

A Little Bit of Sunshine

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February 2026



“Lent “

Let's begin with Lent. Lent is a time for reflecting on Jesus' cross, isn't it? In the scripture passages of Sunday worship you will hear of Jesus' road to the cross. All roads lead to the cross in our Christian journey. Our entire faith is centered on the truth that God gave His only begotten Son. Jesus came to save us. Some Christians take up a walk to the cross. Some walk the stations of the cross through the season of Lent, but especially on the Holy Week of our lord.

We will have a devotion available for you to take home.

Ash Wednesday worship services, Wednesday, February 18, at 12:00 Noon and 6:26 pm. will include both the imposition of ashes and the distribution of Holy Communion in one action of faith as we humbly acknowledge our own “Ash- i- ness” and then rise up, forgiven and restored by Jesus' body and blood, broken and shed for us. The worship service will be a more simplified service, but will honor the hymns and traditions of our faith.

During the **Lenten Worship Services** that follow on **Wednesday evenings at 6:26 pm**, we will use the best loved, **“Holden Evening Prayer”** liturgy. Lutherans love this. The messages these evenings will use one passage only, that echo the Bible stories our children are using for their learning year, and it will be a brief devotional thought in place of a full sermon.

Remember to mark your calendars to join us for the **Synod Bishop's staff visit on Sunday, February 1st at 9:40 am** between worship services. **Pastor Renee Splichal Larson** will be with us to complete the preparation step for getting the Ministry Team calls up and running here at Our Savior's. The Call Committee has been hard at work. Thank you for attending the meeting that was hosted by the Call Committee, and helping them refine and edit the call paperwork that they have been working so hard on. Let's remember that all of this work is “ground up” input from you members. The interim time period was a time to also prepare the church for this moment. All of the input went into the documents. The Call Committee members applied to be on the Call Committee and were nominated by our members. Many members applied to be on the team. And then, they were appointed, and voted on, by the church council, which was followed by their formal installation as the Our Savior's Call Committee. Please remember them in prayers, and that they are working on your behalf, for the whole church, with your best interests in mind, and not representing one interest over any others. If you have any questions with the call process please speak to the call committee members directly: Andy Binder, Sommerlyn Clausen, Brady Harr, Dianne Miller, Rita Stacey, Tacy Bressler, Lily Miles, and Jason Knudson.

Call Committee Prayer:

“God of our calling, grant us wisdom, here at Our Savior's, as we search for a new ministry team to lead our church. Grant discernment. Grant unity. Shine with Your grace upon the Church Call Committee. And, plant the seed of your calling to the ministry team in servant's hearts. Amen.”

Another way to think of Lent is as the **“Springtime of the Soul”**. a time to renew our faith,

The word, “Lent”, actually comes from the old English word that means “springtime” since this liturgical season normally occurs during the month of March, the time of the spring solstice.

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(Inspiration from Marcella Clancy, and Rev. Chloe Specht)

“Spring is the season of hope. Earth, with buds and early brave blossoms, with fragile green shoots sprouting in soil scarcely thawed, with lengthening days in sunlight and shorter nights in darkness, with increasing warmth and decreasing chill, promises new life, buoyant and abundant and beautiful. What is happening without is an invitation to the promise, the possibility, of what can happen within. Lent is an invitation to yield to God’s yearning to birth new life in us.”- Clancy

“Spring is a season for softness and openness. This is a time to ease back into the ebb and flow of new growth after the hard winter has subsided. This isn’t a time to rush; this isn’t a time to push and push and push. This is a time to let new life emerge however it will and in its own time. This is a time to let ourselves be surprised by the new life springing up all around us in places we didn’t even realize it had been planted.”- Specht

Please welcome our new staff members: Pastor Hans Sacrison -very part time, 12 hours a week Interim Pastor of Caring, Service, and Mission Ministries, Adult Choir Director Deb Carr, and Joyful Journey Worship Team Leader Deana Heisler.

