

Our Savior Lutheran's **October Voice 2026**

REFORMATION

Luther Fest



Sunday, October 25

Worship Service: 9:30 am • Sunday School: 10:45 am

Lutherfest!

12:00-3:00 pm

Gym & Outside Pavilion

**Delicious Food by the Holy
Smokers, Games, Face Painters!
Bouncy Houses! Hayrides!**

**Live
Entertainment by
Auf Geht's!
and... "95 Pieces"
Table Treats!**



*We are asking
families, individuals & church groups to decorate a table, which will be
around the pavilion court, and provide treats for the kids!*

Details: www.OSL.cc

Fun, Family-Friendly Costumes are welcome!



"95 Pieces" Table Treats...

We are decorating **tables with candy and/or treats for the kids** to be placed around the pavilion, so we can all enjoy the festivities together! **Participating groups and individuals are asked to have a Martin Luther / Reformation / Gospel type of theme**, and will need to have your table ready by **11:45am, Sunday, October 25, 2026.**

Please register, at no cost, thru the church website at... <https://osl.cc/95-pieces-table-treats>

Have someone attending your table for the duration of the event. Bring some chairs to sit and compliment the kids' costumes! Meet a family! *Have fun!*



For candy, please only bring store-bought individually wrapped treats, or consider giving out a non-candy treat (bubbles, toys, other small prizes). We don't know the exact number of kids, but we could have 400+ children at the event.

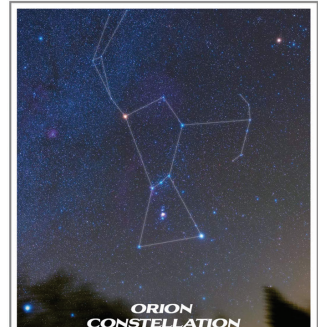
This year's event is 3 hours, ending at 3:00pm.

Questions? Contact the church office:
713-290-9087.



Houston Night Lights
Friday, October 2, 2026
Soccer Field

Join us as we explore the Fall stars and planets in the Houston night sky. We have some new telescopes and some stronger lenses. We meet on the soccer field at 8:00 pm.



OSL Astronomy Club



Dear Saints of God,

God greet you all! There are so many great and wonderful things happening at Our Savior Lutheran. We have much for which to give thanks to God! Our God has granted to us a Christian community in which to worship, learn, and support one another. Our Savior Lutheran is an active and energetic parish. What do I mean by that? There is something happening at OSL every single day. The things that are happening are Christ centered and cross focused. We have a vibrant Lutheran classical school. You might be tempted to think that the school is one thing and the church another. Yet, by God's grace, we are not two, but one. Our Savior Lutheran has from the earliest years of her existence understood the importance of God's command to teach our children His ways and to bring them up in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Thanks be to God that OSL has had and continues to maintain a Christian school to teach the faith to our people.

Even so, this is the focus of all we do. The study of God's Word is robust. We meet regularly to study books of the Bible and the pure doctrine gathered from it. The community meets daily for Matins (*sometimes in the gymnasium and sometimes in the sanctuary*) to pray together and hear the Word of God to start the day. We meet regularly throughout the year on Wednesday nights for Evening Prayer. We celebrate the Means of Grace on Sunday morning! Our children enjoy studying the Bible at Sunday School. We enjoy fellowship and camaraderie before Bible studies and on specific occasions. We have potlucks, Lutherfest, car shows, and picnics. All of this is describing God's people—a family of the people loved by God—living together in unity and peace. This is by the power and active presence of the Holy Spirit. This Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies us. The Psalmist says, “Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!” Luther's great Lord's Supper hymn, *O Lord, We Praise Thee*, ends with, “Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!” Indeed, we have much to be thankful for. Pray for the peace and unity of our congregation and the Church throughout the world.

You are God's people here in this place. Our community is robust and alive because God's Word is alive and performative. Jesus has made a promise never to leave or forsake his own. Thanks be to God that he always keeps his promises. He does it!

