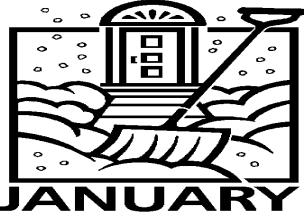


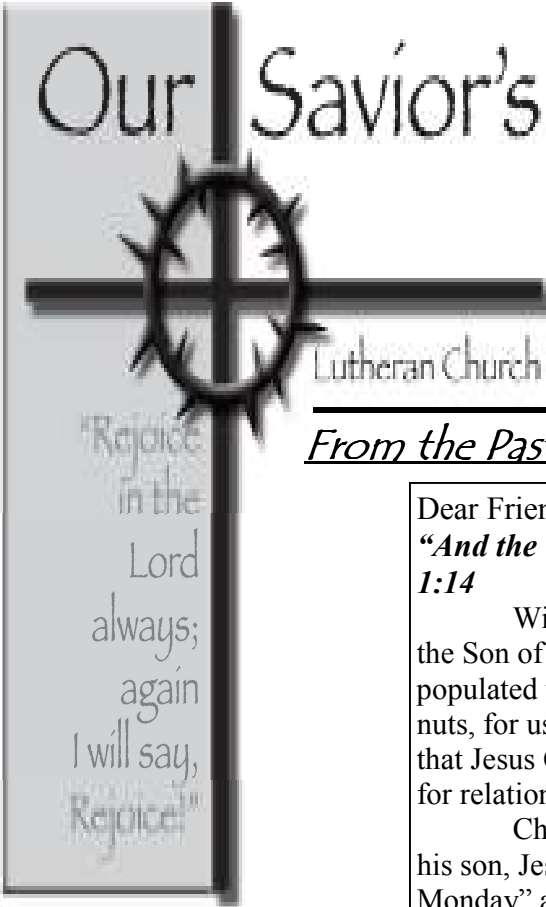
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The Messenger

From the Pastor...

Dear Friends of Jesus Christ at Our Savior's!
"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us full of grace and truth." John 1:14

With these words, St. John the Evangelist begins to tell us the story of Jesus, the Son of God. This God comes into his own world, one he created for us, one he populated with animals for us, one he planted millions of plants and trees, fruits and nuts, for us and saves us. St. John is clear from the very beginning of his gospel story that Jesus Christ is the One of God who has come to save us from sin and to save us for relationship with God and each other.

Christmas is celebrated to remind us of God's purpose in the incarnation of his son, Jesus. Yes, we get sidetracked with such events as "Black Friday" and "Web Monday" and all of the sales that happened before and after Christmas. Yes, we wonder what to buy those we love who already have everything. Yes, we wonder what in the world we are doing sometimes running in a frenetic way from store to store and web site to web site.

We hear of a shopper in L.A. pepper spray another shopper at a Wal-Mart on Black Friday so that she could get the Xbox she sought at all cost. We wonder what and where this is all headed.

Then we hear of a family who took all of their money that they were going to use to buy the gifts for under the tree. We hear that they took that money and bought a farm of animals for a village in central Africa. We hear of another family who took the time from their crazy schedules and rang the bell for Salvation Army. Laughing and joyously sharing the true spirit of this incredible season of Jesus.

We hear of another family who took their money and gave it to the Second Harvest food bank for those who are hungry. On the night of gift opening, they shared the stories of past Christmas' and what each family member meant to them in poems and stories.

I share these stories with you because they are the essence of what it means to celebrate the birth of Jesus. For when the wrapping paper is disposed of and the boxes are broken down for recycle and the returns are stacked in the back of the van, what do we have left? We have each other and Jesus. This is the season in which we are called to look at each other and see the gift of Jesus in each one. This is Christmas.

You and I have been gifted by Jesus Christ to be 'little Christ's' in the world according to Martin Luther. Let us as a faith community be 'little Christ's' in this place as we head into 2012 with all of the hope a new year brings and with all the hope that is Jesus Christ!

See you in Church!

In Jesus,
Pastor Paul

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Boy Scouts Chili Dinner
Fundraiser

January 28th, 2012

4pm to 8pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall



"To know Christ and have Others know Him!"

Church News

Fair Trade

Thank you Our Savior's for your generous and continued support for the Fair Trade Store. Your purchases have made possible considerable contributions to farmers, laborers, and artisans around the world. Fair trade promotes global peace by creating opportunity and development for people and communities most disadvantaged by conventional trade.

OSL's Fair Trade Store inventory is continually replenished. If there are certain items that you would like added or replaced, please notify Christina Kadelbach with your requests.

Please continue to visit the store in the Narthex between services on the first and third Sunday of the month or by stopping by the church office

Tea isn't just for drinking. As evidence, bake this banana cake and serve as a dessert or healthy breakfast offering.

Chai Banana Cake

This moist banana cake— beautiful enough for dessert yet healthy enough for breakfast— gets its rich, spiced flavor from Equal Exchange Chai Tea in both the batter the glaze.

Ingredients:

- 1 Equal Exchange Chai Tea bag
- 1/2 cup canola oil
- 1 cup white sugar
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 3 very ripe bananas, mashed
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 cup white flour
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 cup toasted wheat germ
- 3/4 cup walnuts or pecans
- 1 cup confectioners sugar

Directions: Preheat oven to 385 degrees. Combine tea with 3/4 cup boiling water and steep for 5 minutes, until tea is very strong; set aside. In large bowl, mix together oil, sugar, beaten eggs and mashed bananas.

