

A Little Bit of Sunshine

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December 2021

*Everybody here is a part of the plan
We all get to play in the great critter band
From the eagle in the sky to the whale in the sea
It's one great symphony*



*All God's critters got a place in the choir
Some sing low, some sing higher
Some sing out loud on the telephone wire
And some just clap their hands, or paws or anything they got now*

Some of us aging Baby Boomers are familiar with those lyrics from “All God’s Critters,” a folk song made popular by Peter, Paul and Mary way back in the day. It still makes an appearance every now and again in pre-schools, Sunday Schools and camp sing-a-longs. It’s not exactly a song you’d hear much in December, but it’s message resonates with me this year. Basically, it simply celebrates the reality that is a choir: a multitude of voices, expressions and exhalations, blending together to make a sound that simply couldn’t be made should even one of those voices be missing. Every voice is needed. Every voice is valued. Every voice is beautiful in its own right. And together, well... music is made.

Our congregation has been invited to walk through Advent together this year by all engaging with the devotional “*heaven and nature sing*,” mailed out to everyone in November. For me, it’s not so much the particular content of each day’s readings or thoughts or ponderings that gives me juice. It’s knowing that together a whole bunch of people are dwelling in the same words, the same thoughts and questions together. As we get ready to put a period on the end of another year, this spiritual exercise we share turns the period into a comma, like taking a deep breath before we dive into the new and the next.

During Advent this year we’re also taking some time to consider our financial stewardship of this ministry we share at OSLC. As we do that, I’m so incredibly mindful of that song, “All God’s Critters.” We are a congregation blessed with people all along the continuum of wealth in terms of time, abilities and currency. That being the reality, EVERY SINGLE GIFT MATTERS, and every single one is valued, appreciated and honored. No joke. From those led by the Spirit to share prodigiously of their finances to those just starting to consider what they *might* share, it’s all part of the music that makes OSLC sing out into this community and into the world. To find our identity in the “we” instead of the “I,” this is what makes us the Body of Christ.

As I write these words, we’re just about to the Thanksgiving holiday. As you *read* these words, we’re on the other side of it. For us as Church, it’s *all* thanksgiving, *all* the time. The music we make together in gratitude to God for the blessings in our lives is a holy commotion, and I love the sound of it!

In Gratitude for you,

Pastor Stephan Sandness

Consecration Sunday, December 12, 2021

"If your congregation ceased to exist tomorrow, would the neighborhood notice?" A church consultant once put that question to a group of congregational leaders who were in the process of strategic planning. It kind of cuts right to the heart of things, doesn't it? It's a question that brings clarity to what we're about as a congregation of people who claim to be followers of Jesus. Do we exist simply for ourselves, or are we in touch with the needs of our neighbors? In whose lives are we making a difference? Is our mission in line with God's mission to make a positive impact on the world?

Sunday, December 12 will be the day we invite you to consider your financial support of what we're up to together as Our Savior's Lutheran Church in the coming year. You'll be receiving more info in the mail soon. For now, let that question simmer. Take time to think it through as carefully as you can, from your own perspective, to be sure... but also from the perspective of our neighbors, our city, state, nation and world. What is at stake in the continued work and life of our congregation? What might your stake be in that future?

God is good! Thank you for the part YOU play in the symphony that is OSLC!



Sign up for
text alerts.

Opt in to OSLC
instant text
messaging!

As a reminder, OSLC has an instant text messaging system. It allows us to communicate time-sensitive information, such as event updates, emergency closures, schedule changes, etc. If you've signed up in the past, you don't have to do anything. If you haven't signed up, or if your email or phone number has changed, please contact the church office at 642-3715 or oslc@rushmore.com with up-to-date email addresses and phone numbers. Thanks for helping us all stay connected!

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES



1:30 PM
3:30 PM
5:30 PM
10:00 PM

Christmas Eve Ushers and Holy Communion Assistants



are needed for all four worship services: 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm, 5:30 pm and 10:00 pm. Please sign up on the Faith & Care Board by the kitchen.

