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CONSECRATION SUNDAY IS COMING

Sunday, October 17 | Guest Preacher Andy Romstead

Congregation Luncheon: Takeout style!

The Stewardship team is excited to approach our financial stewardship from a biblical perspective through Consecration Sunday. We want to look at giving to our church not merely as a way to pay the bills. Rather, we want to see financial contributions as a way to help us grow spiritually in our relationship with God by supporting our church's mission and ministry with a percentage of our incomes.

During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, October 17, we will be hearing from Pastor Andy Romstead of Cambridge Lutheran Church. Pastor Andy has been a sought-after speaker in congregations and organizations looking to deepen their perspective on biblical

stewardship. Cambridge Lutheran has made great strides during his tenure in increasing their giving by focusing on giving as a spiritual practice. Because of this growth, Cambridge Lutheran has been able to grow their missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in their community and around the world.

Following both worship services, we will be offering a celebratory takeout lunch that you won't want to miss! You don't have to do anything other than come to celebrate and participate. Options for participation will be offered for those who worship online as well.

We look forward to seeing you on Sun., Oct. 17, for Consecration Sunday. Reservation cards will be available in worship starting Oct. 3.



Bluegrass Sunday

Oct. 10, 8:30 & 10:15 am

Are you ready for more Bluegrass fun? Join us in worship on October 10, featuring the Cornerstone Band and local fiddler, Tessa Alzen. Get ready to dance and sing to your favorite old-time gospel hymns.

Invite your friends!



New Member Orientation

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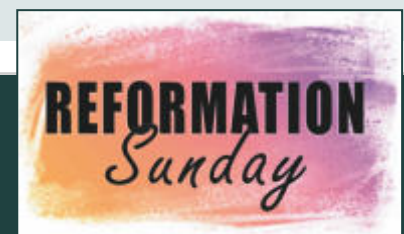
Get connected with Our Saviour's. The whole family is invited!



Trunk N' Treat

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Wear your favorite costume and bring your family and friends.



Reformation Drama

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Experience Reformation Sunday in a whole new way!



OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

Worship With Us

SUNDAYS

8:30 am | Traditional Worship

10:15 am | Contemporary Worship

Both services stream live on Facebook and are available on YouTube (link at oursaviourslc.org)

Indoor Worship and Large Group Gatherings

The CDC and MDH recommend that people, both fully vaccinated and unvaccinated, continue to wear a well-fitted mask in public, indoor settings.

Zoom Coffee Hour

Sundays following 10:15 a.m. Worship
Log in to Zoom using the link below as soon as worship is over. Grab a coffee refill and let's talk! Go to [Zoom.com](https://zoom.com), click on "Join a Meeting" and enter Meeting ID: 983 1902 4543.

Life Events

Baptisms

Sept 21 – *Dawson Jericho Bliese-Froberg*

Sept 26 – *Gage Timothy Miskavige*

Oct 24 – *Cooper Alan Johnson*

Marriage

September 11, 2021

Kristin Johnson and Michael Sumption

Deaths

September 9, 2021 – *Yvonne Johnson*
Funeral at Our Saviour's on Sat., Oct. 9, 11:00 a.m., with visitation at 10:00 a.m.

September 13, 2021 – *Roy Reichow*
Celebration of life service at Harriet Island Pavilion, 4:00 p.m., Sun., Oct 17, with reception following the service. Harriet Island Pavilion, 200 Dr Justus Ohage Blvd St. Paul, MN 55107.

You're invited! New Member Orientation

Sundays, October 3 & 10, 11:15 am-Noon.

Interested in becoming a member or want to know more about Our Saviour's? You are invited to these Sundays when you'll discover ways to get connected, have an opportunity to get to know others, and more! The whole family is invited! Please sign up online at oursaviourslc.org/new-member, or call the church office, 763-434-6117.

Fall Grief Series Begins October 14, 2021

As part of the North Metro Grief Support Coalition, we're pleased to offer GROWING THROUGH LOSS©.

This six week series is being held at Zion Lutheran Church, 1601 S. 4th Ave., Anoka. Each evening begins with registration at 6:45 pm. At 7:00 p.m. a guest speaker discusses a grief topic, followed by facilitated small groups. You are welcome to come and listen to the speaker; support group participation is optional. The evening ends at 9:00 p.m. Each session is complete in itself. You are welcome to attend one or all sessions. No pre-registration and no fee. Open to the public. Weekly topics and more on our website: oursaviourslc.org/grief. For additional information please call (763) 354-7828. Brochures with full details are available in the rack under the Small Group Ministry Board, in the Rotunda.

Baptism Class—Sun. Oct 10, at 11:15 on Zoom

Our Saviour's offers Baptism preparation classes for parents of infants and for older children, as well as adults who have not yet been baptized in the Christian faith. To sign up, please contact Jan Green, 763-434-6117 ext. 122, or jgreen@oursaviourslc.org.