In smaller bowl, mix flours, salt and baking soda. Add dry ingredients to the banana mixture, then stir in wheat germ, 1/2 cup tea, and nuts. Pour batter into a buttered Bundt pan and bake about 55 minutes.

Prepare glaze by whisking remaining 1/4 cup tea with confectioner's sugar. Pour glaze over cooled cake

Chai Tea featured in this recipe is available at OSL's Fair Trade Store. Enjoy!

Christmas Salvation Army Bell Ringers 2011

"Feeling grateful and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." William Arthur Ward

With that thought I offer a sincere thank you to all the Salvation Army Bell Ringers ant to those who gave so generously to the red kettle! There were 9 days, 90 hours, of bell ringers. Most were filled by Our Savior's members, but also wonderful persons with the same passion top help those in need. We all know there would have been others ringing during those days, but we seem to do it with a commitment and in a manner that makes helping others a wonderful gift to those in need, and we in return are blessed as well.

Those nine days at Super One generated \$7345.41 and another \$1650.00 came from generous individuals separate from the kettles. The combined total came to \$8995.41. Again, I thank you all so very much. Though we have come to the end of the Christmas season, I would like to conclude with this poem by Howard Thurman.

The Work of Christmas

When the song of angels is stilled,

When the star in the sky is gone,

When the kings and princes are home,

When the shepherds are back with their flock,

The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,

To heal the broken,

To feed the hungry,

to release the prisoner,

To rebuild the nations,

To bring peace among the brothers,

To make music in the heart.

The work of Christmas is ongoing. Thank you for sharing in that work and for a job well done.

~Al Behrens

How Can You Show Your Love?

Want to do something special for your spouse to show how much you care? Attend a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend and focus on just the two of you. Engaging presentations by both lay and clergy leaders give you tools and information while exercises and conversations with your spouse in the privacy of your hotel room revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage

The Spring Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends in Minnesota are February 10-12 (think Valentines!) in Brooklyn Center, March 23-25 in Duluth and May 4-6 in Walker. Please register several weeks in advance. For more information, contact Dick & Judy Dehn at 952-432-3105, Pete & Phyllis McMahon at 763-561-1575 or visit www.godlovesmarriage.org.

In the Mailbag...

Bob and I want to say a special thank you to all. Your support, kind words and friendship are very important to us. We want to also thank you for the prayers, cards, and gifts we have so generously received this past year. Again thank you for being our church family and being our friends in Christ Jesus.

Bob and Peggy DeCaigny



Fourth Wednesday of the month.
Everyone can purchase food for a lower cost of \$15.
Average value of food is from \$75—\$100.
Distribution is at the Cloquet Armory.
Registration 9-11:00am
Distribution 11am—12:30 pm
(or until all food is dispersed)

The Messenger is available online!
Check out www.oursaviorscloquet.org.

Articles for the January Messenger need to be in to the office by:

January 15

Thank you~

IMPORTANT SYNOD ASSEMBLY UPDATE

The 2012 Synod Assembly will be held April 27-29, 2012 in Grand Rapids at Ruttger's Sugar Lake Lodge & Zion Lutheran Church.

Please MARK (or CHANGE) your calendars NOW!

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Monday—Friday.....8 am to 4 pm

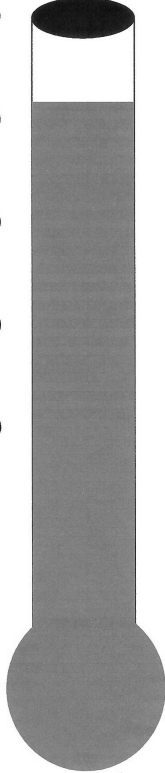
Regular Worship Times:
Sunday :
Traditional Service 8:30 am
Contemporary Service . . . 10:45 am

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Church News

ELW Worship Book Drive

300
250
200
150
100
50
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Thank you to everyone that has ordered a new ELW hymnal! The goal is to order 300 new hymnals for the sanctuary and chapel. If you would like to purchase a hymnal in memory or honor of someone or a special occasion, please see Pam in the church office. The cost for each hymnal is \$24. Watch this space to see our progress!

We have recently ordered 48 more hymnals, which leaves us with only 40 more to reach our goal of 300!

Updated 10/18/2011

Special dates:

- New Years' Day, *January 1st, 2012*
- Epiphany, *January 6, 2012*
- Baptism of the Lord, *January 8, 2012*
- Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday observed, *January 16*
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, *January 18-25, 2012*

What **NOT** to take into the New Year:

- Self-help books- Trust in God first; don't turn to him as a last resort. (See Proverbs 3:5-6)
- Tape measure - Consider only God's standards; don't compare yourself to other people. (See Luke 18:9-14)
- Rearview mirror- Don't live in the past. You'll miss out on what God is doing in your life now. (See Philippians 2:12-14)
- Gavel- Instead of judging others, pray for them, help them and team with them. (See Luke 6:37-38)

Compassion Children Sponsors

If you sponsor a Compassion Child, please let the Church office know. We are trying to get a list of the children and are planning to update the boards with new pictures. Thank you!~

New Horizon's Christian School Scholarship Fund

New Horizons established a scholarship fund in October. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please contact Kristina Remus; or you can donate directly to the church. Please write 'NHCS Scholarship' fund in the memo line. It is our goal to never turn away a child because of financial need!

Support our youth by recycling your old cell phones by bringing them in to the church office. This recycling program is a great fundraiser for our youth. The company does not accept chargers or instruction books. The drop off is back in the church office. Thank you for your help!

