

The Announcer
September 13, 2020

In your prayers, remember . . .

- . . . John Johnson, husband of Lois, as he begins treatment for cancer.
- . . . two families of Our Savior: Isabelle Breitfelder; Owen Breitfelder.
- . . . the Iowa District East congregation of St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Van Horne, with Rev. David Linguard serving as pastor
- . . . to rejoice in God's goodness in Christ as you pray thank God for the Holy Spirit.
- . . . the teachers and students as we embark on a new Christian Education year.



Unshakable Hope is the title of our Sunday morning adult Bible class study. We will watch a 15-minute video featuring Max Lucado, then dig into the Scriptures which point us to our source of hope. Our eyes will be opened to see how we can view our problems in light of God's many promises. I highly doubt that Max will point us to baptism and the Lord's Supper as sources of hope, but I certainly will. Please join us at 8:45 in the Parish Hall. – Pastor Weber

5th through 8th Grade Confirmation classes are scheduled to begin Wednesday, September 16, 7:00 p.m. We continue to recommend the use of masks and/or social distancing for your own peace of mind and the protection of others.

Board of Lay Ministry meets Wednesday, September 16 at 6 p.m.

The Our Savior Relay For Life team continues fundraising efforts! New Our Savior shirts have been designed and are ready to be purchased if anyone is interested. The website to order: <https://oursavior20.itemorder.com/sale>. Questions may be directed to Marla Loecke. The deadline to order is **Wednesday, September 16**. Place your order soon!

Our Savior Lutheran Church Blood Drive will be held in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, September 16 from 2:00 to 6:30 p.m. For an appointment call Gloria Rattenborg or the church office. Please bring your donor card, photo I.D., or two other forms at I.D. You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood by using RapidPass! Visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass for more information.

Special Voter's Meeting. On Sunday, September 20, there will be a Special Voter's Meeting immediately after worship. The purpose of this meeting is to approve a new treasurer. Plan to join us!

Thank you to my church family for the prayers, cards, letters, e-mail messages, calls, baked goods, fresh garden produce, and social distance visits. I knew when we arrived at Our Savior we were picking the correct church. I also wish to express my thanks to our many blood donors. As I received this gift of life, I was so appreciative of it from you and many others.
- John Lehmann

Collecting items for Penn Center residents. Due to COVID-19, the Women of Our Savior will not host the Bingo Night at the Penn Center on October 6. They do, however, want to gather items for activities for the residents and are asking the congregation to help with this project. The list includes colored pencils; coloring books for adults; markers; big boxes of Crayola crayons; boxed puzzles (new); word search circle books; DVD 'S appropriate for the general population (preferably comedy or superhero or Marvel flicks). DVD 'S could be new or used as long as they are working well. Boxes are available under the table near the mailboxes for your donations. Please bring them no later than October 6.

Flu Clinic. Due to the COVID-10 pandemic, there will not be a flu clinic at Our Savior this year. Look at the schedule that is posted on the bulletin board, plus the procedures that will be followed at the clinics. The schedule will include places, dates, and times for these clinics. NO walk-ins.

The Women of Our Savior meets for their monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 p.m. **at the church.** Bobbie Mossner will lead the devotions. A business meeting, Mites, and the election of President and Treasurer take place.

The Board of Parish Fellowship would like to apologize for not having any activities, but with COVID-19 in the area, we feel it is unsafe. With that said, there will not be a congregational potluck meal on Rally Day. The congregational Thanksgiving meal is in question. Keep watching for further announcements. Please stay safe and healthy.

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

Weekly Grief Support Group meets Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 p.m. from September 15 thru November 24 at the Stone Church (Cornerstone). Contact Carol (563/920-1988) for more information.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, September 13:	5:30-7:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
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WEDNESDAY, September 16:	12:30-8:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall reserved
	1:30-3:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
	2:00-6:30 p.m.	American Red Cross Blood Drive – here
	6:00 p.m.	Lay Ministry Board meets
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
THURSDAY, September 17:	7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00-9:00 p.m.	Hall classroom reserved
NEXT SUNDAY, September 20:	8:45 a.m.	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:15 a.m.	Special Voter’s Meeting
	5:30-7:00 p.m.	SONshine Center reserved
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This week’s birthdays: **September 15:** Tammy Sherman; **September 16:** Andrew Buelow; Matt Kness; **September 17:** Miles Brandt, Saul Torres.

Wedding anniversaries this week: **September 14:** Doug & Leanne Bush; Eli & Roxie Schumann.

Mission News: The Creed. We confess the three ecumenical Creeds, the Apostles’, Nicene, and Athanasian. We believe in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, three persons. Luther’s explanation of the Apostles’ Creed in the Small Catechism teaches important truths about God as our creator, redeemer and sanctifier. *Rejoice in God’s goodness in Christ as you pray thank God for the Holy Spirit.* Pray that He would keep all in the true faith.

Generosity Moment. Romans 14:7 – “**For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself.**” We just don’t belong to ourselves. We belong first of all to God, and, through Him, we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation. As a Christian, you serve others in the church; as a neighbor, you serve others in society; and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father or mother, you serve your family.

“I Stand at the Door” Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus is the Guest who will become the Host for all who trust in Him." New Series: "Households of Faith" (Luke 24:13-35). Listen to “The Lutheran Hour” next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

Life Quote. “When discipline and correction are called for in the Christian family, it is always administered in love, given for the express purpose of benefitting the family as a whole—the household as a whole. By this the family is strengthened to better witness to the life they share by faith in Jesus. For by the grace of God and in the power of His Holy Spirit, the Christian family at work, worship, prayer, or play bears witness to the faith that is in them through their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” Ron Schlegel, The Lutheran Laymen – **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •**
www.lutheransforlife.org.

Life Thought in the Church Year. Pentecost XV (Proper 19A) – Today the good Lord has a good Word for those of us who have participated in abortion. He forgives that. He forgives you. “[A]s far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us” (Psalm 103:12). What’s more, He redeems every sinner. He redeems all our failures. “[Y]ou meant evil ... but God meant it for good” (Genesis 50:20). Who could you counsel or comfort with what you’ve learned from this mistake (Romans 14:7)?

Did You Know? Every day LFS counselors meet with people who are experiencing a test or trial of some kind or have been hurt by their own or someone else's actions. We can help, and we do, but we know we don't work alone or by our own power. We serve a God who can turn a test into a testimony, a trial into a triumph and a victim into a victorious survivor. Psalm 34 tells us that He is not distant but near to the brokenhearted and to those whose spirit has been crushed. This same God is with you today in whatever test, trial, or pain you are experiencing. Call us if you could use someone to walk with you during this hard time. **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722, Phone: 563/359-0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org.