Christmas Eve Music Wanted

To enhance our Christmas Eve worship services, we would love to have four pieces of Special Music (one offering and up to three communion) at each of our worship services (1:30 PM, 3:30 PM, 5:30 PM and 10:00 PM). Please call the church office to sign up for a service or stop by and sign up on the sign-up sheet by the reception desk.



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

will benefit the
Spearfish Ministerial Association

*October's Love Your Neighbor Jar raised
\$2,124.62 for Sharing the Dream in Guatemala.*

Dear friends in Christ,

As we move into these weeks of Advent waiting and preparation for Christmas celebration, I'm wondering what makes this time especially meaningful for you? Do you or your family have favorite traditions—things that you would never consider leaving out of your preparation or celebrations?

One favorite Advent tradition of mine began in childhood in my family of origin—lighting the Advent wreath and sharing a devotional Bible reading. On Sunday evening in our farmhouse on the prairie, we would gather at the table around the homemade Advent wreath. A different person was chosen each night to ceremoniously light the candle that marked the particular week of Advent waiting. Evening light was generally dim, and the flickering light of the candles made the quiet moments of gathering unlike any other time of our year. We took turns reading from the chosen passage of Scripture—parents and children, even those just learning to read. This was unhurried time—sharing these special moments together that sometimes ended with a song and always with prayer.



PhotoScan by Google Photos

My Advent wreath today looks quite different, and it is usually just me at the table; but the tradition still holds the same precious feeling of quiet waiting for the miraculous to happen. Whatever your family configuration, I encourage you to give it a try and see what happens.



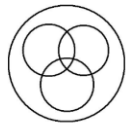
You have received in the mail an Advent devotional “*heaven and nature sing*.” (If you haven’t, and would like one, please call the church office so we can send one to you!) Using this daily devotional provides our entire family of faith a chance to “gather together” in common Scripture and reflection each day. Read it as a family around an Advent wreath or with friends in whatever setting that brings you together. We hope you also join us during the week on the OSLC Facebook page!

May God bless you and yours in waiting and in celebrating this month!

Deacon Laura Lee Campbell

Friendship Ministry

Extending the love of Christ
from Friend to Friend



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Christmas holiday can be a bittersweet time for many people due to loss of loved ones, financial worries, illness, broken or strained relationships, etc. Sometimes it helps to talk with someone. Friendship Ministers are members of our church who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people in our congregation and community. Please know that a Friendship Minister is available for you who will provide a listening ear with care that is confidential and free. To request a connection, please call Nancy Christopherson at 645-2723.

If you are interested in becoming a Friendship Minister, let us know! Training will be available in the new year.

Prayer Ministry

The OSLC Prayer Ministers continue to pray for the mission and ministries of Our Savior’s Lutheran Church and its people. They also pray for our community and the world beyond. If you would like a prayer minister to pray with you—by phone, email, or text—please contact Helen Merriman at helennessanmerriman@gmail.com.

To add someone to the weekly prayer list, please call the church office at 642-3715 or submit your request on the Prayer page of the church website at www.oslcspearfish.com.

To express your prayer concern to our email Prayer Chain, simply email it to oslcprayers@rushmore.com.

If you wish to serve as a Prayer Minister, please contact Deacon Laura at oslc1@rushmore.com.

Julefest

Scandinavian Christmas Festival & Bazaar



**Our Savior's Lutheran Church
- Fellowship Hall -**

**Saturday, December 4
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Public Invited!
Coffee & Pastries served all day!