You may bring in your "box tops", "Kemps milk caps", "Sunny D labels" and "Campbell soup labels" into the church office. You may also bring in any old cell phones that you would like to recycle into the office also. Thank you~

If you have moved recently, or have a new phone number, please let the office know so we can update our records. Thank you!

Church News

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thank you to Sue & Scott Johnson of Chef's Marketplace Catering and to Ann Toboleski for a fantastic Lutefisk, Salmon, and Meatball Dinner. Our dinner couldn't have been done without the great volunteers who signed up to work. We were very pleased with the number attending the dinner. A special thank you to Dave Putikka of Mellin Promotional for the festive aprons!

Thank you all! Happy New Year!

Katie Nisula



Small Groups

Couples Study

Will meet the second Sunday this month
January 8th at 6:30pm

Come and be blessed by being in fellowship with other couples who are committed to each other and want to make time to enrich their marriage every week. Please prayerfully consider joining us as we learn and laugh together!

If you have any question please contact Jason & Christina Kadelbach at 213-6731 or clkadelbach@yahoo.com

Cover to Cover



Book Club

Meets monthly on the third Thursday of every month to discuss books of interest. Interested in joining or questions Contact Pat Elling-Morris 878-2011



Every Wednesday at 10am-11am
Room 3-4-5

Read and discuss the text for Sunday

This group is led by Pastor Paul or Peggy Decaigny

Open for both men and women
ALL ARE WELCOME



Christian Crafters

Scrap- Craft- Quilt- Knit- Stamp- etc.

Bring your unfinished projects from home for uninterrupted work time and plenty of work space

Arrive anytime after noon on Friday. Come and go as you please.

Saturday lunch is potluck. Please bring a snack to share.

2012 Dates

January (cancelled)
February 17th & 18th
March 16th-17th
April 20th-21st
May 4th-5th

Questions or to register call Pam at 590-3055 or 879-1535



Due to a scheduling conflict, January crafting is cancelled.

Mission Sewing (Quilting)

Thursday, January 12th and
Thursday, January 26th
Beginning at 9am

Questions Contact Barb Painter 879-4083

Sewing Experience is NOT necessary there are non-sewing duties such as ironing, tying and sorting material



Camp News

2012 CAMP!

Date	Camp Hiawatha	Camp Vermilion
June 10-15	Mini Camp Grades 3-4 L.O.S.T	Sports Camp
June 17-22	Hockey Camp (thru 6/23)	Confirmation Camp L.O.S.T.
June 24-29	Reserved for Congregation	Grades 5-6 Grades 7-9
July 8-13	Mini Camp Half Pint	Mini camp Half Pint
July 15-20	Grades 3-4 Grades 5-6	Grades 3-4 Grades 5-6
July 22-27	Grades 7-9 Sr. High Camp	Grades 3-4 Grades 5-6
July 29-Aug. 3	Grades 5-6 Grades 7-9	Grades 5-6 Grades 7-9 Sr. High Camp Family Camp
August 5-10	Family Camp	



Family Camp

	4 Day	6 Day
Adults	\$150	\$215
Grandparents	\$120	\$170
Youth 4-18	\$120	\$170
3 and under	free	free

NO-SEW FLEECE SCARF

Winter is a difficult time for people in need, so make this scarf to help someone stay warm.

What you need:

- Medium-weight polar fleece, 60" standard width (a 9" portion will make one scarf)
- Scissors
- An adult to help

What you do:

1. Cut a piece of medium-weight polar fleece to the size of 60" x 9". Cut the fabric across its width so the material is stretchy.
2. Trim off the edge binding. To add "fringe" along each end, make a 6"-long cut every half inch.
3. For curly fringe, pull each strand and then let go sharply. Another attractive option is to tie an over-hand knot at the top of each strip.
4. Donate your scarf to a local group that helps people in need. For greater impact, encourage your Sunday school classmates or other friends to make scarves, too.

Church News



Thoughts from the Chaplain January 2012

Colossians 3:12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

Throughout the Christmas Season I have watched, felt, and experienced the love of Jesus everywhere. People are willing to help, support, give a helping hand or just a few minutes of their time, visiting of old friends and family members who haven't been seen in a long time. This list goes on and on. My heart glows with sunshine, excitement and a feeling of goodness as I recall those moments I have mentioned above.

Now it is a new year, what happened. We have gone back to the old routine---to busy for anything or anyone---only if I had time to, maybe next week---only if I had time to, maybe next week---I will calendar that in but later. Do you find yourself doing this too?

What happened over night from 2011 to 2012? We need to look into the Bible again. If we look at the verbs, they are all in the "present" tense. It is not written for the "bygone" times or "at a later date" but for now.

Another part of the Bible to notice is it is written in the second person:

you---follow me
you---make disciples
you---come along and together we'll change the world.

Words of Jesus! It is not watch me; I will make disciples, and its ok if you don't come along as I change the word, BUT Jesus says follow me as your example. Make disciples for me and you can change the world through me, Jesus Christ.

Let's continue 2012 in the same way we left 2011. Celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ not silently but as Jesus says: John 8:12 When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

We are to wear this light year-round, spreading the love of Jesus exactly as we felt it and shared it this past Christmas season.

Pass on this love, the more you give, I guarantee the more you will receive. Try it out; you may be surprised what happens.

John 8:12 Jesus said, "I am the Light of the World."