Pastor Cholak



The Ministry of First Impressions: Welcoming as Christ Welcomed Us

“Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.” — ROMANS 15:7

When we step through the sanctuary doors on a Sunday morning, it is natural to default to our comfortable routines. We often slide into our favorite pews, scan the room for familiar faces, and catch up with old friends. These connections are beautiful blessings of a healthy church family. At the same time, Scripture gently calls us to look outward, encouraging us to expand our circles each Sunday.

In his letter to the Romans, the Apostle Paul shares a profound reminder: we are called to welcome one another with the same grace, warmth, and unconditional love that Christ showed to us. When we remember that Jesus welcomed us with open arms, our approach to the church narthex shifts. Hospitality softens from a casual routine into a meaningful act of worship.

What does a genuinely welcoming, biblical community look like in practice?

- It leaves favoritism at the door. The Apostle James offers an important reminder about church gatherings in James 2:1–4. He encourages us not to give preferential treatment to the influential while unintentionally overlooking the marginalized or unfamiliar. True Christian hospitality honors every single person who walks through our doors as a unique soul made in the image of God.
- It serves with a joyful heart. 1 Peter 4:9 reminds us to “show hospitality to one another without grumbling.” Authentic welcome goes beyond a polite smile; it comes from a place of joy, recognizing that each person present is a gift to our community.
- It shifts our focus from self to neighbor. Philippians 2:4 encourages us to “look not only to [our] own interests, but also to the interests of others.” In a church setting, this means intentionally reaching beyond our comfortable, familiar circles. We can step out to greet someone new, guide a parent to the cry room, or sit next to someone attending alone.

Let us encourage one another to practice the “Ministry of First Impressions.” We can keep an eye out for new faces, arrive a few minutes early to linger in the narthex, and intentionally seek out someone unfamiliar to share a warm greeting, a bulletin, and a smile.

Bill Prestwood

F.A.S.T. Fall



Enjoy ... **Fellowship And Study Together!**

Wednesdays: October 14 — November 11

Come join us this Fall in the **Church Building** for various classes with an option for those kids that need an earlier bedtime. The **Mommy and Me** class *will start at 4:30pm*, with the option of enjoying dinner and fellowship before going home. **Classes with various topics will then begin at 6:30pm** with Evening Prayer to follow.

Childcare is provided but registration is needed! Please scan the QR code or click the link in the form OR call the church office – 713-290-9087.

Babysitting Link: <https://osl.breezechms.com/form/ce8739>



Mommy and Me @ 4:30pm: “Sunday Prep with your Littles” –

Stephanie Cholak – Family Room (*A look at the readings used in next Sunday’s service; Practicing and learning vocabulary; Making connections to hymns and other stories throughout the Bible.*)

Light Meal @ 5:30pm

Short Study @ 6:30pm

F.A.S.T. Menu:

Oct 14: Chicken Pot Pie

Oct 21: Loaded Baked Potato

Oct 28: Beef Enchiladas

Nov 4: Spaghetti w/meatballs

Nov 11: Hamburgers

Epistle of James – Pastor Cholak – Bible Class Room: *A week-by-week entire five-chapter study of the book of James.*

“Why is Jesus the Bad Guy?” – Jeff Armstrong – Choir Room: *A study in how many of today’s religions look at the second member of the Holy Trinity.*

“Christian Financial Education” – Kellan Caldwell – Thrivent Financial Advisor – Youth Room

We close with Evening Prayer in the Bible Class Room.