God Bless You,

Interim Pastor Randy Fett



Wednesday, February 18
12:00 PM and 6:26 PM

We invite you into the season of Lent by offering you two opportunities for Worship at OSLC on Ash Wednesday, February 18 at 12:00 noon and 6:26 P.M. (Both services are identical... choose whichever works best in your schedule). Imposition of Ashes and Distribution of Holy Communion will be offered.

Lenten Services
Wednesdays at 6:26PM
February 25, March 4, 11, 18, and 25
Shortened Lenten Services continue with the Holden Evening Prayer Liturgy.

Centering Prayer



Tuesdays

– February 24, March 3, 10, 17, and 24

Please join us during Lent on Tuesdays from 12:15 – 12:45 pm in the sanctuary at Our Savior’s Lutheran.

Centering Prayer is a form of contemplative prayer—the opening of mind and heart—to God. Come relax and experience this 20-minute meditative prayer form. Questions? Contact Beth Nielsen @ (605) 642-3715 or oslc youth@rushmore.com bethn2005@gmail.com

SonShine Squad

The SonShine Squad will meet on Monday, February 2 at 9:00 am. to make a small craft that each team will take to the homebound folks we visit. We welcome you to come check out our SonShine Squad to see if this is something you are interested in taking part in. You might help with our crafts, join a visiting team or both.



Call Committee Updates

On behalf of the Call Committee, thank you for your active participation in the call process. Through congregational and leadership surveys, listening sessions, meeting attendance, and informal conversations, your input has been invaluable. Without it, our congregation would be months behind where we are today.

As shared during the Call Committee presentation on Sunday, January 18, it is clear that we are a growing and very busy congregation. In response, the Committee is pursuing three separate calls: a Senior Lead Pastor, an Associate Pastor or Deacon, and a half-time Associate Pastor or Deacon. Our goal is to meet the needs of the congregation rather than focus on specific titles. Central to the interview and selection process is a commitment to team-based, collaborative leadership.

The call process includes developing a Ministry Site Profile (MSP) for each position. Each MSP describes who we are as a church and what we are seeking in a candidate. Drawing on congregational input and Church Council feedback, the Committee has identified the top five focus areas for each role, along with essential and secondary gifts and talents desired in candidates. What follows is an outline of each position based on the MSP information gathered.

Position 1 – Lead Pastor: Administration, Word, and Sacrament

The Lead Pastor will serve as the congregation's Senior Pastor and primary pastor of Word and Sacrament, providing both spiritual and organizational leadership for the church. This individual will bring a minimum of five to seven years of ministry experience, with additional experience welcomed, and will be prepared to lead a growing and active congregation with clarity, care, and vision.

Central to this role is preaching and leading worship that is grounded in Scripture and relevant to daily life. The Lead Pastor will interpret theology in ways that are accessible and meaningful, helping individuals connect faith with their everyday experiences. Building a strong sense of community within the congregation is essential, as is fostering an environment where members feel welcomed, supported, and spiritually nurtured.

In addition to spiritual leadership, the Lead Pastor will carry significant administrative responsibility. This includes guiding the overall ministry of the church, supporting staff and lay leaders, and ensuring that church operations align with the congregation's mission and values. Effective communication and organization will be key to managing these responsibilities while maintaining a collaborative leadership style.

The Lead Pastor will be gifted in helping people grow in their spiritual lives and in building community among those they serve and lead. Strong communication skills and effective administration are essential to the success of this role. In addition, the pastor will support the development of other leaders within the congregation, equipping them with the skills and confidence needed for ministry.

Secondary responsibilities include teaching, stewardship development, and regular visitation with members and non-members alike. The Lead Pastor will also be expected to address conflict with wisdom and grace, helping guide individuals and groups toward healthy resolution. Through faithful leadership, compassionate presence, and collaborative teamwork, the Lead Pastor will help guide the congregation in living out its faith in the world.