Jesus' Love to all the World,
Chaplain Peggy

Women of the ELCA

W/ELCA Board Meeting

Monday, January 2, 2012

9:30 am—Fireside Room

Esther Circle

Thursday, January 19

9:30am— Scout Room

Hostess & Bible Study:

Maxine Hennum

Naomi Circle

Thursday, January 19

9:30am-Fireside Room

Hostesses & Bible Study:

Sue Landsverk & Elvera Roe

Rebecca Circle

Tuesday, January 17

9:30am-Fireside Room

Hostesses:

Linda Holmstrand & Christina Kadelbach

Quilting will resume Thursday, January 12 and 26th in the Scout Room at 9:00 am. Come and create quilts and have fun.

Ladies of Our Saviors- We are always looking for new members in our circles. Come and join us.



Small Groups

Prayer Group

Prayer is the name we give to the experience of being in communication with God, wherever we are and whatever we are doing. Prayer is an experience because it involves our senses, minds, souls and spirits. Prayer is communication because it involves giving and receiving. It is sharing between two living, personal beings—God and yourself. In prayer you are sharing your life: your needs, feelings, concerns, and desires. God is responding with divine presence, consolation, insight and change. You are invited to join together in prayer at Our Saviors the second Monday of the month— January 9th at 6pm in Christina's office. **ALL ARE WELCOME**

In prayer we present our whole life and the lives of others to God, so that God may be known and lives may be touched by grace.



Café is for women who want to build Community, participate in Advocacy, strengthen Faith, and strive for Enlightenment (CAFÉ!). It incorporates a Lutheran perspective for women of Christian faith or simply for any woman who is interested in how faith can relate to the issues that women face today.

Café meets **Monday, January 16th**
4 pm at The Warming House

Questions Please contact
Christina at 879-1535

This month in Café'...

When somebody you know is grieving the death of their spouse or friend, we often fear that we won't say the right thing. Sometimes we avoid saying anything at all. We'll examine the impact of words and how they can bring healing.



Parenting Teenagers

When it comes to parenting teens today, you can never have too much information or support.

Our goal is to encourage each other, offer our support, opinions, experiences and perspectives to one another.

This group is open to parents and guardians of teens and preteens.

We hope to...

- enhance communication and understanding of your teen
- Connect with parents in your community and build a support network.
- Improve you relationship with your teen

Join us on January 5th
At 7pm in Room 17

Our Savior's Walking Club



Improve the quality of life by living active and healthy lifestyles, fostering the spirit of fellowship and having fun along the way to better health and fitness

Monday's at 8am

Friday Morning's at 8:30am

At NORTHWOODS Arena

ALL FITNESS LEVELS WELCOME

Free and open for all ages and abilities

We walk for the exercise, the good company and the fun of it in a non-competitive environment—

"Go at your own pace."

Questions Contact Christina Kadelbach
218-213-6731

Small Groups

Women of Faith

To Follow and to Serve: The Gospel of Mark
Friday, January 13th , from 9-11
in the Fireside Room

This study emphasizes what it means to follow Jesus Christ today. We are called to a living faith, a deeper and more courageous understanding of what it means to follow the one we first meet in Mark's Gospel at his baptism at the River Jordan.

"Take heart; get up, Jesus is calling you."
Mark 10:49b

January Theme:
You Must Consider This
The Gospel of Mark: Confessing Christ



Parenting and Faith

Friday, January 6th 9:30-11
and
Friday, January 20th 9:30-11
In the Fireside Room
CHILDCARE PROVIDED

Anyone who is raising kids is encouraged to join us.

Questions contact Christina Kadelbach, Sara Lamb or Kristina Remus at 879-1535

January Theme:
Goal Setting/Resolutions
Stress

Living Well in 2012

Its that time of year again, where we set resolutions or goals to better ourselves through the coming year

Living Well 2012 requires that we make choices - intentionally- to grow our health in all dimensions.

This year we encourage you to team up as a community of faith on a journey towards living a healthier life. Working together with other OSL members developing, maintaining and encouraging one another to stay on track and achieve those goals at year end.

Bring your goals and sign up in the Narthex or Church office beginning in January.
Make sure to bring your 2012 goals.

There will be an informative meeting on Sunday, January 8th following the second service.

Watch for more information in the Bulletins and Narthex.

Questions contact Sara Lamb at 879-1535 or Chrisitna Kadelbach 879-1535

2012

Volunteers for January

Ushers:

8:30 Service : Tim & Jeannine Nordin &/or Sherri Waller

10:45 Service:

1st week: Bev Delacey
2nd week: John & Denise Mykkanen
3rd week: Bill & Carol Schlenvogt
4th week: Ron & Sue Stahl
5th week: Sherri Waller



Communion Servers (Deacons):

1st 10:00 No Communion
8th 8:30 Jim Boyd, Sherri Waller, Dan Rice
10:45 Randi Hadland, Deb Templeton, Curt Nelson
15th 8:30 Bruce Spetz, Cindy Raun, Barb Painter
10:45 Carol Johnson, Nancy Singpiel, Bill Singpiel
22nd 8:30 Rich Krikava, Judy Wiles, Maxine Hennum
10:45 Jim Kallestad, Kristina Remus, Ron Stahl
29th 8:30 Pat Elling-Morris, Peggy DeCaigny, John Hedquist
10:45 Bruce Anderson, Bill Schlenvogt, Linda Bush

Coffee Servers:

1st 10:00 No Coffee
8th 8:30 Mike & Jane Acheson
10:45 Annette Kiehn & Marilyn Gilchrist
15th 8:30 Scott & Jill Elwood
10:45 Mary Carlson and Amy Zacher
22nd 8:30 Rob & Karen Macaulay
10:45 Shawn & Valerie Crowser
29th 8:30 Kadelbach Family
10:45 Lindsey Peterson and Diane Sorenson

Memory Bible Verse:

Romans 13:8
"Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law."