OSL School News:

Our Savior Lutheran School has remained fully committed this September to our mission of forming faithful, wise, and virtuous scholars. Through our SQS (Scire Quod Sciendum- “Knowledge Worth Knowing”) program, our scholars have begun exploring the three Theological Virtues Faith, Hope, and Love; which direct our hearts and minds toward God. We began with Faith, remembering the words of Hebrews 11:1: “Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.” We then reflected on Hope, considering how God uses even our trials to develop perseverance, character, and hope, as described in Romans 5:3–4. Finally, we focused on Love, guided by the words of 1 Corinthians 13:4–7. Our scholars were reminded that Christian love is patient and kind, seeks the good of others, rejoices in truth, and “always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.” These virtues provide an important foundation as our scholars grow in both knowledge and character.



Our Cross Country team also enjoyed a wonderful fall season and hosted the Our Savior Invitational on September 12. Teams from across Houston came to compete on our challenging, very hilly course! Across every sport, our Eagles strive to compete with skill, determination, and sportsmanship, proudly representing Our Savior Lutheran School both on and off the field.

Our sixth graders recently had the opportunity to attend Outdoor Education at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, Texas. This experience gave them time to grow together as a class while learning more about themselves, developing outdoor skills, and experiencing the wonder of God’s creation. We are grateful for opportunities like these that encourage our scholars to learn, grow, and build lasting relationships beyond the classroom.

The Logic School building was completed at the end of September, and October will be a busy and exciting month as our scholars and teachers move into their new classrooms. As everyone settles into this wonderful new space, we look forward to sharing pictures and updates in next month’s newsletter.



We continue to ask for your prayers as we support the ministry of Our Savior Lutheran Church and seek to serve families in the name of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement, and support of Our Savior Lutheran School.

Thank you for being part of the Our Savior family. Go Eagles!

Erik Morrissey
Principal



Lutheran Women *in Mission* PRAYER SERVICE 2026

PRAISE
REMEMBER
ASK
YIELD
EXCITEMENT
REJOICE

LWML White Oak Zone Fall Rally

Sunday, October 4
2:00pm • Beautiful Savior

215 Rittenhouse Street • Houston, TX 77076

Reception to follow • Registration begins at 1:30pm

Rev. Barrie Henke wrote that the service “prompts the participants to remember that God does not speak to His children in prayer. Rather, His children speak to Him, assured that He readily speaks to them in His Word and in the Sacraments...” Our annual Fall Rally is a time to gather, sing hymns, and enjoy moments of reflection and conversation.

Join us!

No RSVP needed

LWML Cheerful Helpers

Bunco this month is canceled; we encourage you to attend the Walk for Life or the Car Show....or both and make a day of it!

LWML Sunday is October 4, 2026!

In observance of that, we will be collecting items for health kits and school kits we assemble for Orphan Grain Train! Please feel free to donate one item or several, or enough for a full kit. We assemble kits as we have enough items to fill them.

Hygiene Kits:

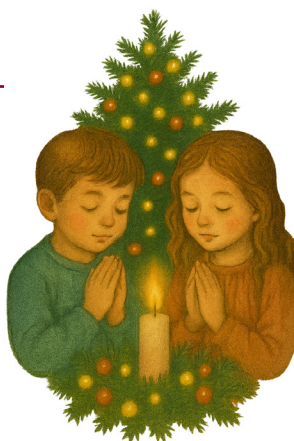
- 1 bath towel
- 1 wash cloth
- 1 bath-size bar of soap
- 1 plastic soap box holder
- 1 sturdy comb
- 1 nail clipper
- 1 toothbrush (individually pre packaged)
- 6 band-aids (½" or ¾")
- 1 small pre-packaged facial tissues pack (usually 10-15 per package)

School Kits:

- 1 backpack
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 2 pencils
- 2 pens
- 10 sheets of construction paper
- 1 package crayons (24 count)
- 1 ruler
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 scissors
- 1 rectangular eraser
- 1 package, colored pencils (12 count)
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 single pocket folder

