

April 2026

THE GRAPEVINE

Our Savior Bethlehem



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God made you and God made me,
He made the world for us to see.

God loves you and long ago,
He sent his Son to tell us so.

Jesus showed us many things,
To love and share and dance and sing.

To learn and pray, to help and care,
He promised he'd always be there.

He died but then came back to life,
let's celebrate for he's alive! Amen.

-Author Unknown



YOUTH

Senior Recognition



We need information and pictures for this!
Use the QR Code to fill out the information.

Youth Group

Sr. High Connect

Wednesdays @ 6:30

NO Connect April 29

Sunday Connect Sundays @ 4:30

NO Connect April 5

HAPPY EASTER

Colorado Servant Event

Date: either May 26-29 or 27 -30

Who: 2026 Grads, College Students and young adults

Lutheran Valley Retreat near Divide, Co

Information coming soon!!

YOUTH ^{Sr. High} Mini **April 19**
7 pm to Midnight
 Friends welcome!

LOCKin

Parent Chaperones Needed! Bring a drink and a snack to share

Sr. High Mini Lock in

Sunday, April 19th
7 pm to Midnight

We will be having a Sr. High Mini—Lock on Sunday, April 19th
We will be playing games, eating snacks and of course there will be devotion time.
We ask that you please bring a drink and snack to share.
Friends are welcome!
Parents I will need adult chaperones for this event. If you need to leave early for work in the morning that is ok.

Save the Date

Kayak/Float Trip

July 8-11
Valentine, Ne

Information Coming Soon

More Summer Events

Information coming soon!



Sunday School

Sundays @ 10:15 am

Last Day April 26

Elementary

Pre-k—5th Grade Upstairs in the South Classroom

With Two or More we will celebrate how we can help kids to be seen, known, and loved. Just like Jesus taught to a small and large groups, Two or More leads the kids whether it is a small group or large group of kids to share Bible-rich experiences as they grow in faith together.

Youth

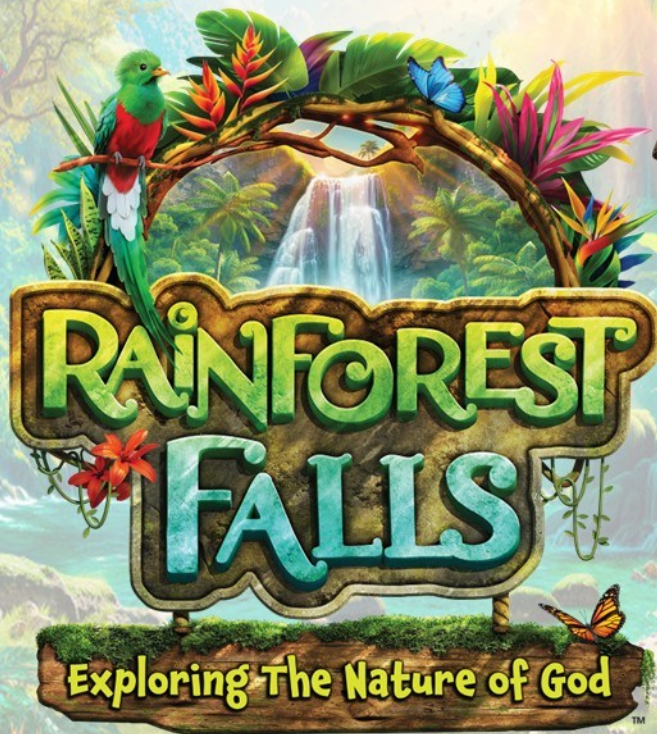
6th—12th Grade Downstairs in the Youth Room

Using the popular TikTok app as a launchpad to point students to the truth of scripture when facing trials, seeking popularity, experiencing drama with friends, and influencing those around them.



