This Week at Our Savior – Sept. 6-13

Sunday	Fellowship Hour	9am
	Worship	**10am**
Monday	***office closed for Labor Day***	
Tuesday	*Cluster Clergy Text Study*	*10am*
Wednesday	Joy Circle	2pm
	Pink Flamingo Nite Planning Mtg	5pm
	Joyful Noise Rehearsal	6pm
	Confirmation Kick-Off	5th grade at 6pm
		6th & 7th grades at 6:30pm
		8th grade & mentors at 7pm
Thursday	Book Study Group	10am
	Bible Study at Kinship	3:30pm
Friday		
Saturday	**Worship**	**5:30pm**
Sunday	Coffee With Council	9am
	Rally Day Sunday School Registration	9am
	Worship	**10am**
	Stewardship Team Mtg	11:15am
	Golf Outing	4:30pm *(registration begins at 3:30pm)* meal at 6:30pm

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

DOLLAR DOOR OFFERING—PINK FLAMINGO NITE

Each month, our Dollar Door Offering (offering plate in the center of the Narthex) supports the efforts of a different ministry. The **September Dollar Door Offering** will go towards funds raised at **Pink Flamingo Nite.** ***This year's funds will go towards the purchase of a new mammography machine!***

READINGS

The lectionary readings for September 12 & 13 are Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35.

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, friends! On this marvelous day, let us open our spirits to the loving presence of God that we may be spiritually fed and renewed by his grace. **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.***

RADIO BROADCAST

In loving memory of William & Norma Koeber from the Koeber 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.*

UNITED IN MARRIAGE

Congratulations to Annie Kniesche & Julio Sanchez who were united in marriage at Our Savior on Saturday afternoon, September 5, 2026. May God richly bless their lives together.

Confirmation BEGINS

✝ **Wed, September 9—*Confirmation Kick-Off / Meet & Greet / Information Meeting*** *for 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th grade students, parents and 8th grade mentors.*

- **5th Graders and Parents** will meet in the church Social Room at **6pm**
- **6th and 7th Graders and Parents** will meet in the church Social Room at **6:30pm** to discuss this year's confirmation program.
- **8th Graders, Parents, and Mentors** will meet in the church Social Room at **7pm** to discuss the Mentoring Program.

✝ **Wed, September 16—*Confirmation Classes Begin***

- Classes for **5th, 6th and 7th graders** will begin with Unit 1 on **September 16, and meet through October 7. 6th & 7th graders will resume classes on October 28** with Unit 2.
- **8th grade confirmands and their mentors** will begin meeting on Wednesday evenings beginning **September 16**.

BROKEN OPEN

This fall, Our Savior is stepping into a season of stewardship we're calling Broken Open — a season built around one question: what does it mean to give of ourselves back to God? You'll find a bulletin insert today with the key dates: we kick off next weekend, September 12 and 13, gather for a Blessing Brunch on October 18, and land at Celebration and Commitment Weekend on November 14 and 15. Take the insert home, write down those dates, and start praying this week about what God might be inviting you into.

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK — and We're Embracing the Mess!

We're bringing the fun of What a Mess! into Sunday School this year! Children in **Pre-K through 4th grade** are invited to join us Sunday mornings from **9:00–9:45 AM** as we explore the messy stories of the Bible and discover how God shows up in the messiness of our lives, too.

Rally Sunday & Registration: September 13 - 9:00 to 9:45 am

First Day of Sunday School: September 20 - 9:00 to 9:45 am

NEW THIS YEAR! Our **5th graders** will be invited to join a special **Pre-Confirmation class on Wednesday evenings**, giving them a space to begin digging deeper into their faith before entering Confirmation. We will have more details about that coming soon.

