

# A Little Bit of Sunshine

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Happy Easter!

With those words we celebrate the center of our faith as Christians. Jesus Christ dies on the cross for our salvation and he is raised again from the dead three days later as he heads into victory. The Apostle Paul describes this, "Thanks be to God who in Christ reconciled us." Christ took the ways that we separate ourselves from God and each other, the sins of all of us, away. As Jesus was raised from death, we too will be raised. Easter also arrives at springtime so we think about all of creation coming alive again at Springtime. As the rains come and the soil warms we begin to see flowers popping up from the ground. The grass starts greening up, Buds appear on the trees. All is alive but still lays dormant with the winter months. Now, at Springtime, it comes alive. I wonder sometimes if our faith does that, and lays dormant for a time. Each time we celebrate Easter it is like it is giving us a good boost, a jump start, to get going again. I think we can all use a jump start once in a while. Our God is there to provide that. As we approach Easter, alongside of Springtime, my prayer is that you too shall have a sense of renewal and reinvigoration along with the flowers of Spring.

This is a busy time for the church right now. Please pray for our Call Committee who is in the very center of the Call Process. Trust that God has a plan and will be putting that new ministry team together for Our Savior's. I value my time here as your Interim Senior Pastor. It is joy to work with you, but it is time to call forth the new team.

Another experience of Easter is each time we go to the railing for Holy Communion. It is like a start again, like a restart or reboot. Each time we come to the railing, opening our hearts to God, we confess our failures and short falls before God, and all that lies dormant within us. We rise with new life, along with Christ, starting all over again, a fresh start, a new beginning, and sharing once again in our Lord's resurrection.

We invite a special Easter offering at this time. Do join us in worship. Celebrate the sacrament with us. If you are able, bring a friend or two with you to worship. We expect to pack the Our Savior's house for our Holy week services and Easter resurrection day celebration worship.

God Bless You,  
*Pastor Randy*

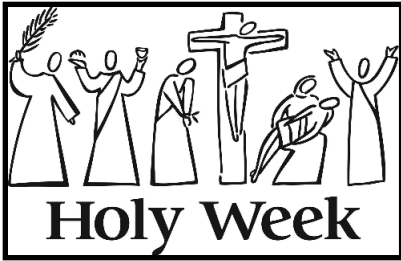
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John 5:30 *"I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge; and my judgment is just, because I seek to do not my own will but the will of him who sent me."* These are the words of Jesus. As I have shared the visitation ministry of Our Savior's it is apparent to me that the church is very much seeking to do the will of the one who has sent us. The Friendship Committee take a lot of their own time to visit the sick and shut-ins of our fellowship, gladly and with a great commitment to seeing the needs of Our Savior's Lutheran Church elderly are met with a smile and words of welcome. I find these committed people inspire me with my own life of serving God as well. I hope to continue finding time to visit with our members and to find that mutual fellowship that binds us all together as the body of Christ.

Shalom,

*Pastor Hans*

# Holy Week Services



During Holy Week, the church journeys with Jesus through the final moments of his life, his death on the cross, and his resurrection from the grave. Holy Week invites each one of us to go on pilgrimage: to journey with Jesus through the gates of Jerusalem, to eat with him and hear his commandment to love one another, to stay and watch with him in the garden, to accompany him on the way to Calvary, to be present at his death, and to dance for joy at his resurrection.



## **Sunday, March 29, Palm Sunday Worship Service**

Palm Sunday is the day we commemorate the arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem, when he was greeted by a crowd, waving palm branches and shouting "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

8:30 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion, and 10:45 am Joyful Journey Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

**Note:** At both worship services that day the children will receive a full

palm branch for procession as a group during the first hymn of worship. All adults will receive a palm frond to wave in the air.

9:30 am – 10:45 am – An outdoors Palm Sunday procession will be held between the two worship services, bringing back an older ritual of Our Savior's. Adults and Children are invited to participate. More details to follow



## **Thursday April 2, Maundy Thursday Worship Service**

On Maundy Thursday we commemorate the final night of Jesus' life when he instituted the Lord's Supper, washed his disciples' feet, and told them, "A new commandment I give to you that you love one another."

6:26 pm with Holy Communion



## **Friday, April 3, Good Friday Worship Service**

Good Friday we commemorate the passion (suffering) of Jesus in his suffering, crucifixion, and death. We do so by meditating upon the seven last words of Jesus from the cross and remember the love of God that was demonstrated for us by His sacrifice.

