



Our Savior's This Week

Share the good news
of our Savior!

Week of
Jan. 29 – Feb. 5

Welcome!

Thank you for worshipping at OSLC today!

Please introduce yourself to those around you and fill out a blue worship card. Please hand your card to the usher as you go up to communion. For those attending the contemporary service, please put your cards in the offering plate. The cards help us to support members and connect with our guests.

Visitor to Our Savior's? Please stop at the *Welcome Desk* by the front doors. A host will welcome you and answer your questions.

Nursery care available. Children four years old and under are welcome in our staffed nursery on Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 12:00. We have a pager system in place to contact parents as needed.

Stephen Ministers are available to listen and care. Contact Kathy Thomas at 815-877-7944 or Marcia Shaw at 815-397-0760.

Communion for the homebound is available. Contact Bill or Diana Welk at 815-874-8064.

Prayers & Blessings

Those needing prayer: Richard Aleshire, Joe Balok, Lloyd Bruning, Marjorie Canode, Jack Clark, Roger Floody, Ron Hallstrom, Louise Hedges, Sheryl Jecklin, Betty Johnson (Mrs. Don Johnson), Eric Kobler, Kay Lyddon, Mary MacDonald, Winona Madden, Shirley Manne, Carol Olson, Bob Renk, Betty Riggle, Ellerd Stolgren, Pat Timmerwilke.

Our sympathy to the family of Dorothy Ebens who died January 20 in Rockford.

Pray for peace in our world and protection for those in service to our country: Doug Faber (nephew of Dennis & Donna Wallace), Scott Hlavin (son of Cyndi Hlavin), Chris Kusnierz (son of Bill & Lorraine Kusnierz), James Peterson (son of Randy Peterson), and Ben Wogsland (brother of Matt Wogsland).

If you have a loved one that is currently serving but is not listed, please let the office know (815-399-0531 or email katie@oslcrockford.com).

We care about you but are not always updated on your needs. Please contact the church office if you would like to be included on the prayer list (815-399-0531).

Adult Education 9:45 am (Patio Room)

January 29

How to Communicate Biblical Truth to a Secular Audience. (video presentation)

February 5

What Would Jesus Tweet? (Kevin Hainchek, presenter)

Sunday, January 29 **Healing Services**
8:30am Traditional Worship
 9:45am Adult Ed Patio Room
 9:45am Men's Choir Rehearsal Choir Room
 9:45am Sunday School Assigned Rooms
 9:45am Women's Ensemble Rehearsal Fireside Room
 10:30am Children's Choir Room 204
10:45am Contemporary Worship
12:00pm Annual Meeting **Worship Center**

Monday, January 30
 5:30pm Cub Scouts Den #419 Gym
 6:00pm MELD Fireside Room
 7:00pm Girl Scouts Ship #100 Youth Room
 7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop #14 Gym

Tuesday, January 31
 10:00am Staff Meeting Conference Room
 7:00pm Junior High Girl Scouts Youth Room

Wednesday February 1
 5:30pm Cub Scouts Rooms 241-43-45
 6:00pm D-101 The Bridge
 7:00pm Folk Choir Rehearsal Choir Room
 7:30pm R.O.C.K. Youth Room

Thursday, February 2
 9:00am OSLC Mom's Group Nursery
 5:30pm Carillon Ringers Rehearsal Worship Center
 5:30pm WELCA Leaders Bible Study Conference Room
 6:45pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal Worship Center
 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Choir Room

Friday, February 3

Saturday, February 4
 9:30am Bible Study-Ron Hasley Fireside Room
5:00pm Casual Evening Worship
 6:00pm Blood Pressure Checks Conference Room

Sunday, February 5
8:30am Traditional Worship
 9:45am Adult Ed Patio Room
 9:45am Men's Choir Rehearsal Choir Room
 9:45am Sunday School Assigned Rooms
 9:45am Women's Ensemble Rehearsal Fireside Room
 10:30am Children's Choir Room 204
10:45am Contemporary Worship
12:00pm Reception for Pastor Woody & Diane **Social Hall**

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 29
12:00 pm in the Worship Center

Highlights of the meeting include the report on the state of the congregation; the installation of new executive officers, council members, and congregational representatives.

The Fiscal 2012 budget will be discussed and voted upon. The budget always embraces and highlights our ministry priorities for the year. All voting members are asked to participate in this important meeting.

Celebration Potluck for Pastor Woody & Diane

To thank Pastor Woody and Diane for their ministry here, a potluck is planned for Woody's last day on Sunday, February 5th. It will take place at noon in the Social Hall. A large cake will be provided as well as drinks and place settings. Desserts are not needed. A basket will be available in which to place your cards and good wishes. Please bring your dish-to-pass to the kitchen anytime that morning. Please call the church office with any questions (815-399-0531).

Welcome, Lutheran High School Musicians

We are delighted to welcome musicians from Lutheran High School to Our Savior's as they will provide musical leadership for our services this Sunday. At 8:30, the Madrigal Singers directed by Steve Wolfgram will sing three anthems, and at 10:45 the Chapel Band directed by Michael Atteberry will lead all the singing.

Annual Reports Available

Copies of the 2011 Annual Report book are available in the Atrium. Due to the limited number of copies, please take just one per household.

