## **GOINGS ON**

Calendar

Monday, July 21st

8:00 am Lifeline Screening Event 9:00 am Walking Group

**Tuesday, July 22nd** 6:30 pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, July 23rd 8:30 am Happy Quilters 6:00 pm Midweek Worship

Friday, July 25th Office closed

Sunday, July 27th Thank you to Dwayne!

9:00 am Worship



Rowan

Tom

David

Ann

Dennis

Chris Elaine

Linda

Dawn

Charlotte

## Welcome to Our Savior's

PROPERT UPDATES





Property is looking for a few good men/man (or lady) to refresh?redo?replace? one of the egress area's brickwork. OS will supply the material; we just need someone with the know-how to repair the bricks. Please contact Pete at 262 689 5756 if you would like to help.



A-Team members having summer fun! Dave Graves is out camping and Zarling Family at a hot air balloon festival! Remember to get pics near and far with your magnets and send to PJ or Kelly!



Monday thru Thursday 8:00am to 3:30pm Fridays office closed (phones monitored 8-12) Office Phone (262) 334-9551 Office email office@oslcwb.org Playful Hearts Childcare (262) 338-0172 In Case of Emergency call Pastor Jim Hearne 608-341-0566





## From the Pastor

Dear OSLC Family,

It happens in the store, at the gym or some random place around town. A conversation with a parishioner that most pastors probably have at some point. It begins with the other person offering a caveat of something along the lines of "I know I haven't been to church in a while" or "I'm sorry I've just been so busy..." My response is usually something like "It's okay. I would love to see you in worship but it's not a prerequisite for receiving the ministry of the church." And while I do reach out to folks I haven't seen in a while because I may be concerned that something may have happened in their lives, let me confirm: I'm not a salesman for religious products! More importantly, I try to be a purveyor of grace. All I have to offer you are reminders that you are loved unconditionally and given an abundance of grace in Christ.



Grace isn't a commodity ~ it can't be earned or purchased. Otherwise, it is no longer grace. I know most of us don't feel the need for it when everything is going well. I know I'm probably not going to be the person you call, text or email on the best days of your life. I know I won't hear from most of you most of the time. That's okay. I don't bemoan the fact that I'll be called only when things have gone really badly and there might be no other options. These are the moments you and I need to be reminded of things like unconditional love and grace. It's what I'm here to do and what every Christian is called to do. And while I miss folks when they are not with us for worship for months and seasons at a time, my role is to welcome you and remind you of something we can never get otherwise: God's incredible love.

Thought for the week: "In a rapidly shifting culture, we need guides who can help us re-examine how the ancient story of scripture can anchor our world and lives." ~ Rich Villodas

With you a Christian. For you a Pastor.



The ELCA stands ready to walk with our neighbors in the Texas hill country as the floodwaters recede and rebuilding begins. LDR is coordinating with the Southwestern Texas Synod, and we will work with them and other partners to respond to urgent needs, provide emotional and spiritual care, and support cleanup and long-term recovery.

Click <u>here</u> to make a donation towards Lutheran Disaster Response and the catastrophic flooding in South Central Texas. Your gifts do make a difference!



We have a number of events coming up! Please participate in the life of this faith community...

Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Godspeed for Dwayne Schied departing from Treasurer Role Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ *Rally Day* 10:00am worship at Regner Park with potluck to follow Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Hephatha Picnic Retreat Day at Blue Lotus, 9:00am-3:00pm Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>~ Joint worship with Hephatha Lutheran Church, 9:00am Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Fun time following



We are encouraging folks during July and August to bring pancake mix and/or syrup



OSLC Walking Group!

Come join us Mondays at 9:00am! Folks are invited to meet at the public parking lot across from Gary's Place as we will walk the Eisenbahn State trail for 45 minutes - 1 hour.

All ages welcome! Come socialize while we do something good for our bodies! Any questions please contact PJ or Amy Hearne.



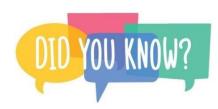
Introducing our New Treasurer!

We are happy to announce Eric Damkot will become our new Treasurer! Dwayne Schied is retiring after 20 years in the position. Eric is no stranger to OSLC. Eric has been a member here for over 25 years. His three children (Mark, Madeline & Owen) were baptized, grew up and confirmed in the church. Eric currently helps with the tech team for Sunday worship among other ways he has been involved throughout his time here. He will work with Dwayne, PJ and a Finance Team to help transition into the role over the coming month. Please welcome Eric into this new role in our church family!



We have great news, Our Savior's will be hosting a Life Line Screening event on July 21, 2025. Life Line Screening is the premier provider of stroke and cardiovascular disease risk screenings since 1993. As the host of the event, Life Line Screening is extending a special offer to all of Our Savior's members for a screening package that enables you to get peace of mind or early detection. Also GREAT news there is now a \$30 savings! See flyers at the Information Center.

Click here WWW.LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA or call 888-814-0466 to schedule your appointment! A simple screening can be worth a lifetime.



The Greater Milwaukee Synod helps congregations live out Christ's calling to love our neighbor in a quickly changing social and political landscape through organizations such as Global Refuge.

Global Refuge (formerly Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service) is the largest faith-based nonprofit in the United States. Our synod Bishop, Paul Erickson, is a member of the Global Refuge Board of Directors.

Our Saviors responds to God's call to serve the most vulnerable financially with our ELCA mission support. Additionally, in 2024 the OSLC Endowment Fund dispersed \$500 to Global Refuge.

Here are 2 links to read more about these programs and see statements from ELCA Bishops

Immigration & Refugee Resettlement
Resources

Global Refuge

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