Save the Date

July
13—17



9 am
to
Noon

**Our Savior
(bold & black)**

April 2026

*Bethlehem
(blue, bold, italicized)*

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
|  | | | 1 No Ground Zero Activities | 2 Holy Maundy Thursday <i>5:30 Beth Worship</i> ✚ 7:00 OS Worship ✚ | 3 Good Friday <i>5:30 Beth Worship</i> 7:00 OS Worship | 4 5:30 OS Worship ✚ <i>(Shortened version of Easter Sunday service)</i> |
| HOLY WEEK | | | | | | |
| 5 EASTER SUNDAY <i>7:00 Beth Worship</i> ✚ <i>After service Easter Breakfast</i> 9:00 OS Worship ✚ After Service Egg Hunt | 6 9:00 Coffee Crew 9:00 Quilters 7:00 Elders Meeting | 7 4:00 CCHF Backpacks 8:00 AA | 8 4:00: WBS 4 yr. old – 3 rd grade 4:00: Rock 456 Classes 5:30: Meal/Snack 5:45: Choir 6:00: 7 th – 8 th grade Confirmation Classes 6:30: Sr. High Connect | 9 9:45 BBS @ OS | 10 | 11 5:30 OS Worship |
| 12 9:00 OS Worship After Service: Adult BBS & Sunday School <i>9:15 Beth Adult BBS & Sunday School</i> <i>10:30 Beth Worship</i> 4:30 Jr. High Connect | 13 9:00 Coffee Crew 2:00 Women's Guild Meeting 6:00 Cub Scouts (Basement) | 14 4:00 CCHF Backpacks 7:00 Council Meeting 8:00 AA | 15 4:00: WBS 4 yr. old – 3 rd grade 4:00: Rock 456 Classes 5:30: Meal/Snack 5:45: Choir 6:00: 7 th – 8 th grade Confirmation Classes 6:30: Sr. High Connect 7:30 8 th Grade Confirmation Parent Info Meeting | 16 9:45 BBS @ OS | 17 | 18 5:30 OS Worship ✚ |
| 19 9:00 OS Worship ✚ After Service: Adult BBS & Sunday School <i>9:15 Beth Adult BBS & Sunday School</i> <i>10:30 Beth Worship</i> ✚ 7:00pm-12:00am Sr. High Mini Lock-In | 20 9:00 Coffee Crew 9:00 Quilters <i>7:00 Bethlehem Leadership Meeting</i> | 21 CCHF @ Presbyterian Church 1:00 Preparation 3:00 Distribution 4:00 CCHF Backpacks 8:00 AA Staleys Drive Thru for Unity Ride (at OS) | 22 LAST WEEK! 4:00: WBS 4 yr. old – 3 rd grade 4:00: Rock 456 Classes 5:30: Meal/Snack 5:45: Choir 6:00: 7 th grade Confirmation Class 8th Grade Confirmation Exam & Faith Paper Practice 6:30: Sr. High Connect | 23 9:45 BBS @ OS | 24 May Grapevine Info Due | 25 5:30 OS Worship |
| 26 9:00 OS Worship After Service: Adult BBS & Sunday School Branning Rental (Basement) <i>9:15 Beth Adult BBS & Sunday School</i> <i>10:30 Beth Worship</i> 4:30 Jr. High Connect | 27 9:00 Coffee Crew 6:00 Cub Scouts (Basement) 6:30 Discipleship Meeting | 28 4:00 CCHF Backpacks 7:00 Right to Life Meeting 8:00 AA | 29 Confirmation Banquet! | 30 9:45 BBS @ OS | CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Mon - Fri 9:00 – 2:00 712-263-3282 Communion will be served during this service ✚ <i>Updated: 4/3/26</i> | |

Please contact the office directly if you have a new event/meeting in the next 7 days. If it is in the future, please put it on the large calendar posted in the office or contact the office directly. To make changes, communicate directly to the office. Thank you!

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2026

Attendees - Steve, Pastor, Jarryn, Terri Martens, Eric Martens, Shari Frazier, Michael Phipps, Alan Suntken, Sue Feller

Meeting Called to Order by Council President Steve Frazier at 7:00

Opening Devotion/Prayer – Eric Martens & Pastor

Review of Minutes of the Council Meeting Staff Reports

- Pastor's Report – Pastor Trunkhill
Motion by Alan, seconded by Eric, to approve buying new computer and accessories for office for Stephanie. Motion carries.
- DCE – Jarryn
Discussion was held on the following topics:
*Kindle Registration - a 2 year continuing education program for DCE's
Motion by Eric, seconded by Michael, to approve Jarryn to register for Kindle and pay \$300 registration fee from the Elijah funds. Motion carries.
* Shepards Watch, does background checks for all volunteers working with our youth. Pastor recommended a background check policy be written, and he will discuss this with Pastor Wade. This will be discussed again in April.
Motion by Alan, seconded by Sue F., to approve staff reports. Motion carries

Council Board Reports

- Board of Elders – Eric Martens
Elders completed an interior facility walk through, they will apply to the Endowment Fund Grant for the purchase of two new AEDs.
Congregation Meeting on March 22 - Elders discussed the survey and will share the survey results concerning a second pastor
- Education/Youth – Julie Burhoop, Brooke Lambert, Brianne Schillerberg - no report
- Missions – Sue Bergamo - report submitted
- Discipleship – Rachel Greene - report submitted
- Parish Fellowship – Jackie Suprenant, Lisa Weber, Sue Feller Sue reported on recent funeral luncheons
- Property – Alan Suntken

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Alan received a list from Rex on work that needs to be done: shampooing carpet, outlets and light switches to replace, floor tile to replace, replace a smoke alarm, sound booth leak continues, painting needs done and would need to have a rotation to do some painting

DMU has fixed the parking lot light.

