



Weekly News

Aug 24th

Being Disciples of Jesus Christ
Growing in Faith, Love, Service, and Numbers

Ministry Fair: LOOK for a “Ministry Fair” after worship on Sundays Aug 31st and September 7th

We'll have tables out for exploring your interest in ministries...

Find out more about local missions, or Youth group, Kids Connection, handbells, coffee ministry, media booth, altar set-up... Freezer Friends, Rides2Worship. There are many ways to be involved in the ministry life of your church home. Being a member of Our Savior means actively being a part of the functioning of ministries and programs... you are an important part of the adventure.

Look through the “Tables” on these two Sundays. You can sign up for ministries and Worship “serving roles”.

Been doing something for years?... Pray now about possibly switching your role and trying a new fit .

**(There are no volunteers in a church home...
just “members” being a team)**

A "Pre-Season Training Session" and Supper (to train for all roles for Sunday ministries) will be **Sept 10th Wed**

*(*with a children's fun program)*

Supper: 5:45- 6:15 Training Session for all roles: 6:15 - 6:45 *(plus children's program. *same time structure as Midweek Connect)*

then... A closing Group Prayer... and in the car on the way home before 7pm.

The goal is to walk through all the roles of worship and help train anyone interested in learning. Possibly you'd like to try a new ministry this year... well this is the night to learn the role!

Supper... Fellowship... and Ministry Training ! Plan ahead

We'll Pray with YOU! Intercessory Prayer is available at the Altar rail right after Worship. 2 church members will lift up your concerns with you.

MINISTRY NEWS - Bits and Pieces

The last summer Unity Services is Aug 31st - back to 2 services Sept 7th

Confirmation Meets Today after Worship: The Confirmation group of Svea, David, and Micah will meet in the Library right after worship today. As we explore the choices a believer faces as impacted by the 10 Commandments... how do these commandments impact you? Do God speak to you about getting too much change back at the store? What about gossiping about your neighbors addictions? What about killing unborn babies? Did you know the commandments are numbered differently in different denominations? *Ponder the Commandments... and life today.*

Music Ministry Cookout. Thurs Sept 4 5-7 pm All families of Choir, Bell Ringers, and Praise Band are invited

Hosted by Scott and Paula Deffer 204 Hale Street, Beverly

Madagascar Mission Trip Supplies— please continue to purchase, vitamins, plastic bags, ibuprofen..etc. Shopping list is found at the Mission display

Drop off is at the "Missions display" under the TV

*** thank you for the luggage!**

The Vision Team subcommittees Building and grounds / Staffing / Missions are forming their recommendations and will meet as a whole to collaborate

Treasurer: Please keep Patty Knight and Charlie Cuilla in prayer as Charlie fully transitions into assuming the Treasurer role for our church.

Welcome! To new Praise Band Director—Kevin Lackie

We are thankful that God has guided our search for a new director of the Praise Band! Starting next week Kevin Lackie will be segueing in to the new role. Kevin is from this area, but is moving back from years in DC to do a doctoral program at BU in conducting. He is thoroughly qualified and we are thrilled to have his leadership for our pool of musicians. Please keep Kevin in prayer as he starts new schooling, new job, and new living situation.

Security Preparedness, Awareness, and Training. Sept 6th

Leadership has recently met to discuss safety and security at our church. Due to our ever changing world and national events (e.g. Kentucky, Texas) we felt it was appropriate to take a proactive approach by implementing some changes as well as offering some professional training.

Pastor Joe has reached out to other churches to see how they have been handling safety and we have also contacted a consulting company called **Krisis**. You can read more about Krisis and Dr. Dan Fitzsimons here: <https://krisisne.org/about>.

Dan will be coming to our church on **Saturday, September 6th** for an all day training, review of our current premises and recommendations for improvements.

This training will be open to anyone in the congregation who'd like to attend. We encourage all to attend if able. The more people who receive this training the more prepared we can all be.

What: Professional Security Training and Non-Security Training (CPR, basic first aid, etc)

When: Saturday, September 6th, 2025

Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

8 hours for people interested in security (includes CPR, first aid)

3 hours for non-security training

Who: Dr. Dan Fitzsimons - <https://krisisne.org>

Cost: Free to anyone in the congregation

Cost to OSLC: \$1,000

Lunch provided.... We'll put a "response" (attendance) option in a mid-week email to keep a running list of #'s to be prepared for lunch and use of space.

Finance Report that was emailed Friday: The Shepherd Leaders want to provide you with some financial updates. As a reminder, our fiscal year goes from July 1st to June 30th. The numbers below show the approved budget, giving and expenses for FY2024/25 (last year).

Approved Budget: \$548,650

Giving: \$551,742

Expenses: \$576,596

Some of the cost increases from last year include: snow/ice removal, heating gas for the church, insurance and the replacement of the H2O tank at the parsonage.

Thank you.... Every year we function solely thru God blessing us. Our church home does ministry through your stewardship efforts as a disciple of Jesus. These numbers reflect our efforts to carry out the mission and vision of Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Mark Your Calendar!

Aug 31st and Sept 7th Ministry Fair after Worship

Sept 6th (Sat) Security and Preparedness Workshop (see article)

Sept 10th "Pre-Season" Training Night Supper and Worship Serving Training

ANY Scheduling: Please make sure ALL dates for **any Ministry Activities, any Use of the Building, setting up a table in the lobby, Mission Sundays, and any Sunday Worship plans...** ALL get communicated to Sara Hester at office@oslcm.com for a master schedule. (as well as pictures... announcements... etc) **Thank you!** Sara is organizing us with a master calendar!

Unity Service 9:30	Aug 24th	Aug 31st
Announcements	Adam Bonnette	
Coffee: Set Up Clean Up	Ann Nollet Jim & Diana Campbell	
Altar Care: Set Up Clean Up		Marilyn Perry Val Melin
Communion Assistance		Hank Betts Patty Knight
Audio	Joel Trunfio	Chris Imming
PowerPoint	Ellie Sienkiewicz	Scott Macdonald
Reader	Sharon Gower	Kathy Kishbaugh
Ushers	Hank Betts Arthur Leblanc Ed Melin	Charlie Ciulla Josh Gustafson Don Kingston
Kids Connect Worship Lead Teacher Teacher	Kerry Trunfio Ann Nollet	Kerry Trunfio Gail Sullivan