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Position 2 – Associate Pastor or Deacon: Faith and Care

The Associate Pastor or Deacon will serve as a minister of faith, care, and connection within the congregation, supporting the overall ministry through presence, compassion, and relational leadership. This role may be filled by an Associate Pastor of Word and Sacrament or a Deacon of Word and Service, with experience ranging from a recent seminary graduate to someone with several years of ministry experience.

A central focus of this position is building and nurturing community within the congregation. The Associate Pastor or Deacon will provide pastoral care through regular visitation of members and non-members, offering spiritual support during times of joy, transition, and challenge. Ministry with seniors will be a key responsibility, ensuring older adults remain connected, valued, and spiritually supported within the life of the church.

This role also emphasizes volunteer coordination and spiritual formation. The Associate Pastor or Deacon will help individuals grow in their faith through spiritual direction, small groups, and other formation opportunities, while encouraging engagement in the church's broader mission beyond the congregation. Clear and compassionate communication will be essential in fostering trust and connection.

The Associate Pastor or Deacon will be gifted in providing care and nurture, actively engaging in visitation, and helping people deepen their spiritual lives. The ability to communicate effectively and to inspire support for the wider mission of the Church is central to this role.

Secondary strengths include the ability to share leadership and work collaboratively as part of a team, to develop the leadership gifts of others, and to plan and lead meaningful programs. Teaching skills and a strong sense of shared ministry will further support the Associate Pastor or Deacon in helping the congregation live out its faith through care, service, and community.

Position 3 – Associate Pastor or Deacon: Children, Youth, Family, and Campus Ministry

The Associate Pastor or Deacon for Children, Youth, Family, and Campus Ministry will focus on nurturing faith and community across generations, with particular attention to children, youth, families, young adults, and campus ministry. This position may be filled by an Associate Pastor of Word and Sacrament or a Deacon of Word and Service, with experience ranging from a recent seminary graduate to someone with additional years of ministry experience.

This role offers flexibility and the possibility of shared ministry. The position may be half-time at Our Savior's Lutheran Church (OSLC) or structured as a shared call, serving half-time at OSLC and half-time with Lutheran Campus Ministries. Candidates seeking the shared position will be interviewed jointly by both call committees, reflecting the collaborative nature of this ministry.

The purpose of this role is to build upon the strong and vibrant ministries already in place. This position is designed to add to the outstanding work currently being done by Beth and Chris, not to replace them, and to help ensure these ministries continue to grow and thrive into the future.

Key responsibilities include campus and young adult ministry, children's ministry, Christian education, youth and family ministry, and fostering a strong sense of community among participants and families. The Associate Pastor or Deacon will plan and lead engaging programs that support faith formation and help individuals connect their spiritual lives to everyday experiences.

Essential gifts for this role include effectiveness in working with children and youth, strong teaching skills, and the ability to plan and lead meaningful programs. Helping people develop their spiritual lives is central to this ministry. Secondary gifts include the ability to work collaboratively as part of a team, creativity and innovation, and talents in areas such as music, arts, or writing. Effective communication, along with a spirit of joy and good humor, will be important in building relationships and creating welcoming, life-giving ministry environments.

Through collaborative leadership, creativity, and faithful presence, the Associate Pastor or Deacon in this role will strengthen and expand ministries that support children, youth, families, and young adults, helping them grow in faith and community.

Andy Binder
Call Committee Chair

The "Love Your Neighbor" Jar for the month of February

will benefit Church on the Street and God's
Global Barnyard

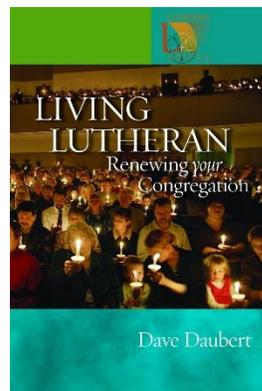
December's Love Your Neighbor Jar
raised \$1,718.53 for Pine Ridge Heating
Assistance.