- Stewardship – Becky Jacobsen, report was submitted
- Treasurer – Terri Martens - no report, see Old Business

Motions by Sue F, seconded by Alan, to approve board reports. Motion carries.

Old Business

- Dishwasher - funds available and apply for Endowment Fund Grant
Project will be between \$35-36,00 - Congregation will be informed that funds available would be Thrivent Choice dollars, Endowment funds, Expanding the Spirit funds.
- Church credit cards through LFCU
- Church check signatures - Terri and Steve have been signing checks
- Direct deposit for payroll - Terri is working on this with the bank
- Voters' Meeting on March 22 - A conversation will be held about the survey results, led by Eric. Dishwasher project discussion will be led by Steve.

New Business

- Results of congregational survey Eric will share at the 3-22 Voters' meeting
- Suggestion to bring back donuts for adults on Sundays Pastor would like to have donuts to encourage fellowship after church, Pastor could add a slide for announcements, free will donations - *Eric motioned, Michael seconded, to provide donuts on Sundays. Motion carries.
- Roof issues above sound booth
Mark Feller would help Steve with looking at the roof leak problem.
- Should we schedule clean up projects?
Recommendations from Rex were given to Alan. They will work on creating a list of projects to be done.

Motion adjourned 8:30

Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Frazier, Council Secretary

**Our Savior Lutheran Church
Congregational Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2026**

Head Elder Eric Martens shared the congregational survey results. The discussion of a second pastor was tabled.

Council President Steve Frazier shared information about a proposed commercial dishwasher project.

- Strachan Sales would sell, install, and service a commercial dishwasher and 3 compartment sinks
- Price quote is approximately \$35,000 total - Installation \$32,660, Materials, updated electrical, updated plumbing, glass board for walls \$1500-2500.

Questions & Comments

-How much would it be used? –Betty Hawn

-At the Valentine's Dinner the parents and youth washed dishes by hand for 9 hours. Use of paper plates would be reduced. –Amber Young

-Would reduce the use of paper products. –Jarryn Wiley-Pearce

-Every Wednesday there is a meal served. –Julie Burhoop

-Council has worked on this for a couple of years. Hobart services the schools in town. –Rod Bradley

-Dishwasher sanitizes and saves on water. – Ben Pearce

-Is heat or steam exhaust a concern? –Paula Wiebers

-The machine takes care of the condensation. –Jon Jacobsen

-Funding sources would be Thrivent Choice dollars and Council has applied for an Endowment Fund Grant. –Steve Frazier

Motion made by Becca Green, seconded by Craig Dozark, to proceed with the project using Thrivent Choice dollars.

Approval of new voting members: Emily Frazier, Todd Lauderbaugh, Aubrey Young, Triniti Burhoop, Heather Quant, John

Quant. Motion to approve new voting members made by Craig Dozark, seconded by Todd Brus. Motion carries.

Votes taken by paper ballot: Yes - 76, No - 8, Motion carries.

Steve thanked Rod Bradley and Alan Suntken for their continued work on this project.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Rod Bradley, seconded by Emily Frazier. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Shari Frazier, Council Secretary



ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Everyone is Welcome!



SUNDAYS

9:15 am Bethlehem Bible Study & Sunday School
10:15 am Our Savior Bible Study & Sunday School

THURSDAYS

9:45 am Bible Study @ Our Savior

Prayers & Praise

"Never worry about anything. But in every situation let God know what you need in prayers and requests, while giving thanks." *Philippians 4:6*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THOSE WITH VARIOUS HEALTH ISSUES:

Lowell Neumann, Tammy Schurke, Denise Buckholdt, Jerry Blackmore, Gabby Riessen, Doris Neumann, Raven Stone, Pauline Meeves, Norma Berens, Mary Ellen Hafner.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE SHUT INS

Ruth Blackmore, Jenell Beam, Adlyn Ohl, Melanie Ohl.