Lefse, Smorgasbord Lunch, Yuletide Music,
Homemade Crafts & Baked Goods,
Quilt Sales, Face Painting, Antiques & Boutique
Silent Auction, Local Artist Calendars
Black Hills Rosemåling Association Gift Booth
Scandinavian Gift Shop
by House of Scandinavia

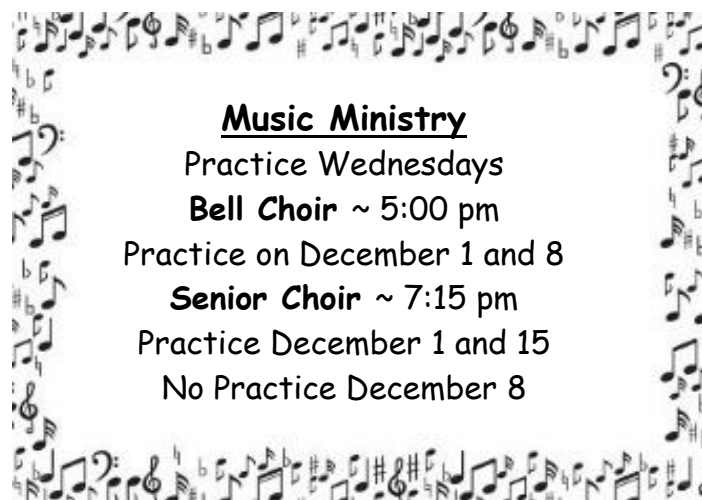
*Public is encouraged to bring a can of
food for the Spearfish Food Pantry*



Sunday Morning Adult Education

Please join us in the Conference room at 9:50 am on
Sunday mornings!

- December 5 – Dwelling in the Word:
Faithfulness
- December 12 – Contemplative Prayer 101
- December 19 – Celebration of Vocation



Music Ministry

Practice Wednesdays

Bell Choir ~ 5:00 pm

Practice on December 1 and 8

Senior Choir ~ 7:15 pm

Practice December 1 and 15

No Practice December 8



New Members At Our Savior's Lutheran Church

TIM & NICHOLE BRAITHWAIT AND FAMILY
3135 American Eagle Road, Spearfish, SD 57783

SALLY ELENBERGER
405 Summit St., Belle Fourche, SD 57717

ERIC & DEEANN HOFER
6639 Pendo Road, Spearfish, SD 57783

JAN HOLZ
1830 Brookdale Road, Spearfish, SD 57783

DAVE & MARY LERVICK
2428 Windmill Dr., Spearfish, SD 57783

JIM & LAURA MORAVEC
1044 N. 7th, Spearfish, SD 57783

DAWN ROMERO
3922 Gallatin Ave., Spearfish, SD 57783



***Help provide a Christmas gift
for people in need.***

*Thank you for your support of
the annual OSLC Angel Tree
program since 1996!*

Gifts are needed this year for children in the
Northern Hills whose parents are in prison, children
and their mothers at the Artemis House shelter,
Lutheran Campus Ministry at BHSU single moms
and their children, and seniors in our church who
may not have family nearby.

***All Angel Tree gifts must be wrapped and returned
to the church by 3 pm on December 13.***

With grateful hearts ~ Mission Team



Senior Ministry

Sunday Morning Transportation

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



Christmas Party

**Thursday, December 9
at 2:30 PM**

OSLC Fellowship Hall

*If you need a ride,
please call 642-3715.*

Join us and bring a friend!

~ Sponsored by Senior Ministry

Sunday Morning Transportation

Everyone is welcome to use the free Sunday morning transportation service. Our friendly drivers will make your trip to and from church a fun part of your day! The service is available for both 8:30 and 10:45 am worship. Simply call the church office at 642-3715 by 2:00 pm on Friday afternoon to arrange your ride. If you would like a standing order for rides every Sunday morning, let us know and we will have you on the schedule.

Worship DVD and Bulletin Delivery



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

Confirmation

December 1: Class
8: Class
15: Class
22: No Confirmation
29: No Confirmation

December Acolyte Schedule

Sundays, 8:30 AM Worship
Addison Keller, Alexis Delahoyde
Sundays, 10:45 AM Worship
Jobie Manke

High School Youth Group

Early registration for the ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis has passed but if you are still interested in attending please speak with Chris Blain, Jane Klug or Beth Nielsen. The dates are July 24 - 28 and there is a Covid-19 vaccine mandate for all participants.

