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## Welcome

Dear OSLC Family,

Easter is really about having a "*Resurrection attitude*!" As Jesus let go of clinging to the things of this world, we too, are invited to let go of holding onto the past as we move forward in life. One way our community will change is saying farewell to Deacon Sherie who will retire from us May 19<sup>th</sup>. As we lovingly let Sherie go, we simultaneously welcome an "old" friend into the Faith Formation role. I'm excited to announce **Mikalah Hess** has been hired to come on board and help us grow and deepen how we teach and talk Jesus, faith and life.



Mikalah is no stranger to OSLC. She actually "journeyed" through Confirmation here with Amanda and Sherie. So, we get to welcome back one of our own! Mikalah graduated from UW-Whitewater with a degree in education and emphasis in special education. She will begin doing some shadowing with Sherie before beginning full time in June. I'm excited for her and for all of us as we journey together as a faith family! Please help me welcome Mikalah as you will see her over the coming weeks observing, listening and eager to meet you!

**Thought for the week:** "Those looking for something sacred travel slow. Those looking for the holy linger. Taking the way of Jesus takes time" -Ann Voskamp

With you a Christian. For you a Pastor. PJ

P.S. Many **thanks** to everyone who made our Holy Week and Easter Sunday services so beautiful and moving as well as our Easter breakfast such a success! To our Staff, Council, Worship & Music team, decore planners, musicians, singers, greeters, ushers, tech and sound folks, readers, communion servers, those who brought food items, set up, served and cleaned for our breakfast- THANK YOU! What an awesome display of "**God's Perfection**!" Hello OSLC,

My name is Mikalah Hess and I feel beyond blessed to have the opportunity to join Our Saviors and continue my career as the faith formation minister. I graduated in December 2021 from The



University of Wisconsin Whitewater. I majored In Elementary Education with a minor in Adaptive Education/Special Education. I have worked as a first grade, preschool and physical education teacher. Through my recent job working in a Lutheran school I was able to connect my love for teaching and my faith. I believe God places opportunities in front of us at times when he needs us. In Jeremiah 29:11 we hear: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

In my personal life, I find joy in spending time with my family, friends or dogs! My favorite hobbies are baking, reading and spending time outside. I love camping, hiking and kayaking. Nature brings me peace and calm. I find that it reminds me of God's creation and how amazing this world truly is.

Finances in a Nutshell	
	2024 Actual
	\$29, 327.54
Feb Expenses	\$32, 585.92
Monthly Surplus (Deficit)	(3, 258.38)
Year to Date Contributions	\$55,588.43
Year to Date Expenses	\$74,592.64
Surplus (Deficit)	(19,004.21)



Our Easter breakfast raised \$1033.55 for the group headed to New Orleans for the ELCA Youth Gathering this summer! Thank you so much for your support!

Merci, Merci, Merci!

Weekly

Monday, April 8th 11:00 Bible/Book Study

**Tuesday. April 9th** 6:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00 pm Choir

Wednesday, April 10th 8:30 am HGL Quilters 6:00 Midweek Service 6:30 pm Journey

**Thursday, April 11th** 9:00 am Kits N Quilts

Friday, April 12th Office closed

Sunday, April 14th 8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 5:00 pm Goodfellas 4 God at Lucky Shotz



Thank you, Dear Church! We raised **\$502.07** in Noah's Ark for the Washington County Humane Society in honor of Ms. Sherie and her love of animals. Thank you for your generosity!



**SAVE THE DATE!** On Sunday, April 28th instead of our "normal" worship services, we will gather to clean the grounds and building. We need all hands on deck! We will clean from 8:00am until 11:00am. Join us as we steward our grounds and building! There will be something to do for everyone (raking, dusting, vacuuming, organizing, etc). Treats will be provided!

## Stay up to date



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Kathy Schnieder Quinn Murphy

## Save the date!

We have been invited by Trinity to participate in **VBS** (Vacation Bible School) hosted by them the week of June 10-14 from 9:00am-noon each day. Info & registration sheets on the bulletin board.



Dear Friends,

There are so many ways to pray. For me, the meditative rhythm of knitting and crocheting calms my mind and helps me stay balanced. Although we may not know the recipients of our prayer shawls, we are praying with each stich and sending love to the new mom, college student or cancer patient that may wrap themselves in our creations.



Only two more Prayer Shawl get-togethers before summer! Please join us for sharing, instruction and fellowship.

Tuesday, April 9th 6pm Tuesday, May 7th 6pm

God bless you, Kendall Pfeifer <u>nelsonkendall2@yahoo.com</u> 262-271-2950



Glasses found on Easter Sunday in Fellowship Hall. They are in the church office now. Call 262-334-9551.

## **Office Hours**

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

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