REMEMBER THOSE SERVING AS MILITARY PERSONNEL

*Cody Vogt – United States Air Force, Creech Air Force Base, Nevada, son of Mike & Lisa Vogt
Tanner Krayneski – United States Marines, Camp Pendleton, Grandson of Byron & Pauline Meeves
Rob Garvey – United States Air Force, Fort Mead, Maryland., son in law of Ron & Catherine Lechtenberg
Alex Wingert – United States Navy, California, nephew of Larry Gittins
Payton Malone – United States Air Force, Grand Fork, North Dakota, Grandson of George & Julie Malone
Hanna Alexander – Marine Base, Quantico, Virginia, Granddaughter of Lynn & Clarence Hoffman
Kaya Auen – United States Navy, Fort Sam, San Antonio, Daughter of Kristin Kastner
Jed Wiley – United States Army, Tacoma, Washington, Brother of Jarryn Wiley-Pearce
Chandler Lee – United States Air Force, Missouri, Grandson of Sam Lee, and nephew of Travis & Rondi Wessel
Trevor Koenck – United States Air Force Reserve, Dayton, Ohio. Son of Bob & Melanie Coenen*

REMEMBER THOSE WE SUPPORT SERVING AS MISSIONARIES

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|--|---|
| <i>Benjamin and Ella Goehring – Romania</i> | <i>Rev. Jason and Emily Groth and Family – Belize</i> |
| <i>Rev. Dr. Thomas Park – Taiwan</i> | <i>Ruth Maita - Puerto Rico</i> |
| <i>Vicar Gavin Johnson – Dominican Republic</i> | <i>Hannah Hester - Asia Region</i> |
| <i>Rev. Jonathan Anderson – Panama</i> | <i>Pastor Carl & Chenhsi Li Hanson and Family – Korea</i> |
| <i>Rev. James and Angela Sharp – Puerto Rico</i> | <i>Zachary Turley – Japan</i> |
| <i>Eddy & Jamie Bynum – Spain</i> | |

Our Savior Prayer Chain Co-Captains
Doris: 402-350-3022, Shelly: 263-4376
Bethlehem Prayer Chain Co-Captains
Julie: 269-7715, Sue: 263-9613

APRIL THY STRONG WORD

Tune in Monday through Saturday, 6:25 a.m. KDSN (104.9 FM) 3–4-minute devotions sponsored by the local LCMS congregations.

April 6th—April 11th
April 13th—April 18th
April 20th—April 25th
April 27th—May 2nd

Rev. Richard Merrill
Rev. Nathan Peitsch
Rev. Ted Torreson
Rev. Jeffrey Wade

Multi-Point, Charter Oak
St. Paul, Ute
Christ, Denison
Zion, Denison

To financially support these broadcasts, please send donations to Our Savior and earmark for "Thy Strong Word."

Lutheran Family Services

www.lfsiowa.org

Crossroads of Crawford County

www.crossroadsofcrawfordcounty.com

3707 Timberline Dr., Denison

712-263-9950

Director@Crossroadsofcrawfordcounty.org

FCC (Family Crisis Center)

712-449-7196

michellej@familycrisiscenters.org

Additional online resources:

Lutheran Hour Ministries: www.lhm.org

Lutheran Church Missouri Synod:

www.lcms.org

Lutheran Women's Missionary League:

www.lwml.org

Men's Network: www.lhmmen.com

Online Bible: www.biblegateway.com

Concordia Publishing House:

www.CPH.org

Rightnow Media: www.rightnowmedia.org

Our Savior's Website

www.oursaviordenison.com

Facebook

Our Savior Lutheran – Denison, IA

Our Savior Denison-Youth Ministries

APP

"The Church App"-Our Savior Lutheran

"The Lutheran Hour"

6:30 a.m. Sundays:

KDSN-FM 104.9 Denison

10:30 a.m. Sundays:

KDSN-AM 1530

"Thy Strong Word"

Every Mon-Sat. 6:25 a.m.

KDSN-FM 104.9

Iowa District West

www.idwlcms.org

Camp Okoboji

www.campokoboji.org

Mission Central

www.missioncentral.us

Let's Connect!

CHURCH MAILBOXES

Don't forget to check your church mailbox. Located in the gathering area.

