving thanks for all of God's blessings. God continues to bless our congregations with rich and developing ministries. Concordia added a new fenced area for potential playground equipment and finally had our main parking lot repaved. We have businesses interested in renting parts of our building to help offset the overhead costs. Our visioning group keeps brainstorming new growth opportunities. Meanwhile, Our Savior's enhanced our educational programing by exploring new gathering times this fall. We welcomed a handful of new members last month and are excited about what they bring to our community. Both our congregations are growing in faith through rich worship and keen learning. We have much to be thankful for this season. Let us pray our blessings will continue into the new year. Thanks be to God!

Thankful blessings,

Pastor Sean



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11-05-25 Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24

- 1. Where else does our culture look for authority or guidance on what is right and wrong?
- 2. Why do we need to do what's right?
- 3. How can we make sure we stay focused on what God calls right and wrong?
- 4. How are people around us affected when we don't treat God as the authority on right and wrong?
- 5. Why would God hate worship that just goes through the motions so much?
- 6. Have you ever felt like you were just going through the motions in church?
- 7. How can you snap yourself out of this way of treating Christianity?
- 8. How are other people in your life affected when you're just going through the motions with God?
- 9. How can we, in our modern lives, combat the complacency and self-indulgence that Amos warned against?
- 10. How can we apply the lessons from Amos 5 to our daily lives, such as "hating evil, loving good, and establishing justice in the gate?"

11-12-25 Isaiah 9:1-7

- 1. What does the "great light" symbolize in the context of this passage and the entire Bible?
- 2. How can we apply the promised joy and the breaking of the "yoke of burden" to our lives?
- 3. How do the prophesied titles for the child—Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace—deepen your understanding of God's character and his promises?
- 4. In what ways is the prophecy of no more gloom fulfilled through Jesus Christ, and how does this provide hope?
- 5. How can the promise of an eternal kingdom provide assurance during difficult circumstances or when facing current world events?
- 6. How does understanding Isaiah's prophecies influence your understanding of leadership?
- 7. How can we practically apply the principles of justice, righteousness, and peace from the future king's reign to our daily actions and decisions?
- 8. How do we find hope and peace today through the fulfillment of this prophecy in Jesus Christ?
- 9. Verses 4-5 speak about the promise of freedom and independence. Why are these promises so important?
- 10. How do we know these verses describe Jesus Christ? See Mat 4:12-16, 23-24

BIBLE STUDY CONT.

11-19-25 Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14

- 1. How do the exiles & #39; commands to " build houses and plant gardens & quot; apply to Christians today who may feel like they are in a difficult or "exiled" situation?
- 2. What does it mean to " seek the welfare of the city" where you live, especially if the community is not Christian?
- 3. How can we distinguish between a true prophecy and a false one in our own lives?
- 4. Why is it difficult at times to accept that all of God's plans are good, even when they are difficult?
- 5. How can we maintain hope and trust in God's promises when you don't see immediate results?
- 6. How can the message of Jeremiah 29 encourage us?
- 7. What are some ways Jeremiah 29:11 can be misused or misapplied?
- 8. How does understanding God's sovereignty help us navigate difficult circumstances?
- 9. What does it mean to seek God wholeheartedly?
- 10. How do the promises of restoration after 70 years reflect God's sovereignty and foreknowledge?

11-26-25 Daniel 3:1, 8-30

- 1. What is an idol and why does God command us to have no other idols before Him?
- 2. Why do we have difficulty at times choose God and His will, specifically in tough or difficult circumstances?
- 3. Re-read Daniel 3:16-18. What sticks out to you in these verses?
- 4. Why should we point out that they were willing to be obedient to God even if God didn't save them?
- 5. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's faithfulness to God is prevalent in their decision to not worship God. Is faith an all or nothing thing?
- 6. True or False: Faithfulness to God and Obedience to God go hand in hand.
- 7. How can we discern when praise and repentance are genuine?
- 8. How does our culture pressure believers to reject God and conform to the status quo?
- 9. What are some of the idols of our day that vie for our worship?
- 10. How are we tempted to react when accusers and critics come against us?