Senior High Youth continue to gather at The Living Room on Wednesday nights and meeting dates for December are 1, 8, and 15, 7:15 PM.

Questions? Contact Chris Blain
ckblain@gmail.com

Shopping for Christmas Gifts?

❖ Give Equal Exchange coffee, chocolate, tea, etc. Visit the display in the Fellowship Hall.



❖ Shop for unique fair-trade gifts at:
<https://community.elca.org/ELCAGoodGifts>
<https://lwr.org/giving-category/gifts>
www.sharingthedream.org (online store)

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Thank you to those that gave to Thankoffering and to Helen Merriman for the wonderful Temple Talk highlighting WELCA.

Don't forget Julefest is Saturday, December 4, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Our ladies and many members of our congregation have been working hard for this event. Come early for the best selection!

Have a wonderful Christmas!!

Mary Goddard, President



WELCA Calendar

Dec. Kitchen Duty	Ruth Circle
Dec. 1 ~ 9:30 AM	WELCA Board Meeting
December 4	Julefest

Circle Meetings

<u>Circle Study Leaders</u>	<u>Deborah Circle</u>
December 6 10:30 AM	December 13, 11:00 AM Lunch @ TBD
<u>Esther Circle</u>	<u>Ruth Circle</u>
December 16, 1:00 PM Leader: Lynn Pohlman Hostess: Janet Baker	December 16, 10:00 AM Leader: Mary Ellen Lantis Hostess: Mary Ellen Lantis 1255 Lantis Place



Remember your Secret Sister daily in prayer, and send her a note or a card in December!

Recipe Corner

From Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Cook Book
~2002~



APPLE FRITTERS

1 1/3 c. sifted flour	2 beaten eggs
1 Tbsp. sugar	2/3 c. milk
2 tsp. baking powder	1 Tbsp. salad oil
1/2 tsp. salt	3 c. small strips of apples

Sift dry ingredients together. Blend eggs, milk and salad oil; add dry ingredients all at once and mix just until moistened. Stir in apple strips. Drop from tablespoon into deep, hot oil, 375°. Fry until puffy and golden, 3-4 minutes; turn once. Drain on paper towels. While warm, sprinkle with **confectioner's sugar**. Serve at once. Makes 3 dozen. *Is also delicious with syrup.*

Beverly Perry

ORANGE-APRICOT SALAD

2 (16 oz.) cans apricots	2 (3 oz.) pkgs orange gelatin
1 (6 oz.) can frozen orange juice concentrate	2 Tbsp. lemon juice
	7 oz. lemon-lime carbonated beverage

Drain apricots, reserving 1 1/2 c. syrup. Puree apricots. Heat reserved syrup to boiling; dissolve gelatin and **dash of salt** in syrup. Add puree, juice concentrate, and lemon juice; stir until concentrate is melted. Slowly pour carbonated beverage down side of pan; mix gently. Pour gelatin mixture into mold. Makes 10-12 servings.

Ellen Plocek

RED HOT SALAD

1 pkg. cherry jello (3 oz.)	1 c. hot water
1/2 c. red hots	1 can (303) apple sauce

Dissolve red hots in jello mixture. When cool add applesauce and chill in pie dish. *Good accompaniment for Christmas dinner - colorful, spicy. Serves 6.*

Fran Phillips



Come & See!

The Christmas Program!

Presented by the Kids of OSLC!

Sunday, December 19, at 10:45

Everyone is invited to enjoy the Children's Christmas Program. Our kids and teachers have been diligently practicing the program over the last few weeks and are excited to perform it for YOU!

