This Week at Our Savior – Aug 25-Sept 1

Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship	9am 10am
Monday	Quilt Ministry Staff Meeting Foundation Board Mtg	9am 10:30am 7pm
Tuesday	Cluster Clergy Text Study	10am
Wednesday	Devotions at Kinship Pink Flamingo Nite Planning Mtg	3:30pm 5:30pm
Thursday		
Friday	Office Closed	
Saturday	Worship	5:30pm
Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship	9am 10am
	Worship at Countryview	1:30pm
Monday	Office Closed	

SOUND TECHS NEEDED

We are in need of Saturday evening and Sunday morning sound techs. Training is provided! If interested, please visit with a current tech or computer operator or contact the church office (402.375.2899 or kris@oslcwayne.org).

READINGS

The lectionary readings for August 31 & September 1 are Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.

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!

ONLINE GIVING—You can give electronically to OSLC—just download the Vanco Mobile app or **go to our website at https://oslcwayne.org/give/**



Announcements

WELCOME

Friends and guests, welcome to worship in the name of Jesus, who is both Savior and Friend and who welcomes all.

We ask all worshippers to please share with us their presence by signing the Welcome to Worship pad as it is passed in the pew. <u>Prayer Request cards can be found in the hymnal racks.</u>

HEARING ASSISTANCE

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

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

As a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, this is an open table, all are welcome to come and celebrate 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.

Clear juice is provided for those who prefer an alternative to wine and **Gluten free wafers** are available.

OWL'S BIBLE STUDY RECONVENES IN SEPTEMBER

Join us as we begin a study of **The Psalms**, **Wednesday**, **Sept. 4**, **2024** at **10:30am**. (*Note the change from Thursday mornings to Wednesday mornings.*) We will gather the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

We hope you will consider participating in our Bible study. Since we will be ordering study guides, we need to know how many people plan to attend. Please call Mary Mohl (402-841-1009) or Kris in the church office (402-375-2899) to let us know your intent. You do not need to be an Older Wiser Lutheran to join us – just come, no matter your age!

RALLY DAY

Rally Day—a time to celebrate the Christian Education ministry at Our Savior—will be held on Sunday, September 8. Three-year-olds will receive SPARK Story Bibles during the worship service and there will be a blessing for all the Sunday School volunteers.

Following worship, **join us for a brunch in the social room. Everyone is welcome!** Please contact the church office, if you have questions.

CONFIRMATION BEGINS

- Wed, September 11—Confirmation Kick-Off / Meet & Greet / Information Meeting for 6th, 7th & 8th grade students, parents and 8th grade mentors.
 - 6th and 7th Graders and Parents will meet in the church Social Room at 6pm to discuss this year's confirmation program. Followed by Acolyte Training/Refresher
 - 8th Graders, Parents, and Mentors will meet in the church Social Room at 7pm to discuss the Mentoring Program.
- ▶ Wed, September 18—Confirmation Classes Begin
 - Classes for 6th and 7th graders will begin on September 18, at TBD. 8th grade confirmands and their mentors will begin meeting on Wednesday evenings beginning September 18.

QUILT MINISTRY GROUP

Our Savior's Quilt Ministry Group welcomes anyone who would like to help "tie" quilts. You don't need to know how to sew or quilt; simply "tie" a knot!

Consider joining the Quilt Ministry Group as they tie quilts to be given to Lutheran World Relief and other organizations that need them. The group will meet on **Monday**, **August 26**, **at 9am**. Everyone is welcome!

OSLC GOLF OUTING!

Come join us at the Wayne Country Club on **Sunday, September 8, at 4pm for OSLC's annual golf outing!** Format is **Scramble**–4 person teams (come as a team or one will be made for you). Cost is \$15 for individuals or \$25 for couples; includes 9-hole greens fee, cart rental, prizes and meal.



Consider bringing a canned/boxed food or monetary donation; all items collected will be given to the Wayne Food Pantry!

Contact Darrell Miller at 402.369.2015 (call or text) or <u>darrellmiller1218@gmail.com</u> by Wednesday, September 4 to pre-register and/or set up teams. **Be Invitational—Bring Friends—All are Welcome!**

PERSONAL CARE & SCHOOL KITS

Our Savior's Charity Circle will be assembling Personal Care and Health Kits for Lutheran World Relief at their September meeting and are asking for your help in gathering supplies. A box for your donations will be in the narthex. Now's a great time to catch these items on sale!

