

This Week at Our Savior – Dec 30-Jan 6

Sunday	Coffee Hour Worship Worship @ Careage	9am 10am 1:30pm
Monday		
Tuesday	Office Closed	
Wednesday	WELCA Board Meeting Devotions @ Brookdale Fellowship Ministry Team Meeting	10am 3:30pm 6pm
Thursday	Don Schulz Funeral Women Who Love to Talk and Eat	10:30am 6pm
Friday	Sleeping Mat Ministry	9am
Saturday	Worship	5:30pm
Sunday	Coffee Hour Worship	9am 10am



"Intergenerational experiences lead to greater involvement in church life, including Sunday worship, church events, and church ministries."

GIFT Sunday School will resume Sunday, January 13!

READINGS

The lectionary readings for January 5 & 6 are Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12.

JOIN US... FOR Coffee Hour.



The **Coffee Hour** is held prior to worship, 9am, on Sunday morning in the church narthex.

Please join us each week for **Coffee Hour** and take advantage of this opportunity for Christian Fellowship.

BE INVITATIONAL

Invite someone to worship with you. All of us know someone who needs the Lord and a place to worship and serve. In your circle of influence be an influence for Jesus Christ. **Your invitation will make a difference in that person's life!**

Welcome & Announcements

WELCOME!

"Joy to the world, the Lord is come" With joy we greet you in the name of Christ. Your presence helps add to the happiness of Christmas. Welcome one and all! **We ask all worshippers to please share with us their presence by completing a Worship Register and placing it in the offering plate.** *The Worship Registers can be found in the hymnal racks.*

HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing devices are available at the sound tech desk at the back of the sanctuary.

RADIO BROADCAST

In memory of loved ones by Darlene Biermann & family. Radio broadcast of our Sunday morning worship service can be heard live on AM 1590 and FM 98.9 on your radio.

FLOWERS

In loving memory of Rev. John H. M. Shiery, Lucille (Shiery) Toepel, Rev. Douglas Toepel and David Shiery from their family.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

As a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we encourage and welcome you to join in Holy Communion. We commune because Jesus told us to do so to remember him. In remembering him, our faith is strengthened as together we "proclaim the Lord's death" for the world and for forgiveness of sins. Communion is received by intinction. Ushers will assist you.

Clear grape juice is provided for those who prefer an alternative to wine and **Gluten free wafers** are available—please let the communion assistant know.

IN SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Don Schulz. Don died on Saturday, December 22, 2018. A funeral service will be held here at Our Savior on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 10:30am. Please keep his family in your prayers as they mourn his death.

YEAR-END REPORTS

In preparation for our annual meeting in January...**all committee chairpersons are reminded to turn in their year-end report ASAP.**

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Our Savior Lutheran Church will be held on **Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 11:15am.** The Annual Report will be available at the information desk or in the church office mid-January.

- An informational meeting will be held the week prior on **Sunday, January 20**, following worship.
- An all-church **potluck lunch** will follow the Annual Meeting. Meat and buns, tableware and beverages will be provided; please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert to share.

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

Colossians 3:12, 14 – As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

We all know that stewardship is about how we live so that we love God thoroughly and our neighbor as ourselves. This remarkable passage gives us a vivid image to help us get there. Wake each day and clothe ourselves in Christian character and love.

SLEEPING MAT MINISTRY

Sleeping mats are made from plastic shopping bags. This is a great way to recycle all those plastic grocery bags! (*A basket is available in the narthex to collect CLEAN bags.*) There are several steps to preparing the bags before the mats can be crocheted...so **there are opportunities for all to participate!**

Join us on **Friday, January 4 (please note change in date) from 9–11am.** (*For more information, contact Deb Hammer or the church office.*)

2019 RADIO BROADCASTS

Consider sponsoring a radio broadcast for the year 2019. We'll continue to offer the option of having a co-sponsor for the weekend broadcast. If you would prefer to be the only sponsor for the weekend; the cost is \$75. If you would like to share the broadcast with another sponsor; the cost would be \$40 for each sponsor. Please contact the church office (402-375-2899) for more information or to reserve a date. A sign-up sheet is also available at the information desk. Thanks to all who support this ministry of the church.

Note: The first available dates are **January 6, 13, 27 and February 3, 2019**

JOIN US FOR GIFT (Growing in Faith Together)

GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) Ministry is taking on a new vibe for 2019 as we get "back to basics." We have discovered some great curriculum in the stack of books from the church library! **Starting on January 13th, join us as we begin a six week journey to learn about the Lord's Prayer.** Each week, we will take five to ten minutes to study a portion of the prayer, learn what it means to us today, and recite it in "kid's terms." The Lord's Prayer is our memory work for this semester. In addition, Mary Kuchta, Candace Petersen, and Trisha Peters will be leading those in attendance each Sunday with a Bible story and craft. Leslie Johnson will continue to lead the children's music ministry. We will incorporate our lessons with monthly Ministry projects along with the occasional Youth Led service and music during the worship service. We are currently seeking volunteers to help us decorate Valentine's for members in Careage, make Prayer Beads, and tell us about the Sleeping Mat Ministry.