Please come and let them share the story of Jesus' birth as only children can do!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM NEWS FOR FAMILIES

It is *not too late* to have your child participate in the Christmas program! We are practicing during the Sunday school hour at 9:45 in December. Please have your child join us for practice and we will get them up to speed.

Practice Times: SUNDAY NOV 28, Dec 5, & Dec 12—during Sunday school **SATURDAY DEC 18 AT**



1:00P.M. – In the sanctuary. I will work hard to keep it as close to 90 minutes as possible!

DECEMBER 19 PROGRAM NEWS FOR FAMILIES

Sunday December 19 during the 10:45 worship service. Please be here by 9:30. We will meet in the sanctuary at 9:45 SHARP!

We will not have Sunday school on Dec 26 or January 2 to give our awesome volunteers a nice break over the holidays. We return on January 9, 2022.

We will not have Wednesday school on the 22, 29 or January 5. We return on January 12, 2022.

MILESTONE EVENT

The First Graders will be presented with "The Birth of Jesus" Bible Cube on December 5 at either services. Parents of students registered for Sunday school will receive an email about this event.

Please contact the church to see if your first grader is on the list to receive this milestone gift. The Senior Choir provides this Milestone gift; thank you very much!



CAMP NEWS

Registration for Summer Camp with Lutherans Outdoors opened on November 15, 2021. Please be sure to register as soon as possible and let the church know when you are going so we can make sure to send scholarship money to help cover the cost for your family. Children that have completed Third Grade are eligible to start Summer Camp with Lutherans Outdoors. Be on the lookout for more camp information coming to families soon!!



SEND A KID TO CAMP!

On December 1, Camp Families will host a Spaghetti Dinner fund-raiser before Advent Worship Services. Dinner is served at 5:15 and all donations are used towards Camp scholarships.

KIDZONE NEWS

KidZone will meet on December 1, 2021 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. We will be focusing on Advent & Christmas. There is some room for a few more students, please contact Miss Beth to register.

Merry Christmas!

I'd like to extend Merry Christmas wishes to you all, dear church family. Thank you so much for your continued prayers, well wishes, and donations for the Children & Family Ministries programs. Look for more adventures to come in 2022!

Good Tidings of GREAT JOY to All,
In Christ,
~Miss Beth



Semi-Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Sunday, November 14, 2021 – 9:45 AM

Meeting Location: Fellowship Hall

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:** The meeting was called to order by Rod Custer at 9:52 AM. Seventy-six OSLC members were in attendance.
2. **Devotions:** Pastor Stephan opened the meeting with a prayer seeking God's presence as we work as a congregation. We are grateful for the gift of each other and God's spirit.
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the April 18, 2021, Annual Meeting of the Congregation:** Members were directed to the minutes on page one of the agenda. Annette Johnson moved to approve the minutes; Pam Tyma seconded; motion carried.
4. **Endowment Committee Report:** Lennis Larson shared information about the Endowment Fund, which was established to enhance the work of Our Savior's and to fund challenges and opportunities not covered by the annual budget. The Endowment Scholarship Fund balance is \$16,051. This fund provides OSLC students who attend Lutheran colleges with a scholarship. Gretchen Blain was a recent recipient. Scholarships were also given to three counselors at Outlaw Ranch. Two ELCA Endowment Funds have balances of \$56,811 and \$67,396, and we have \$84,343 in Thrivent's InFaith Community Foundation. Lennis reminded the congregation that as they plan their special gift giving, they should consider the OSLC Endowment Fund.
5. **Updated Treasurer's Report:** David Pummel reported that we have not reached our goal for the budget this year, but our actual income has been more than our actual expenses. Our income over expenses is \$2,070 year to date, which puts us in a good position going into the final two months of the year. We have assets of \$80,445.63 in a CD, and we have a healthy Endowment Fund.
6. **Vote on the Proposed 2022 Budget:** The budget for 2022 has been set at \$578,708, which is an increase of 3.67%. The majority of the increase will go to a five percent increase in salary and benefits for our staff and the hiring of a part-time AV technician. The Council felt that since we are in a good financial situation, this is a good budget proposal. Lonnie Haugland moved to approve the 2022 budget proposal; Arlene Hindbjorgen seconded; motion carried.
7. **Election of Nominating Committee:** Three people from the congregation volunteered to be on the nominating committee: Mike Overby, Pam Englund, and Leesa Haugland. Two people from the Church Council volunteered to complete the nominating committee: Chris Egerdahl and Andy Binder.