EDUCATION CORNER



Confirmation

Confirmation is on Sundays at 5 p.m.

Sunday School

Sunday School remains on Sunday mornings, however, it's now after the service, which is usually 10:30am. They should be done around 11:15-11:30. We encourage those who bring the students to join other congregation members for fellowship with goodies in the St. Paul's Room. Please stay and visit..





3K through 3rd grade











4th through 6th grade

Adult Education

Bible Studies continue at 10:30am on Wednesday mornings

PASTOR KOOS' FALL VISITATION SCHEDULE Nov 2025

Oct 27-Nov 2

OSLC: Al & Karen Cirilli, Julianne Koski, Audrey Larson

Nov 3-9

OSLC: Richard & Linda Taber, Rusty Carlson, Eileen Gilbertson

Service Attendants for NOVEMBER

Steward: Carol Roberts/Kandee Rosburg

Deacon: Steve Shaw

Altar Guild: Dawn Heinen & Linda Gran

Acolytes: Jamie K, Trevor D, Nelson N, Lincoln K

Stewardship Pledge Drive for 2026 "Sharing our faith. Securing our future."

Letters were handed out on October 19th and for those not present, the letters were mailed.

Thank you all for partnering with the church. Any support you give will be extremely appreciated.

We send out our weekly giving in the announcements, via email.





Sharon Shea	01-Nov
Danny O'Connell	02-Nov
Ryah Samarzia	02-Nov
Alexis Hanson	03-Nov
Carol Roberts	09-Nov
Dennis Johnson	09-Nov
Donna Liebaert	09-Nov
Sara Sturzenegger	10-Nov
Samuel Willie	10-Nov
Payge Rivord	11-Nov
Kevin Olson	12-Nov
Abbie DeMeyer	12-Nov
Kelsey Splinter	13-Nov
Sheryl Aamodt	17-Nov
Diane O'Connell	19-Nov
William Howard	24-Nov
Chip Leland	24-Nov
Zak Erickson	25-Nov
Katelin Olson	26-Nov
Marissa Murashie	26-Nov
Cheryl Splinter	27-Nov
Ellie Westlund	29-Nov

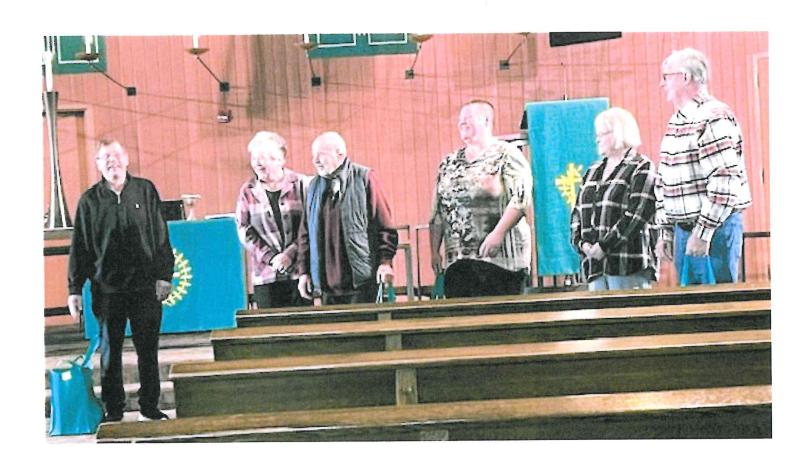
ANNIVERSARIES

None this month

Welcome to our New Members!!

From left to right.....

Gary Liupakka
Bill & Cheryl Braman
Anna Wermter
Dan & Teresa Streu







AUDIOVISUAL ASSISTANTS

WOULD LOVE A FEW MORE VOLUNTEERS to help out Gene 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.

Hospital or Shut-in

If you are going in the hospital, or know of someone in the hospital, please let the office know so Pastor can visit. The same would apply for any shut-in that we may not be aware of.



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.



