

Seeds of Faith

A Publication of
Our Saviour's
Lutheran Church
October 2022



Sun., Oct. 16, 10:15 a.m.
You're invited to worship
with the Cracked Pots
(aka the Cornerstone Band)
and local fiddler Johnna
Lawrence. Get ready to dance
and sing to your favorite
old-time gospel hymns.

RECONNECT!

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**ONE service at 10:15 a.m.—NO 8:30 service.
BLUEGRASS WORSHIP!**

Special coffee hour begins at 9:00 a.m. with a presentation on how our benevolence dollars are at work in the synod and wider church.

During worship, there will be an opportunity to celebrate current ministries and complete estimate of giving cards for 2023.

There will be a luncheon immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service. Reservation cards will be available in worship and online starting Sept. 25.

STANDING ON THE WORD



Sunday, August 28—Pastor Maria and children writing messages and scripture on the concrete.

See more photos on page 3.

As we move forward with several updates to our church building, the congregation got to experience a unique opportunity during worship on August 28. Armed with Sharpie markers, kids of all ages wrote scripture verses on the bare concrete in the Worship Space so future generations could *Stand on the Word of God*. Each message was unique to the person who wrote it. Kids drew hearts, crosses, and simple love messages, while adults penned passages close to their hearts. What an amazing gift to be able to give to the community of believers who worship in this space!



Worship With Us SUNDAYS

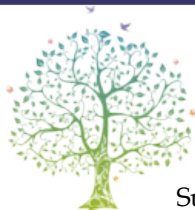
8:30 am | Traditional Worship

10:15 am | Contemporary Worship

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

Indoor Worship

Covid-19 community level is low.
No current masking requirements.
People may choose to mask at any time.



Grief Series Begins Oct. 13

As part of the
North Metro Grief
Support Coalition,

we're pleased to offer GROWING THROUGH LOSS®, being held at First Congregational, UCC, 1923 3rd Ave. S., Anoka MN 55303.

6:45 p.m. — registration

7:00-9:00 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. 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. For further information please call (763) 354-7828. Oct. topics below.

- Oct 13 *How Family Members Grieve*- Mary Ann KellyWright, Pastoral Ministry, Grief Facilitator, Educator, & Speaker
- Oct 20 *Who Are You Becoming?* - Ted Bowman, Educator, Trainer, Author
- Oct 27 *Myths of Grief* - Norine Larson, Pastoral Minister

Big Band in Worship

Our Saviour's was happy to once again host The Brooklyn United Methodist Big Band in worship! On August 14 Director Dave Mantini blessed us with some amazing music during both worship services, with tunes such as *Holy, Holy, Holy*, *Little Brown Church in the Bayou*, and *Will the Circle be Unbroken*. Filled with great solos, funky jazz rhythms, and humor from Dave, the Big Band was definitely a summer highlight!



Refugee Sunday—October 23

Blaise Ntibonera from Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota's Refugee Services will be in worship to share a bit about the refugee experience and how we can be part of Welcoming All Neighbors to our community. Our Saviour's Welcoming All Neighbors team is partnering with LSSMN to provide welcome and support as we accompany two families who recently fled Ukraine through our country's Uniting for Ukraine program.

NACE Coat Drive

The NACE Clothing Closet is having a Coat Drive for all ages, during the months of September & October. The Closet is also in need of hats, mittens, and gloves. Please be sure all items are clean and gently used. Your donations may be left at church in the bin at the end of the south hallway. Thank you so much for your support!

Social Justice Team Reboot

Please consider joining the newly reforming Social Justice team. The team will be planning educational sessions to be held monthly on Sunday mornings after each worship service. We will be bringing in outside speakers to learn more about communities which are often misunderstood or marginalized, such as immigrants, mental illness, addiction, LGBTQIA+, food and shelter insecure, etc. These engaging sessions will be focused on increasing our understanding of these communities so that we can continue and enhance our tradition of welcoming and serving all individuals and families. If you are interested in joining the planning team, please contact Tom Olson at tolson@outdoorlights.com or 763-286-6619.

New Member Orientation

Sun., October 9, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Find out more about Our Saviour's and how you can join in the ministry of this church family. Light lunch will be served and childcare provided. Sign up at oursaviourslc.org/new-member or on the Small Group Ministry board in the Rotunda.

Quilt Drawing

Tickets continue to be available on Sundays for the 150th Celebration Quilt. The drawing will be towards the end of the Pie Social on Thanksgiving Eve, November 23.