Come learn, create, wonder, and get a little messy with us as we ask each week: **"Where did we see God in today's mess?"**

BOOK STUDY GROUP BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

Our Thursday morning book study group will begin this **Thursday**, **September 10, at 10am.** We will be reading a book by one of our favorite authors, Joyce Rupp, entitled The Years of Ripening, Reflections on Aging in the Later Years. We would love to grow our group! Please join us! For more information or to order a book, contact Mary Mohl (402-841-1009).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...for the Annual Golf Outing



Mark your calendars and plan to join us at the Wayne Country Club on **Sunday, September 13, at 4pm** (registration begins at 3:30) for **OSLC's annual golf outing!** Format is **Scramble**–4 person teams (come as a team or one will be made for you). **A meal will follow** at approximately **6:30pm**. Cost is $15 for individuals or $25 for couples; includes 9-hole greens fee, cart rental, prizes and meal.

Please 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 darrellmiller1218@gmail.com by Wednesday, September 9 to pre-register and/or set up teams. **Be Invitational—Bring Friends—All are Welcome!**

RADIO BROADCASTS

Consider sponsoring a radio broadcast in 2026. We 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 (kris@oslcwayne.org or 402-375-2899) for more information or to reserve a date. **Note: The remaining available dates for 2026 are September 13 and November 8 & 22.**

WELCA CIRCLES AND INTEREST GROUPS

All women of the congregation are always welcome and invited to participate in a Circle. **Joy Circle meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 2pm, Charity Circle meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm, the Visitation Group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1pm**, the Quilting Group meets during the spring/summer/fall months and Caring Cooks contacts participants for meals as needed. For more information about any of these groups, please contact the church office or refer to the monthly Newsletter.

Join us this Wednesday, September 9, for Joy Circle. The group will be making greeting cards that are used by our Visitation Ministry Group; all women of the congregation are invited!

LADIES, YOU'RE INVITED!

Women of Our Savior are invited to a Guest Event at Christ Lutheran Church in Wisner on **Sunday, September 13, at 2:30pm *(a new day and time this year)***. The Guest speaker will be Charlotte Endorf and she will give a presentation entitled: *Excess Baggage: Riding the Orphan Train.* There will be snacks and refreshments. We will carpool from the church at 2pm. **Please sign up at the information desk in the Narthex, by September 8.**

KIT CHALLENGE FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Our Savior's **Charity Circle will be assembling Personal Care and Health Kits for Lutheran World Relief in October,** in time to ship them out the first week of November — and has challenged the whole congregation to help us!

A donation center is in the narthex, and we're tracking items received. Items included in the kits are:

- 70-sheet spiral notebooks
- 30cm rulers
- Pencil sharpeners
- Blunt/safety scissors
- Unsharpened #2 pencils
- Black or blue ballpoint pens
- Boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
- 2.5" erasers
- Light-weight bath-size towels
- Bath-size bar soap
- Adult toothbrushes
- Sturdy combs
- Nail clippers

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

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 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.

Note: Other items of emphasis this month are individual serving items: granola bars, mac N cheese cups, hot and cold cereal packets, chicken noodle soup, ravioli, and snack items.

GOSPEL MESSAGE

September 6, 2026
LECTIONARY 23

Community Is Complicated

Navigating life with other humans is not always easy. We who call ourselves the church likely know this all too well. Perhaps you've witnessed church council meetings gone awry, frustrating conversations about the budget, or intense disagreements over worship styles. Maybe your faith community has had to navigate conflicting visions for mission and outreach, welcome and hospitality, or diversity and justice. Maybe the generational or political divides in your community feel like rifts too big to cross. As the church, we are called to wrestle with difficult questions about faith and life, but at times, even with the best of intentions, we leave one another feeling hurt, overlooked, or misunderstood.

Jesus knew a thing or two about life in community. He knew what it was like to be betrayed by the ones he loved. He shared meals with people of different backgrounds, people whose identities at times put them at odds with one another. Even his disciples never quite seemed to be on the same page! Yet Jesus knew that despite the complexity of these situations, faith is best practiced in community. Accompanying one another, sharing one another's burdens, encouraging one another, forgiving one another, and holding each other accountable are vital to the Christian life.