Sound Board Operators:

1st 8:30 Tom Hill
10:45 Victor Tobias
8th 8:30 Sharon Tobias
10:45 Brian Foster
15th 8:30 Tom Lavan
10:45 Dave Templeton
22nd 8:30 Randy Schimidt
10:45 David Pyrlik
29th 8:30 Tom Hill
10:45 Victor Tobias

Readers:

1st 10:00 Pastor Paul Hadland
8th 8:30 Jenifer Behrens
10:45 Karen Splett
15th 8:30 Jim Boyd
10:45 Julie Beal
22nd 8:30 Dan Rice
10:45 Diane Sorenson
29th 8:30 John Hedquist
10:45 Randi Hadland

Evangelism:

1st Pat Meister
8th Aleta Brule
15th JoAnn Pearson
22nd Julie Lyytinen
29th David Meister

Altar Guild:

1st No Communion
8th Les & Bonnie Peterson (Full Table)
15th JoAnne Pearson (Intinction)
22nd Rob & Karen Macaulay (Full Table)
29th Bill & Nancy Singpiel (Intinction)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Years Day 10:00a-11:00a-Sanctuary (New Years Day Service)	2 8:00a-4:00p--Office (Office Closed) 9:30a-1:30a--Fireside Rm (WELCA Board Meeting) 6:30p-8:30p--Scout Rm (Scout Meeting Den Wolves) 7:00p-8:00p--SS 17 (GA) 7:00p-8:00p--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon)	3 8:30a-11:00a--Fellowship Hall N (Kiwans) 10:00a-11:00a--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon) 4:00p-5:15p--SS 11 (double) (CU) 5:00p-6:00p--SS 17 (GA) 6:30p-8:00p--Scout Rm (Cub Scout Tigers Meeting) 7:00p-8:00p--SS 18 (Al-Anon)	4 9:30a-11:30a--Fellowship Hall N (MAC NAPS) 10:00a-11:00a--SS 03 (triple) (Bible Study) 5:00p-5:45p--Fireside Rm (CAT Meeting) 5:30p-6:30p--Choir Rm (Handbell Rehearsal) 5:30p-8:00p--Fellowship Hall N (Confirmation) 6:00p-6:30p--Fireside Rm (Deacons)	5 5:45p-7:15p--SS 11 (double) (Girl Scouts) 7:00p-8:00p--SS 17 (Parenting Teenagers) 7:00p-8:30p--SS 03 (triple) (Narcotics Anonymous)	6 8:30a-10:30a--Not at the Church (Walking Club) 9:00a-11:30a--Fellowship Hall N (Retired Mens Darball) 9:30a-11:00a--Fireside Rm (Parenting and Faith) 12:00p-1:00p--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon) 12:00p-3:00p--Fellowship Hall N (Neeley Club)	7 12:00a-7:00a--Fellowship Hall N (Confirmation Youth Lock In) 7:00p-11:00p--Fellowship Hall N (Middle School Fun Night)
8 8:30a-9:30a--Sanctuary (Traditional Worship Service) 9:30a-10:30a--Fellowship Hall N (Sunday School) 10:45a-11:45a--Sanctuary (Contemporary Worship Service) 7:00p-9:00p--Fireside Rm (Us Too Prostate Cancer Support Group)	9 8:00a-10:00a--Not at the Church (Walking Club) 10:30a-11:30a--SS 03 (triple) (Service Group Meeting) 6:00p-7:00p--Office (Prayer Group) 6:30p-8:00p--Scout Rm (Cub Scout Pack 173 Meeting) 7:00p-8:00p--SS 17 (GA) 7:00p-8:00p--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon)	10 10:00a-11:00a--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon) 4:00p-5:15p--SS 11 (double) (CU) 5:00p-6:00p--SS 17 (GA) 6:30p-8:00p--Scout Rm (Cub Scout Tigers Meeting) 7:00p-8:00p--SS 18 (Al-Anon)	11 10:00a-11:00a--SS 03 (triple) (Bible Study) 5:30p-6:30p--Choir Rm (Handbell Rehearsal) 5:30p-8:00p--Fellowship Hall N (Confirmation) 6:00p-6:30p--Fireside Rm (Deacons) 6:45p-7:45p--Sanctuary (Choir Practice) 8:00p-9:00p--Sanctuary (Praise Rehearsal)	12 9:00a-12:00p--Scout Rm (Outing) 4:00p-5:15p--Scout Rm (Webelos Meeting) 5:30p-8:30p--Fellowship Hall N (MOPS)	13 8:30a-10:30a--Not at the Church (Walking Club) 9:00a-11:00a--Fireside Rm (Women of Faith) 9:00a-11:30a--Fellowship Hall N (Retired Mens Darball) 12:00p-1:00p--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon) 6:00p-6:45p--Fireside Rm (Men's and Women's AA Group) 7:00p-11:45p--Fellowship Hall N (Confirmation Youth Lock In)	14 12:00a-7:00a--Fellowship Hall N (Confirmation Youth Lock In) 7:00p-11:00p--Fellowship Hall N (Middle School Fun Night)
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29 8:30a-9:30a--Sanctuary (Traditional Worship Service) 9:30a-10:30a--Fellowship Hall N (Sunday School) 10:45a-11:45a--Sanctuary (Contemporary Worship Service)	30 8:00a-10:00a--Not at the Church (Walking Club)	31 10:00a-11:00a--Fireside Rm (Al-Anon) 6:30p-8:00p--Scout Rm (Cub Scout Tigers Meeting)				

Church News



Thank you so much for everyone who donated to the Giving Tree. You made sure so many local needy families will have a great Christmas this year. Thank you to the ladies of Our Savior's who organized the Giving Tree program this year also. You are wonderful to donate your valuable time.

