

Our Savior's **This Week**

Share the *good news*
of our Savior!

Week of
September 5 – 12

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: Roz Birch, Harland Olson, Marlon Pool, Vivian Redmon, Luverne Runestad, Sandy Walrath, Doris Welk, Pastor Paul Wolff.

We celebrate the marriage of Candi Anderson to Joseph Buelow at Our Savior's on September 11.

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

September 5 — No Adult Ed

September 12 — No Adult Ed (Rally Sunday)

September 19 — Call Committee Forum

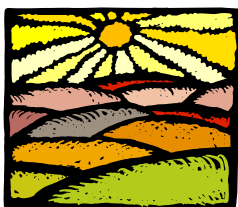
Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are in celebration of Peter & Mary Kay Thomas' 45th wedding anniversary. We celebrate with you — congratulations!

Final Sunday of Summer Worship Schedule

As the summer draws to a close, this Sunday will be the last week of our summer worship schedule. **The CrossWalk service will be at 10:30 am on**

Sunday, September 5. The Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 8:30 am services will be held as usual.



Next Sunday, we will have one service on Sunday, September 12 at 10:00 am (Rally Sunday). Our regular worship schedule resumes Saturday, September 19.

Sunday, September 5

8:30am	Traditional Worship	
9:45am	Men's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
10:30am	CrossWalk Worship	

Monday, September 6

Labor Day—Office Closed

Tuesday, September 7

10:30am	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
4:00pm	Marketing Committee	Conference Room
5:30pm	Operations Cabinet	Conference Room
5:30pm	Sacristans Committee	Worship Center
7:00pm	Celebration Ensemble Rehearsal	Worship Center
7:00pm	Stephen Ministry Support	Fireside Room
7:00pm	Grief Support	Upper Atrium

Wednesday, September 8

6:45am	Personnel Cabinet	Conference Room
6:00pm	Call Committee	Conference Room
7:00pm	Combined Choirs Rehearsal	Worship Center

Thursday, September 9

4:00pm	Nominating Committee	Conference Room
5:30pm	Alpha	Social Hall
5:30pm	Finance Cabinet	Conference Room
5:30pm	Mission Cabinet	Fireside Room
7:00pm	CrossWalk Rehearsal	Worship Center
7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Friday, September 10

7:00am	Men's Faith Walk	Fireside Room
6:00pm	Anderson/Buelow Wedding Reh	Worship Center

Saturday, September 11

2:30pm	Anderson/Buelow Wedding	Worship Center
5:00pm	Worship—Jazz Service	

Sunday, September 12

9:00am	Sunday School Open House	Assigned Rooms
10:00am	Rally Day Worship	
11:30am	Congregational Potluck Picnic	Shepherd's Gate

Mission Focus for September: Carpenter's Place

On Saturday, October 9, Carpenter's Place will hold its annual "Walk for the Homeless" from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at Christian Life School. Proceeds benefit the support services for the homeless at CP. Students are encouraged to sign up for the Morrissey Family Businesses \$1,500 scholarship competition. Participants collect sponsor donations, and the award will be given to the student with the most pledges. Visit www.carpentersplace.org to sign up and review guidelines. Call Sheri at CP with questions (815-964-4105).

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee has submitted the Ministry Site Profile to the Northern Illinois Synod Office. While we wait for potential candidate names to be provided by the Synod, the Call Committee will be working on interview questions and procedures, so we are ready for the interviews. Please mark your calendars to attend the Forum on September 19, 2010 from 9:45-10:45 in the Upper Sanctuary to learn about the completed Ministry Site Profile and the results of the Survey.

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"

Join us on Rally Weekend as we kick-off our fall programs in a festive way. On Saturday, September 11, we'll have a jazz service at 5 pm. On Rally Sunday, September 12, there will be an opportunity to register for Sunday School and meet the teachers at 9:00 am. Following that, **there will be one festive worship service at 10:00 am.** All worshippers are encouraged to wear bright, festive colors for this special service. **After worship at 11:30, we will gather in Shepherd's Gate for a congregational picnic.** Hamburgers, hotdogs, veggie burgers and drinks will be provided. Each family should bring a dish to pass. Bring your family, and invite a friend! Share the *good news* of our Savior. For more details or if you would like to help with Rally Day, please contact Kim Winters by email at Kwinters0111@aol.com or phone at 815-877-0499.



Strength & Balance Class

Strength & Balance classes will resume at 9:30 am on September 20 in Shepherd's Gate. We will meet every Monday and Wednesday through November 24. Cost will be \$30 for the 20 sessions. Contact Katy Stenberg with any questions at 815-885-2228.

Adult Education Course

Saturday, September 18, the DVD course on "The History of Christian Theology" resumes. The lecturer is Professor Phillip Cary of Eastern University, St. Davids, PA. Classes will be held in the Fireside Room on Saturday mornings 9:30 to 11:00 am through November 20. These fall sessions will trace the course of Protestant and Catholic theologies through the modern period. A final lecture examines ecumenical theology that opens up after Vatican II. There is no charge and copies of course outlines will be provided. Registration (check pad in the Atrium) is encouraged. The facilitator for this course is William Nelson — call him at 815-282-0927 with any questions. Come and join the class, and determine why you prefer to be a member of the Lutheran tradition.

Active Seniors

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 September 12, or call Sharon Adler at 282-3053 for more details or to sign up.

Addresses for Care Packages

The Sunday School children will prepare care packages later this fall for our college students. The packages will be sent to students as they prepare for finals. Please let us know the name, school, year and address of your college student so that we can get them on our list! Email addresses are also requested.

Looking Ahead

September 11 - Jazz service at 5 pm

Service Opportunities

Church Grounds Cleanup

We have had three work days for cleaning up the church grounds, and are so thankful to those that have helped out (you know who you are!). Our next work day is Saturday, September 25 at 8:00 am. Your help is greatly appreciated to take care of this large, wonderful facility entrusted to us. Any time you can spare would be helpful. Thank you.

Teacher Recruitment

The Children's Ministry team is excited for Sunday School classes to begin on September 19. We will be using the ELCA's curriculum "Spark" as we activate faith in our young people. We still have the following openings:



- additional teacher for 2 year olds
- 2 teachers for 4 year olds
- 2 teachers for Kindergarten
- 2 teachers for 2nd grade
- teacher for 5th grade

Contact Pastor Tracy if you can help!

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 notebook paper, spiral notebooks - 10 1/2" x 8", 70 sheet.** Thanks for your support.

September 12 - Rally Sunday:

- Sunday School Open House at 9 am
- Worship service at 10 am
- Picnic in Shepherd's Gate at 11:30 am

September 15 - D-101 begins

September 19 - Sunday School begins; Call Committee Forum

September 26 - Open House

October 1-3 - Men's Retreat



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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.....453

Financial Information:

Fiscal Year-To-Date January 1 through August 29, 2010

Contributions Last Week: \$12,325
Weekly Contributions needed through 2010..... \$23,366

(to meet all ministry requirements)

YTD Actual Contributions and Gifts:..... *\$667,998
YTD Budgeted Target (from contributions and gifts):..... \$723,558
2009 YTD Actual Contributions and Gifts (for comparison): ...\$663,655
Other Sources of Income (includes IRA and Playtown): \$26,543
Total Year to Date Income: *\$694,541
Total Year to Date Expenses: \$699,556
Total Freedom for Mission Contributions: \$737,740
FFM Mortgage Principal Reductions:..... \$424,095
FFM Mission Payments:..... \$62,367
Total Heating and Cooling Repair Project Contributions..... \$28,095

**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.*