Therefore, managing conflict is not something to be taken lightly. Disagreements are not to be just swept under the rug, ignored until the next issue emerges. We are instead called to embrace truth-telling, courage, accountability, and compassion in our dealings with one another. The work of conflict resolution is not easy or glamorous. In fact, it can be awkward and downright painful. But it is holy work. And by God's grace, it can be an invitation to build a community that more truly reflects God's love poured out for the whole world.

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In Our Prayers… September 5 & 6, 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: Vickie Damme

SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS:

Health Concerns:
- Healing and a speedy recovery for Pr. Deb Hammer following knee surgery.
- 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 those who help grow our faith.

Deaths:

Other Prayers:
- For safe travels over Labor Day weekend.
- For firefighters and other volunteers who keep our community safe.
- O Lord, may my heart not be hardened, my ears not deaf, my mind not wandering as I strive to worship you in spirit and in truth. 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 (9/5 & 6)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber

5:30pm

Greeters-Paula Gemelke
LWA & CA-Tyler Frevert
Acolyte-Cohen Woehler
Sound-Dave Baier
Projection-Melissa Rabbass
Ushers-Cheryl Roberts
Altar Guild-Janet Sievers, Paula Gemelke

10am

Greeters-Bill & Rhonda Blecke
LWA & CA-Karma Magnuson
CA-Sue Olson, Dorothy Wert
Acolyte-Serenity Victor
Sound-Trisha Peters
Projection-Tom Hansen
Video-Tyler Johnson
Ushers-Dave Anderson, Dave Olson, Brad Wieland
Altar Guild-Debbie Bargholz, Rhonda Blecke

Next Weekend (9/12 & 13)

Organist/Pianist: Connie Webber

5:30pm

Greeters-Ronnie Doring
LWA & CA-Kathy Becker
Acolyte-Mason Nelson
Sound-Duane Blomenkamp
Projection-Margaret Hansen
Ushers-Rod & Melia Hefti
Altar Guild-Peggy Hank, Karen Zach

10am

Greeters-Sue Denton
LWA & CA-Roger Lentz
CA-Kim Dunklau, Madge Bruflat
Acolyte-Brody Virgil
Sound-Amber Labenz
Projection-Gabriel Armstrong
Video-Tom Hansen
Ushers-Steve McLagan, Ron Carnes, Alex Phelps, Pete Reeg
Altar Guild-Madge Bruflat, Julie Grone

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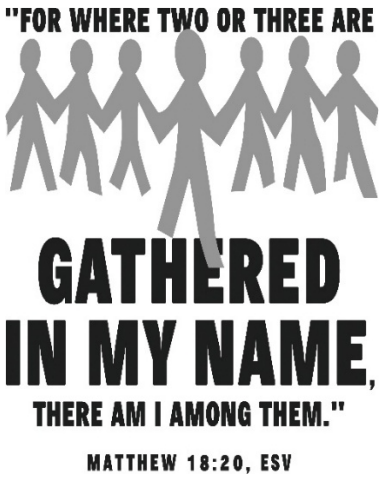
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Our Savior Lutheran Church

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



Welcome

September 5 & 6, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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The People of Our Savior

Pastor:
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Program Staff:
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Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry

Addysen Wyant
High School Youth Coordinator

Order of Worship

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
Temple Talk
Gathering Song: ELW 731
Confession & Forgiveness
Greeting
Kyrie & Canticle of Praise
Prayer of the Day
First Reading: pg. 787
Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalm: Psalm 119:33-40
Second Reading: pg. 1034
Romans 13:8-14
Gospel Acclamation
Gospel: pg. 895
Matthew 18:15-20
Message
Hymn of the Day: ELW 715
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 Song: *Lamb of God*
Blessing & Prayer after Communion
Parting Blessing
Sending Song: ELW 864
Dismissal
Postlude

End of Worship. Beginning of Service.