Chrismons

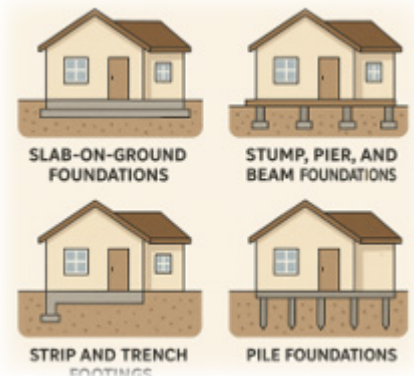
This year, we are making the Lamb pattern. If you need supplies or are interested in helping with this, please reach out! (sbaughman@osl.cc or call the church office)



Men in Focus:

If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do? PSALM 11:4

While we agree with Saint Paul, the Apostle, ***“For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”*** (1 CORINTHIANS 3:11), there remain certain obstacles or hinderances to our maintaining a firm foundation. And neglecting our foundation can result in the collapse of the house we are building. Things that hinder throughout every season of life and God’s Word to help us think rightly and then do rightly, keeping our foundation in good shape:



• **Unbelief:**

- * And he (Jesus) did not do many mighty works there, because of their unbelief. (Matthew 13:58)
- * Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” (Mark 9:24)
- * And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. (Hebrews 11:6)

• **Unrepentant sin:**

- * If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. (Psalm 66:18)
- * I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. (Psalm 32:5)
- * But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ (Luke 18:13)

Every time you see yourself acting in unbelief or find that the pleasures of sin are leading you off course, Christ Jesus, our Advocate, stands ready to help you and restore you. Believe His Word. Obey His Word. Keep your foundation strong!

Bo Guevara

Music In Ministry

The Prelude

Last month we began studying the role of music in the Lutheran church service starting with “Pre-Service” music.

This month we will discuss the prelude. What comes to mind when the prelude begins? What’s its purpose? Why do we include it in our worship service? Any other questions?

A little history first. The formal prelude in the worship service began in The Netherlands during the 17th century. Oddly enough, music of any kind was forbidden in the weekly worship service. There were organs in churches, many left after being transformed from Roman Catholic churches. The Dutch enjoyed organ music however, so as a compromise, the city councils, who owned the organs, hired organists to play concerts before the actual worship service took place.

The tradition continued, and as Lutheranism grew and spread, its love of music and its unique power grew with it. Lutherans were well-known for their use of music in the weekly worship service. As churches began to realize that music wasn’t needless or for the chance for the organist to show off, many other denominations began to include music in their worship. Soon, the prelude took on a very different purpose.

“Pre-lude,” though traditionally accepted and widely used, is an unfortunate term to describe this musical moment in worship. This word implies that this music takes place before the worship service begins. The truth is, the prelude is the first act of worship.

In the Lutheran tradition, the prelude serves to set the tone for what is to follow. As the prelude begins, the acolytes carry their torches, lit by the one Christ candle, to light the chancel area, symbolizing God’s presence among His people. The pastors process into the Sanctuary during this time as well, aiding the worshipper to anticipate this time with God and each other. The prelude usually reflects a hymn being sung in the service or the particular day or season that the church is in at that time.

The prelude is not just background, or “walking music,” but music that is selected with the specific intent of inviting people into worship.

How many of the Psalms speak of instruments playing in heaven? How often do we get to hear organ music playing in the grocery store or the mall? The music played in church is designed for church, not entertainment or filler.

The next time you hear a prelude being played in a worship setting, maybe imagine what it will be like when you are with all the saints, standing around the throne of God in endless praise. What a joy to anticipate!