If you do not currently have a church mailbox and would like one, or if you have any name corrections you need made, please contact Stephanie at the church office, as I plan to re-do name labels on the mailboxes this spring

Happening in April

Bethlehem Lutheran
Easter Service - 7:00 am
Bethlehem Lutheran
110 S. Logan

Easter Breakfast
8:30 am - 10:00 am
Community Center

Everyone Welcome!!
April 5, 2026



Zion Lutheran Church invites you to their annual "Carrying the Cross" Friday, April 3rd at 8:45AM. Meet in the Zion playground parking lot.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

April 1st
NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

April 2nd Maundy Thursday
Bethlehem, 5:30 pm
Our Savior, 7:00 pm

April 3rd Good Friday
Bethlehem, 5:30 pm
Our Savior, 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday

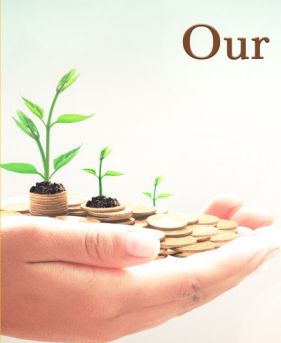
OUR SAVIOR:
Sunday, April 5th
Easter Service @ 9:00 am ✝
Saturday, April 4th @ 5:30 pm, Easter Lite ✝

BETHLEHEM:
Sunday, April 5th
Easter Service @ 7:00 am ✝
Easter Breakfast following the Service at the Community Center in Dow City.

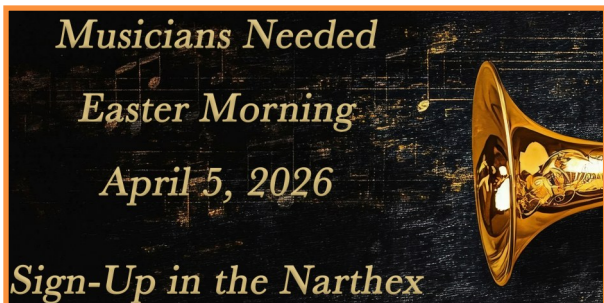
Confirmation Parent Meeting:
For all Our Savior and Bethlehem, Confirmands and at least 1 parent:
April 15th, 2026, 7:30pm, OS

Our Savior Endowment Fund

Endowment fund grants are considered on an annual basis. Application forms are located by the church mailboxes. Completed forms are due by April 5th and should be placed in Becky Jacobsen's church box. You will be contacted with final decision.



Musicians Needed
Easter Morning
April 5, 2026
Sign-Up in the Narthex



he is risen

more information to share

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

MAY 3RD, 2026

CONFIRMATION BANQUET FOR
CONFIRMANDS AND PARENTS,
APRIL 29TH, 2026



LAST DAY FOR GROUND ZERO, APRIL 22ND!

CONNECT WILL CONTINUE ON WEDNESDAYS
THROUGH MAY 20TH.

STARTING IN JUNE CONNECT WILL ONLY MEET ON
SUNDAYS



LWML SPRING RALLY
THURSDAY, APRIL 16TH,
9:00AM
AT ZION, DENISON.

2026 SENIOR PARENTS!
WE NEED INFORMATION AND PICTURES FOR OUR SENIOR
RECOGNITION EVENT! PLEASE USE THE QR CODE TO FILL OUT
THE INFORMATION. PLEASE HAVE THIS INFORMATION
SUBMITTED BY SUNDAY, MAY 3RD. THANK YOU!



Hear what you've
been missing
Devotions from
Denison Iowa



FREE MEDICARE SEMINAR

CRAWFORD COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND THE SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION PROGRAM (SHIP) ARE SPONSORING A FREE WELCOME TO MEDICARE SEMINAR. IF YOU ARE TURNING 65 IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, OR YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT MEDICARE, THIS SEMINAR IS FOR YOU. THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD AT CCMH IN MEETING ROOM D ON THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH AT 5:30PM. SIGN UP BY CALLING 712-265-2509.

CHUCK and Darin WITH THE 7TH GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS. NEXT Year's (2027) CONFIRMANDS!



March 2026 Parish Records

| March Official Acts | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Deaths: | | |
| Mary Jane Petersen | Born: February 10, 1933 | Died: February 28, 2026 |
| | Service: Harlan, Iowa | |
| Cheryl Rath-Comstock | Born: July 5, 1957 | Died: February 26, 2026 |
| | Service: March 7, 2026, Our Savior | Pastor Chad Trunkhill |
| Scott Woolridge | Born: January 1, 1956 | Died: March 10, 2026 |
| | Service: March 17, 2026 , Our Savior | Pastor Chad Trunkhill |
| Transfer In: | To: Our Savior Lutheran | From: St. Johns, Kiron |
| Nathan Koch | Effective: March 23, 2026 | |

Notes & Flyers to Share



Join us for Food, Drinks, Fun, Live Auction
and Cash Drawing!
Over \$9,500.00 will be given away!