Blood Pressure Clinic

Sunday, October 10, 9:00 a.m., in the Gathering Space. Get your blood pressure checked on the second Sunday of each month.

Fall Sermon Series: MORE

Looking at our world today can get discouraging and sometimes, when we look at our own lives, we might think, "There's got to be more than this!" The good news is - there is! In October, we wrap up this series where you're invited to take a look at Jesus' teachings to discover Jesus' vision for your life and how it can lead to MORE...**Oct 3** - More Hope | **Oct 10** - More Impact

Winter Clothing Needed

NACE Clothing Closet is in need of clean and gently used winter clothing including jackets & coats. Donations may be left at church in the bin located in the south hallway. Thanks so much for your support!

Reformation Drama

Sunday, October 31

Come experience the Reformation like you've never quite experienced it before! Join us on Reformation Sunday, October 31 for a special dramatic rendition of Martin Luther, his life, and the transformational faith that formed the Lutheran Church. The drama will take place at both services and will be live streamed.





OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

Lutheran Lagers

Tuesday, Sept. 28, 5:00 p.m. start, for anyone over 21

You are invited to this fellowship event gathering at Invictus Brewing Co. in Blaine. The OSLC community will gather to share conversation over drink and possibly food. Everyone pays for their own food & drink. Just show up! No sign up necessary. Questions? Contact Lisa Rykken Kastler, Lrykken-kastler@oursaviourslc.org.

Quilting Blocks in Stages

Tues., Oct. 5 & 19, 6:30 p.m.

Join the group sewing quilts and more. Questions? Contact Cheri Stockinger, stockw4g@gmail.com.

Thursday Quilters

Thursdays, Oct. 7 & 21, 9:00 a.m.

Join the group sewing quilts for mission. Contact Maggie Latvala with questions, 763-434-3608.

Faith & Fiction Book Grp

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Join this group at Our Saviour's for a discussion of the book *The Hamilton Affair* by Elizabeth Cobbs. Questions? Please contact Marge Nelson, mfnelson@gmail.com.

Fiction Addiction Book Grp

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Join this group for a discussion of the book *Greenlights* by Mathew McConaughey. The group meets in the home of Alisa Bigelbach. Questions? Contact Alisa, alisa.bigelbach@usfamily.net.

You can Help—Red Cross Blood Drives

Red Cross Hosts Needed! Our Saviour's sponsors 4 blood drives each year and all are in need of hosts beginning January, 2022. A host organizes treats and volunteers for the canteen and a volunteer for the registration table. Thanks to Carolyn Merk who has hosted 2 of these drives a year, for the past 11 years!! If you would be interested in hosting one or more of this important events, please contact Jan Green, jgreen@oursaviourslc.org or 763-434-6117.

Alongside Book Study

Tuesdays, Oct. 5—Nov. 16
10:00-11:30 a.m.

Join this group for a study on how we can best love our neighbors. The study will be led by Karen Olien and will include watching video by the author, discussion, and at-home reading. Buy your own book online by start date, Oct 5, and sign up on the Small Group board in the Rotunda, so we have enough study guides. Contact Karen Olien 952-237-7890.

Dinners at 6:30

Thursday, October 21

Vanelli's on the Lake
55 Lake St. S., Forest Lake

Join this fun fellowship group on the third Thursday of the month. Please sign up on the Small Group board in the Rotunda, so we know how many to plan for. Questions? Contact Sandy Mickelson, 763-229-4984.

Beading Ministry

Thursday, Oct. 28, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Join this group in making prayer beads. No experience necessary.

Pub Theology Is Back!

Begins Mon., Nov. 8, 6:00 p.m.

Pub Theology is a place to dive into topics involving faith, life events or just being together for good conversation. We will meet at Hidden Haven, 20520 Polk St in East Bethel, on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy dinner and meaningful conversation. Questions? Call Fran Munday, 763-350-9660 or Glenn Allenspach, 763-913-5186.

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Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Fri. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Join the Library Team

Wed., Oct. 20, 1:00 p.m.

Join this group in planning for, organizing, and keeping up the OSLC library. The group meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.