Mission and Outreach Donations NOVEMBER 2025 - "Fall Into Winter" OSLC Threads of Hope Clothes Closet

- Nov 2: Warm Winter Gloves/Mittens for outdoor play
- Nov 9: Boots for older kids, Size 11-1/2 to 13 & Adult Sizes
- Nov 16: Warm Winter Gloves/Mittens for outdoor play
- Nov 23: Boots for older kids Size, $11-\frac{1}{2}$ to 13 & Adult Sizes
- Nov 30: Warm Winter Gloves/Mittens for outdoor play,
 - Boots for older kids Size 11-1/2 to 13 &
 - Adult Sizes

2nd Annual OSLC Fall Pie Fundraiser

WE NEED PRE-SALES OF THE PIES so spread the word..

Apple / Dutch Apple / Pumpkin \$18 per pie or two for \$35 (large pies)

We had quit a few volunteers on Saturday, October 11 to peel apples. THANK YOU!! We peeled enough apples for around 75 pies.

STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR

- Friday, Nov 14, 9-3pm: Making 100 double crust apple pies & the Dutch Apple pies
- Saturday, Nov 15, 9-3pm: Rolling out more crusts, mixing pumpkin pies and baking them.

PIES can be picked up starting: Saturday, Nov 15, 2-4pm and Sunday, Nov 16, 10:30am-12:30pm

PICTURES on the NEXT PAGE of all the fun we had peeling apples..

Peeling apples on the left and cleaning the cut apples and measuring below. I apologize if we didn't get you in the pictures.









Peeling on the left and mixing the spices and bagging below.





. Steve also helped out, don't know how we missed him. AND..one of our NEW members, Anna, and her mother also came to help out, but sadly, no picture.



QUILTING:

Come and help us.

Anyone is welcome to join them on **Mondays from 9 am to 11:30/12** or so. **Knitters and crocheters are also welcome**. It is a great time to get out and socialize with others. During this time they tie the quilts. Come for the fellowship!

Sewing at home.

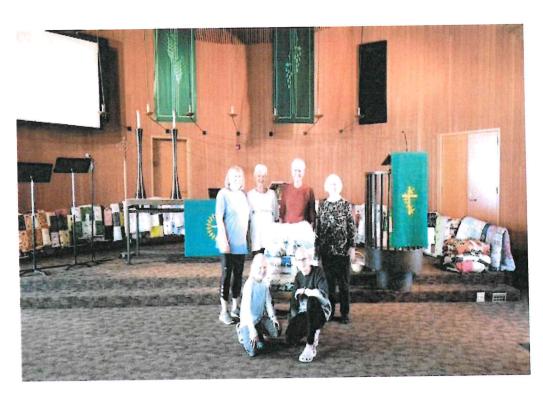
The sewing is done at home and they welcome anyone who wants to sew quilt tops at home (talk to Kandee about that). They will provide you with donated materials.

Donated materials Quilters can Always use.

- Their 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.
- They also will use polyester fabric.
- Drapes, table cloths, shower curtains that are in good condition also work well.
- Thread
- Yarn

Thank you Thrivent!!!

Through Thrivent Action Teams the quilters are able to purchase batting and fabric for quilt backs. If you have insurance or investments in Thrivent, you are most likely eligible to write for moneys on each account that can be used to purchase materials, which can be worth two (action teams). Each worth \$250! This would help pay for projects at church. Talk to Carol Roberts or Kandee Rosburg about this.



SCRIP CARDS

Think FALL and HOLIDAYS! Changing colors of the leaves and cooler weather. Before you know it Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here. Use gift cards for every day purchases, i.e., gas, groceries, and for holiday gifts. Remember you help the church when you purchase Scrip cards.

NEXT Scrip order will go in on November 16th.

As of October 27th, the use of Scrip cards has raised \$ 1677.00 for the church.

Threads of Hope Children's Clothes Closet

Diane Tomczak & Carol Arthur continue to maintain the closet. It is definitely being used by the community.

164 items were given out as of OCTOBER 27th. We only collect and distribute children's items, newborn to teen. They should be clean and in good condition.

