

Our Savior's This Week

Share the good news
of our Savior!

Week of
August 15 - 22

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 at the Crosswalk service, please put cards in basket. This format helps support members and connect with our guests.

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

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.

Nursery care (for children four years and younger) is available on Sundays from 9:15 - 11:45. We have a pager system in place to contact parents as needed.

Prayers & Blessings

Those needing prayer: Katherine Andersen, Roz Birch, Kelly Hutsell-Cook, Harland Olson, Ken Olson, Marlon Pool, Natalie Rediger, Sandy Walrath, Pastor Paul Wolff

Pray for peace in our world and protection for those in service to our country: Mark Anderson, Kyle Brees, Erik Klapmeier, James Peterson, Tyler Pillmore, and Chad Swenson.

We care about you but are not always updated on your needs. If you, or someone in your family should be added to the prayer list, please let us know at 815-399-0531.

Adult Ed Opportunities 9:45 am — Patio Room

August 15 — Sunday School curriculum

August 22 & 29 — Theology 101 with Pastor Tracy Heilman

Sunday, August 15

8:30am **Traditional Worship w/Communion**
9:45am Adult Ed Patio Room
9:45am "Spark" Sunday School Presentation Fireside Room
10:30am **Celebration Worship w/Communion**

Monday, August 16

9:00am Do-Day Patio Room
6:00pm MELD Fireside Room
7:00pm Girl Scouts Ship #100 SG Youth Room
7:00pm Magicians Club Patio Room
7:00pm Boy Scouts Troop #14 Gym

Tuesday, August 17

10:30am Staff Meeting Conference Room
7:00pm Stephen Ministry Support Fireside Room
7:00pm No. IL Alliance for the Mentally Ill Upper Atrium

Wednesday, August 18

5:30pm CrossWalk Rehearsal Worship Center
6:00pm Call Committee Conference Room

Thursday, August 19

5:15pm Congregation Council Fireside Room
6:30pm Boy Scout Adult Leaders Patio Room
6:30pm Girl Scouts Ship 100 Adult Leaders Social Hall

Friday, August 20

7:00am Men's Faith Walk Fireside Room

Saturday, August 21

5:00pm **Worship w/Communion**
6:00pm Blood Pressure Checks Conference Room
6:15pm Olson/Sletten Wedding Rehearsal Worship Center

Sunday, August 22

8:30am **Traditional Worship w/Communion**
9:45am Adult Ed Patio Room
10:30am **CrossWalk Worship w/Communion**
2:30pm Olson/Sletten Wedding Worship Center

Summer 2010 Celebration and CrossWalk Services Schedule

Celebration and CrossWalk services will alternate for ten weeks this summer, similar to last summer's schedule.

The schedule is as follows for 10:30 am:

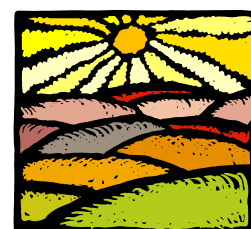
August 15	Celebration
August 22	CrossWalk
August 29	Celebration
September 5	CrossWalk
September 12	Rally Day - one service at 10:00 am

The Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 8:30 am service schedules remain unchanged through September 5.

Special Music on August 15

This summer, I had the great opportunity to attend the Lutheran Summer Music Academy (lutheransummermusic.org), a four week music program held at Luther College in Decorah, IA where I focused on choral and private voice. I also spent another week at Valparaiso University attending my third year of Young Lutheran's Sing directed by Michael Burkhardt. These wonderful experiences were made possible through the generosity of my congregation family. As an expression of my gratitude, I hope you enjoy today's music at the 8:30 service.

Claudia Holen



Call Committee Update

The Call Committee has completed a draft of the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) which will be submitted to the church council for review at the August 19 council meeting. Upon approval by the church council, the completed MSP will be submitted to the Northern Illinois Synod for their review and approval. After that has been completed, the Synod will begin to screen candidates for Our Savior's. If you know of a good candidate, now is the time to tell them to contact the Synod office to begin the process for the candidate.

Thanks to all of those who completed the recent surveys - the information obtained through them was invaluable in completing the MSP. A forum is planned for September 19 during adult education hour (9:45-10:45) to share the results of the survey with the congregation.

Call Committee Members

Please feel free to contact any of the Call Committee members at any time. You will find their contact information on the OSLC website, kiosk and screen announcements.

Rally Weekend: Sept. 11 & 12
"Finding Faith, Fellowship & Friends"

To kick-off our weekend, we'll have a jazz service at 5 pm on Saturday, September 11. **Then on Sunday, September 12, we'll have one worship service at 10:00 am.** After worship, you are invited to our Congregational Potluck Picnic to be held immediately following the service. Please get your favorite recipe out and bring a dish to pass. Hamburgers, hotdogs and veggie burgers will be provided as well as table service and beverages. For more details or if you would like to help with Rally Day, contact Kim Winters by email at Kwinters0111@aol.com or phone at 815-877-0499.