God's Global Barnyard.

An animal can make a world of difference for a family in need. Animals provide food to eat, fertilizer to grow crops and offspring to sell at the market. With one gift, we can help a family escape the cycle of hunger and poverty for good. Monies collected in the Love Your Neighbor Jars on February 15 and February 22, will help celebrate ELCA World Hunger's 50th anniversary by supporting God's Good Gift program. These funds will be used to purchase farm animals for families in need. For more information please visit ELCA.org/goodgifts or pick up a catalog on the usher's counter outside the sanctuary.



Monetary donations are always appreciated.
Donations can be sent to:
Spearfish Community Food Pantry
P. O. Box 65, Spearfish, SD 57783



Book Study: Join us for a 5-week study of the book *Living Lutheran, Renewing Your Congregation* by Dave Daubert. The first chapter, appropriately, is "A Changing Church for a Changing World". First session will be Thursday, February 5, at 6:30 at the church; there will be five sessions, running through March 5.

Please RSVP to Jan Holz at 308-760-9679 or Miss Beth at 605-381-8695, or sign up on the clipboard on the counters, so we can order enough books for the group.

Marthas Gathering Women's Evening Bible Study

"Embodied prayer"

by the Rev. Liv Larson Andrews



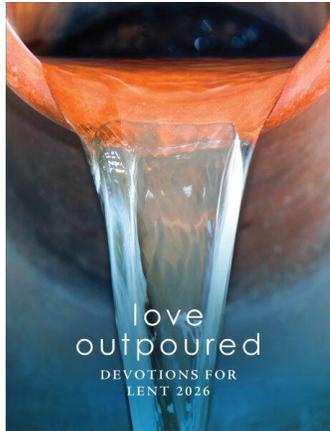
Last session:

Tuesday, February 17, 6:30 – 7:45 pm
Praying with the body of the earth

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.

Love Outpoured: Devotions for Lent 2026



Love Outpoured: Devotions for Lent 2026 by Yolanda Denson-Byers (Contributor) ... Love Outpoured focuses on portions of the apostle Paul's letter to the Romans. In words that continue to speak to us today, Paul lays out foundational beliefs for a life of faith in Christian community.

The daily devotions for each day, from Ash Wednesday to the Resurrection of Our Lord / Vigil of Easter, begin with evocative images and brief scripture texts. The writers then bring their diverse voices and pastoral wisdom to the texts with quotations to ponder, reflections, and prayers.

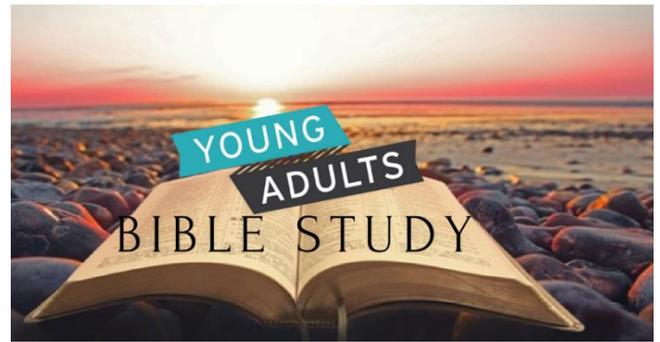
May God's love pour out into us and through us to our neighbors, churches, communities, and all creation!

Look for these free Lenten devotional booklets to be available for pick-up on the Ushers' counter near the sanctuary doors at Our Savior's soon. We hope you'll grab one for your household! Electronic copies are available for purchase for the Kindle, Nook, or through Google play. Follow this link, choose your format, purchase a copy for your preferred reading app/device.

<https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/product/9798889837305/Love-Outpoured>



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



Join us Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm at 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.

