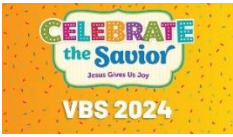


The Announcer
June 9, 2024



“Celebrate the Savior” VBS was a success this week! We had a total of 35 children, and 26 volunteers, who learned how “Jesus Gives Us Joy.” Of those 35 children, 24 were from outside our congregation. It was a very fun and exciting week spending time “Celebrating the Savior” and learning how our loving God has given us so much to celebrate – family, friends, and especially forgiveness through faith in Jesus, our Savior. We appreciate all the talents and hard work everyone put into VBS to make it a success! Thank you all so much for helping the children have a wonderful experience and to discover that Jesus gives them the joy of eternal life with Him!

The VBS mission project last week was collecting money for “Share the Savior’s Love” which is an outreach project that sends books about God’s love to kids in communities all over the world. This project focuses on reaching children and families who have not heard the Gospel or do not have any books about Jesus. We collected \$150.49 to help share Jesus’ love with those in need. Thank you, Jesus, for helping us serve and bless others! If you would like to donate to this project, please give your cash donation or a check made payable to *Concordia Gospel Outreach* and include CGOVBS on the subject line, and leave your donations marked accordingly in the offering plate, or give them directly to Sara by Sunday, June 16th. Thank you for supporting this wonderful mission project!

Pastor Schewe Out of the Office: Pastor Schewe will be attending the *Higher Things Conference* in Mequon, Wisconsin, from Tuesday, June 25th thru Friday, June 28th. If a pastoral emergency arises, please contact one of the Lay Ministers.



Installation Ceremony: The installation ceremony for Pastor Armbricht will be Sunday, July 21st at 3:00 pm here at Our Savior. We plan to have a dinner reception after the ceremony in the Fellowship Hall. We will cater in some of the food but it will also be a potluck type meal. We pray that many members of our congregation will be able to attend to welcome Pastor Armbricht and his family into our church. Please stay tuned for more details. Thanks!

OSLC Relay for Life Team will be selling pastries (free will offering) on Sunday, June 23rd after the worship service. Thank you for your support! The Delaware County Relay for Life will be held Friday, June 28th from 5:00-10:30 pm.



Our Savior Insulated Tumblers: The Our Savior Relay for Life team continues the sale of OSLC insulated tumblers. We currently have 1 orange tumbler available but other colors can also still be ordered (see sheet on the table in the Narthex for colors available). The cost of a tumbler is \$22.00. Please contact Scott or Kris if you have interest in a tumbler. We appreciate and thank all of you who have ordered a tumbler and supported our church team for the upcoming Relay for Life event on June 28th at the Delaware County Fairgrounds.

Cancer Won’t Win: Luminaria forms and bags are available on the table in the Narthex to purchase for the Relay for Life. Each luminaria is \$5 each, and you can purchase them ‘in honor of’ or ‘in memory of’ someone who has cancer or lost their battle with cancer. You can decorate the bags any way you want. Please bring them back to the church with the money, and give them to Gloria. All luminaries sold will be credited to the OSLC Relay for Life Team. Thank you!

Board of Lay Ministry will meet on Wednesday, June 12th at 6:00 pm. We hope to see you there!



Birthdays this week: June 10: Nevaeh; Randy; **June 12:** Jeremy; **June 13:** Madeline; Lois.
Wedding anniversaries this week: June 11: Don & Nancy; **June 14:** Adam & Stephanie.

Church Properties Contact Person for June is Ed (563-920-6775). Please contact him with any items that need the attention of the Board.



Diaper Challenge: We have been given a diaper and wipes challenge from the Dubuque Zone to collect as many packages of diapers and wipes between Mother’s Day and Father’s Day (June 16th), which will then be given to families and organizations that need them. We are also going to give some to our new pastor for their new addition, Malachi. You can put the diapers/wipes in the baby crib that will be set-up soon. There will also be a baby bottle to put loose change in. Whichever church in the Dubuque Zone collects the most diapers and wipes *may* get to cut Pastor Schewe’s hair! Diapers should be purchased in sizes 1-4. If we fill the crib, we will find another container. The challenge is on!



Peace Lutheran Ice Cream Social will be held Wednesday, June 12th from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. They will be serving maidrites, potato salad, baked beans, pie, strawberries, ice cream, and beverages. This is a free-will offering. They will also have carry-outs available. They appreciate your support!