6:26 pm Traditional Tenebrae Service



## **Sunday, April 5, Easter Sunday Worship Service**

Easter is the highest Feast Day of the year. Because Christ rose from the dead, it means death could not hold him and Satan has no power over him; and means that all those who are in Christ Jesus will also be resurrected and given eternal life!

8:30 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion, and 10:45 am Joyful Journey Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion.

## **OSLC and LCM Call Committee Update**



The Call Committee has completed all scheduled interviews for the three positions Our Savior's Lutheran Church (OSLC) is seeking to fill. From the beginning of this process, the congregation helped clearly identify the need for a Senior Pastor, an Associate Pastor or Deacon to fill the roles previously held by Stephan and Laura, as well as a third position shared between OSLC and Lutheran Campus Ministries (LCM).

We have now interviewed three candidates for the Senior Pastor role, two for the Associate Pastor/Deacon role, and one candidate for the shared OSLC–LCM position. All of these individuals have proven to be strong candidates, each bringing unique gifts and talents. Both candidates for the Associate Pastor/Deacon roll have expressed interest in working as a team to share the duties and expectations of the Associate/Deacon role and the third shared position between OSLC and LCM.

Throughout this process, the Call Committee has moved forward with faith, prayer, and thoughtful discernment—discernment that we have felt God guiding in powerful ways. At the time of writing this update, we are cautiously and joyfully focusing on the possibility of presenting three candidates to the congregation in the near future. We see a real potential for these three individuals to come together as an exceptional leadership team.

As Associate to the Bishop Pastor Renee Splichal Larson has noted, calling three pastors at once is new, creative, and unique. Because of that uniqueness—and the opportunity it brings—we are working with all three candidates simultaneously to discern whether they share our belief that they would make a strong team and if they can collectively help to walk with our Congregation and support the ministries of OSLC and LCM. Over the next couple of weeks, we expect to know whether all three feel called to join us. Even if only two accept, we remain confident that this will be an amazing opportunity for our congregation and for them.

Given the timing of this newsletter and the fluid nature of our ongoing conversations with candidates, it is difficult to know what more to share. It is possible that between writing this and the newsletter being sent, we will be able to share names and begin introducing these candidates to the congregation. For now, we continue moving forward day by day with faith, prayer, and trust that God has this process firmly in hand.

*Andy Binder*  
*OSCL Call Committee Chair*

*Brady Harr*  
*Lutheran Campus Ministry Chair*

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## **Church Council Nominating Committee Update**

In preparation for the upcoming church council elections during the April Annual Meeting of the Congregation, the Nominating Committee has identified eight strong candidates who are willing to serve and help guide our congregation's mission and ministry.

This year, Sherry and Mike will be completing their terms and stepping down. Andy and Brady have expressed their willingness to be reelected for another three year term. Per our constitution, the Church Council must consist of a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 15 members, including at least one youth member.

With seven council members terms continuing on until 2027 & 2028, the Nominating Committee will be bringing the following individuals forward for election during the April 19th Annual Meeting of the Congregation:

### **Church Council Nominees**

|              |                           |
|--------------|---------------------------|
| Denise Bakke | Colleen Kelly             |
| Andy Binder  | Lily Miles (youth member) |
| Dudley Feige | Eli Overby (youth member) |
| Brady Harr   | Deana Wiese               |

We are grateful for the committee's strong recruitment efforts this year and are excited to present our nominees to the congregation during the April 19 meeting.



## Wednesday Word News

This April, after Easter, we will return to the newly formatted Wednesday Worship, by including families & children in the service. Families participate in worship by leading the Invocation, opening liturgy, opening prayer and the dismissal. All materials are provided and we'd like you to decide how to include the members of your family. Interested?? Please let Pastor Randy or Miss Beth know! We need families & children for April 8, 15, and 22.

## Confirmation

**Confirmation Parents:** Please pay special attention to the upcoming schedule. There will be no confirmation on April 1 due to Holy Week. On April 8 and 15, I will be meeting with only the 8<sup>th</sup> graders as they make final preparations for their Affirmation of Baptism Day. On Wednesday, April 22 we will have a Fellowship Night with the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. On Wednesday, April 29 at 6:26 PM our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be sharing their faith statements during worship as they prepare to affirm their baptism on May 3 at the 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

~ Chris Blain

- April 1: No Confirmation ~ Holy Week
- April 8: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade only Faith Statements Work
- April 15: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade only Faith Statements Work
- April 22: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fellowship Night
- April 29: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Presentation of Faith Statements @ Wednesday Word  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade to listen to Faith Statements
- May 3: Affirmation of Baptism @ 10:45 AM  
Worship Service

### April Acolyte Schedule

**Sundays, 8:30 AM Worship**  
Parker Martin, Grady Martin

**Sundays, 10:45 AM Worship**  
Ean Eisner

Save the dates! The Sky Ranch Bible Camp **High School Youth** weekend camping trip for our current high school youth is scheduled for June 26 – 29. There will be more info in upcoming newsletters.