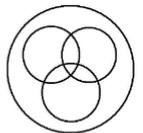


Music Ministry

Bell Choir Wednesdays at 5:00 pm

Senior Choir Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Friendship Ministry
Extending the love of Christ
from Friend to Friend



Friendship Ministers are lay people who make themselves available as listening and supportive friends. They are present through visits, phone calls, conversations at church, at work and in the community. Relationships vary from a one-time visit to a few weeks, a few months or years. Confidentiality is a core component of this ministry.

To learn how you can receive care from a Friendship Minister, call Nancy at 605-645-2723. The care you will receive is confidential and free.

Are you interested in serving as a Friendship Minister? Training is simple and flexible; call Nancy Christopherson (605-645-2723) for more information.



Senior Ministry

Confirmation

February 4: Fellowship
11: Lesson
18: Lesson
25: Lesson

February Acolyte Schedule

Sundays, 8:30 AM Worship

Libby Faulkner

Sundays, 10:45 AM Worship

Layla Meredith, Alyvia Sitzman

Senior Ministry Party



Eat Tuesday



Pancake and Sausage Feed

Tuesday, February 17

11:00 AM

Bring A Friend!

High School Youth Group

7:10 PM, Wednesday Evenings

The Living Room, 810 N. Yale.

For all freshmen through seniors.

On these gathering nights we discuss matters of faith, life and anything on your mind. It is a great hour of fellowship and faith formation. It is a very informal and meaningful evening and bringing a friend or friends is always welcomed.

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.

Sunday Morning Transportation

Need a ride to church on Sunday mornings for the 8:30 AM Worship Service?
Call the church office (605-642-3715) by 2 pm Friday afternoon to reserve a ride.

Personal Care Kit

We Need Your Help to reach our goal of 100 kits

Often, when natural disasters strike or when war drives families from their homes, our hearts ache with compassion, but we don't know how to help. Providing Personal Care Kits (a towel, 2 bars of soap, a toothbrush in original package (no bulk items), sturdy large comb and large fingernail clippers), for Lutheran World Relief, offers comfort to those suffering and expresses love to our neighbors in need. LWR Kits are specifically designed to help people coping with poverty, disaster, conflict and more. Good hygiene LWR Kits provide dignity and hope in the direst situations.

Please take a list of the specific items – located in the fellowship hall by the wonderful poster made by Porter (9) and Lincoln (6), grandkids of Kellie and Dave Pummel. Do NOT wrap items in the towel. Deadline is February 15. Thank you-our very compassionate, caring and faithful members of OSLC!



Questions? Ask Kit Leaders: Diane Bryan, Marilyn Ham, or Dorothy Ritz or any member of the Deborah Circle

February 2026

The weather outside is frightful – with the wind howling outside (again!). It is a perfect time to share all the warm and wonderful things that have been happening with WELCA.

Does anyone have a guess as to the number of years OSLC has held a Julefest?20 years?25 years? Nope! 2026 will be the 30th year! Julefest is a lot of fun with wonderful food, fun entertainment, antiques, crafts, and Norwegian goods! Julefest is also a lot of work. This year, WELCA is proposing to create a couple of church-wide committees who will assist in the organization and planning of Julefest. If you are interested in participating on this committee – please call me (Lori at 605-645-1493) or talk with me after service.

The General Meeting was held on January 8, 2026. Thank you to Deborah circle for providing us with a delicious brunch to start our morning off right! The speaker was Deana Heisler. Deana is a certified Mental Health Awareness Trainer for the Lawrence County Coalition. We learned some fun and thoughtful ideas on breaking the winter blues.

The WELCA general meeting was held following the speaker. The January meeting is our opportunity to review all the income and expenses from across the year. The income is received from routine Sunday morning coffee offerings, to thank you donations for providing funeral luncheons, the annual prayer breakfast and Thankoffering, private donations, cookbook sales and the revenue collected from Julefest (the Antique Boutique; sales of Baked Goods; Silent Auction items; and the food served during Julefest). Expenses include kitchen costs, registration for conferences, subscriptions to the Gather magazine, and Julefest food/supplies. The largest annual expense are the cash donations made to a variety of community nonprofits, campus ministry programs, and to support OSLC programs such as Vacation Bible school, camper scholarships. Total income for the last year (2025) was 26,069.52 with total expenditures of 26,953.47.