If you know of a youth from Our Saviors that you would like to see recognized in The Messenger for a special accomplishment, let us know and we will include them in the next edition.

Dominican Mission

Dave & Bobbie are once again making arrangements to return to the Dominican Republic. Our plans will be scheduled in March. We will be staying for 3 weeks, maybe 4, and will back before Palm Sunday.

If anyone has any interest in joining us, please call us at 879-9339.

Thank you~
Dave & Bobbie

Dear Uncle Church Mouse,
What a great season this has been at Our Savior's! The Sunday School children did the Christmas play again this year and then the New Horizon's Christian School had their Christmas Program. They know the story of Jesus born to save his people! May this New Year bring a renewed sense of hope and grace to the world that is healing from decades of war and famine.



Jesus is Born!
Luther Church Mouse

Gifts & Memorials

December Radio Broadcast

- Curt & Kathy Nelson in memory of Ed & Eva Nelson, Mike & Ann Curtis, Bert Carlson
- Donna Larsen in memory of Martin Larsen and loved ones
- Family of George and Janice Johnson in memory of George and Janice
- Dwayne & Char Hagen in memory of their parents and in honor of loved ones
- Verna Norgren and family in memory of her husband, Ron.

Memorials:

- In memory of Ernest Richards for the general fund from John & Elaine Huliares, Donna Larsen, Neal & Lynn Richards.
- In memory of Albin Johnson from Jim & Linda Boyd for Praise and Worship
- In memory of Clifford Mykkanen from Bill & Nancy Singpiel for the Youth
- In memory of Albin Johnson from Bruce & Susan Spetz for Praise and Worship
- In memory of Albin Johnson from The Rebecca Circle for Praise and Worship

Gifts:

- From Steve & Jan Salo-Korby for the Second Harvest Food Shelf
- From Jim & Carol Lyle for Handbells
- Donation from WELCA for a new vacuum for the church
- For the Salvation Army Food Shelf from Don & Karen Edin; and Mary Krohn
- For the Second Harvest Food shelf from Mary Krohn

February Service Group:
Worship, Arts, & Music
and
Church in Society

Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Nicol Gager Austin Hendrickson	2 David Barnes Sandra Hansen David Spooner	3 Harper Carlson Shawn Crowder Barbara Purnish Susan Spitz Adrienne Strickland Wendy Yngson	4 Lanessa Peterson John Stief Tara Smedhammer	5 Dennis Adamtschek Sr. Jennie Boyd Zachary Gamache Margaret Lepp Benjamin Stutz	6 Erin Larsen Bruce Larson Kaitly Marchak Curtis Nelson Rudy Proulx	7 Joyce Barr Darvin Corder Spencer Hickey Kieren Rye Dhanna Soren
8 Pam Huhta Lucas Wierson	9 Hannah Boyel Patricia Elling-Morris Jenifer Hendrickson Rebecca Seckman	10 Guy Soren	11 Andrew Julia Ellen Lingen	12 Lillian Adams Herald Van Hoven	13 Lisa Jensen Alex Smedhammer	14 Elizabeth Branner
15 Alana Norlin Donald Unofock	16 Patrick Blue Breanna Bushman Suzanne Landwehr Stanley Ostrom	17	18 Allen Hansen Kai Yudel	19 Jasanta Brenna Jesse Ryan	20 Nathan Blackford Darien Colmer Chelsea Randall Daniel Rice	21 Thomas Lierberg
22 Elma Delaney	23 Marcia Fulton Susan Johnson Judy Meyer Ann Toolewski Ellen Yrja	24 Victoria Heien Jacob Tucker	25 Narcissa Myrneson Dorene Oetel Laura Stahl Andrea Tobias	26 Arthur Laitner Vicki Ross	27 Julie Beal	28 Bryan Burn Connor Hecm Laura Hecht Kathleen Robertson
29 Hannah Bruler Vickie Crowder Cale Orlus Patricia Sattelmach	30 Kelli Blair	31 Ellen Muzik				

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Birthdays

January, 2012

Youth



Super bowl youth pizza
FUNDRAISER

Selling Begins Sunday, January 8th and ends
Sunday January 29th
Pick up your pizza's ordered on
Saturday, February 4th
between 10am and 11am
in Fellowship Hall
Money raised from this will help support youth going
to summer camps and mission trips



RELEASE TIME

Are you ready for a fun way to grow in your faith each week?
Release Time happens during 1st hour on the last day of each
school week, starting on October 7. All you need to do is print out
the permission form for your parents to sign, turn it in to the school office, and show
up! We meet in the basement of the Presbyterian Church--just a block from the Middle
School.

Release Time is offered for all Cloquet Middle School students (6-8th grades)
during 1st period (8:00am – 8:40am) on *every last school day of the week*
beginning October 7th, 2011 and ending April 27, 2012. Students have the
opportunity to sing Christian songs, study the Bible, and learn Christian values
through lessons that are geared for their age.

