

The Announcer
July 18, 2021



Blood GIVE

September Blood Drive. Our Savior will be hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, September 15th from 1:00 – 5:30 pm. For those wanting to schedule as a donor, please note as to when you gave blood the last time. For those donating whole blood, you cannot donate at Our Savior if you donated *after* July 20th. For donors giving double reds, you cannot donate in September if you donated *after* May 24th. If you are wanting to donate on September 15th, you can schedule yourself at any time. Any 16 year olds (with parental consent), can give blood if they are eligible. There is a great demand for blood at this time due to the Covid-Delta strain. Please give where ever you can. Go to <http://www.recrossblood.org/donating-blood> to schedule your time. If you have any questions, please call Gloria at 563-920-0503.

The Second Quarter Voters Meeting is this morning following the worship service (approximately 9:30 am). If you are a confirmed member of this congregation, you are eligible to become a voting member. All you need to do is attend a meeting and request a voting membership. Please plan to join us!

Cotton material needed. The ladies who tie quilts are looking for donations of cotton and cotton-blend (no polyester) material for cutting the quilt tops. Donations can be placed on the tables in the hall classroom. If you have questions, please contact Bobbie. Thank you!



SCRIP Program! The youth group is starting to raise funds again for the National Youth Gathering to Houston, Texas in July 2022! We need your help and it's so simple!! Scrip! Do you shop for groceries at Fareway or Walmart? How about fuel at Kwik Star? If you do, it's so easy to purchase pre-loaded gift cards and use them when you shop! Of course, there are so many more options to choose from and they make great gifts for loved ones and friends. There are countless restaurants and clothing stores to choose from as well.

Here's how it works: The scrip program purchases gift cards at a reduced rate (2.5-10% off typically), and then sells them to you at full price. Whatever the percentage off is becomes our profit for the program. Ordering new Scrip gift cards typically takes about 4 days. We don't keep everything on hand but we can get it fairly quickly. Please let me know if you have any other questions! I'd be happy to help you in any way!

~Tricia - Scrip Coordinator

Scones still available! Please support the Sr. ACTs and their fundraiser for the National Youth Gathering in 2022. There are still quite a few packages of white chocolate raspberry and three packages of blueberry left. Suggested donation is \$2.50 per bag. Thank you for your support!

The July - September edition of the *Portals of Prayer* is available on the guest registry table. Please take a copy.



Birthdays this week: July 18: Jessica; **July 19:** Jayden; **July 20:** Bob; **July 22:** Delana; **July 24:** Doug.
Wedding Anniversaries this week: July 18: Stephen & Anne.

Church Properties Contact Person for July is Bill (563-920-1546). Contact him with any items that need the attention of the Board.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, July 18:	8:30 am	Worship
	9:30 am	2 nd Quarter Voter's Meeting
	6:00-10:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
THURSDAY, July 22:	6:30-9:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
NEXT SUNDAY, July 25:	8:30 am	Worship/Communion
	6:00-10:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved

Do you have an announcement? If you have anything you would like me to include in the Announcer, please email me at oursav@iowatelecom.net or call me at the church office (563) 927-4860. I am also looking for something extra and fun to include in the Announcer. Would you enjoy a new recipe shared by church members each week? Or "fun facts" about our church that most members might not know? I would love your feedback and suggestions. Please reach out to me with your ideas. I greatly appreciate it! God's blessings to you all!
~Sara, Administrative Assistant



YFC Golf Tournament. Youth For Christ is having a golf tournament and fundraiser on Saturday, August 21st at Pin Oak Golf Course in Manchester. Check-in at 7:30 am, Shotgun at 8:45 am, and lunch/program at 2:00 pm. The cost to participate is \$75 and includes lunch and a swag bag. If you are interested in participating, please contact Mark or Pastor. They can set-up as many teams as needed to accommodate everyone who is interested. Thanks!

Christmas in July. The Camp Courageous Manchester Garage Sale always has great deals on all types of items, but Christmas items will be on full display July 22nd – 24th. Be sure to stop in to check out all the seasonal items available. Santa will be at the garage sale on Saturday, July 24th! Kids can get their Christmas list to Santa early this year. Hope to see you there!



Mentoring is simple. Be a friend to a youth ages 6-16, in Allamakee, Delaware, Howard, or Winneshiek Counties. Spend a minimum of four hours a month doing activities together based on similar interests. Summer is a great time to TAKE 1 Step and Become A Mentor! You can find mentoring matches, have pool parties, and enjoy the outdoors by hiking, walking, kayaking, and so much more. To get involved contact 563-387-1720 or mentoring@helpingservices.org.

Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca Annual Fundraiser. The annual *I Believe in Camp Fundraiser Auction* is scheduled for July 31st beginning at 11:00 am. The auction begins at 1:00 pm and the Hot Sauce Challenge begins at 4:00 pm. There will also be a 1-mile race for campers and a 5K fun-run for adults that begins at 10:00 am. The top placers in each race will be able to win camperships to apply to 2022 camp registrations. They are seeking quilts and crafts, among other items for the auction. If you want to donate an item for the auction, you can mail it or bring it the morning of the auction before 11:00 am. For questions, please email director@iodiseca.org or call (319) 848-4187.

"The Peace Child" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. A story about warring tribes and the peace which comes only through the giving of a son. (Ephesians 3). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

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 through LCMS campus-ministry as you pray for the parents of college students, especially those who have an empty nest for the first time. Pray that they would find joy and contentment in the midst of life's changes.*

Generosity Moment. Ephesians 2:13 – **"But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."** What all of mankind's efforts, works, and scheming could not do, the blood of Christ did. We have peace with God, and we are brought near to the Father. This life-giving sacrifice of Christ sets the pattern for the sacrifices we are called to make for others within our vocations in home, church, and society.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year. Pentecost VIII (Proper 11B) – Abortion and assisted suicide may appear to be compassionate measures. But while they deaden the culture to some discomforts, they actually deny support to unborn and impaired persons. By contrast, Jesus has compassion on the whole multitude with no exceptions, because He perceives how the world has abandoned them (Mark 6:34). He feeds them instead of forsaking them (Mark 6:41). And the Gospel extends abundant life from fertilization to forever.

Life Quote. "You, too, are one of the people Jesus came to rescue. You are one that He loves enough to suffer and even die for. His intention is to give you life—everlasting life—just as He has risen from the dead and will never die again. He is your king, and He wants you in God's kingdom." *Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Did You Know? What is the only type of fruit that wears all 200+ of its seeds on the outside? Where do you wear your fruit? On the outside for everyone to see? Hope so! *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law."* Galatians 5:22-23 (and the answer is...STRAWBERRY!) **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org