## This Week at Our Savior – November 17-24

Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship & Sunday School	9am <b>10am</b>
	Congregational Meeting	11:15am
Monday	Sleeping Mat Ministry Staff Meeting Worship & Music Mtg Foundation Board Mtg	9am 10:30am 5pm 7pm
Tuesday	Cluster Clergy Text Study Worship at Kinship Funeral Visitation	10am 3:30pm 5–7pm
Wednesday	OWL's Bible Study Verna Mae Rhode Funeral Visitation Ministry Group Devotions at Kinship Confirmation Joyful Noise HS Youth Group	10am 10:30am 1pm 3:30pm 6-7:30pm 6pm 7pm
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	Wayne Food Truck at Journey Christian Church Worship	9am <b>5:30pm</b>
Sunday	Fellowship Hour Worship & Sunday School	9am <b>10am</b>
	All-Church Christmas Decorating (following worship)	
	Worship at Countryview	1:30pm

#### **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.

#### **READINGS**

The lectionary readings for November 23 & 24 are Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37.

**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. The writer of Hebrews urges us to "not stop gathering together with other believers" but "encourage each other even more" (10:25, God's Word Translation). So let us worship. 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.

#### **RADIO BROADCAST**

In loving memory of Lawrence, Blanche, Duane and Lesa Backstrom from Perry & Verdel and their families. Radio broadcast of our Sunday morning worship service can be heard live on AM 1590 and FM 98.9, online at waynedailynews.com and the Wayne Radio app.

#### 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.

### **WELCOME GUESTS**

This Sunday morning we welcome Pr. Jim Holthus and WSC LuMin (Campus Ministry) to our worship service.

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

A congregational meeting will be held this **Sunday, November 17, 2024, 11:15am**. The purpose of this meeting is to present the proposed 2025 budget and to vote for church leadership positions—Church Council, the Foundation Board of Directors, and the Nominating Committee. Please plan to attend.

## **CHURCH POSITION NOMINEES**

CHURCH COUNCIL: (5 OPEN POSITIONS: 4–3-YEAR TERM, 1–1-YEAR TERM)

Kim Dunklau Paula Gemelke Tim Hansen Amber Labenz Chris McGuire

FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS: (1-5 YEAR TERM)

Karma Magnuson

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: (4 OPEN POSITIONS: 1 YEAR TERM EACH)

Cole Koenig Reagan McGuire Chele Simon Jessica Weiland

Serving on the 2024 Nominating Committee were Liz Hagmann, Melia Hefti, Steve McLagan, Audra Miller, Trisha Peters.



#### **BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY!**

Our Savior has taken on the challenge of providing bell-ringers for **Friday & Saturday**, **November 22 & 23** at PacNSave and Quality Foods. A sign-up sheet with the time slots available is at the information desk.

All proceeds raised through the local bell ringing stay in the community. The campaign will help local residents with emergency rent, utilities, prescriptions, etc... This is an excellent service project opportunity for confirmation and high school youth! (If you have questions or would prefer a different date, please contact Phyllis Rahn, 402.369.3464.)

### **CHURCH DECORATING**

Christmas decorating for the church will take place next **Sunday**, **November 24**, following worship. **Everyone is invited** to join us in decorating our church home for the Christmas season! **Families are encouraged to participate together...there will be ways for everyone to be involved!** The Fellowship Ministry Team will provide lunch afterwards.



Please join us for a Thanksgiving Eve service on **Wednesday**, **November 27 at 5:30pm**. This short service will include a brief devotion, a litany of prayer, and communion. Join us for this time we set aside to give thanks to God for all he has provided.

## **PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS!**

Mid-week Advent services with Holden Evening Prayer will be held on **Wednesday evenings, December 4 & 11**. The services will begin at 7pm. Suppers will precede the services from 5:45—6:45pm in the church Social Room. There is no charge for the meal, but a freewill offering is taken with proceeds going to the group or organization providing the meal.



#### **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 this Monday, November 18, from 9–11am.

Consider being a part of this wonderful ministry; both the VA in Omaha and Orphan Grain Train look forward to receiving the mats!

#### **OWL'S BIBLE STUDY**

The OWL's Bible Study meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month. This study led by Mary Mohl is using a resource from Augsburg Fortress entitled *Songs of the Faithful: Psalms*. Join them on **Wednesday, November 20, at 10am** in the multipurpose room. You do not need to be an Older Wiser Lutheran to join us—just come, no matter your age! Everyone is welcome!

