## This Week at Our Savior – September 22-29

Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship & Sunday School	9am <b>10am</b>
	CPR/AED Training	1pm
Monday	Quilting Ministry Staff Meeting	9am 10:30am
Tuesday	Cluster Clergy Text Study	10am
Wednesday	Joyful Noise Rehearsal Confirmation HS Youth Group	6pm 6-7:30pm 7pm
Thursday	Kinship Bible Study WSC LuMin Ministry at Front Porch	3:30pm <i>5:30pm</i>
Friday		
Saturday	Worship w/Noisy Offering	5:30pm
Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship w/Noisy Offering	9am
	& Sunday School	10am

#### STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

James 4:1, 2 – Those conflicts and disputes among you ... do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts.

James puts his finger on the pulse of human misery. We drive ourselves crazy by craving the things we don't have and envying those who have more than we do! Spiritual maturity and practicing steward/discipleship help bring us sanity.

#### **READINGS**

The lectionary readings for September 28 & 29 are Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Psalm 19:7-14; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50.

**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**

Welcome to worship in the name of God — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — who created you, saved you and makes you holy. Amen. 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</u> Request cards 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 loving memory of Eveline Thompson from Harold E. Thompson, Jr. Radio broadcast of our Sunday morning worship service can be heard live on AM 1590 and FM 98.9 on your radio.

### **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.

## **5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY—NOISY OFFERING!**

In months with a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday (June, September, December) we will gather a "Noisy Offering" on that 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. **Next weekend is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday!** If you have loose change (or cash)–throw it in the bucket and make some noise!



The Noisy Offering will go to support youth attending the Nebraska Synod Journey Mission Trip to Nashville, TN, July 2025.

## **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**, **September 23**, **at 9am**. Everyone is welcome!

## THE CHURCH DIRECTORY APP...

## IT'S THE PERFECT RESOURCE TO STAY CONNECTED! Get our



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 and we'd love to update everyone's profile! If you have a new picture you'd like to use, simply email it to the church office (kris@oslcwayne.org) or there is also the option of uploading it yourself.

#### **BIBLE STUDY AT KINSHIP**

Bible Study at Kinship meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, at 3:30pm. This study led by Sharon Garvin uses Lectionary readings and a resource from the ELCA entitled, *Daily Discipleship*. Join them this **Thursday**, **September 26**, **3:30pm**. Everyone is welcome.

#### CHILDREN'S DOODLE PAPER

Little Lutheran Doodle Pads are available at the activities shelf near the sound board. Children are welcome to use this paper during worship service.

#### I GIVE ONLINE

We acknowledge the presence of God in all things, including digital footprints. Vanco has become a popular method for individuals and families to offer gifts and contributions to the church, which many prefer. However, it's essential to understand that giving through Vanco does not involve a physical envelope placed in the offering plate; instead, funds are automatically withdrawn from a specified bank account to a designated church account. There are various options available, so if you have any questions or need more information, please get in touch with the church office.

We have heard that having something to place in the offering plate is essential because you are participating in the greater offering being lifted to our Lord. In response to your feedback, the office has created "I Give Online" cards to be placed in the offering trays as they are passed during worship. Thank you for bringing this sensitive and vital point to our attention.

#### **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 September:** paper products—Kleenex and disposable diapers; cleaning items—detergent, laundry soap, hand soap and window, floor and furniture cleaners; toiletry items—shampoo, conditioner, deodorant for men and women, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, hair brushes, and hand and body lotion.

#### **DO YOU EMBROIDER?**

WELCA has purchased four new dish towels for the kitchen to replace several that have dried too many dishes for too many years. Is anybody interested in embroidering 'OSLC' on the corners? Stitching other designs on them is optional; embroidery floss is provided. Contact Sue Olson, 402-375-4644, if you are interested.

## **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 <a href="kris@oslcwayne.org">kris@oslcwayne.org</a>).

#### **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).

#### EVENT TICKETS AND RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!



#### **DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING**

Each month our Dollar Door Offering (offering plate in center of the Narthex) goes to support the efforts of a different ministry. The **September** offering will go to **Lutheran Family Services' Military and Veterans Services programs**. (for more information go to www.lfsneb.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: http://thrivent.com.

#### **GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT GROUP**

Providence Medical Center is offering a Grief and Loss Support Group; a caring and confidential environment for working through the complicated journey of grief and loss. The sessions will be held on Tuesdays, October 8,15,22,29 and November 5,12,19, from 6-8pm, in the PMC Education Room (right next door to the chapel). Please call Kristin (402.375.7659) to pre-register; deadline: October 1.