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

LSB 655

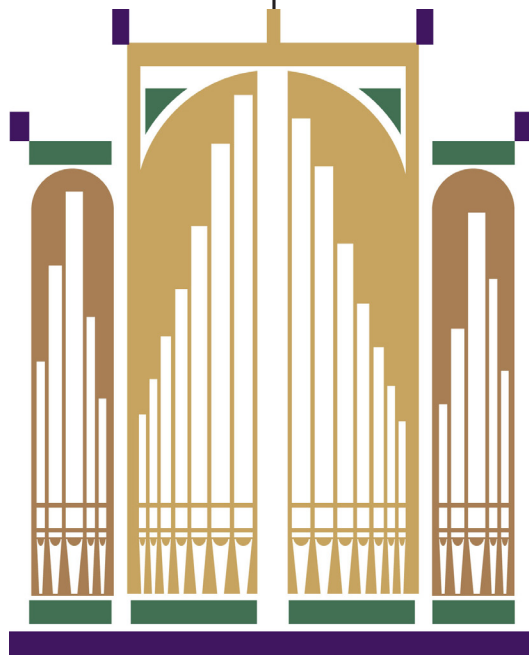
There is probably not a Lutheran around who doesn’t sing “A Mighty Fortress” on Reformation Sunday. But did you know Martin Luther also wrote “Lord, Keep us Steadfast in Your Word?” Another familiar hymn sung on Reformation Sunday.

The hymn is trinitarian in form, with each stanza addressed to a successive person of the Trinity. The hymn’s original German form begins with concrete talk of the enemies’ weapons: the deceit of the papists and the sword of the Muslims. The names of our enemies and their choice of weapons may have changed, but the text still resonates with the two ways in which the Church is attacked:

spiritually and physically. The devil is a liar, and he attacks and constantly desires to tear apart the Church in both obvious and devious ways. Many Christians may not feel much of a physical threat against the Church in today’s society, yet they remain fervent in prayer for the protection of those who are at risk.

The second stanza returns to the source of the Church’s strength in the battle against its enemies. Jesus Christ is the object of our enemies’ hate and the one whom they seek to destroy. At the same time, Jesus is the only source of power in their defeat.

Because of this vale of tears our peace and unity as God’s people in Christ is sorely tried and threatened, it is necessary for us Christians faithfully to implore the Holy Spirit as we



do in stanza 3, confident that He comes to our aid. Still further, we continue to pray that in the final battle with death, the “Comforter of priceless worth” will support us and lead us into the heavenly peace that comes only in Christ’s kingdom.

The three solas expressed in the Reformation could not be more clear:

Sola Fide • Sola Scriptura • Sola Gratia

During Jesus’ temptation from the devil, He won the battle by using the words of Holy Scripture. May we also remember – “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word.”

OSL Music Ministry

Each month we will be looking at one of our many musical groups in detail. This month we will look at **The Jubilate Choir**. The Latin word Jubilate means “to shout for joy” or “to rejoice.”

The concept of the “church choir” is a result of the Reformation. Prior to the Reformation choirs were made up of monks and nuns, the typical layperson did not participate. For as long as OSL has been in existence, a choir has been an integral part of its life. The Jubilate Choir gathers every week to prepare special music and/or add to the congregation’s hymns. What takes place is a journey. Let me lead you through the process these people endure.

First, OSL’s Jubilate Choir, like most other church choirs, is built by volunteers with varying degrees of musical knowledge or skill. Some may be musicians themselves while others know nothing about music. What binds these people together is the love of music and their wanting to praise God in this unique way.

We begin with a piece of paper with black dots all over it combined with some sort of text. It has no life of its own. Without the members of the choir, it remains a still, lifeless piece of paper. Through weeks of learning, what emerges is a glorifying act of praise to God for His love and goodness.

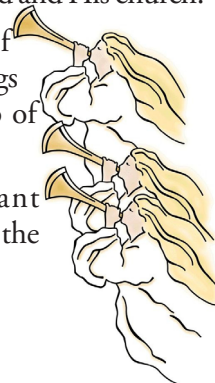
As the church progresses through the liturgical season, the song of the choir helps to reinforce that theme, drawing the listener closer to the love and events of God and His church.

The choir is the closest thing this side of heaven that expresses what the endless songs of praise will be sung around the Lamb of God when we all are gathered together.