Contributions were discussed and a motion was passed to make the following cash donations: Our Savior's Lutheran: VBS - \$400; Our Savior's Lutheran: Camperships - \$1,500; Our Savior's Lutheran: Office Supplies - \$300; Supplies for the

Festival of the Trees (Dianna Rommen): \$500; Campus Ministry: \$150 each for SDSM&T, SDSU, USD, NSU, and BHSU Living Room; Meals on Wheels: \$500; Spearfish Back Pack Program: \$700; Church on the Street: \$300; American Legion Aux #164: \$400; CASA: \$400; Artemis House: \$500; Women of the ELCA: \$400; Pine Ridge Center \$500; Woyatan: \$200; Spearfish Food Pantry: \$1,500; Black Hills Foster Care: \$300; Lawrence County Coalition: \$200; Esther's Rising: \$500. WELCA's monetary donations for the month of January 2026 totaled \$10,000. Additional contributions/donations are made during the year.

Our church is the site for the WELCA Bear Butte Conference Spring Retreat. This will be held on April 25, 2026. A small subcommittee has been formed to do the planning for the retreat so be looking for additional information soon! If you have any suggestions or ideas for a speaker – feel free to let me know! This will provide a great opportunity to get to know other woman in our conference!

Here are a couple of upcoming dates to mark on your calendar:

- The World Day of Prayer is Friday March 6, 2026 at 1:00 pm;
- The Spring Prayer Brunch and General Meeting is April 11, 2026;
- Bear Butte Spring Conference is at OSLC on April 25, 2026;
- WELCA Synodical Convention is at Grace Lutheran Church in Watertown on June 17-19, 2026.

Lori Laughlin
WELCA President

Circle Meetings

Circle Study Leaders:

Monday, February 2
10:30 AM

Esther Circle

February 12, 1:00 PM
Leader: Lila Bliss
Hostess: Anne Kirk

Deborah Circle

February 9, 10:30 AM
Leader: Karleen Dagit
Hostess: Del Wientjes

Ruth Circle

February 19, 10:00 AM
Leader: All
Hostess: Loretta Greni

Children's Ministry News

WEDNESDAY SCHOOL

It seems like family schedules **really go crazy** after the holidays, with sports and other activities that pull families all over the place! We want to remind those families that there is another opportunity to have your kids attend Sunday school – Wednesday school! **5:16 – Supper, 5:40 – Classes, 6:26 – Worship on Wednesday**

Feel free to join us for any one part of the evening or all of it!



MILESTONE MINISTRIES

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE!

* **February 8**, the second-grade class will learn about The Lord's Prayer and the basic meaning behind it. Then on February 22, they will help in worship by leading the congregation in this prayer during communion. Parents & students will receive a letter with more information.

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Ash Wednesday Soup Supper Campership Fundraiser

Wednesday, February 18, 5:16pm. Camp families will prepare yummy soups and desserts for supper as a fundraiser for camperships for kids that attend camp from OSLC! Show some CAMP LOVE and join us for supper to support this great cause!

CAMP NEWS Registration is open!

Lutherans Outdoors offers several summer camp opportunities at three different camp locations across the state. Available camps include YOUTH CAMP (3rd – 8th grade), ADVENTURE CAMP (8th – 12th grade), FAMILY CAMP for your whole family, and other camp weeks too!

Early bird registration is open until April 15. After that that date regular full rate applies.

Please go to www.losd.org for available camp dates.