*High School Youth Group*

**7:10 PM, Wednesday Evenings**  
The Living Room, 810 N. Yale.

**For all freshmen through seniors.**

Our High School Youth are encouraged to sign-up for reminders by sending a text to: **text @oslcy to the number 81010**. Questions? Please contact Chris Blain at [ckblain@gmail.com](mailto:ckblain@gmail.com).

On Wednesday, April 29, during our Wednesday Word worship service at 6:26 pm, the congregation is invited to come and listen as the 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmands share their faith statements.



Our Sunday, May 3, **10:45 am** worship service will be filled with statements of Christian faith, as the eighth graders have completed their two years of confirmation instruction. This service will also be available to watch via live-stream from our website, and it will also be archived.

**The following 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be confirmed:**

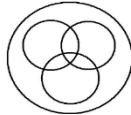
**Leela Bosworth, Kailyn Custis, Ean Eisner, Addison Fordham, Gabriel Gatz, Payce Hemeyer, Charley Jagim, Roman Jeffery, Libby Johnson, Skylar Koerner, Layla Meredith, Jaydon Miles, Braydon Moser, Jacob Nash, Asher Olson, Carver Rath, Grayson Scott, Alyvia Sitzman, Brylen Verhulst**

These confirmands were made members of the church in baptism. Confirmation includes a public confession of the faith into which they were baptized, underscoring God's action in their baptism.

Our Savior's  
Annual Meeting of the Congregation  
is Sunday, April 19  
at 9:45 AM  
in the Fellowship Hall.

Agenda: Ministry Reports, Council  
Elections, and Financials Update

Friendship Ministry  
Extending the Love of Christ  
from Friend to Friend



Friendship Ministers are members of our church who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people in our congregation and community who are facing a transition, going through stressful times, or experiencing loneliness.

To learn how you can receive care, call Nancy Christopherson at 645-2723. The care you will receive is confidential and free.

If you are interested in informal training to become a Friendship Minister, please contact Nancy or Mike Overby at 641-7861.

**Marthas Gathering**  
**Women's Evening**  
**Bible Study**

*"I AM: God's holy name and promise" by the Rev. Hannah Hawkinson*



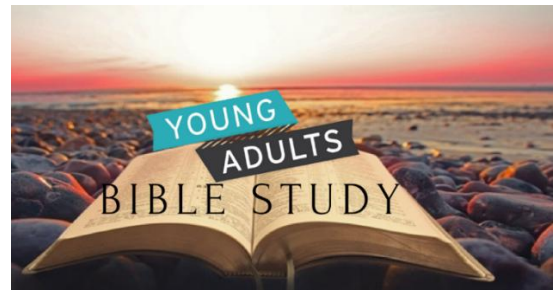
Continuing sessions ...

Tuesday, April 21, 6:30 – 7:45 pm  
*Gate and shepherd: Guiding and protecting us (John 10)*

Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 – 7:45 pm  
*Resurrection and life: Leading us into abundant life (John 11 and 14)*

As a resource, we use the **Gather** magazine of the Women of the ELCA. Location – at The Living Room, 810 N. Yale (corner of Jackson and Yale).

RSVP to Sara Miles, 605-642-4955, if you are interested in joining this small group or if you have any questions.



Join us Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm at the church for the Young Adults Bible Study Group. Come as you are for a night of fellowship and discussion of the Word. We meet every Tuesday at 6:30 PM. Child care can be provided with advanced notice. Reach out to Brady Harr if interested or with questions 605-641-5949 or [bwharr@gmail.com](mailto:bwharr@gmail.com).

**New Contemporary Worship Team Leader is on Board...**

...and The Joyful Journey Worship team is growing! Have you considered worshipping in this way? We are inviting keyboard players, guitar players, percussion players and singers to take a look. We are a welcoming, collaborative team that has a heart for leading others in worship. Commitment for the week would include a weekly rehearsal and Sunday worship. Every week not required. We will work with your schedule! Contact Deana Heisler at 719-233-1997 or [deanaheisler@gmail.com](mailto:deanaheisler@gmail.com).

