This Week at Our Savior – August 9-16

Sunday	Coffee with Council	9am
	Worship	**10am**
	Stewardship Team Mtg	11:15am
Monday	*Foundation Grant Deadline*	
	Quilt Ministry Group	9am
	Staff Mtg	10:30am
	Christian Ed Ministry Team Mtg	6pm
	Fellowship Ministry Team	6:30pm
	Church Council Mtg	7pm
Tuesday	*Cluster Clergy Text Study*	*10am*
Wednesday	*WACAM*	*10:30am*
	Devotions at Kinship	3:30pm
	Pink Flamingo Nite Planning Mtg	5pm
Thursday	Bible Study at Kinship	3:30pm
Friday		
Saturday	**Worship**	**5:30pm**
Sunday	Fellowship Hour	9am
	Worship	**10am**
	Mary Stalling Retirement Reception	*following worship*

YOU'RE INVITED… TO COFFEE with Council



Coffee with Council is an opportunity to meet with members of the church council for coffee, refreshments and discussion. Join them before worship, 9am, **next Sunday morning, August 9,** in the church narthex.

READINGS

The lectionary readings for August 15 & 16 are Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28.

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! Let us worship our Creator and Redeemer. With hands and hearts stretched out to others, we rejoice that we are privileged to worship the Lord our God. **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.** *Prayer Request cards can be found in the hymnal racks.*

CHILDREN'S OFFERING JAR & DOODLE PAPER!



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

Note: *Children are invited to take forward an offering* ***during the regular offering time****.* ***Adults, feel free to send your pocket change with any of the children coming forward.***

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

RADIO BROADCAST

In honor of Byron Heier's birthday from his family. 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.*

GUEST SOLOIST

We welcome our guest soloist, Caslynn Schmidt, who grew up in Broken Bow, Nebraska. She is a vocal p-k-12 music education major going into her senior year at Wayne State College.

CELEBRATING MARY STALLING

Please join us on **Sunday, August 16**, immediately following worship, as we **celebrate Mary Stalling's retirement** and give thanks for her years of faithful service to our church family. Mary has poured her heart into this congregation, and her dedication has left a lasting mark on all of us. As she steps into this next chapter, we want to send her off with the love, gratitude, and joy she so richly deserves. Come share a story, offer a hug, and celebrate all that Mary has meant to this church. We can't wait to honor her together!

BACK TO SCHOOL: Prayers & Backpack Blessing



Join us **next Sunday, August 16,** for Back-to-School Prayers and Blessings. We will **bless backpacks and bags** of all students and adults who bring them ***– we'll fill them up with Back to School Prayers and Blessings!***

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE FOUNDATION

The third-quarter meeting of the Foundation Board of Our Savior Lutheran Church will be held Monday, August 17, at 7pm. **All grant applications need to be turned into the church office by Monday, August 10 to be considered.** *Applications are available in the Church Office.*

SAVED TO SERVE TANGIBLE OFFERING

The 2026 Women of the ELCA Saved to Serve Opportunity Retreat is being held at Midland University in Fremont, Friday, August 14–Sunday, August 16. We have one lady attending, and we would like to send a nice **tangible offering** along with her. Items being collected are hygiene items and food items for the Warrior Open Cupboard food pantry. ***Suggested items include: toilet paper, paper towels, deodorant, pasta, pasta sauce (marinara & alfredo), canned tuna and chicken, white rice, granola bars, fruit snacks, snack-size bags of trail mix, mandarin oranges, microwave popcorn.*** Please bring items to the church **by Wednesday, August 12.** A box marked "Tangible Offering" is available in the narthex to collect donations.

SOUND TECHS NEEDED! JOIN THE TEAM!

We need to expand our team of **Saturday evening** and **Sunday morning** sound techs! Please consider volunteering for this ministry of the church. ***If interested, please visit with a current tech or contact the church office to learn more.***

KIT CHALLENGE FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Our Savior's Charity Circle is challenging the congregation to help fill **100 School Kits** and **50 Personal Care Kits** for **Lutheran World Relief**, to be assembled in October and shipped the first week of November. A donation center will be in the narthex — watch our progress grow! Now's a great time to catch these items on sale.

EACH SCHOOL KIT NEEDS:

4 — 70 page Spiral notebooks (wide/college-ruled, -8"x10½", no loose-leaf)
1 — Ruler (30 cm / cm & inches)
1 — Pencil sharpener
1 — Blunt/safety scissors
5 — Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
5 — Black/blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
1 — Box of 16 or 24 crayons
1 — 2½" eraser

EACH PERSONAL CARE KIT NEEDS:

1 — Bath-size towel (dark color)
2-3 — Bath-size bars of soap, original wrapper
1 — Adult toothbrush, original package
1 — Sturdy comb
1 — Metal nail clippers



For more information about LWR Kits go to: www.https://lwr.org/kits

DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING—LWR KITS & SHIPPING FUND

Each month, our Dollar Door Offering (offering plate in the center of the Narthex) supports the efforts of a different ministry. The **August Dollar Door Offering** will go to **Lutheran World Relief Kits & Shipping Fund.** *Together our dollars can help them help others!*

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.

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 **this Monday, May 10, at 9am.** Everyone is welcome!