Please know that camps fill up FAST so please register before April 15!!

www.losd.org



VBS PLANNING



I'm searching for a co-director to help me prepare and organize our upcoming VBS. Together, we'll choose the curriculum, plan the daily schedule, assign rooms, and arrange for crafts, games, and other supplies. We'll need to meet a few times soon—especially to select the curriculum—and then closer to the event, we'll likely meet 1–2 times each week to get everything set up. While we haven't finalized the exact dates yet, we're currently considering June 22–25 for this summer's VBS. **With all the transitions**

our church is going through, it is SO IMPORTANT that I have a co-director!! Please contact me if you are - interested or if you have questions. Bethn2005@gmail.com or 605-381-8695

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday, February 8 & 22 – PACT class meets in the Nursery at 9:45 on these dates.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5 – Education Committee meets at 5:30 (Note: this is a different date than we typically meet.

Sunday, February 8 – Second Grade Milestone Class “Teach Me to Pray” at 9:45

Sunday, February 15 – No Sunday school due to the Presidents Day holiday weekend.

Sunday, February 22 – 2nd graders lead the Lord's Prayer at either worship service.



Our Savior's Lutheran Church Council Minutes

Tuesday, December 9, 2025 – 6:30pm

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

1. **Call to Order:** Andy Binder call the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Members present: Interim Pastor Randy Fett, Andy Binder, Sherry Kloeckl, Karson Klein, David Pummel, Brady Harr, Deming Haugland, Lana Main. Pam Tyma, Mike Steffen, Reed Haug via phone. Laura Bosworth excused.
2. **Devotions:** Brady Harr shared part of Psalm 146 with us reflecting on help and hope is in God. During advent, the life of the church right now, during transition, may we have pause to remember this.
3. **Action Item:** Approval of the Agenda-Motion of approve Pam Tyma, seconded Sherry Kloeckl. Motion carried.
4. **What's on Top** for our council members centered around holiday prep, seasons of life, work and hunting!
5. **Action Item:** Approval of November Council Minutes, motion to approve by David Pummel, seconded by Lana Main. Motion carried. Semi-annual meeting minutes presented, motion to approve by David Pummel, seconded by Brady Harr. Motion carried.
6. **Action Item:** November Treasurer's Report presented by David Pummel. Income for November was \$45,230.45 with expenses of \$43,074.35. YTD \$550,988.99 actual income, with YTD expenses coming in at \$536,354.58. Checkbook is in the black \$215,610 for the month. No unusual expenses this month. We are expecting snow removal bill. Dedicated funds are in line. The T-loop hearing system replaced and paid for by the Dee Coffield memorial. Motion to approve by Deming Haugland, seconded by Karson Klein. Motion carried.
7. **Ministerial Staff Report**-Interim Senior Pastor Randy Fett: Pastor emails report to council prior to meeting for review. Highlights discussed during meeting. Call committee is up and running. Council will work on Ministry Site Profile tonight, job descriptions/skill sets and gifts for each position. We also had a special guest stop by for a few minutes, Vice President of the Synod, Dennis Thompson.
8. **Committee Updates:** Education Committee-Christmas program, 10:45 service 12/14.
Campus Ministry-Met in November, will keep call out for now to see what transpires with church call. Call for lay person is on hold at this time.
Properties Committee-Key lock pad locations, kitchen and lower west door. A new vacuum will be bought for the janitor with the rest of his budget and the balance coming the repair/replace. There was a balance from the fellowship hall chair donation, so this will be applied to new office staff chairs.
Senior Ministry-hosting Christmas party 12/11, soup/sandwich lunch at the church. "Stars" is the theme.
Mission Team-working of Angel Tree.
9. **Action Item**-January Council Meeting will be hosted at the Pummel home on January 10th at 6pm, potluck.
10. **Action Item**-Ministry Site Profile: Pastor Randy compiled the council members input to the survey for each positions skill set and gifts.
11. **Motion to adjourn** meeting at 8:45pm by Sherry Kloeckl, seconded by Karson Klein. Andy Binder led the council in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Kloeckl, secretary