8. **Property Improvement Updates:** Pastor Stephan shared three major updates. The fundraising for the new AC unit for the sanctuary was a total success. The cost of the new unit is \$42,800, and the congregation contributed that amount in a little over three months. Duane and Connie McDonald contributed their time and materials to paint the sheds behind the church. A special thank you was extended to Andy Binder for his work on the audio/visual needs of the congregation.
9. **Adjourn and Closing Prayer:** Rod Custer adjourned the meeting at 10:06 AM, and Pastor Stephan closed the meeting with a prayer. He asked God to provide courage and patience as we strive to be the people, He wants us to be. He also thanked God for the blessings he has given us.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Koppinger

Spearfish Community Food Pantry needs for December

Chunky soups, pancake mix, peanut butter, jam or jelly, baked beans, purchased cookies (Oreos, chocolate chips).

Give electronically:

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code to
give online



Scan the code or go to our website and 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.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Council Minutes

November 9, 2021 6:30pm ~ Conference Room

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Rod Custer at 6:30 PM. Members present were Pastor Stephan Sandness, Deacon Laura Campbell, Andy Binder, Rod Custer, Christopher Egerdahl, Dillon Haug, Deb Kimbell, Sherry Kloeckl, Cindy Koppinger, Helen Merriman, David Pummel, and Pam Tyma.
2. Members shared "What's on Top" concerning family, friends, coworkers, and traveling: a mix of happy and sad with ordinary days and not.
3. **Devotions:** Pastor Stephan shared the gospel text of Sunday, November 14. Jesus talks with his disciples about the "end of things." Beware that no one leads you astray. No stone will be left upon another. The text sounds like "nothing lasts forever," but Pastor Stephan stated that one thing will: God, the love of God.
4. **Approve Agenda:** Deb Kimbell moved to approve the agenda; Sherry Kloeckl seconded; motion carried.
5. **Approval of the October Council Minutes:** Helen Merriman moved to approve the October council minutes; Andy Binder seconded; motion carried.
6. **Approval of the October Treasurer's Report:** David Pummel reported that OSLC had a good month financially in October. The income of about \$52,000 was above the budgeted amount by more than \$9,000. Year to date we are about \$2,000 income over expenses. The air conditioning unit fund has raised \$42,000 which should be enough. Deb Kimbell moved to approve the October treasurer's report; Chris Egerdahl seconded; motion carried.
7. **Ministerial Staff Reports:**
Pastor Stephan says he is in the "end of the year" season; the next seven weeks are full of stuff. WELCA is getting ready for Julefest, and Pastor Stephan is getting ready for Advent. Devotional booklets for Advent will be sent out, and Stephan and Laura will take turns sharing those devotions during the week, posting them on our Facebook page. Pastor Stephan will be thinking of Stewardship throughout Advent, thinking in terms of time as much as money. How can we share our talents as much as our treasures? OSLC will be welcoming eight to ten families as new members at the end of November. Pastor Stephan will be finishing up his role as principal instructor of the confirmation students, and Chris Blain will take over. Beth will be purchasing a new computer, one that will meet her needs and has already been added to the budget. Laura will be next on the new computer list.