**✠ Pastoral Acts ✠**

**Funeral**  
**March 2**

**James R. Schuchardt, Spearfish**

*The "Love Your Neighbor" Jar*

for the month of April will benefit  
Artemis House and the Salvation Army in  
Spearfish.

*February's Love Your Neighbor Jar raised  
\$655.81 for Church on the Street and  
\$1,000.00 for God's Global Barnyard.*



# Senior Ministry



## Games & Desserts

Thursday, April 30  
2:00 PM  
OSLC Fellowship Hall  
Bring your Friends!



### Sunday Morning Transportation

Need a ride to church on Sunday mornings? Call the church office (605-642-3715) by 2 pm Friday afternoon to reserve a ride.

### Worship DVD and Bulletin



If you are homebound on Sunday mornings and would like to have a DVD and bulletin of worship, please let us know at 605-642-3715.

### SonShine Squad

The six teams on the SonShine Squad are visiting 18 of our home bound folks at this time. We would love to visit more so if you or someone you know would like a team to visit, please call or text Cheryl W. at 605-673-1334. The SonShine Squad will meet on Tuesday, April 7 at 1:30 pm. If you are interested in finding out what we are all about, you are most welcome to come to our very informal meeting.

### Spearfish Community Food Pantry needs for April

Chicken or Beef Broth, Diced Tomatoes, Pork & Beans, Canned Fruit, Hamburger or Tuna Helper

### **Notes from OSLC's Mission Team:**

For one Sunday in January the Love Your Neighbor Jar funds were designated to aid victims of the devastating fire in Kyle, SD. Over \$865 was collected that Sunday. Unfortunately, by the time a check was sent, the account had already been closed. With Pastor Randy's blessing, Mission Team members decided to send the funds to the Spearfish School District to help pay down balances on school lunches throughout the district.

In conjunction with ELCA World Hunger Campaign, funds from the Love Your Neighbor Jars on February 15 and 27, totaling over \$830, were used to show God's love to others by purchasing items from ELCA's Good Gifts catalog. These gifts included the purchase of goats, chicks, piglets, roosters, a cow, seeds, gardening tools and mosquito netting. We were also able to help pay for a water project, an irrigation system and to stock a medical clinic for one week. Mission Team would like to thank the members of OSLC for your continued generosity, and we invite you to pick up a copy of ELCA's Good Gifts catalog to learn more about how you and your family can continue to support people from around the world with things we may take for granted.



### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!** Festival in the Park

With this crazy weather it's hard to know if it's Winter or Spring! The Festival is gearing up however.

The dates this year are July 17-19.

The times have changed:

- Friday 5pm-9:pm
- Saturday 9am-6pm
- Sunday 9am-4pm

According to the info I received there will be assigned load in times and will also be load-out tickets. That info will be in the packets which will be sent out two weeks before Festival. I will keep everyone informed as the days progress and info becomes available.

Looking forward to spending time with everyone again this year!

Aly Scheurenbrand



April is a busy month for the women of Our Savior's Lutheran Church! There are a couple of gatherings this next month that you will want to mark on your calendar!

WELCA board meeting is on Wednesday, April 1 at 9:30. Circles meet monthly at the following days/times: Deborah Circle – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 10:30 am; Esther Circle – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 1:00; Ruth Circle – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 10:00. Please feel free to attend one of these meetings!

Make plans to attend the Spring Prayer Brunch & General Meeting on Saturday April 11 at 10:00 am. Brunch will be provided by Esther Circle. The cost of attending is \$10.00 and tickets can be purchased through Janet Baker (701)-425-6136 or Lori Laughlin (605)-645-1493. A brief general meeting will be held after the program. Michelle Williamson, Program Director, for Canyon Hills in Spearfish will be the speaker. Canyon Hills is one of two residential treatment programs offered through Lutheran Social Services. Canyon Hills offers comprehensive psychiatric treatment for youth who are facing a range of mental health challenges. Come, bring a friend and learn more about this program located in Spearfish.

The Spring Gathering for the Bear Butte Conference is scheduled for Saturday April 25. Our Savior's Lutheran is the host church, and a planning committee has been meeting for several months to develop the program. "Showered with Blessings," is the conference theme. Registration/coffee will be available from 8:00-9:00 am. There is a \$10 fee to cover expenses. The program will start at 9:00 am and end at 2:15 pm. Please come, bring a friend, meet other woman from the conference area! The keynote speaker is Amanda Pioche, Women's and Children's Home Manager. The Woman's & Children's Home offers transitional housing, specifically for woman and children. The service area includes residents of Butte, Lawrence, Custer, Fall River, Meade, and Pennington Counties in South Dakota.