The calendar for this year is as follows:

- January 6,13,20,27
- February 3,10,17
- March 2,9,15*,23,30
- April 5*, 13,20,27
(*Thursday)

Classes are held at the Presbyterian Church (on 4th Street across from the
Catholic Church) and are led by Area Youth Ministries. Attendance is taken at
the church and students are responsible to report to the Release Time
classroom by 8:00a.m. Students not reporting to the Release Time classroom
or not following the guidelines of the class will be dismissed from the program.
Students can join at any time during the year by turning in the permission form
to the school office. If a student decides to stop coming to the program, the
parents must notify the school.

Registration forms located on Christina's office door.
Questions please contact Christina Kadelbach at 218-879-1535

YOUTH MEET AND EAT

For youth in Grades 9-10
Wednesday's before confirmation
From 5:30-6:30
Cost is \$3

An opportunity for youth in grades 9 and 10 to fill their bellies
before confirmation class starts!

Middle School Fun Night

Youth in grades 6-8
Saturday, January 14th
7-11pm
At Our Saviors

Movie Madness

These nights are the perfect time to hang
out with friends, meet new people and
grow in your faith. Some events will be
service, some will be social,
all will be fun!

* HELP * HELP *
*ADULT LEADERS NEEDED *
*HELP * HELP *

If you would like to be more active in the youth program,
we can find space for you! We always need adult leaders to
help with setting up for events, shopping beforehand,
chaperoning events (pizza parties, lock in, youth nights),
driving, leading a leadership team, praying for us while we
are on trips and for our youth daily. We are always looking
for adult leaders who will allow us to use their homes for
Bible studies and so much more. Perhaps it is on your
heart to help give to the scholarship fund so that other
students can attend trips. All these are amazing ways of
loving kids and serving God. Let Christina know how
you would like to get involved!

PPC Meeting notes

OSLC Parish Planning Council Meeting Highlights December 20, 2011

· **Treasurer's Report**

The monthly letter from the synod revealed a budget deficit at the end of November. Our OSLC November financials show revenues are down between \$1,500-2,000, but December has historically been a good month for offerings. Based on budget requests for 2012 by the ministry teams, the projected budget for the general fund is \$110,000 below projected income. A revised budget for 2012 was presented for discussion and included significant cuts to a number of ministries. The PPC is required to submit a balanced budget to the congregation at the January annual meeting.

· **Pastor's Report**

Church events held in the last month have been well attended and highly successful. Plans for Christmas services are finalized. The church staff is off on Monday, December 26, and Pastor Paul will be off between Christmas and New Year, but will hold worship services on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. New members will be received on January 15 and the annual congregational meeting is scheduled for January 22.

· **Team Leader Reports**

Church Properties - The fire door project will be completed in 2012, but the carpet and tile project for the Fellowship Hall, the rekeying task and roof replacement savings fund may be delayed due to budget cuts.

Parish Fellowship - The team has completed a number of service undertakings and fundraisers so far this fall and winter. The Operation Christmas Child project turned in 29 shoeboxes for needy children. The Salvation Army "Giving Tree" served 40 families, and had a cash balance that will be donated, to the Second Harvest Food Bank. The Lutefisk supper netted a \$1200 profit, thanks to the Nisula's and many volunteer workers. The Salvation Army Bell Ringers, headed by Al Behrens, credited nearly \$9,000 to the volunteer ringers from Our Saviors. The cookie sale on December 18 earned \$387.

Stewardship - New offering envelopes have been assigned and are available for pickup in the hallway outside the church office.

Mission Endowment – the team has scheduled their next meeting for January 18.

Evangelism – In order to identify and contact new members, there will be added emphasis on the "Know your Neighbor" welcome pads in the church pews.

Youth/Small Group – Activities are ongoing. Future events include weekly meetings, a pizza fundraiser, an overnight event for 10th grade confirmation, middle school fun night, and confirmation service night projects. Small group ministries are still growing and evolving. Two new small groups in January will be "Living Well in 2012" and "Parenting and Faith". Watch for announcements.

WELCA - The annual Nordic Bazaar held in November was well attended. Many items were donated for the silent auction and together with the craft and bakery sales, the net profit was \$4,200. Thanks to all who participated. The WELCA Christmas brunch for the women of the church was held on the morning of December 15. In February there will be a meeting to sign and send valentine cards to our members who are shut-ins.

· **Upcoming Meetings –**

The next CAT meeting is on Wednesday, January 4th at 5:00.


The next PPC meeting is on Tuesday, January 17 at 7:00.

The annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the cards, flowers, memorials, condolences and hugs in memory of our dad, grandpa, and great-grandpa Albin Johnson. Your love and support is sincerely appreciated. Linda Holmstrand and family

Misc.



A caring disciple

In Acts 9, Peter tells of a woman who lived in Joppa. She performed good works and helped the poor. Solve the puzzle below to reveal this disciple's two names.

Instructions: Cross out the letters that spell each object and write the remaining letter on the blank.

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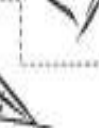


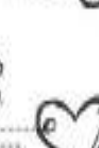










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Answers: Tabitha, Dorcas

Facts & Figures

Date	Attendance	Offering	Offering Needed
Nov 20	110/176	\$4860	\$6000
Nov 27	83/197	\$3675	\$6000
Dec 4	102/175	\$7538	\$7750
Dec 11	93/167	\$4225	\$7750
Dec 18	109/312	6540	\$7750
Dec 24			\$7750

	Sept. 2010	Sept. 2011	Sept. YTD 2011	Sept. YTD 2010
Regular Offerings	\$26732.83	\$26389.74	\$272067.66	\$250862.75
Other Income	\$6218.73	\$3313.50	\$34400.24	\$39788.11
Total Income	\$32951.56	\$29703.24	\$306467.90	\$290650.86
Expenses	\$34264.55	\$37448.79	\$312351.65	\$308640.87

Parochial Records

Weddings

Funeral

Baptisms

Sunday School & NHCS News

A word from the Preschool Director...