Deacon Laura Campbell thanked the council and congregation for their kind words of appreciation and gift, and Pastor Stephan also mentioned that he enjoys reading the comments of the members of the congregation. In this season of Thanksgiving, Laura

is grateful for many things, especially, this faith community. Laura informed us that members new to a congregation are generally looking for three things: meaning, belonging, and purpose. She challenges current members to also think about these three things, and she will give you an opportunity to note those thoughts. Faith and Care signup is improving, and the group is thinking about providing a tutorial station during Sunday morning fellowship to show how it is done. Adult Ed on Sunday mornings in October were stand alone topics, and she may continue with that format through the calendar year.

8. **Community Connection:** Pat Rotert was unable to meet with the council but plans to attend the December meeting.

9. Committee Updates

Education: KidZone met for the first time. It went well. Beth has good volunteers from the Key Club at the high school. The next milestone ministry event will be the Bible cubes of the Nativity story. A volunteer has come forward to play music for the Children's Program on December 19.

Mission Team will be working on the Angel Tree for the from now until December 15.

Communication: The team met with someone knowledgeable about communication inside an organization and sharing news outside the organization. The team is working to create a magazine style communication to share "our story" within and without OSLC. It may be a quarterly publication or fewer. It is still very much in the planning stage. Our current newsletter reaches about 660 households.

Senior Ministry will be hosting the Christmas party on December 9.

Property: The Living Room sign needs to be replaced. Two trees on the south side of the church have died and need to be removed.

10. **2022 Budget Recommendation:** The budget will be presented to the congregation at the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Congregation on November 14 for their approval.

11. **Adjourn:** Rod Custer adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM, followed by the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at 6:30 PM. David Pummel will lead devotions.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Koppinger

Treasurer's Report

As of October 31, 2021

Year-to-date Offerings:	\$415,827.11
Year-to-date Expenses:	\$413,770.25
Year-to-date Budget	\$472,464.52

Christmas Time at the Chapel in the Hills



Join us as we celebrate the Christmas season at the Chapel
with these special events:

Gift Shop Open

Sat., Dec. 4, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Sat., Dec. 11, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Sun., Dec. 12, 4:30 – 6:30 PM

Advent Worship Service

Sunday, Dec. 12, 5:00 PM

The Chapel and grounds will be open
4:30 to 9:00 PM Friday, Saturday,
Sunday, December 3 to 25.

Visitors are Welcome!

3788 Chapel Lane, Rapid City (605) 342-8281



Scriptures



- Dec. 5** Malachi 3:1-4 or Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm: Luke 1:68-79
Philippians 1:3-11
Luke 3:1-6
- Dec. 12** Zephaniah 3:14-20
Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-6
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:7-18
- Dec. 19** Micah 5:2-5a
Psalm: Luke 1:46b-55 or Psalm 80:1-7
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45 [46-55]
- Dec. 26** 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26
Psalm 148
Colossians 3:12-17
Luke 2:41-52

Office Notes:

Our Savior's Church Office will be closed Mondays,
December 27 and January 3 for the holidays.

The Good Shepherd Clinic will be closed on Mondays,
December 20 and 27.




The deadline for submission of items for the January
newsletter is **Friday, December 17**. Please send your
newsletter items to Lisa at oslc4@rushmore.com

Did you know... Our website contains the weekly
worship bulletins, 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 642-3715 or e-mail Julie at
oslc@rushmore.com

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 or call her at
642-3715. Thank you!

DECEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:30 AM WELCA Board Mtg. 1:00 PM KidZone 5:00 PM Bell Choir 5:16 PM Wednesday Supper 5:16 PM Confirmation 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Wednesday Word 7:10 PM HS Youth TLR 7:15 PM Senior Choir	2	3 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR	4 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship 8:00 am - 2:00 pm <i>Iule Fest</i> <i>Scandinavian</i> <i>Christmas Festival</i> <i>& Bazaar</i>
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Worship: Sundays 8:30 am Traditional Worship Service
10:45 am Joyful Journey Worship Service
Live stream at 8:30 am or watch later! Connect through our web site.
Wednesday 5:16 pm Wednesday Supper
6:26 pm Wednesday Word

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