## **DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING—JSC IN MADISON**

Each month our Dollar Door Offering (offering plate in center of the Narthex) goes to support the efforts of a different ministry. The **November offering** will go to the **Northeast Nebraska Juvenile Services Center in Madison.** (Monies raised will be delivered to the center in December when members go for the annual Christmas visit.)

#### 2025 ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS

Have you returned your Estimate of Giving card? If not, please take a moment to complete it and return it to the church office. It can also be placed in the basket on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Your sealed pledge cards will sit at the foot of the altar through the summer of 2025. During this time, we ask you to prayerfully ask God to open our eyes and hearts, to let our hearts be good soil, and to let your generosity pour out like grains of wheat. Your sealed pledge card will be mailed back to you at the end of next summer.

#### 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.

#### 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: <a href="http://thrivent.com">http://thrivent.com</a>.

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

#### **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).

### **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**

November 10, 2024 LECTIONARY 32

# God's Generosity Brings New Life

As we cross a busy street, a stranger's cry of "WATCH OUT!" will certainly send our heart racing. Such an outburst may not be what we expect to hear, but it is the warning needed for us to get out of the way of an approaching threat. Jesus catches our attention with a similar word today: "Beware." Beware the violence of a system that devours widows' houses while hiding behind prayers and piety; there is danger here! But this is not the only relationship Jesus urges his followers to pay attention to today. He also invites them to be aware of how one widow in their community is responding: she gives—and gives generously. What might that mean for us?

God gives generously too. We often talk about God's generosity being rooted in God's love for us. From the moment we were baptized, we have been reminded of such love that goes with us through death and into the new life God brings. This love takes seriously all the things that tear apart our lives and world—and pays attention to where healing and repair might take hold.

God is always rooting *for us*, and we trust that Christ's resurrection life will bring us through hardships when death has done its worst. What a gift it is to be gathered into the worshiping community week after week, to again be centered around Christ's table and its generous promises of grace that renew us and make us whole: "The body of Christ, given for you; the blood of Christ, shed for you." This is generosity! This is new life!

Yet we do not stay at the table. We are sent from it, together. Where do we go from here? Where might we share such grace and love this week? Perhaps not only "Beware" but also "Be aware" are our invitations to generosity as Jesus draws our attention to all the important relationships around us.

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# In Our Prayers... November 16 & 17, 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:

- For Jean Blomenkamp's brother, who suffered a heart attack.
- 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 providing food, clothing, and shelter in our need.
- For the brand new marriage of Jenny & Bryan.

#### Deaths:

• For the family of Verna Mae Rhode

## 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 (11/16 & 17)

Musician: Alan Bruflat

## 5:30pm

Greeters-Amy Bloomquist, Sophia Petersen

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

#### 10am

Greeters-Sue Denton LWA & CA-Dave Anderson CA-Dorothy Wert, Steve McLagan Acolyte-Nash Hansen

**Projection**-Amber Labenz **Sound**-Jerry Robinson

Video-Kris Robinson

Ushers- Roger Lentz, Stan Stenwall, Larry

Lueders

Altar Guild-Trisha Peters, Martina Swanson

## Next Weekend (11/23 & 24)

Musician: Connie Webber

5:30pm

Greeters-Melia Hefti LWA-Jim Hansen Acolyte-Hadley Woehler Projection-Margaret Hansen Sound-Ushers-Dave & Joan Baier

Altar Guild-No Communion

#### 10am

Greeters-Bill & Rhonda Blecke LWA-Steve McLagan Acolyte-Cameron Hays Projection-Leslie/Tyler Johnson Sound-Amber Labenz Video-Leslie/Tyler Johnson

Ushers- Tom Hansen, Tim & Trisha Peters

Altar Guild-No Communion

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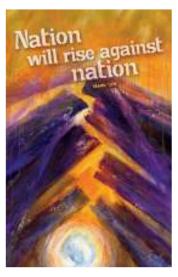


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# Our Savior Lutheran Church

## The Mission of Our Savior:

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



# Welcome

November 16& 17, 2024

Twenty-sixth 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 807

**Confession & Forgiveness** 

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Hymn of Praise: ELW 886

Children's Time (Sun)

**First Reading:** pg. 320 1 Kings 17:8-16

Psalm: Psalm 146

**Second Reading:** pg. 1094 Hebrews 9:24-28

**Gospel Acclamation: ELW 172** 

**Gospel:** pg. 924 Mark 12:38-44

Message

Hymn of the Day: ELW 583

Creed

**Prayers 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: ELW 434

Dismissal Postludo

Postlude

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.