Music has always been an important component of the Lutheran Church and the choir is a strong arm of that body.

Jubilate Deo!

Jeff Armstrong



Scan QR to Save Babies & Moms!

When you **SCAN the CODE** to **CONTRIBUTE** to the Run/Walk for Life, **YOU** provide real help to more than 3,700 women each year through our Blue Blossom Pregnancy Centers, of whom **93.5% embrace LIFE** for their babies! OSL’s goal is \$40,000. You don’t have to run or walk to help.

RUN/WALK for LIFE 2026 is a 2 mile walk or a 5K fun-run to raise awareness for LIFE, **Saturday, October 17, 8:00am-11am**, at St. Theresa Catholic Church in Memorial Park, 6622 Haskell, 77007.



Crisis pregnancies have not ended, and abortions are still happening in Texas due to the widespread availability of the abortion pill. For nearly 25 years, Houston Coalition for Life together with our generous volunteers and supporters have stood on the front lines praying and working to end abortion while providing vulnerable women with free, life-affirming services that encourage and empower them to choose life for their preborn babies.

Thanks for helping!

Classic Car Show

Our Savior Lutheran Church

October 17, 2026

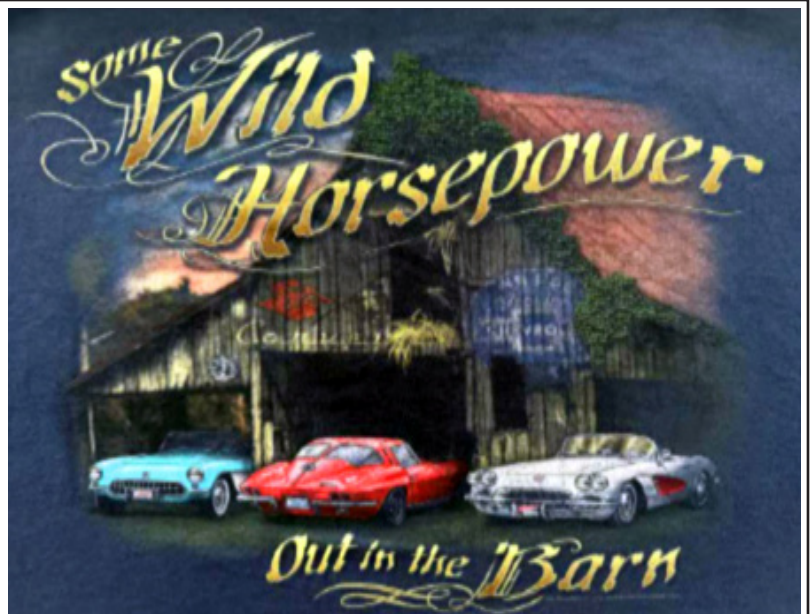
**Gates open
8:30 am**

**Judging concludes
@ Noon**

Awards @ 1:30 pm

**\$10 Pre-registration
by October 2, 2026
and \$20 day of show**

- DESIGNATED PARKING FOR 1987 & OLDER VEHICLES
- OPEN FOR CARS, TRUCKS & MOTORCYCLES Vehicles newer than 1987 are welcome to park outside of the reserved show areas, but will not be registered or judged. Open to the public at no charge.
- A Trophy awarded to the following years: 40 and older, 50, 60, 70, 80 and Best In Show.
- Please observe all laws, on property and when leaving !!
- Contact Dan Greenwood: 713-302-5692 or Dan.greenwood4@gmail.com



SAVE THE DATE

11-13-2026

OSL MEN ALIVE

22nd ANNUAL CHARITY

NIGHT GOLF TOURNAMENT

Play 9 holes in the daylight & 9 holes in the dark

3PM START • Modified Callaway Scoring



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JERSEY VILLAGE, TX 77040

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:
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MENALIVE@OSL.CC

Memorials

Given to the glory of God to **Forward Faithfully: Building for Our Future** (unless noted otherwise), in loving memory of ...