For more information about LWR ProjectPromise, see: <u>buildkitsofcare.org</u>

• Items most needed for School Kits include: black or blue ballpoint pens, box of 16 or 24 crayons.



 Items most needed for Personal Care Kits include: bathsize towels, bath-size bar soap (in original wrapping), nail clippers.

Note: The <u>August Dollar Door Offering</u> will also go towards the purchase of items needed to fill these Personal Care and School Kits for LWR or the LWR Kit Shipping Fund.



CPR & AED training will be held on **Sunday**, **September 22**, beginning **at 1pm**. Training will be led by Angela Nuss and will take approximately 4 hours. She will provide adult CPR and AED training, discuss differences for children, and practice infant CPR and choking. In addition, a few first aid topics like life threatening bleeding, stroke, heart attack, seizure, low blood sugar, and severe allergy i.e., using an EPI pen may be included. *Please confirm with the church office if you plan to attend (402.375.2899 or <u>kris@oslcwayne.org</u>).*

IRIS PRAYER CHAIN

Our Savior's Prayer Chain is shared via our IRIS (*Immediate Response Information System*)...with each participant being notified of a prayer request by receiving a phone call, email or text. If you would like to be added to our Prayer Chain, please let the office know (402.375.2899 or kris@oslcwayne.org).

LARGE-PRINT DEVOTIONAL BOOKS

We noticed that we ran out of large-print copies of our daily devotional books *Christ In Our Home* very quickly at the beginning of this quarter. If you missed getting one and would like a large print edition in the future, please let the office know so that we can adjust our order to get more. We will need to notify our supplier by the end of September for the Jan, Feb, Mar quarter.

2024 RADIO BROADCASTS

Consider sponsoring a radio broadcast. Radio broadcast of our Sunday morning worship service can be heard live on KCTY-The City 98.9 FM, 1590 AM and online at waynedailynews.com as well as the Wayne Radio app for iPhone or Android.

The remaining available dates for 2024 are September 15, November 10 and December 22. Please contact the church office (kris@oslcwayne.org or 402-375-2899) to reserve a date. *Thank you to all who support this ministry of the church!*

Note: we did not have a sponsor for this Sunday, August 25; if you'd like to cover the cost of this broadcast, please contact the church office.

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY APP...

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church directory on your mobile device! Call and text members easily. Available for Android & Apple devices. Search for "Instant Church Directory" from your App Store. Once installed, you can create a login using your email listed in the directory.

Note: We can add/change pictures in the directory at any time <u>and we'd love to update</u> <u>everyone's profile</u>! If you have a new picture you'd like to use, simply email it to the church office (<u>kris@oslcwayne.org</u>) or there is also the option of uploading it yourself.

SHARE YOUR BLESSINGS

In an effort to provide continued support to the Wayne Food Pantry; each month we designate particular items that the pantry can use. A blue basket is available in the Narthex to collect the donated items.



For August: Peanut Butter, jelly, jams, honey. Juices not needing refrigeration; Dry, Boxed or packaged items—rice, complete meals, ramen noodles, Jell-O and puddings, cereal (both hot and cold), flour, sugar, Bisquick, pancake mix, Rice-a-Roni meals, pasta of all kinds, boxed meals of all kinds, instant potatoes, dressing, sweet bread mixes, cookie mixes.

COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER

A cookbook made up of over 500 recipes from friends and neighbors is available for sale with *proceeds benefiting the Greenwood Cemetery and the Wayne Volunteer Fire Department*. Cost is \$20. To purchase a cookbook, please contact Virginia Backstrom or the church office (402.375.2899 or kris@oslcwayne.org).

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: <u>http://thrivent.com</u>.

GOSPEL MESSAGE

August 25, 2024 LECTIONARY 21

Questions Remain

Throughout his time on earth, Jesus taught the disciples what it means to follow him, delving deeper into difficult concepts with each step toward the cross. Jesus' thought-provoking and life-changing words challenged existing wisdom, stretching the boundaries of belief, forcing each person who heard them to reevaluate everything they thought they knew. How could they eat this bread and live forever?

Is it any easier for us to wrap our minds around Jesus' teachings? How do we open our hearts to the mystery of flesh given for us, blood shed for us, and bread come down from heaven when our culture insists that there is a simple black-and-white answer to every question? Who takes time to slow down and reflect on challenging Bible passages? Can we allow those words we do not understand to just be, to percolate and take root in the fertile soil of Christ's presence until the Spirit can coax a shoot of understanding to spring forth and grow into the light?