WELCOME BACK BBQ BASH

Join us as we kick off a new year of ministry with an evening of food, fun, and fellowship at our **Welcome Back BBQ Bash! —Wednesday, August 26, 5:30–8:00pm**, in the Our Savior Lutheran Church parking lot. *Savor the Smoke. Taste the Goodness.*

Everyone is invited—children, youth, families, congregation members, and our neighbors in the community! Come enjoy a delicious BBQ meal, reconnect after the summer, meet new friends, and celebrate all that God has in store for the year ahead.

Bring your family, invite a friend, and join us for a wonderful evening together. We can't wait to see you there!

SHARE YOUR BLESSINGS



In an effort to provide continued support to the **Wayne Food Pantry**, each month we designate particular items that the pantry provides. A 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.

Note: Items most needed currently are Cake Mixes, Tomato Soup, Canned Fruit, and Spaghetti Sauce

CULTIVATE FAITH BIBLE STUDY

Looking to grow deeper in your faith this fall? Join us for **Cultivate Faith**, a new small-group Bible study as we journey through the Gospel of Mark together. This 20-week study includes time for Scripture, discussion, and fellowship, and is open to anyone that would like to join a small group or start one.

We'll kick things off with a brief introduction following worship on **Sunday, September 13**. If you're interested, please complete the interest form found in this week's bulletin and return it in the offering plate or to the church office. Questions? Contact Pastor Chad.

Come grow in faith with us!

GOSPEL MESSAGE

August 9, 2026
LECTIONARY 19

Take Heart

Can you recall a time in your life when something happened that was so strange or out of place that your initial reaction was fear? Maybe you doubted what you were experiencing or seeing and even thought, *This is not possible. This can't be.*

The disciples must have been terrified when they saw something so strange that it should have been impossible—someone walking on water, toward their boat, during a storm. They thought they were seeing a ghost until Jesus said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid" (Matthew 14:27).

Some say seeing is believing, but sometimes belief comes through experiencing. So, with Jesus' encouragement, Peter stepped out of the boat and began to walk on the water. But when he realized how hard the wind was blowing, Peter started sinking and shouted, "Lord, save me!" Jesus reached out, steadied Peter, and said, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" (vv. 30-31). Then the storm ended.

We may be more like Peter than we realize. Maybe there are times when it's relatively easy to trust in God—until we face something unexpected, frightening, or out of our control. Then doubts immediately overwhelm us.

The good news is that Jesus hears our cries and saves us. He is with us in our weakest moments, holding us even as our spirits sink. Take heart—Jesus is always with you, bringing peace amid the storms, faith amid your doubts, and new life out of death.

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In Our Prayers... August 8 & 9, 2026

"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: Alan Bruflat, Sharon Junck, Elaine Lueders, Doris Daniels

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health Concerns:

- For my cousin, Anne, as she awaits hip surgery later this month.
- For those recovering from injury or illness.
- For those undergoing treatments for cancer and other health issues.

Guidance:

Spiritual Healing/Strength:

- Dear Lord, spread your loving arms around my friend as she grieves for her brother.

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

- For answered prayers for rain.
- For all those who supported my efforts this last week, whether big or small. I'm so thankful to have such a wonderful community surrounding me!

Deaths:

Other Prayers:

- May your Holy Spirit come into each of our hearts this day, O Lord. Amen.
- 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 surely listened and has heard my prayer. Psalm 66:19

Worship Assistants

This Weekend (8/8 & 9)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber

5:30pm

Greeters-Jim & Julie Hansen
LWA & CA-Jean Blomenkamp
Acolyte-Cohen Woehler
Sound-Duane Blomenkamp
Projection-Margaret Hansen
Ushers-Dave Baier
Altar Guild-Jim/Julie Hansen, Janet Sievers

10am

Greeters-Karma Magnuson
LWA & CA-Kimberly Havranek
CA-Karma Magnuson, Cynthia Puntney
Acolyte-Nash Hansen
Sound-Jerry Robinson
Projection-
Video-Kris Robinson
Ushers-Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes, Alex Pheps, Pete Reeg
Altar Guild-Madge Bruflat, Julie Grone

Next Weekend (8/15 & 16)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber

5:30pm

Greeters-Myrna Wacker-Tuttle
LWA & CA-Tyler Frevert
Acolyte-
Sound-Jim Hansen
Projection-Jim Hansen
Ushers-Rod & Melia Hefti
Altar Guild-Myrna Wacker-Tuttle, Karen Zach

10am

Greeters-Kevin & Teri Koenig
LWA & CA-Amber Labenz
CA-Lynette Lentz, Cynthia Puntney
Acolyte-Meleah Larson
Sound-Trisha Peters
Projection-Gabriel Armstrong
Video-Tom Hansen
Ushers-Ron Magnuson, Kelvin Puntney
Altar Guild-Mary Hansen, Teri Koenig

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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

August 8 & 9, 2026

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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Order of Worship

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Gathering Song: ELW 632
Confession & Forgiveness
Greeting
Prayer of the Day
Hymn of Praise: ELW 774
First Reading: pg. 322
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Psalm: Psalm 85:8-13
Special Music
Second Reading: pg. 1032
Romans 10:5-15
Gospel Acclamation: ELW 456
Gospel: pg. 892
Matthew 14:22-33
Message
Hymn of the Day: ELW 755
Creed
Prayers of Intercession
Sharing the Peace
Offering
Special Music
Offering Song & Prayer
Great Thanksgiving, Preface & Holy, Holy, Holy
Eucharistic Prayer
Lord's Prayer
Invitation to Communion
Blessing & Prayer after Communion
Parting Blessing
Sending Song: ELW 785
Dismissal
Postlude

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.