A note from Julie Mann-IDW
The same weekend of April 2024, when IDW was hit by a massive storm front, including the funnel that destroyed most of Minden, IA, another EF3 tornado ripped through Sulphur, OK, hometown of DCE Jonathon Bailey of Redeemer, Sioux City. It flattened the entire east side of town, sadly took the life of one individual, while more than 30 others were injured and required medical care. At this time, the community of Sulphur is still trying to rebuild! The people who could afford to repair their homes or had insurance have already completed those repairs. There are, however, people who cannot afford to purchase materials or hire people to help. Redeemer Lutheran Church of Sioux City will be taking a group of 25 youth and adults on a mission trip, basing out of Hope Lutheran Church in Sulphur, in June of this year, and is trying to raise \$18,000 to cover travel expenses as well as materials for the people who need help. If you choose to support this project, please send donations by May 31st to the district office - c/o Julie Mann memo "OK Mission Trip". Thank you and God Bless.

Dear saints of Our Savior, Feb. 29, 2026
Thank you for partnering in the work of the Gospel through your generous gift to Mission Central. God be praised for the body of Christ working together to ensure the Good News is preached throughout all the earth, including Panama.
Blessings in Christ,
Pastor Jonathon Anderson



DENISON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

monday
April 13
12:15 pm to 5:45 pm
Crawford County Memorial Hospital
Meeting Rooms B & C

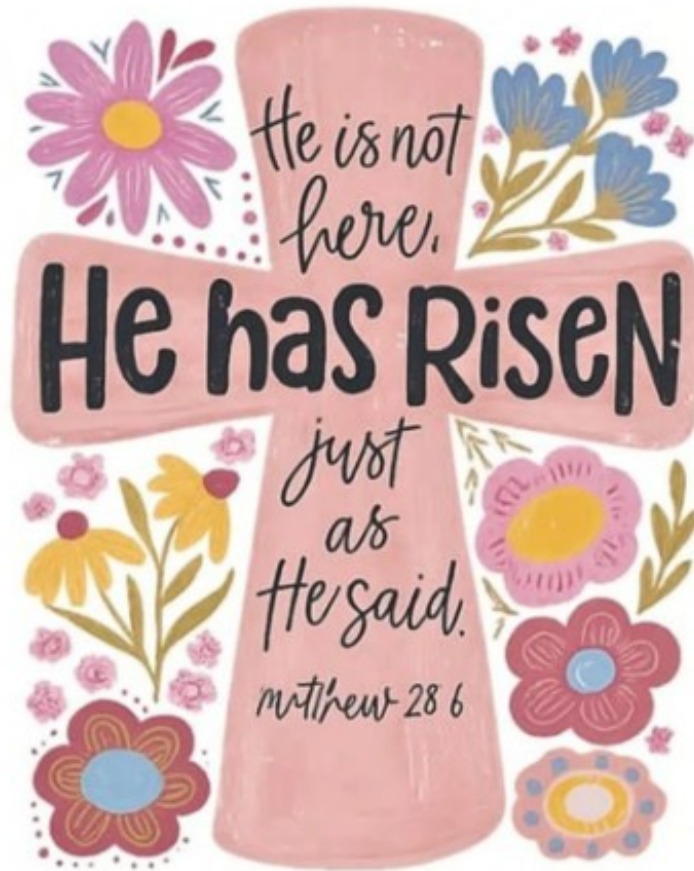
Volunteering 5 years
For 5 years, John has helped ensure our hospitals receive what patients urgently need.
Donor-Driven. Volunteer-Powered

TEXT lifeserve to 515.815.7242 | CALL 800.287.4903 | VISIT lifeservebloodcenter.org

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent Denison Community Blood Drive. Your generosity and willingness to donate truly make a life-saving difference for patients in our hospitals and communities.

- Blood Drive Results:**
- 37 Donors Stepped Up
 - 32 Donors Eligible to Donate
 - 39 Units Donated
 - 117 Lives Saved or Enriched

Every blood donation has the power to help save lives. Because of donors like you, local hospitals are able to care for patients facing surgeries, accidents, cancer treatments, and many other medical needs. Your decision to roll up your sleeve ensures that lifesaving blood is available when it is needed most.



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