I have just a few important reminders:

2012

~ Keep the shiny paper coming! ☺ It is a blessing to have overflowing paper bins! Last year we made three paper deliveries. This year, thanks to the paper you have been bringing in; we are on schedule to double our deliveries! Every penny of the profits goes back into our school.

~ Our new small group; **Parenting and Faith** begins Friday, January 6th from 9:30-11am in the Fireside Room. Anyone who is raising kids is encouraged to join us. Childcare will be provided. Interested in joining? Feel free to talk to Christina Kadelbach, Sara Lamb or myself~879-1535.

~ Mark your calendars: Our **Fourth Annual Spaghetti Luncheon & Silent Auction** is scheduled for Sunday, February 5th from 11:30am-2pm.

This is our biggest fundraiser! We look at it as an opportunity to join preschool families and our church family in fellowship. Not only by eating together, but also preparing the food, serving and working in the kitchen together. Please consider donating a little of your time to help. I will be posting sign ups in the narthex the first week of January. What a wonderful opportunity to show the young families of our preschool "the ropes" while giving them a chance to get to know terrific people from our congregation!

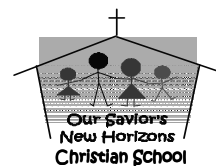
God's Blessings & Happy New Year!

Kristina Remus

NHCS Interim Director

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Sunday School

- Sunday School will resume on January 8th with Family Fun & Games day. Please join us in the fun!
- We would love to have you join us for coffee and fellowship with other parents in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour.
- In order to keep all of our children safe, we are now asking that you pick up your child(ren) at the door of the station they are learning in that week. Except preschoolers who will be located in the large preschool room in Horizon Hall.
- *Food Shelf Sunday* is the 1st Sunday of every month!
- February 12th the children will sing during the 10:45 service.

Our offering continues to go towards God's Global Barnyard and the first Sunday of each month is Food Shelf Sunday! Please join us in the Fellowship Hall anytime to check out the fun! We continue to need station leaders to help share God's Word with the youth at our church...please prayerfully consider signing up.

NEW HORIZONS CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL AND JUMP START KINDERGARTEN

If you think it is hard to write 2012 on your checks, it is even harder to convince our children that we no longer say 2011. Maybe by June they will understand.

Our month will be filled with learning about the star that led the wise men, telling time, rhyming words, having a snow fest and so much more. We will start the new year being very busy. Most of all we will be learning about all that God has provided for us.

We hope that you will stop down to visit our very busy classroom. We are sure we would probably have a song to share with you.

Happy New Year!!

The children and teachers



New Horizons Christian School Fourth Annual Spaghetti Luncheon & Silent Auction

Sunday, February 5th

11:30am-2pm.

Our Savior's Fellowship Hall

Church News

Please remember the following members of our church throughout the year:

Sunnyside Health Care Center

Virginia Hagen

Bertha Presthang

Eileen Sparring

Evergreen Knoll

Bev Hanson

Pat Rudd

Dorothy Kobus

Jane Lovstad

Edna Hage

Larson Commons

Elma DeLacey

Margorie Lamb

Connie Mattson

Vivian Hoel

Esther Wait

Jean Sather

Suncrest

Peanuts Holmberg

Mariam Hella

Eleanor Jania

Jeanette Ferguson

Joyce Chapman

Laureen Harris

Aspen Arms

Vickie Diver

Florella Gerhke

Lighthouse - Barnum

Donna Hecker

Inter-faith Care Center

LaVella Solem

Mardel Milberger

Clara Ober

Muriel Johnson

Millie Bagne

Alice Toone

Jean Kneeland

Joe Wyner

Pineview Estates

Lempi Mattson

Evergreen Cottages

Grace Caffey

Becky Eknes

John & Betty Manisto

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, January 22nd, 2012 at noon in the sanctuary. The deadline for All Team Leaders to turn in their annual reports is January 9th, 2012. However, you are welcome to turn in your report anytime before that date. Electronic copies of Team Annual Reports are appreciated. See you on the 22nd of January!

Offering Envelopes



Stewardship envelope boxes for 2012 are ready to be picked up outside of the church office. Please make every effort to pick up your envelopes if you haven't already, as they will not be mailed out. Your offering number will be different, as we assigned new numbers to reduce the amount of envelopes ordered and wasted. If you need assistance in finding your offering box or would like more information about the *Simply Giving* program for automatic funds transfers, please stop in the church office.

Boy Scouts Chili Dinner Fundraiser

January 28th, 2012

4pm to 8pm

Our Savior's

Fellowship Hall



Readings for January

	<u>1st Lesson</u>	<u>Epsitle</u>	<u>Gospel Lesson</u>
1st	Genesis 12:1-9	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 2:1-12
8th	Genesis 28:10-17	1 John 3:18-24	John 1:43-51
15th	Genesis 17:1-8	1 John 4:7-12	John 2:1-12
22nd	Genesis 18:1-15	1 John 4:13-21	John 2:13-25
29th	Genesis 22:1-8	1 John 5:1-5	John 3:1-15