Riverhawks Night

Saturday, August 28 is Our Savior's Night at the Riverhawks! Cost is \$15 and includes an infield ticket plus food and drinks for one hour prior to the game. Game time is 6:05. Tickets will be available for purchase at the Communications desk in the Atrium this Sunday. You may also call Jenni in the church office or e-mail her at Jenni@oslcrockford.com to reserve your tickets - deadline is this week! Checks should include "Riverhawks" on the memo line.

Jazz Service

On Saturday, August 21, our 5:00 pm worship service will feature a jazz twist. There will be prayers, music, a message and Communion, but the overall experience will resemble a jazz musician reworking a familiar tune. Worship in a new and exciting way!

WELCA Lutheran World Relief Mission

We are assembling book bags for LWR for a late September shipment and could use your help again. If you can pick up the following school supplies on sale, please bring them to church and place on the WELCA bookcase. *We need rulers, pencil sharpeners, scissors, erasers, 100 sheet pks note-book paper, spiral notebooks - 10 1/2" x 8", 70 sheet.* Thanks for your support.

Worship Service at Rockford Rescue Mission

Pastor Woody will lead a special worship service at the Rockford Rescue Mission on Sunday, August 29. After the service, sack lunches will be passed out to the attendees. You can help! *We need 180 sack lunches for this occasion. Each lunch should include a sandwich, fruit, chips, dessert, drink and napkin. The lunches will be collected at church on August 29 and taken to the Rescue Mission.* Please sign up in the Atrium, or contact Eric Meyer at ericpmeyer21@msn.com indicating your willingness to help.

OSLC Rummage "Sale"

Various items in the church that have outlived their usefulness will be displayed in Shepherd's Gate (gym). Please stop to take a look if there is something you might be able to use – donations welcomed.



August 25-27 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
 August 28 3:00 - 5:00 pm
 August 29 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

ALPHA Coming This Fall

The 11-week ALPHA program starts Thursday, September 2 at 5:30 pm. Invite your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to this powerful series that changes lives. Registration begins August 14.

Active Seniors Update

Due to scheduling conflicts, we have to cancel the Amish trip for the Active Seniors that was tentatively scheduled for October 1st. But do not despair — we will be going out to lunch on Tuesday, September 14 at 12:30 pm to the *Hope and Anchor Pub*, "the only authentic English pub in town." It is located at 5040 N. 2nd St, Loves Park. Registration will be taken on August 29 and September 12, or call Sharon Adler at 282-3053 for more details or to sign up. More details in the next CrossTalk.



Service Opportunities

Sunday School Teacher Recruitment

The Children's Ministry team is excited to announce that Sunday School classes will begin on September 19. We will be using the ELCA's curriculum "Spark" as we activate faith in our young people. We are currently recruiting adult leaders and youth assistants for our classes. If you are a member of OSLC and want to learn more about being a teacher, contact Pastor Tracy.

MELD Volunteers Needed

Caring & Fellowship needs someone to *coordinate one MELD dinner* on August 23. The dinner planned is to serve 9-12 young women. Please call Kim Winters for more information at 815-877-0499 or email kwinters0111@aol.com.

Light the Night Book Sale

The 2nd annual book sale for Light the Night will be held Saturday, August 21 at Grace Lutheran Church, 343 Grand Avenue in Loves Park. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. *The sale committee is looking for donated items such as books, puzzles, CDs, and DVDs. You may also donate your time to help with the sale.* Please contact Katy Stenberg at 885-2228 for details.

Men's Retreat

Join us October 1-3 for our "Guy's Fall Getaway" at Verne's cabin on Lake Redstone in Reedsburg/La Valle, WI. Pastor Loren and Joe Vaughn will lead fellowship. Sign up now in the Atrium. Contact Terry Whitesel or Paul Knopp for details.



Looking Ahead

- August 21** - Jazz Service @ 5:00 pm
- August 25-29** - Sale in Shepherd's Gate
- August 28** - Riverhawks Night
- September 11 & 12** - Rally Weekend; one service September 12 at 10:00 am
- September 19** - Sunday School begins

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Worship Times:
 Saturdays @ 5:00 pm
 Sundays @ 8:30 & 10:30 am

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

Together in Worship
 Together in Worship Last Weekend..... 391

Financial Information:
 Fiscal Year-To-Date January 1 through August 8, 2010

Contributions Last Week:	\$15,711
Weekly Contributions needed through 2010	\$21,817
<i>(to meet all ministry requirements)</i>	
YTD Actual Contributions and Gifts:.....	*\$628,882
YTD Budgeted Target (from contributions and gifts):.....	\$661,538
2009 YTD Actual Contributions and Gifts (for comparison): ..	\$620,318
Other Sources of Income (includes IRA and Playtown):	\$25,583
Total Year to Date Income:	*\$654,465
Total Year to Date Expenses:	\$667,374
Total Freedom for Mission Contributions:	\$724,241
FFM Mortgage Principal Reductions:	\$424,095
FFM Mission Payments:.....	\$62,367
Total Heating and Cooling Repair Project Contributions.....	\$27,832

Income excludes a portion of 2010 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.*