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, June 9:	8:00 am	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am	BP/BS/Total Cholesterol Screening
TUESDAY, June 11:	9:15-11:00 am	Ladies tie quilts for LWR – Hall Classroom
WEDNESDAY, June 12:	6:00 pm	Lay Ministry Board
THURSDAY, June 13:	9:00 am	Bible Study, St. Paul's, Delaware
NEXT SUNDAY, June 16:	8:00 am	Worship

The Lutheran Hour: "Water Power" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's mission is like water. Without changing what it is, the Good News of God's Kingdom takes the shape of its cultural container, crossing boundaries and barriers. (Acts 16:5). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

Generosity Moment: Luke 14:19 – "And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.'" The things of this world tempt us to cast aside the things of God. The things of this world demand our attention, time, finances, etc. But Jesus invites us to the feast — what could be more important than this gracious invitation? Today's parable invites us to examine our own priorities and attempted excuses ... and then to come home to the Lord in humble repentance.

Mission News: The LCMS has 38 partner churches around the world. A partner church is a church body with which the LCMS has full altar and pulpit fellowship. Many LCMS partner churches also are members of the International Lutheran Council, a worldwide association of confessional Lutheran church bodies. Some LCMS partner churches came into existence through LCMS-supported mission efforts, while others have historic roots that pre-date the LCMS or that are sourced in the mission efforts of other Lutheran church bodies. *Remember God's work in the Dominican Republic as you pray for the families of the professors, that they would adapt easily and find joy in a new country and culture.*

Life Quote: "For the Christian, changing hearts and minds isn't just about meeting bodily needs; it also means connecting our neighbor to the true source of life—Christ Himself. It means providing for her needs in this world and the next by boldly intertwining our works and words of mercy with the gift of mercy Himself. It means helping him carry the crosses of this world on the way to his heavenly home." *Michelle Bauman, Director of Y4Life ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Trinity II – Our Savior and our Scriptures do not recognize a functional distinction between physical deficiency and spiritual deficiency. All human beings suffer from a fallen sinfulness that makes us decisively compromised (Luke 14:21-23). And Christ's sacrifice, victory, and companionship call and escort every such one into His heavenly household! *God of compassion and mercy, gather together Your precious ones so that we embrace both You and each other. Amen.*

Building Healthy Families: How many hours each day do you spend on social media? How many watching TV? Playing golf? Shopping? Gaming online? Working? Although these activities in themselves are not bad, hobbies, habits and jobs can take a great amount of time, replacing more important things if we let them. Psalms 90:12 instructs, "So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom." May you wisely live out your days on earth, spending time with your Creator and those He has created to share your life with you. **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org

Welcome Pastor Armbrecht and Family!

I was born and grew up in Williamsburg, Iowa, where my parents, Andy and Donna, are schoolteachers at Lutheran Interparish School. I was baptized and confirmed at St. John Lutheran Church in Homestead, IA. Once I finished 8th grade, I began high school at Valley Lutheran in Cedar Falls, where I lived with an older couple during the week and came home on the weekends. It was during that time when my pastor and some teachers began encouraging me to consider becoming a pastor.

After a couple summers of attending Christ Academy, a 2-week seminary experience at Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne, IN, I decided I wanted to pursue that path and went to Concordia University Nebraska in Seward. There I studied history and learned Greek and Hebrew. I also sang in the A Capella choir and enjoyed various intramural sports. Most importantly, I met Audrey (nee Rich) there and proposed to her the summer after I graduated. She completed her final year at Concordia while I began my first year of seminary and we were married July 25, 2020 in Lincoln, NE. We moved to Fort Wayne that fall and have enjoyed our time with the seminary community immensely over the last 4 years.

I completed my vicarage (3rd year internship) at St. John in Decatur, IN under the supervision of Pastor Peter Brock while Audrey continued her pharmacy education at Manchester College of Pharmacy in Fort Wayne. This past year, I completed an S.T.M. degree, writing on Hosea and his preaching of repentance in the face of the people's lack of the knowledge of God. An S.T.M. (Master of Sacred Theology) is an academic degree in theology that prepares for potential doctoral work. Audrey completed her Doctor of Pharmacy degree this spring and is planning on taking her board exams this fall.

Audrey and I each have 3 siblings and together we have our firstborn son, Malachi Andrew, born on Call Night, April 24. We are delighting in learning how to care for him as a father and mother, even when it is difficult. Children are a great blessing from the Lord (Psalm 127:3) and we are only beginning to learn that.

We look forward to living and working among you all in Manchester! Thanks be to God for His Church and the faithful saints in Christ!

Isaiah, Audrey, and Malachi Armbrecht