We are blessed to offer these gatherings and allow opportunities to connect with others. If you have any questions or need some additional information - please feel free to contact me at 605-645-1493.

Lori Laughlin  
WELCA President

### *Circle Meetings*

#### Circle Study Leaders

To be arranged

#### Esther Circle

April 9, 1:00 PM

**Leader:** Anda Johnson

**Hostess:** Annette Johnson

#### Deborah Circle

April 13, 10:30 AM

**Leader:** Kellie Pummel

**Hostess:** Joan DeWall

#### Ruth Circle

April 16 10:00 AM

**Leader:** Loretta Greni

**Hostess:** All

## *WELCA Spring Prayer Brunch & General Meeting*

**Saturday, April 11, 10:00 am**

**Speaker: Michelle Williamson, Program Director  
LSS Canyon Hills Center**

Brunch served by Lori Kirk

Cost: \$10

RSVP by Monday, April 6 by calling Janet Baker, 701-425-6136



*Please remember your  
Secret Sister during  
the month of April by  
mailing a card and  
keeping her in prayer!*

## Children's Ministry News

### APRIL 26 IS CELEBRATION SUNDAY!



We will recognize Sunday school & Wednesday school volunteers, Confirmation Guides, Cradle Roll volunteers, and "behind the scenes" volunteers! The celebration brunch will begin at 9:45am.

*Sixth Grade students will be recognized as transitioning from Sunday & Wednesday school into Confirmation.*

If you are able, please bring a breakfast item to share. *Suggestions:* If your last name starts with:

A—L = Fruit OR Breakfast Meats OR Breakfast Breads

(fresh fruit, fruit salad, bacon, sausage, muffins, rolls, quick breads)

M—Z = Breakfast Casserole

(baked eggs, French toast bake, breakfast burritos, breakfast pizza)

**We would appreciate having some gluten free and dairy free items as well!**

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### CAMP NEWS!

Please go to [www.losd.org](http://www.losd.org), click on Outlaw Ranch and scroll down to see camp dates. Every camper from OSLC receives a campership (which is what we call scholarships), regardless of need. First time campers receive a "balance" campership; families are responsible for paying the \$125 deposit for camp and we cover the rest of the balance.

This year returning campers receive \$300 towards their camp costs.

Families will receive \$1000.00 towards a week of Family Camp!!

**\*\*EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT ENDS ON APRIL 15TH!!\*\***



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**"ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN"**

**DATE:** June 22 – June 26, Monday thru Thursday

**TIME:** 9:00 AM—NOON

**PLACE:** Our Savior's Lutheran Church

**AGES:** Preschool (4-yrs old) through 5th grade in the 2025-26 school year and be sure to invite all your friends!

You can register by completing the registration form in this newsletter and turning it into the church. *Online registration will open April 15, please check the church's website and social media pages for the link.*

### Volunteers Needed!

Station Leaders for \*Bible Story time, \*Crafts, \*Games, \*Simulation Station

Small Group Guides – Great For Pre-Teens & Teens!

**\*\*See Miss Beth for more details and to sign up!!\*\***



Knock, knock.  
Who's there?  
Canoe!  
Canoe who?  
Canoe come sign up to volunteer  
for VBS?!

# Our Savior's Lutheran Church Council Minutes

February 10, 2026 - 6:30 PM

OUR MISSION: Inspired by God's grace, we open our hearts to all in faith, prayer, fellowship, and service through Jesus Christ.