Contact Diane (715-817-8180) or Carol (218-940-0073) if you are willing to help them. Even if you can only give a few hours, we would love the help.

FROM STEWARDSHIP: FIFTH OF SEVEN PRINCIPALS

When Apostle Paul wrote to the churches in Macedonia, he encouraged them with seven principles of Stewardship that still apply today. The fifth is **SACRIFICE** according to their means, and even beyond their means. With the price of many things increasing, giving is down and our costs are up. Our church budget is being stretched this year. If you are fortunate to have more than enough, please consider the sacrifice of a little extra to help our ministry.



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: Jan Hendrickson, Allyson Seibert (31 yr old mother of 6mo & 2yr old) brain aneurysm at work. GoFundMe for Derek Siebert.

Worship Support Congregation Members: Jim and Marcy Rigstad, Steve & Amanda Shaw, Ralph Rolson, Gretchen Lisdahl, Cheri Splinter

Family Member: Dorothy Huffman, Cathy Carlson, Tori K, Mickie Cooke, Gary K, James Wermter

Friend/neighbor: Jamie B, Sue Weber, John Manion, Cade M, Jane Farmer, Pastor Schwantes, Danny Steen, Tony Gravening, Amanda Adolphson

(Keeping Names on for 4 weeks. Let the office know if you want them put back on.)

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



FAIR on December 6th

Ideas for the Themed Baskets Raffle.



OSLC Council Minutes - October 21st, 2025

Present: Linda Clark, Jim Erickson, Pastor Sean Koos, Donna Liebaert, Kandee Rosburg, Stephanie Shaw, Steve Shaw, Jeff Skrenes, Diane Tomczak, and Bonnie Wentzel.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Jeff Skrenes at 5:25 pm. Our Savior's Vision Statement was said.

Devotions/Prayer: Pastor read a devotion and prayer.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made, seconded, and passed (M/S/P) to accept the September council minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Income for September was \$12,173.21. Expenses were \$14,057.54 with a loss of \$1,884.33. With a year-to-date loss of \$9,712.14. M/S/P to accept the treasurer's report.

Board Reports:

Board of Education. Charlie has attended the First Communion classes. Sunday School has 6 families attending with an average of 4-10 kids attending. Confirmation has 4 students. Sunday School Christmas program will be a simple program or a sing-a-long.

Deacons: Steve Shaw will be November deacon. No new agenda items and just did their usually stuff. Mission & Outreach: Mission & Outreach collected and will collect in November for Salvation Army. They completed their seasonal switch of clothes and discovered they need winter outer clothing, mittens, and boots. 184 items were given out September.

Stewardship: Stuffed the envelopes with for the pledge drive and are handing them out to save postage for a few weeks.

Trustees: They repaired some of the door stain glass windows that people have been pushing on to open the door. Still working on who will do the snow plowing. Parking lot lights are in, just waiting for some special equipment. Daycare has a committee to do some research about it. New insurer has a few requirements that need to be completed.

M/S/P to accept all board reports.

Pastor's Report: Has baptisms November 9th and 16th. The 9th will also include a 1st communion. Discussed the confirmation mentor program and council gave him some ideas to use. The four Lutheran churches are hosting a community dinner once a month at Pilgrim and our turn is November 2nd, need volunteers to help with this and donations. Pastor has volunteered Our Savior's or Concordia to host the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service and Feast on November 23rd. Council suggested he ask Concordia, because we just hosted the September event.

Vision Victories:

- New members
- On Sunday we had a thank you from the young family for being so welcoming.
- Name tags were liked on Sunday. Will do it for a few more and just use it after that as needed.

New Business:

none

Upcoming events: November 14th - Pie fundraiser

Next Month meetings: All Boards – November 11^{th,} 5:15 pm.

Council – November 18th 5:15 pm

A motion was made to adjourn at 6:28 pm. Council prayed the "The Lord's Prayer".

Respectfully submitted, Kandee Rosburg, Sub-Council Secretary

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