Saturday Adult Ed Bible Study

ALL ARE INVITED! Ron Hasley will continue the Saturday morning study of practical implications and applications of the weekly Scripture texts. We will meet in the Fireside Room February 4 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Nickels for Nets

Please check your pockets and purses for your extra nickels, and drop them into the water jug outside the Children's Ministry office. Collections will be taken thru Lent. \$10 will buy one net. This effort is part of the ELCA Malaria Campaign. Hear the sound of a child being helped and saved from malaria. Working together with God, we can make miracles happen!

Souper Bowl of Caring

It's that time again... the big game, food, fun, family, friends, watching the screen and enjoying the Super Bowl. Let us start thinking of another big Bowl, the "Souper Bowl of Caring" on Sunday, February 5. Youth



from across the nation will be working together to fight hunger and poverty within their own communities. 100% of the money collected is given to their local charities. Our children will be holding pots for your contributions on February 5 before and after each service. Thank you for caring for the people in our community.

Little Ones Ministry

Our Little Ones Ministry meets every Sunday from 10:15-10:25 AM in the nursery. Little ones and their parents are invited to come hear a true Bible Story, sing, and pray with their little one. We encourage you to come and be amazed even if your little one is fussy or crying; we expect that can happen, it's their form of communication. Come, listen, learn, and see God at work.

Raise a Voice of Gladness!

Sunday, February 12 • 4:30 PM
(Rehearsal @ 2 PM on Feb. 12)

All young singers, ages 6-14, are invited to participate in several massed choir songs and hymns for the Youth Choir Festival at Trinity Lutheran Church. Three choirs from the Rockford area will be featured at the festival, including choirs from Holy Family Catholic Church and The Kantorei Training Choir. All children are encouraged to attend choir at OSLC from 10:30-11:00 on Sundays to practice for the festival. Any questions; please contact Lori Parker Weinrich @ 815-298-7702.

Boy Scout Weekend

Boy Scout Sunday will be observed the weekend of February 11-12. Scouts from Troop #14 will be serving as readers, greeters, ushers and food servers for all services that weekend.



2011 Contribution Statements

Due to a new format in the reporting system, the contribution statements mailed last week have a column indicating previous years giving. Please note that this column actually reflects giving for January through November of 2011. We apologize for this confusion; please feel free to call Jenni or Sharon in the church office if you have additional questions.

Reverse Offering

The Mission Cabinet extends a sincere thanks for all of the Rockford families whose Thanksgiving meals were enriched through the generosity of our congregation's giving in the last Reverse Offering. From our Reverse Offering and our youth's Turkey Trot collection, a total of 1,363 pounds of non-perishable items were delivered to the Rock River Valley Pantry! **The weekend of February 11th and 12th we will once again conduct a Reverse Offering with the food items being collected on the weekend of February 18th and 19th.** *God's work. Our hands.*

Service Opportunities

Mission of the Month:

ELCA Malaria Campaign

Help eliminate deaths from Malaria. You can make a difference! Please make a donation to the ELCA Malaria Campaign. See the mosquito net on display and obtain information in the Atrium.



Mission Trip 2012

A big THANK YOU to those who expressed interest in joining OSLC's adult mission trip this year. Due to many connections with families and friends in North Dakota, it was decided to go to the town of Minot to assist Lutheran Disaster Response in restoring homes after historic flooding last June. The Mouse River rose to a record high, flooding over 4,000 homes. The last flood of that magnitude was 35 years ago. The trip is tentatively set for June 9-16, 2012. A planning meeting will be held Saturday, February 4 at 9:30 AM in the Patio Room. Please feel free to join us at the meeting. For information, call Judi Nichols (815-229-5554) or Russ Jecklin (815-654-0997).

Rockford Lutheran School Open House

Rockford Lutheran School provides an exceptional college preparatory education in a challenging and inspiring Christian environment for students in Preschool - 12th grade. An Open House will be held January 29 from 1 - 4 PM. Call 815-877-9551 ext. 158 or visit www.rockfordlutheran.org for details.

Looking Ahead

- FEB 5:** Potluck for Pastor Woody & Diane; Souper Bowl of Caring
- FEB 6:** Pastor Fricke's start date
- FEB 17:** AXIS event
- FEB 22:** Ash Wednesday services @ 12 & 7 PM (soup lunch following noon service)
- FEB 29:** Lenten services @ 12 & 7 PM (soup lunch following noon service)
- MARCH 3:** WELCA technology program



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Worship Times

Saturdays: 5:00 pm
Sundays: 8:30 & 10:45 am

Office Hours

Mon-Thurs 9 am - 4 pm; Fri 9 am - 1 pm

Send submissions to
katie@oslcrockford.com
by 9 am Tuesdays. Submissions
may be edited for length.

Together in Worship

Together in Worship Last Weekend 377

Financial Information:

Fiscal Year-To-Date January 1 through January 22, 2012

Contributions Last Week:	\$13,076
YTD Actual Contributions and Gifts:	*\$86,193
2011 YTD Actual Contributions and Gifts (for comparison):	\$67,035
Other Sources of Income (includes Playtown):	\$5,284
Total Year to Date Income:	*\$91,477
Total Year to Date Expenses:	\$66,322
Total Freedom for Mission Contributions:	\$1,066,847
FFM Mortgage Principal Reductions:	\$674,453
FFM Mission Payments:	\$97,714
Mortgage Balance:	\$873,766

Income excludes a portion of 2012 pledges paid in advance with reporting reflected proportionally throughout the year. Please consider this information in the light of God's Word, which encourages regular worship, and that loving gifts be returned to Our Lord for our mission to **share the good news of our Savior. If you have questions, please call Sharon Beu or Jenni Ripplinger in the church office.*