

The Announcer
October 18, 2020

In your prayers, remember . . .

. . . Mildred Fritz.
. . . Jen Zebuhr, wife of Jake.
. . . the family and friends of Carson.
. . . Don Wickman.
. . . John Johnson, husband of Lois.
. . . Nevaeh and Jonathan.
. . . Alys Henderson.
. . . Randy Maurer.
. . . Primo Martinez.
. . . Tom & Colleen Eagan.
. . . two families of Our Savior: Scott & Lindsay; Joel & Judy.
. . . the Iowa District East congregation of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wapello, with Rev. Chris Hinkle serving as pastor.
. . . God's gift of the Sacrament of the Altar as you pray that God would grant us faith in His Word,



It is good to see more people in the pews! As you come to worship, please be mindful of those gathering with you. We still encourage the wearing of masks for your well-being and that of those around you. If you are attending by yourself or as a couple, please consider sitting at the end of the pew. This will allow someone else to sit at the other end. We want to maintain social distancing, but also have room for everyone to sit. Thank you from the Lay Ministers.

Today – Third Quarter Voter's Meeting at 11:15 a.m. Please join us.

Unshakable Hope is the title of our adult Bible study on Sunday mornings. A 15-minute video featuring Max Lucado is shown and then the group will dig into the Scriptures which points us to our source of hope. We meet in the Parish Hall at 8:45.

Alys Henderson continues rehab at the West Ridge Care Center, 3130 F Avenue NW in Cedar Rapids, IA 52405. She enjoys hearing from her church family. Please send a card.

At the last Women of Our Savior meeting, an election was held for a new president and treasurer. Gloria Rattenborg will serve as President and Bobbie Mossner as Treasurer for the next two years. The officers holding over include Vice President: Carla Harder and Secretary Denise Rorabaugh. Thank you to Peggy Bramman and Helen Knutson for serving so faithfully these past two years.

BENEFIT for Jenny Gensley-Zebuhr, wife of Jake, is planned for **Saturday, October 17, 2020**, in Millersburg, Iowa. **Car and Bike Cruise.** Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. at the Community Center in Millersburg. The cruise will take off at 10:30. \$20 per car or vehicle and passengers are free. The group returns to Millersburg around 3:30 p.m. A live auction, meal, and raffles take place at the Millersburg Community Center, beginning with the free-will donation meal at 4:30. Live auction at 5:30. Extra t-shirts will be available to purchase at the benefit. Jen was recently diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer.

The women have been hard at work making quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Forty-two quilts were delivered to the LWR pick up in Cedar Rapids yesterday. Also, 26 Health Kits and 4 Sewing Kits were delivered. Thank you for sharing your time and talents as you work on this labor of love.

The church office has received word of the death of Mary Jane "Jane" Jensen, mother of Nancy Gartzke, who passed away last Sunday in Waupaca, Wisconsin. A full obituary is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you would like to send a card, an address is available at the church office. (*Rev. Dan Gartzke served this congregation from June 1980-March 1984.*)

Church Properties Contact Person for October is Darla Weber (563.608.6463). Contact her with any items that need the attention of the Board.



The Good Neighbor Society is looking forward to the fast approaching holiday season and is excited to announce the kickoff of our 2nd Annual Christmas Wishes program! Although Christmas may look different this year, we are dedicated to making the season special for residents. Each resident has provided what they would like for Christmas which has been recorded on a Wish Ticket.

We are reaching out to our loving community to help make these wishes come true! Last year the community came in to get wish list scrolls off a Christmas moose, however, this year we will be going online with a new Wish Ticket system.

If you are interested in making resident wishes come true, please send an email to Paris at pschaul@goodneighborsociety.org or call 563.927.3907 ext. 309. Thank you for your generosity this holiday season.

Flu Clinic. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there will not be a flu clinic at Our Savior this year. The scheduled clinic in Delaware Co. will be at the Colesburg Community Center on **October 20** from **10:11-30 a.m.** and **Edgewood City Hall/Library** on October 27 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. You may also receive flu shots at the **Regional Family Health** on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 5-7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. through October 29. An appointment may be scheduled by calling Regional Family Health at 927-7777. Face covering is required. **No walk-ins.** Flu shots are free with your Medicare Card and covered by insurance.