#### **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!** 

GOSPEL MESSAGE

September 22, 2024 LECTIONARY 25

## Last-place Finish

Top-ten lists, sports rankings, grade point averages: it is human nature to want to measure ourselves against others. People love competition. At its best, it can motivate us to reach new heights. However, it can also bring out our worst instincts.

Jesus understood this when he caught his disciples debating their own standing. By placing a child in their midst, he overturned their expectations. In Jesus' time, children were very low in the social order. His act was meant as a shocking reminder that in the kingdom of God, to be the greatest means to take last place behind the forgotten, the outcast, and people the world rejects.

Who are such people in our world today? How might we reach out to them and invite them into the center of our own circle? This can sometimes be difficult or unpleasant because it means putting ourselves in the background and forces us to confront difficult truths about our world and our own hearts.

Of course, in the grand scheme of things, none of us is worthy to be in the middle of the circle. We are all flawed and broken. But Jesus welcomes us anyway. He takes all of us into his arms and declares us worthy. We do not need to measure up to receive God's love. Because of this, we are set free to love and serve others, especially the marginalized and the vulnerable, humbly putting others first and seeking to meet their needs.

Whenever we gather for worship, it is a sign that God's love is not a competition. We are all bathed in the waters of baptism. We all gather in a place of honor to be fed at God's table. Returning again and again to God's promises, we find our place at the center, with and among all God's beloved children.

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# In Our Prayers... September 21 & 22, 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:

## **SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### Health Concerns:

- Healing prayers for Rodney.
- For those recovering from injury or illness.
- For those undergoing treatments for cancer and other health issues.

#### Guidance:

## Spiritual Healing/Strength:

## Prayer of Thanksgiving:

• For opportunities to serve in Your kingdom.

#### Deaths:

• For the family of Ruth Paulsen.

## 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 (9/21 & 22)

Organist/Pianist: Shelly Armstrong

## 5:30pm

Greeters-Melia Hefti
LWA & CA-Grant Miller
Acolyte-Sophia Petersen
Projection-Jim Hansen
Sound-Jim Hansen
Ushers-Rod & Melia Hefti
Altar Guild-Denise Broders, Joan Baier

#### 10am

Greeters-Sue Denton
LWA & CA-Norah Armstrong
CA-Lynette Lentz, Roger Lentz
Acolyte-Mason Wendte
Projection-Barb Stenwall
Sound-Trisha Peters
Video-Tom Hansen
Ushers-Dave Anderson, Dave Olson, Brad
Wieland
Altar Guild-Lynette Lentz, Cynthia Miller

## Next Weekend (9/28 & 29)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber

## 5:30pm

Greeters-Myrna Wacker-Tuttle LWA-Jim Hansen Acolyte-Hadley Woehler Projection-Margaret Hansen Sound-Ushers-Dave & Joan Baier Altar Guild-no communion

## 10am

Greeters-Bill & Rhonda Blecke
LWA-Roger Lentz
Acolyte-Nash Hansen
Projection-Kenna Blecke
Sound-Jerry Robinson
VideoUshers-Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes,
Alex Phelps
Altar Guild-no communion

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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

September 21 & 22, 2024

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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#### Ministers:

The People of Our Savior

#### Pastor:

Rev. Chad Rademacher

### **Program Staff:**

Connie Webber Director of Music

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Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry

Virginia Kniesche
Coordinator of Children's Ministry

## Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

**Gathering Song:** Open the Eyes of My

Heart

**Confession & Forgiveness** 

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Hymn of Praise: Great Are You Lord

Children's Time (Sun)
First Reading: pg. 699
Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalm: Psalm 54

**Second Reading:** pg. 1102 James 3:13–4:3, 7-8a

**Gospel Acclamation** 

**Gospel:** pg. 920 Mark 9:30-37

Message

Hymn of the Day: ELW 798

Creed

**Prayers of Intercession** 

**Sharing the Peace** 

Offering

Offering Song & Prayer

Dialogue, Preface & Holy, Holy, Holy

**Eucharistic Prayer** 

Lord's Prayer

**Invitation to Communion** 

Communion Hymn: ELW 336

**Blessing & Prayer after Communion** 

**Parting Blessing** 

**Sending Song:** Great Is the Lord

Dismissal

**Postlude** 

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.