CYF Events & Programming

Confirmation Worship Services will be held Sat., Oct. 30 at 1:00 & 3:00 p.m. We celebrate with our ninth graders as they affirm their Baptism in the rite of Confirmation. The following youth will be affirming their baptism:

<i>Addison Marie Arneson</i>	<i>Davin William Johnson</i>	<i>Kallee Ostmoe</i>
<i>Camdyn Grace Baker</i>	<i>Wyatt Adam Kauppi</i>	<i>Abbigale Elizabeth Paulson</i>
<i>Colin Jerome Baumgart</i>	<i>Logan Korth</i>	<i>Samuel James Ruid</i>
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<i>Nicholas Braski</i>	<i>Alden Carl Miller</i>	<i>Talan John Spaniol</i>
<i>Clare Genevieve Forrest</i>	<i>Leah Ann Muires</i>	<i>Alyssa VonDeylen</i>
<i>Madison Lee Hohn</i>	<i>Avery Rose Myers</i>	<i>Lexis Payton Wolfgram</i>
<i>Jocelyn Dawn Houwman</i>	<i>Sydney Marie Ogren</i>	<i>Rylee Kay Wald</i>

A BIG THANK YOU to the guides who mentored these youth through their three years of confirmation: Kari & Scott Muires, Kristi VonDeylen, Cindy Paulson, and Deacon Glenndy Ose!

Trunk n' Treat

Sunday, October 31, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
ALL ages are welcome!

Cost: \$5 per Trunk n' Treat participant and nonperishable food item(s) for the NACE Food Shelf (extra money for concessions, if you'd like)

Put on your favorite costume and bring your friends, and family. All proceeds go to CYF (Children, Youth & Family) Ministries of Our Saviour's.

Volunteers & Trunks Needed!

Volunteers: Arrive 2:30 p.m.
 Trunks: Arrive 3:00 p.m.

Please sign up if you are able and willing to provide a trunk of treats.

Please get creative with your trunks (use Google to get some great 'trunk n treat' trunk decorating ideas!) and with what you're handing out. Your handouts don't need to be limited to candy... how about pencils, spider rings, juice boxes, stickers, etc.? However, candy is always welcomed and loved! If you are handing out candy, please have a couple of different kinds for awareness of potential allergies.

All food items must be store-bought and individually wrapped. Please steer clear of realistically scary costumes and decorations. We want to provide a safe-feeling environment for all of our young ones.

Please plan for approximately 350-400 young ones to visit your trunk.

2022 Duluth, MN Mission Trip

Sunday, June 12 – Friday, June 17—For grades 6-8 (2021-2022)

Our group will spend time with children at the Boys & Girls Club and with the elderly at local senior care centers; serve alongside a local church or assist in a food pantry. YouthWorks has partnered with this community since 1998. A few spots are available Register ASAP. For registration details go to oursaviourslc.org/mission-trip

2022 ELCA National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis

Sunday, July 24 – Friday, July 28—For youth in grades 8-12 (2021-22)

Every three years, 30,000 high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Check out more information here: www.elca.org/YouthGathering. Deadline to register: Sun., Oct. 3. Find full registration details at oursaviourslc.org/gathering.

Turkey Basket Collection

Sunday, October 3 through Sunday, November 7

For Thanksgiving, Our Saviour's Confirmation Youth will be assembling Turkey Baskets for N.A.C.E. (North Anoka County Emergency) Food Shelf. Our goal is to assemble 30 complete baskets to provide a Thanksgiving meal for a family in need. Oct. 3-Nov. 7, food items may be dropped off in the bin under the CYF Board at Our Saviour's. Monetary donations and gift cards should be dropped off at the church office or mailed to Our Saviour's.

- \$20 Cub gift cards (for Turkey)
- Turkey Gravy (packets or jar)
- Can Vegetables
- Can Fruit
- Stuffing (box or bag)
- Mashed or Scalloped Potatoes (box or bag of actual potatoes)
- Pie Crust (for pumpkin pie)
- Pumpkin pie filling
- Evaporated milk
- Jello (any size/flavor)
- Sweet Potatoes (box or bag of actual potatoes)
- Small Marshmallows
- Cranberries (can)
- Foil Roasting Pan
- Fall Colored Tablecloth
- Fall Napkins & Plates
- Tote box from Cub

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WELCOME NEW STAFF TO OUR SAVIOUR'S

Handbell Director Amanda Heywood



Amanda Heywood has been a member of Our Saviour's since she was little. Amanda joined the handbell choir, under the direction of Donna Nelson, when she was in elementary school, and continued all the way until she went to college at The University of Minnesota Duluth. She rejoined when she

came back to the area. At one time, her whole family - including mom Annette and brother Tim - were in the Carillon Bells and it was a great family activity.

By day, Amanda is a Special Education Instructional Lead for St. Francis Area Schools and she loves working with all types of learners. She is excited to step into this position and she knows she is filling some pretty big shoes!

Bookkeeper Beth Graham

We are excited to welcome Beth Graham to Our Saviour's in the role of bookkeeper. Beth started September 16. She lives in Ham Lake with her two kids, ages 13 and 15. Both kids actually went to the Our Saviour's preschool! Beth previously worked in a local manufacturing company for

17 years, and after a buyout worked for 3 years in a larger manufacturing company in Rogers. Please help us welcome Beth to our staff!