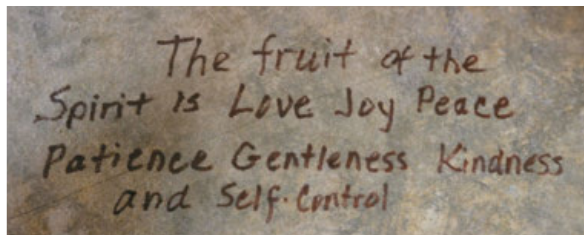
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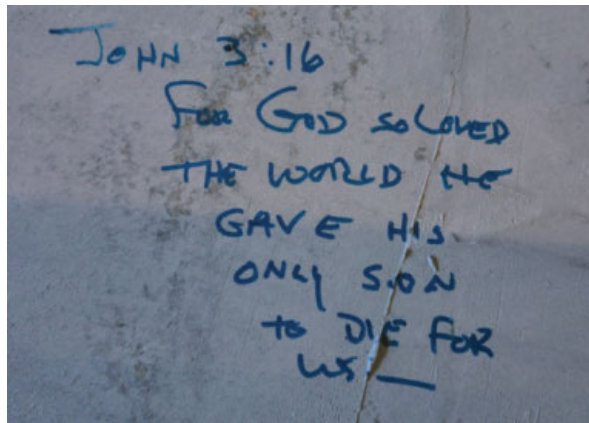
Pig Roast Dinner—proceeds went to purchase building materials for a home in Guatemala.



Cotton Candy—homemade by CYF Team...YUM!



Scripture on the worship floor.
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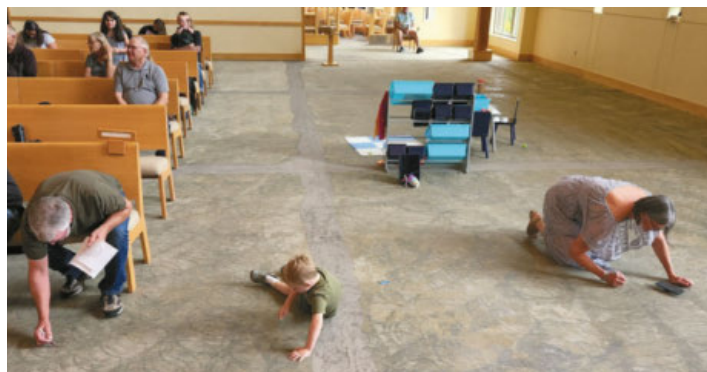
ALL CHURCH PHOTO!

How great is this—so many joined in for the traditional anniversary photo. This one was taken by a cell phone. The photographer for the official photo was in a lift. Looking forward to seeing those photos! Your challenge—find Pastor Kiri.
(BELOW)



SEPTEMBER 2022

STANDING ON THE WORD



Sunday, Aug. 28—Pastor Maria and children writing messages and scripture on the concrete.
(ABOVE AND BELOW)



SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

Groups meet at Our Saviour's unless otherwise indicated.

Monthly Bible Study

1st Wed., 10:00 a.m.

Join in conversation and study led by Pastor Jeff Beebe. Bring a Bible.

Pub Theology

Second Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Meet at Hidden Haven, 20520 Polk St, East Bethel. Questions? Call Fran Munday, 763-350-9660 or Glenn Allenspach, 763-913-5186.

Faith & Fiction Book Grp

Second Tuesday 1:30-2:30 p.m.,

Oct. Book: *The Tattooist of Auschwitz and/or Ciska's Journey* by Heather Morris. Questions? Contact Marge Nelson, mfjnelson@gmail.com.

Fiction Addiction Book Grp

Second Tuesday 6:30-8:00 p.m., at the home of Alisa Bigelbach

Oct. Book: *Verity* by Colleen Hoover. Questions? Contact Alisa, alisa.bigelbach@usfamily.net.

Quilting Blocks in Stages

1st and 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Cheri Stockinger, stockw4g@gmail.com.

Thursday Quilters

1st and 3rd Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

Questions? Contact Maggie Latvala, 763-434-3608.

Join the Library Team

3rd Wednesday at 1:00 pm

Questions? Contact Dave Eberhardt, 763-444-3690.

Dinners at 6:30

Thurs., Oct. 20 at Mallard's 220 Lake St. N., Forest Lake

Please sign up on the Small Group board in the Rotunda, or call the church office, 763-434-6117. Questions? Contact Sandy Mickelson, 763-229-4984.

Beth Moore Bible Study—James: Mercy Triumphs

Tuesdays, Oct 11 through Dec 27, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

All women are invited to join this group for a Beth Moore Bible study on the book of James. Led by Karen Olien, this study will work through videos and homework sessions during each week's study. Books are available at Our Saviour's for \$20. To sign up, email Karen, olienkaren@gmail.com or Lisa, lrykkenkastler@oursaviours.org or sign up on the Small Group board. Study is ongoing and may be joined at anytime. Questions? Contact Karen Olien 952-237-7890 (Lisa Rykken Kastler, 612-978-4220, support).

Women's Retreat

Saturday, October 15,
9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Enjoy a day at Our Saviour's RECONNECTing with other women through faith, food, and fun! Lunch will be catered by Route 65. Register online at oursaviours.org/wr-registration or sign up on the Small Group bulletin board in the Rotunda. Cost is \$35. Please register & pay by Oct. 5 so we have a count for the caterer. Questions? Contact Becky Beck at 612-281-7170.