Norman Adams

Gerardo Acosta
Tyler Althouse
Joey & Linda Banes
John & Terry Benes
Michael Betterton
George & Florence Boerger
Paul Bohls
Laura Boyd
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Kevin Camarata
The Chamberlin Family
Dennis & Wanda Christie
Roseanne Easton & Will Coates
Bonnie Collins
William & Jody Cook
Lyle Coston
Martha Moseley Crawford
Curtis Steel Company
Chris Davis
Divine Care Home Health LLC
Nancy DuBroff
Sharon Edwards
Michael Emmons
Extracare Home Health Services
Patrick Finnegan & TCA
The Flores Family
Pat & Pam Gavin
Stacy Graziano
Joni Hogue & SpawGlass
Houston Coalition for Life
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Danny & Sandra Melcher
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The Pampell Family
Ann Putman
John Prince

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The Sass Family and Weisser Engineering & Surveying
Breana Saxton
Lyle & Karen Schmidt
Stephen & Jennifer Schoppe
Brandon & René Shipes
Alan Smidlein
Deanie Stephens
The Supercinski & Kalisek Families
Brian & Amy Waiser
Cathy Wernli
Adam & Diane White
Janet Williams
Ed & Mary Beth Witt
Dorothy Worthing
Roger & Clarissa Worthing
Patricia Wottrich
Debra, Freddie, & Matt Yaggi

Oliver Biehle

William & Jody Cook

Barbara Martens

Janice Jolley

Paul & Gertrude Stringer

Kenneth Stringer

Honorariums & Missions

Pastor White – to Forward Faithfully

Supercinski & Kalisek Families

Lutherans in Africa – May Family

Laura Boyd

Africa – Wokoma

Laura Boyd

Membership Change

DEATH: Oliver Biehle — August 15, 2026

Lutheran Witness Renewal

If you would like to be included in the church's subscription, simply write a check to OSL for \$30.00, with "Lutheran Witness" in the memo, and place it in the offering plate by **October 15**.



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Bible Classes at 8:15 & 10:45am

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Monday-Thursday: 8 am-5 pm
Fridays: 8 am-4 pm

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Seeton Pollock | | |
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Lois Newbauer
Angie Nitsch | | |
| 15 Eric Fomby
Sandy Leger
Adam White | | |

Birthdays in October



2026

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 3:00pm Prayer <u>Request printing deadline</u> 6:15pm Carillon Ringers 7:00pm Jubilate Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	2	3 8:30am Men Alive-A101  Men's Breakfast 10:00am GEMS YOUTH in Mission-LWML Group-YR  11:00am Bon Appétit
4 8:15am Bible Class-BC 9:30am Matins - LWML Sunday - Jensen Baptisms 10:45am Sunday School 12:00pm Evangelism Meeting - EO 12:00pm Exultae Brass-Sanctuary 12:00pm Fellowship Meeting - Lutherfest - YR 5:00pm Volleyball League - Gym 	5 6:30pm LWML Potter's Vessel-FR 6:30pm New Member - Monday Night Class-BC 	6 11:00am HCFL <i>Prayer Vigil for LIFE - PP</i> 6:30pm Stitches Fellowship Group - FR 7:00pm Church Council-BC	7 6:30am Men's Bible Study-BC 8:15am Chapel - Church 10:00am Bible Class-BC <u>12:00pm Bulletin Deadline</u>	8 <u>3:00pm Prayer</u> <u>Request printing deadline</u> 6:15pm Carillon Ringers 7:00pm Jubilate Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	9 9:00am Joseph's Guild of Colors-LWML	10
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Those To Serve: October 2026