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- 1. Call to Order:** Andy Binder call the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Members present: Interim Pastor Randy Fett, Andy Binder, Sherry Kloeckl, Brady Harr, Karson Klein, Reed Haug, Deming Haugland, Laura Bosworth, Lana Main, David Pummel, Pam Tyma, Mike Steffen.
- 2. What's on top:** Members lives are busy with families that have children moving, recovering from illness, broken bones, playing sports, to dealing with chronic illness of their own, thanks was given for the leadership of our faithful Interim and Council/Call committee Chair, and work schedules that are also demanding for others....we pray for all.
- 3. Devotions** were led by Lana Main. She read from the Lenten devotional, love outpoured, March 15, Expanding the circle. She reflected on the identified mission of outreach for the incoming ministry team.
- 4. Action item - Approve agenda:** Motion made by Pam Tyma, seconded by Brady Harr. Motion carried to approve as presented.
- 5. Action item - January Council Minutes:** Motion made by David Pummel to approve January minutes as presented. Seconded by Laura Bosworth. Motion carried.
- 6. Action item - January Treasurer's Report:** Presented by David Pummel. Income for January was \$49,369.60 with expenses of \$43,583.98. No unusual expenses this month. Less expenses at the end of the month, \$5,785.62. Motion to approve treasurer's report as presented made by Pam Tyma, seconded by Sherry Kloeckl. Motion carried. Additional discussion was had regarding opening a line in the dedicated accounts to move some funds to cover some of the upcoming interview candidates' expenses.
- 7. Ministerial Staff Reports - Pastor Randy Fett:** Pastor Randy presented the council the last of the round table summary reports for review. He reflected on the diversity of comments, therefore the congregation. The new Joyful Journey leader started last Sunday and she is very excited to start looking for a keyboard to center the group around. He also reported on attending the Senior Pastor Conference where he found the topic of "Fresh Expressions" very interesting. This topic was about worshiping in "outside the box" places, like coffee shops, the gym, the park (sound familiar!), the bar! Meeting people where they are with ministry. Also decided on sending out an Easter letter with a greeting and update on the call process. Motion to use undersigned memorial funds to pay for the new joyful journey keyboard made by Sherry Kloeckl, seconded by Pam Tyma. Discussion included the need to coordinate with Andy and the sound system priorities prior to making the final purchase. Motion carried.
- 8. Committee Updates:** Education council gearing up for year of end celebrations. Senior Ministry is having a "Fat Tuesday" breakfast 2/17/26 with a pancake breakfast for Mardi Gras. Campus Ministry had their quarterly meeting and Pastor Carla shared some insight of the shared job description of a part time campus ministry position. Nominating committee has met and reviewed the by-laws. In accordance with the by-laws, it has been decided in increase the council numbers from the typical 12 to 13-14 and included two youth. Call committee conducted two mock interviews this week, one in person and one via ZOOM, both being very beneficial. The call committee has received communication from three potential candidates and will be arranging initial interviews soon. Properties committee will be bringing a proposal forward for a trailer to be used to haul the lawnmowers and the equipment for the service in the park.
- 9. Meeting was adjourned** by A. Binder at 7:30 and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Kloeckl, Secretary

## Treasurer's Report

As of February 28, 2026

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| Year-to-date Offerings: | \$98,899.85  |
| Year-to-date Expenses:  | \$92,115.75  |
| Year-to-date Budget:    | \$101,215.52 |

 **Scriptures** 

**April 5** Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43  
Matthew 28:1-10 or John 20:1-18

**April 12** Acts 2:14a, 22-32  
Psalm 16  
1 Peter 1:3-9  
John 20:19-31

**April 19** Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
Psalm 116:1-7, 12-19  
1 Peter 1:17-23  
Luke 24:13-35

**April 26** Acts 2:42-47  
Psalm 23  
1 Peter 2:19-25  
John 10:1-10

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## FAITH & CARE

### Serving in Worship and Fellowship

Every household is encouraged to sign up to serve in various ways on Sunday mornings at **any time throughout the year!**



Servers are needed as: Welcome center hosts, Ushers, and Communion assistants

This QR Code link to SignUp Genius will allow you to sign up at your convenience.

Servers are also needed as Snack providers and Coffee Servers. The sign-up sheet for these two positions is posted outside the Kitchen door.

Job Descriptions are posted by the Church Kitchen for your information. Questions or need help signing up? Contact Sommerlyn Clausen at 605-381-5422

Deborah Circle would like to express a huge THANK-YOU to our congregation!! Your generous contributions of towels, nail clippers, combs, and bar soap PLUS monetary gifts-- (some given anonymously) provided 118 Personal Care Kits to be distributed both nationally and internationally to those desperately in need. Two years ago, the goal was 50 last year 75-and this year 100! On Monday, February 23, nine of us ladies enjoyed packaging up 18 more kits than expected. OSLC loves to constantly bless missions that reach out to others less fortunate than us!! HOW HEARTWARMING!

Curious about where Lutheran World Relief Quilts and kits go? Please check out the flyer posted in the glass case in the Fellowship Hall.