Too many unanswered questions weighed heavily on some of Jesus' followers. They wanted out; it was too difficult. They turned back to the safety of familiar routines and comfortable ideologies, prompting Jesus to wonder if all the disciples would abandon him. "Do you also wish to go away?" he asked the twelve (John 6:67). He asks the same question of us today whenever the circumstances of our lives challenge our faith, whenever our hearts are broken and our bodies exhausted, whenever it feels like we cannot take another step. Will we trust in Jesus' promise that his words are spirit and life? Do we believe he is the Holy One of God?

Questions remain, but the good news is that God's love is stronger than our doubts and fears, calling us back to worship, filling us with strength and giving us peace in the midst of uncertainty.

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In Our Prayers... August 24 & 25, 2024

"Be joyful always: pray continually: give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Hospitalized this week: Jim Hansen

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health Concerns:

• For those undergoing treatments for cancer and other health issues.

Guidance:

Spiritual Healing/Strength:

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- For all who donated, volunteered or attended the Back to School cookout.
- For the promise of abundant harvest.

Deaths:

Other Prayers:

• All prayers placed in the Prayer Bowl.



Take a prayer rock; say a prayer. Place the prayer (rock) in the Prayer Bowl. Each week prayers in the Prayer Bowl are lifted to the Lord.

...but God has surly listened and heard my voice in prayer. Psalm 66:19

Worship Assistants

This Weekend (8/24 & 25)

Organist/Pianist: Shelly Armstrong

5:30pm

Greeters-Amy Bloomquist, Sophia Petersen LWA & CA-Nancy Breitkreutz Acolyte-Sophia Petersen Projection-Margaret Hansen Sound-Kris Robinson Ushers-Dave & Joan Baier Altar Guild-Paula Gemelke, Peggy Hank

10am

Greeters-Bill & Rhonda Blecke LWA & CA-Amber Labenz CA-Norah Armstrong, Kim Dunklau, Karma Magnuson Acolyte-Nash Hansen Projection-Kenna Blecke Sound-Trisha Peters Video-Tom Hansen Ushers-Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes, Alex Phelps Altar Guild-Trisha Peters, Martina Swanson

Next Weekend (8/31 & 9/1) Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber 5:30pm Greeters-Dorothy Wert LWA & CA-Jim Hansen Acolyte-Hadley Woehler

Projection-Margaret Hansen Sound-Ushers-Rod & Melia Hefti Altar Guild-Julie/Jim Hansen, Melia Hefti

10am Greeters-Virginia Backstrom LWA & CA-Madge Bruflat CA-Karma Magnuson, Cynthia Puntney Acolyte-Wyatt Dunklau Projection-Leslie/Tyler Johnson Sound-Amber Labenz Video-Leslie/Tyler Johnson Ushers-Ron Magnuson, Pete Reeg, Kelvin Puntney Altar Guild-Virginia Backstrom, Debbie Bargholz

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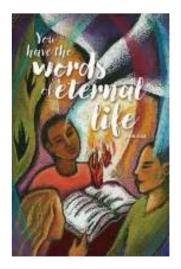
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The Mission of Our Savior: That all may **know** Christ, **grow** in Christ, and joyfully **go** with Christ.



Welcome

August 24 & 25, 2024 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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> **Ministers:** The People of Our Savior

Pastor: Rev. Chad Rademacher

> **Program Staff:** Connie Webber Director of Music

Bridget Vaith Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry

Virginia Kniesche Coordinator of Children's Ministry

Order of Worship

Prelude Welcome & Announcements **Gathering Song: ELW 733 Confession & Forgiveness** Greeting Prayer of the Day Hymn of Praise: Mighty to Save First Reading: pg. 213 Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 **Psalm:** Psalm 34:15-22 **Special Music** Second Reading: pg. 1067 Ephesians 6:10-20 **Gospel Acclamation** Gospel: pg. 973 John 6:56-69 Message Hymn of the Day: ELW 638 Creed **Pravers of Intercession Sharing the Peace** Offering **Offering Song & Prayer** Dialogue, Preface & Holy, Holy, Holy **Eucharistic Prayer** Lord's Prayer **Invitation to Communion Blessing & Prayer after Communion Parting Blessing** Sending Song: The Trees of the Field Dismissal Postlude End of Worship. Beginning of Service.