LIFE EVENTS

Confirmation
Worship Services
will be held Sat.,
Oct. 29 at 1:00 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:

Skylar Mae Alleman
Freya May Altman
Naomi Lee Braski
Andrew Wayne Engler
Ethan Wrede Giese
Charles William Hagestuen
Eva Margaret Hendricks
Alexander Allen Hoffman
Michael Lee Nolan
Madisen Kaija Noreen
Samuel Kramer Parsons
Macie Jane Porter
Aubree Renee Roeller
Tanner David Rothbauer
Macarden Elice Schoer
Emily Anne Swanson
Christella Eileen Mackenzie Tays
Alice Ann Welciek
Isaac Robert Yanta

Memorial Gifts

8/10/2022—Gifts given in memory of Viola Leipzig by:

- Dale & Linda Kutzke
- Gerry & Denise Buetow
- Dave & Ranee Bingham
- Jeff & Michelle Loberg
- Bruce & Jean Mattson
- Joel & Linda Kroening
- Billy & Penny Lee
- Dale & Shari Bergsbaken

8/21/2022—Gift given to the Bell Tower (Points Forward) in memory of Vi Leipzig by Dennis and Cathy Leipzig and family.

CYF PROGRAMS

CHILDREN ~ YOUTH ~ FAMILY



CYF (Children, Youth, & Family) STAFF
 Lisa Rykken Kastler, Ministry Associate;
 Nathan Chastek, CYF Coordinator; Leisha Tays,
 CYF Innovator—Preparing for 2022-23 programs.

6th Grade Confirmation Retreat

The 6th graders got to know one another, their guides and had a great kick-off to their confirmation experience at OSLC and Camp Wapo's Ox Lake site! They had an introduction to the Bible, played games, enjoyed s'mores and songs around the campfire, laser tag, and the low ropes courses.

(BELOW 2 PHOTOS)



Children's Message in Sunday Worship

Over 50 kids participated in the Children's message on September 11. What a great beginning to a new year, learning about Christ and his love for us!

(BELOW)



Beginning of Children's Ministry Programs

Godly Play (pre-K through grade 1) and Bible Live! (grades 2 through 5) children's programs, began on September 11.

Kids met their teachers and explored their classroom space.

(ABOVE)





CYF PROGRAMS



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- Jennifer Miller, Teacher

Office Hours:

Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Fri. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sun. 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Turkey Basket Collection

Sunday, October 9 through Sun., Nov. 6

For Thanksgiving, Our Saviour's Confirmation Youth will be assembling Turkey Baskets for N.A.C.E. (North Anoka County Emergency) Food Shelf. The goal is to assemble 30 complete baskets to provide a Thanksgiving meals for families in need. 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.

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| • \$20 Cub gift cards (for turkey) | • Evaporated milk |
| • Turkey gravy (packets or jar) | • Jello (any size/flavor) |
| • Can vegetables | • Sweet potatoes (box or fresh potatoes) |
| • Can fruit | • Small marshmallows |
| • Stuffing (box or bag) | • Cranberries (can) |
| • Mashed or scalloped potatoes (box or fresh potatoes) | • Foil roasting an |
| • Pie crust (for pumpkin pie) | • Fall colored tablecloth |
| • Pumpkin pie filling | • Fall napkins & plates |
| | • Tote box from Cub |

YouthWorks Mission Trip 2023—Niagara Falls, NY

Sunday, June 11-Friday, June 16 for current 6th-12th graders

Our Saviour's youth will help with food and clothing distribution, assist with home repair and community beautification projects, and more. Cost will be \$1000 (includes flight, rental van, t-shirts, food, activities, housing) Fundraising opportunities are available. A deposit of \$250 is required to hold your spot. **To register:** Turning in your deposit by October 16 is your registration for the trip. Questions: contact Leisha Tays, Ltays@oursavioursslc.org, or 763-434-6117 ext. 133. Find more details at

Trunk n' Treat

Sunday, October 30, 3:30-5:00 p.m. for ALL AGES

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.



Baptism Class

Sunday, November 6, at 11:30 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, or jgreen@oursavioursslc.org.



Our Saviour's Preschool

The preschool teachers are looking forward to another great school year!! September 7 was open house and school started on the 12th. Classes are almost full. Spread the word that there are a few more spots available! Please keep preschool in your prayers as the school year begins!

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

*C*ome on the 2nd for the OSLC
Ministry Fair! Before and after
worship we will continue to celebrate
the 150 years of ministry at Our Sav-
iour's as we look to the future and offer
opportunities for adults in this faith
community to connect with small
groups that serve, focus on growth,
and/or fellowship. Over twenty groups
and partners will be present and ready
to tell you about their group!