This week's birthdays: Oct. 21: Lauren; Kelly; Oct. 23: Jamie; Oct. 24: Zachary. **Wedding anniversaries this week:** Oct. 21: Brett & Megan; Oct. 22: Tim & Kelly; Oct. 23: Kyle & Sara; Oct. 24: Seth & Amelia.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

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| TODAY, October 18: | 11:15 a.m. | Third Quarter Voter's Meeting |
| | 5:30-7:00 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |
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| MONDAY, October 19: | 6:30-9:30 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |
| TUESDAY, October 20: | 6:30-9:30 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |
| WEDNESDAY, October 21: | 9:15-11:15 a.m. | Hall classroom reserved |
| | 1:30-3:00 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Confirmation |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Sr. ACTs |
| THURSDAY, October 22: | 9:00 a.m. | Thursday morning Bible study at St. Paul's, Delaware |
| | 6:30-9:30 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |
| NEXT SUNDAY, October 25: | 8:45 a.m. | Sunday School/Adult Bible Class |
| (Reformation Sunday) | 10:00 a.m. | Worship/Communion |
| | 5:30-7:00 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |
| | 6:00-10:00 p.m. | SONshine Center reserved |

Will you be a Voice for Life? Nine states and the District of Columbia now have laws allowing physicians to prescribe suicide pills to those who qualify. How ironic that as we see suicide rates rise, especially among young people, we legalize it and champion its virtues. Should the Iowa legislature become less life-affirming, such a law will most certainly be brought to the floor. We must not allow killing to become a means of caring. God calls Christians to show compassion to those who suffer, no eliminate them in the name of compassion. Please vote to affirm life. Lutheran Family Service – Rev. Dr. Jim Lamb, Life Advocate.

Mission News: The Lord's Supper. Bread and wine, body and blood feed us with the food that endures to eternal life. Christ gives His body and blood to His body the Church. Those who have faith in the words, "given and shed for you" receive what those words promise, the forgiveness of sins. *Remember God's gift of the Sacrament of the Altar as you pray that God would grant us faith in His Word,* that we worthily receive the Sacrament and live in repentance.

Generosity Moment. Matt. 22:21 – “... Then he said to them, ‘Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.’ ” So what is Jesus saying? Doesn’t everything belong to God? Yes, and God has a place for everything. Some of what He gives us goes to Caesar. Some must come back to the work of His Church. And some goes to support the families He has given us. All belongs to God, and He has work for us to do with what He has given us in the home, in the Church, and in society.

"No Boasting, Just Belonging" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. "The kingdom of God is not a game. The law teaches us how to love others as God first loved us. Our performance matters, but in God's kingdom belonging comes before performance." Dr. Michael Zeigler. (Romans 3: 19-31) Listen to “The Lutheran Hour” next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

Life Quote. “The Church has confessed from the beginning that each life is created by God, that human life is the supreme gift of the Creator. Human life is not given unconditionally but is given under the condition that we will be responsible for preserving it. The testimony that God respects life above all else is contained in the words of the Gospel: ‘For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life’ (John 3:16).” *Abbot Tryphon, Vashon Island, Washington – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*.

Life Thought in the Church Year. St. Luke, Evangelist – Abortion and assisted suicide insist on a salvation by works. They believe only pretty, popular, powerful, productive persons deserve to survive. Almighty God doesn’t delight in this kind of physical strength (Psalm 147:11). His grace and love give every life value, and so St. Luke’s Gospel proclaims the Lord’s joy and ours over blind, deaf, lame, mute (Isaiah 35:5-6), unborn (Luke 1:44), elderly (Luke 2:36-38), and even me and you!

Building Healthy Families: Suicide is the second leading cause of death for Iowa youth ages 15 to 34. In at least 90 percent of cases, a mood disorder, mental illness, or substance abuse are significant contributing factors. Young people don’t have the life experience to know that periods of depression or relationship problems don’t last forever, leading to an overwhelming sense of hopelessness. Adolescents are also prone to acting impulsively. In combination, these things create the perfect storm for a young person in trouble, increasing the risk that they would attempt suicide. If you are concerned about a teenager in your life, contact an LFS counselor for information about how to help, or to begin counseling to change their path. **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722, Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org.