Acolytes	10/04/26	9:30 AM	Katrin Daniel / Max Berry
Carts	10/04/26	9:30 AM	Work Team
Elders	10/04/26	9:30 AM	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White
Evangelism	10/04/26	9:30 AM	Team Stuhr
Greeters	10/04/26	9:30 AM	TEAM 3: Cherington / Guevara
Sound	10/04/26	9:30 AM	Witt
Ushers	10/04/26	9:30 AM	Gobrogge Team
Acolytes	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Kourtney Garcia / William Garcia
Altar Guild	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Barbara Mushinski Team 8
Carts	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Adams Team
Comm Asst.	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White / Bo Guevarra
Elders	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White
Evangelism	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Team Nino
Greeters	10/11/26	9:30 AM	TEAM 4: Copeland / Downie
Sound	10/11/26	9:30 AM	J. Wilbanks
Ushers	10/11/26	9:30 AM	Symcox Team
Acolytes	10/18/26	9:30 AM	Cameron Main / Prynce Willis
Carts	10/18/26	9:30 AM	Pampell Team
Elders	10/18/26	9:30 AM	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White
Evangelism	10/18/26	9:30 AM	Team Malson
Greeters	10/18/26	9:30 AM	TEAM 5: Friedrich / Kriegel
Sound	10/18/26	9:30 AM	Greenwood
Ushers	10/18/26	9:30 AM	Halbert Team
Acolytes	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Alex Dellaughter +/ Conrad Kleb / Isaac Luna / Emily Williams / Camryn Winfree
Altar Guild	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Vickie Nitsch Team 9
Carts	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Downie Team
Comm Asst.	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White / Bo Guevarra
Elders	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Bruce Blake / John Wilbanks / Lanny Moore / Aaron White
Evangelism	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Team O'Neill/Schmidt
Greeters	10/25/26	9:30 AM	TEAM 6: Edwards
Sound	10/25/26	9:30 AM	T. Wilbanks
Ushers	10/25/26	9:30 AM	Downie Team



Stewardship Q&A:

Questions:

1. **What is a Biblical tithe?**
 - a. Whatever you want it to be.
 - b. 20% of net income.
 - c. 10% of gross income.
2. **Where do we see the tithe first introduced?**
 - a. At Mount Saini by Moses.
 - b. At the Valley of Shaveh (the King's Valley) by Abram.
 - c. By Jesus, at the Temple in Jerusalem after he drove out the money changers.
3. **Is the practice of tithing strictly an Old Testament practice or is it a New Testament practice also?**
 - a. Old Testament only.
 - b. New Testament only.
 - c. Both Old & New Testament.
4. **Of our belongings, what portion belongs to God?**
 - a. All of what we have belongs to God (100%).
 - b. The tithe (the first 10%) only.
 - c. The tithe and any special offering I feel led to give.
5. **Does God care about the 90% remaining after our tithe?**
 - a. Maybe, but He also wants me to be happy and enjoy life.
 - b. No. If we give our tithe, that's all he cares about.
 - c. Yes. He is just as concerned about the 90% as He is about the tithe.



1. c – And every tithe of herds and flocks, every tenth animal of all that pass under the herdsman's staff, shall be holy to the LORD. (Leviticus 27:32) You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year.
2. b – And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High). And he blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him a tenth of everything. (Genesis 14:18-20)
3. c – "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint and dill and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faithfulness. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. (Matthew 23:23)
4. a – For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills...for the world and its fullness are mine. (Psalm 50:10-12)
5. c – see Psalm 50:10-12. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. (James 1:17)

Nativity is Coming!

"How can I help?" *You might ask.* We need help with setting up the village on Friday night, and people to work the village as actors and doing crafts. We also need help setting up the signs and lights on Friday night...

We would appreciate any and all help in making this year's Nativity Event the best it can be. Thank you!

In His service,

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All in the Church Building

Wednesdays: October 14 — November 11

Mommy and Me @ 4:30pm

Light Meal @ 5:30pm

Short Study @ 6:30pm

We close with Evening Prayer in the Bible Class Room