Treasurer's Report As of December 31, 2025

Year-to-date Offerings:	\$626,496.38
Year-to-date Expenses:	\$627,938.53
Year-to-date Budget	\$670,202.05

 **Scriptures** 

Feb. 1 Malachi 6:1-8
Psalm 15
1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

Feb. 8 Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]
Psalm 112:1-9 [10]
1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]
Matthew 5:13-20

Feb. 15 Exodus 24:12-18
Psalm 2 or Psalm 99
2 Peter 1:16-21
Matthew 17:1-9

Feb. 22 Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

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

Office Notes:

The Good Shepherd Free Clinic will be closed Monday, February 16 in observance of Presidents' Day

The deadline for submission of items for the March newsletter is **Thursday, February 19**. Please send your newsletter items to Lisa at oslc4@rushmore.com

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.

A reminder... Our website contains the monthly newsletter, monthly calendar, and much more...Check it out at: www.oslcspearfish.com.

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

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February 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service 9:40 AM Congregational Meeting with Synod 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p> <p>Worship Theme: "The Light of the World"</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 AM SonShine Squad 10:30 AM Circle Study Leaders 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 5:15 PM Joyful Journey Practice 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 AM WELCA Board Mtg 5:00 PM Bell Choir Confirmation Fellowship 5:16 PM Wednesday Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Wednesday Word 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p>	<p>5</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study 5:30 PM Education Comm. 6:30 PM Book Study</p>	<p>6</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR</p>	<p>7</p> <p>1:00 PM American Legion Auxiliary in the Quad</p>
<p>Bear Butte Conference Pastor's Retreat @ Outlaw Ranch</p>						
<p>8</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education hour 9:45 AM 2nd Grade Milestone Class The Lord's Prayer 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p> <p>Worship Theme: "The Temple of the Holy Spirit"</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:30 AM Deborah Circle 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 5:15 PM Joyful Journey Practice 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic 6:15 PM Call Committee</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study 6:00 PM Finance Committee 6:30 PM Church Council 6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p> <p>5:00 PM Bell Choir 5:15 PM Confirmation 5:16 PM Wednesday Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Wednesday Word 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p>	<p>12</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study 1:00 PM Esther Circle 6:30 PM Book Study</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:00 AM Men's Fellowship</p>
<p>15</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p> <p>Worship Theme: "The House of God"</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:30 AM Senior Ministry 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 5:15 PM Joyful Journey Practice <i>Good Shepherd Free Clinic ~ Closed</i></p> 	<p>17</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 11:00 AM Senior Ministry Fat Tuesday 6:30 PM Marthas Gathering Women's Evening Bible Study @ The Living Room 6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:00 AM Spearfish Canyon Worship Service w/HC 12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Svc 5:00 PM Bell Choir 5:15 PM Confirmation 5:16 PM Ash Wednesday Soup Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Ash Wednesday Worship NO Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10:00 AM Ruth Circle 12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study 6:30 PM Book Study</p> <p>Newsletter Items Due</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education hour 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service</p> <p>2nd Grade Milestone Lead Lord's Prayer at both services</p>	<p>23</p> <p>1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 5:15 PM Joyful Journey Practice 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Free Clinic</p>	<p>24</p> <p>8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 12:15 PM Centering Prayer 2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Friendship Ministry 6:30 PM Young Adults Bible Study</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:45 AM Edgewood Vista Worship Service 5:00 PM Bell Choir 5:15 PM Confirmation 5:16 PM Wednesday Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Lenten Worship 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR</p>	<p>26</p> <p>12:00 PM The Living Room Bible Study 6:30 PM Book Study</p>	<p>27</p> <p>6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR 7:00 AM GSC Board Mtg. 3:30 PM Delta Kappa Gamma Set-up</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:00 AM Men's Fellowship 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Delta Kappa Gamma</p>
<p>Pastor's Day Off</p>						

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