We hope you will consider joining us for a chance to learn more about God's Word and share your own experience with those in our church! Our youngest members provide their own interesting insights during our time together, and they just might teach you a thing or two as well! **All are welcome!**

Upcoming lessons:

January 13: "I Can Talk to God" with Trisha Peters

January 20: "God Takes Care of Us" with Mary Kuchta

January 27: "I Am Special" with Candace Petersen

WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

With the winter season upon us, remember...weather related announcements will be broadcast on KTCH radio and posted to our website www.oslcwayne.org and Facebook.

HOSPITALIZED

If you have a family member who is hospitalized and would like to have a visit or be added to the prayer list, please contact the Church Office at 402-375-2899. Hospitals do not always inform us of a parishioner being admitted to the hospital, so please let us know if you or your loved one is hospitalized.

DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING—Lutheran Family Services

Each month our Dollar Door Offering (offering plate in center of the Narthex) goes to support the efforts of a different ministry. The December offering will go to Lutheran Family Services.

Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska, based in Omaha, is one of our Nebraska Synod's long-time ministry serving arms. LFS works with many people throughout Nebraska, but some of their services include foster care and adoption services, family counseling services, mental and behavioral health services including for veterans, and support services for refugees, immigrants, asylees, and victims of international human trafficking. Our donations to Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska will have a direct impact on children, veterans, families, and immigrants in need. Together our dollars can help!

Note: *If your organization or ministry team would like to use the Dollar Door Offering for a special cause, please contact the church office.*

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

If you're an eligible Thrivent Financial member and have Choice Dollars® available to direct, please consider designating your available funds to Our Savior. For more info or to direct Choice Dollars, call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice." Or go to: <http://thrivent.com>.

PIES-4-YOU PIES AVAILABLE

The 2018 Pies-4-You event resulted in making 808 pies! The majority of those pies were pre-sold, but extra were made. Those extra pies are available for sale—apple, cherry and rhubarb! Please contact the church office to purchase the pies; cost is \$10.

NEBRASKA SYNOD: "BUILDING ON THE FOUNDATION"

The theme at the 2018 Nebraska Synod Assembly was *Building on the Foundation*. Each church designed a wooden block and brought it to the assembly. At the end of the assembly, each church brought home a block from another congregation and will be keeping that church in prayer.

Tabor Lutheran Church of Wausa, Nebraska is the congregation we will lift up in prayer. Their mission is: "We are commissioned by Christ: to love our God with all our heart, to love our neighbor as Christ loves us, to make disciples of all nations. With those who have gone before us, we will walk in the Name of the Lord, our God forever and ever." A prayer has been included on the "In Our Prayers" page.

Worship Assistants

This Weekend (12/29 & 30)

Organist/Pianist-Connie Webber

5:30 p.m.

Greeters-Marsha Roth

LWA & CA-Brad Harder

Acolyte-

Projection-Margaret Hansen

Sound-Sandra Henschke

Ushers-Chuck & Kathy Rutenbeck, Rodney Bauermeister

Altar Guild-Mary Stalling, Dorothy Wert

10:00 a.m.

Greeters-Veronica Jaqua

LWA & CA-Kathy Johnson

CA-Treyton Blecke, Veronica Jaqua

Acolytes-Easton Blecke, Kennasyn Blecke

Projection-Barb Stenwall

Sound-Jerry Robinson

Ushers-Roger Lentz, Ron & Corliss Krusemark, Stan Stenwall

Altar Guild-Virginia Backstrom, Debbie Bargholz

Next Weekend (1/5 & 6)

5:30 p.m.

Greeters-Harold & Sharon Fleer

LWA & CA-Nancy Breikreutz

Acolyte-Grant Onderstal

Projection-Melissa Rabbass

Sound-Dave Baier

Ushers-Cheryl Roberts, Jeremy Bauermeister

Altar Guild-Karen Zach, Joan Baier

10:00 a.m.

Greeters-Tim & Trisha Peters

LWA & CA-Roger Lentz

CA-Lynette Lentz, Madge Brufat

Acolytes-Avery Herman, Natasha Petersen

Projection-Annette Rasmussen

Sound-Tracy Henschke

Ushers-Dave & Joyce Sievers, Tom Hansen, Anthony Hansen

Altar Guild-Madge Brufat, Julie Grone

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Our Savior's website also includes the following links:

www.enterthebible.org

www.luthersem.edu/godpause/daily_view

Find us on Facebook:

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Wayne NE (ELCA)

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Our Savior Lutheran Church

The Mission of Our Savior:

*That all may know Christ,
Grow in Christ,
and joyfully go with Christ*



Welcome

December 29 & 30, 2018

First Sunday of Christmas

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Ministers:

The People of Our Savior

Pastors:

Rev. Jeanne Madsen

Rev. Kristen Van Stee

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Deb Hammer, Chaplain

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Connie Webber

Director of Music

Morgan Simmons

Director of Young Adult Ministry

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Song: ELW 275

Confession & Forgiveness

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Hymn of Praise: ELW 298

Children's Time (*Sun*)

First Reading: page 243

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Psalm: Psalm 148

Second Reading: page 1074

Colossians 3:12-17

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel: page 934

Luke 2:41-52

Message

Hymn of the Day: ELW 269

Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Sharing the Peace

Offering

Offering Song & Prayer

Great Thanksgiving, Preface & Holy, Holy, Holy

Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymns

Agnus Dei

ELW 785

Blessing, Song & Prayer after Communion

Parting Blessing

Sending Song: ELW 267

Dismissal

Postlude

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.