*"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."*

– 2 Corinthians 9:7

### Office Notes:

The Church Office will be closed, Monday April 6, in honor of Easter. The deadline for submission of items for the July newsletter is **Thursday, April 23**. Please send your newsletter items to Lisa at [oslc4@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc4@rushmore.com)

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Ways to give electronically:

Scan this code to give online



**Scan the code or go to our website, click on the Online Giving button:**

Clicking on that button will take you to a secure page on which you can donate to the vital ministries of Our Savior's Lutheran Church directly from a checking or savings account, or using a credit or debit card.

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**Check out our website** for the monthly newsletter, monthly calendar, and much more...  
[www.oslcspearfish.com](http://www.oslcspearfish.com)

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Has your address or phone number changed? Please let us know at 605-642-3715 or e-mail Julie at [oslc@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc@rushmore.com)

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Prefer not to receive a paper copy of our newsletter? Let us send you an email with a link to our newsletter when it's posted to our website. If you are interested, please send your email address to Julie at [oslc@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc@rushmore.com) or call us at 605-642-3715.

Thank you!



Vacation Bible School  
 June 22 – 25, 2026  
 9am – Noon, Monday thru Thursday  
 Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
 1020 State Street, Spearfish  
 Ages: 4-year-olds through Fifth Grade  
 Friends welcome!

Child 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies/Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

Child 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies/Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

Child 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies/Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian/Family Member ~ MUST be reachable during VBS Hours**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ BEST Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL DAILY COMMUNICATION WILL BE VIA EMAIL. PLEASE PROVIDE AN EMAIL THAT IS CHECKED DAILY**

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

If someone other than you will be transporting your child(ren) to or from VBS, please provide their name, relationship and phone number here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Releases**

Yes  No

I agree to allow OSLC, by means of photography and videography, to publish photographs and/or video of my child on the church website (oslcspearfish.com) and social media on Facebook or Instagram

Yes  No

My child(ren) have permission to take part in all VBS activities. I agree that the church, its personnel, and volunteers will not be held responsible and hereby release them from any accidents that may occur.

Yes  No

**Authorization of Treatment**

*In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency and my child requires necessary emergency care, I give permission for delivery of such by available medical personnel.*

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*We need Volunteers! Please check YES if you are available to help! YES! \_\_\_\_\_



Women of the ELCA  
Bear Butte Conference 2026

Spring Gathering  
Showers of Blessings

And God is able to shower all kinds of blessing on you. In all things and at all times you will have everything you need...

2 Corinthians 9:8

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1020 State Street, Spearfish, SD

Saturday, April 25th, 8:00 - 2:00pm

8:00 to 9:00am Registration

\$10 per person, includes Lunch & Snacks

Morning Offering

Split between BBC Board & Synodical Board

Afternoon LOVE Offering & Program by

Cornerstone Women & Children's Home, Rapid City

1:15pm Worship with Holy Communion - Pastor Kari Webb

We are collecting non-perishable food items, especially cereal & bread. Non-food items like powdered laundry detergent, feminine hygiene items, personal hygiene items - soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deoderant, combs, for the Cornerstone Women & Children's

Vendors to include Spearfish Food Pantry, Northern Hills SOS, Alzheimer's Association, Lawrence County Coalition & Others



