

# The Weekly Visitor

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH WEST BEND, WI

## Welcome

Dear OSLC Family,

After long days of visits, meetings, sermon prep, being with Amy and the kids and whatever else may come up in the course of any given day, I find myself longing for a little silence. *I suspect most of us could use a little more silence in our lives!* Silent prayer is one of the greatest gifts we have to experience a more deeply formed life in Christ. Silent prayer helps us to focus our attention upon God through the simplicity of shared presence. Silence can help give us the space to energize and shape the words we use when we do speak.



Speaking of silent prayer, I recall a great story from the late Mother Teresa. During an interview, Mother Teresa was asked what she says to God when she prays. Her answer was, *"I don't talk. I simply listen."* The interviewer then asked "Ah, then what is it that God says to you when you pray?" Mother Teresa replied, *"God also doesn't talk. He also simply listens."* Those words of wisdom offer us an insight into silent prayer: it isn't so much a technique to master but a relationship to enter into. Whether it is one, five, ten or twenty minutes, try taking a little time to just be quiet with God each day. Light a candle. Take a walk. Sit. Practice it and let that silent time with God set the tone for the rest of your day.

**Thought for the week:** *"Let him who cannot be alone beware of community. He will only do harm to himself and to the community...but the reverse is also true: Let him who is not in community beware of being alone."*

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

With you a Christian. For you a Pastor.  
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## VARSITY SEPT 27th

We are going to the John Michael Kohler Arts Center on Tuesday Sept 27th! We will meet at the church to carpool (8:45am) Please check out our website for details. There is a sign up sheet on the information board in the gathering area! Any questions you can call Jean 262-338-6407.

Bonus-it is free!

## Pet Blessing

Pet Blessing on **Saturday, October 1st at**

**9:00am** under the canopy

by the main doors. Our pets and furry friends are part of God's amazing creation! Children may also bring their favorite stuffed animal and if it is too much of a hardship to bring your furry or slithery friend, *bring a photo of them.* We ask all animals to be on leashes or in crates.



## Family Fall Festival

**Saturday October 8th**

10:30am to 1:00 pm

with Trunk or Treat held at 12:30 pm

Decorate your trunk and handout candy

Wear a costume

**Sponsored by:**

Playful Hearts Child Care Center

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

1044 S. Silverbrook Drive

Outside if the sun shines or Inside if it rains

Lots of Family Activities & Food

Spooktacular Games - including Minnow Races,  
Apples & Carmel Dip, Hot Dogs, Popcorn &  
More



Save the Date!

Fall Cleaning

October 15th

9:00 -12:00 pm

# Mark Your Calendars

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Wednesday October 26th 6:30 pm**

Internet Safety Presentation

**Saturday November 5th 4:30 pm**

Fall Harvest Progressive Dinner  
(details to come...)

**Sunday November 6th 9:00 am**

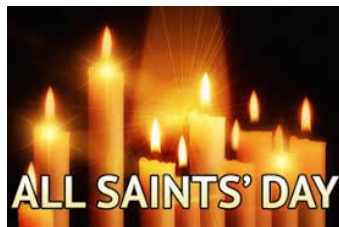
ONE Service/All Saints Day/cake auction

**Monday November 7th 8:30 am**

Lifeline Screening

**Saturday November 12th 9:00 am**

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Language



The first Sunday in November is known as All Saints Sunday. On this day we especially remember those who have died in our lives. We will have ONE service at 9:00am on Sunday, November 6th to celebrate All Saints. As part of this worship we will read names of those who have died in our lives and invite folks to come forward and light candles in their memory. Please submit names to Kelly in the office by Monday, October 31st.

[office@oslcbw.org](mailto:office@oslcbw.org)

Wayne Blanchard

Angela Blockle

Shirley Bloomier

Judy Colwell

Jon Leider

Ken Miller

Thomas

Delores Kruepke

Sam Knutson

Lyle Morrison

Judy Schmelzling

Carol Simpson

Brian Villwock

Richard Yahr

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### Welcome to Our Savior's

*We are a diverse faith community of people always learning what it means to live a joy-filled life of discipleship. We are grounded in the Christian Lutheran (ELCA) tradition.*

*We live across the street, around the corner, in the West Bend area and in nearby communities. We work in schools, factories, offices, fields and hospitals. We are laborers, students, retired and unemployed. We are young and old and all in between.*

*While some come from Catholic and Protestant backgrounds, others are discovering church for the first time. We join together as questioning believers in our joys and sorrows, and our faith and doubts.*

*When we worship, sing, serve, study, and enjoy fellowship together, we love and support one another to become one body in Christ.*

*Our mission is to declare and deliver God's boundless love to a broken world.*

*No matter who you are and no matter where you are on life's journey...*

**YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!**



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### Stay up to date



[oslcbw.org](http://oslcbw.org)



[fb.com/oursaviorslutheranchurch](https://www.facebook.com/oursaviorslutheranchurch)  
Updates-Reflections-Events

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### Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00am to 3:30pm  
Fridays office closed (phones monitored 8-12)

Office Phone (262) 334-9551

Office email [office@oslcbw.org](mailto:office@oslcbw.org)

Playful Hearts Childcare (262) 338-0172

In Case of Emergency call Pastor Jim Hearne 608-341-0566

or Deacon Sherie Kruse 262-689-7307