April 2026



| Sun  | Mon   | Tue   | Wed  | Thu  | Fri   | Sat  |
|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|
|   |   |   | <p>1</p> <p>9:30 AM WELCA Board Mtg.<br/>11:00 AM Joyful Journey Instrument Practice<br/>5:00 PM Bell Choir<br/>NO Confirmation<br/>NO Wednesday Supper<br/>NO Wednesday School<br/>NO Wednesday Word<br/>7:00 PM Senior Choir<br/>NO HS Youth @ TLR</p>   | <p>2</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study<br/>6:26 PM Maundy Thursday Worship Service</p> <p><i>Maundy Thursday</i></p> | <p>3</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR<br/>6:26 PM Good Friday Worship Service</p> <p><i>Good Friday</i></p> |  |
| <p>5</p> <p>8:30 AM Easter Worship Service<br/>10:45 AM Joyful Journey Easter Worship Service</p> <p><i>Easter</i></p>                             | <p>6</p> <p>6:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice<br/>6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic</p> <p><i>Easter Monday Office Closed</i></p>               | <p>7</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-It Group<br/>9:00 AM Quilting<br/>1:30 PM SonShine Squad<br/>5:30 PM Education Comm.<br/>6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group</p>   | <p>8</p> <p>11:00 AM Joyful Journey Instrument Practice<br/>5:00 PM Bell Choir<br/>5:15 PM Confirmation 8<sup>th</sup> Gr.<br/>5:16 PM Wednesday Supper<br/>5:40 PM Wednesday School<br/>6:26 PM Wednesday Word<br/>7:00 PM Senior Choir<br/>7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p>  | <p>9</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study<br/>1:00 PM Esther Circle</p>   | <p>10</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR</p> <p><i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>                                   | <p>11</p> <p>8:00 AM Men's Fellowship<br/>10:00 AM WELCA Spring Prayer Brunch &amp; General Meeting</p>                      |
| <p>12</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service<br/>9:45 AM Education Hour<br/>10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p>                                | <p>13</p> <p>10:30 AM Deborah Circle<br/>1:00 PM Yarn Ministry<br/>6:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice<br/>6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic</p>  | <p>14</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-It Group<br/>9:00 AM Quilting<br/>2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study<br/>6:00 PM Finance Comm.<br/>6:30 PM Church Council<br/>6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group</p>   | <p>15</p> <p>10:00 AM Spearfish Canyon Worship Service<br/>11:00 AM Joyful Journey Instrument Practice<br/>5:00 PM Bell Choir<br/>5:15 PM Confirmation 8<sup>th</sup> Gr.<br/>5:16 PM Wednesday Supper<br/>5:40 PM Wednesday School<br/>6:26 PM Wednesday Word<br/>7:00 PM Senior Choir<br/>7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p> | <p>16</p> <p>10:00 AM Ruth Circle<br/>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study</p>   | <p>17</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR</p> <p><i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>                                   | <p>18</p>  |
| <p>19</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service<br/>9:45 AM Annual Meeting of the Congregation<br/>10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p>            | <p>20</p> <p>10:30 AM Senior Ministry<br/>1:00 PM Yarn Ministry<br/>6:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice<br/>6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic</p> | <p>21</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-It Group<br/>9:00 AM Quilting<br/>9:30 AM Bear Butte Pastors' Conference, Rapid City<br/>6:30 PM Marthas Gathering<br/>Women's Evening Bible Study<br/>6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group</p> <p><i>Newsletter Items Due</i></p> | <p>22</p> <p>10:45 AM Edgewood Vista Worship Service<br/>11:00 AM Joyful Journey Instrument Practice<br/>5:00 PM Bell Choir<br/>5:15 PM Confirmation 8<sup>th</sup> Gr.<br/>NO Wednesday Supper<br/>5:40 PM Wednesday School<br/>6:26 PM Wednesday Word<br/>7:00 PM Senior Choir<br/>7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p>        | <p>23</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study</p>  | <p>24</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR<br/>7:00 AM GSFC Board Mtg.</p> <p><i>Pastor's Day Off</i></p>       | <p>25</p> <p>8:00 AM Men's Fellowship<br/>9:00 AM WELCA Bear Butte Conference Spring Gathering @ Our Savior's, Spearfish</p> |
| <p>26</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service<br/>9:45 AM Education Hour<br/>Celebration Brunch Potluck<br/>10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p> | <p>27</p> <p>1:00 PM Yarn Ministry<br/>6:00 PM Joyful Journey Practice<br/>6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic</p>                              | <p>28</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-It Group<br/>9:00 AM Quilting<br/>2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study<br/>6:30 PM Friendship Ministry<br/>6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study Group</p>  | <p>29</p> <p>11:00 AM Joyful Journey Instrument Practice<br/>5:00 PM Bell Choir<br/>5:45 PM Confirmation 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grades<br/>6:26 PM Wednesday Word<br/>Confirmand Faith Statements<br/>7:00 PM Senior Choir<br/>7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p>   | <p>30</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study<br/>2:00 PM Senior Ministry Games &amp; Desserts</p>                         |   |   |

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**Staff:** Randall Fett, Interim Senior Pastor  
Hans Sacrison, Interim Pastor of Caring, Service, and Mission Ministries  
Beth Nielsen, Director of Children's Ministries  
Chris Blain, Confirmation Instructor  
Julie Lee, Office Manager  
Lisa Williams, Receptionist

**Worship:** Sundays 8:30 am Worship Service  
10:45 am Joyful Journey-led Worship Service  
*Live stream either service or watch later! Connect through our web site.*  
Wednesday 6:26 pm Wednesday Word

Church Office located at 1020 State Street  
Church Phone Number: 605-642-3715  
Kitchen/Quilting Phone Number: 605-722-0660

**Office Hours:** 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

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