

The Announcer
January 16, 2022



Annual Voter's Meeting of Our Savior will be held TODAY after worship (approximately 11:15 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!

2021 Annual Reports will be printed and available at the Annual Voter's Meeting this morning, as well as on the guest registry table. Please take a copy if you are interested. Thanks!



Scholarship Applications for students who will be in college in the 2022/2023 school year are available in the designated slot on the lower, left side of the mailboxes. This includes high school students who are graduating in May and will be attending college in the fall. Please place completed applications in the Church Office mailbox. Scholarship applications are due by April 1st.

Donated Stocks Update: The donated stocks have been liquidated and the funds are designated as follows: an asphalt overlay for the parking lot per Kluesner's bid, replacing the parsonage roof with 50% of the funding coming from the congregation, and the remaining funds earmarked for a church kitchen renovation. This will be discussed at today's Annual Voter's Meeting. If you have any further questions, please contact Paul.



Coffee Bar with Treats: The youth will be having a coffee bar with treats following the worship service TODAY. Free-will donations are accepted. All money fund raised will go toward their youth gathering in July. Thanks for your continued support!

Personal Care Kit Supplies Needed: The Women of Our Savior are collecting the following items for personal care kits (which are in great demand) for Lutheran World Relief: dark colored bath-size towels (medium or lightweight – 52" x 27"), bath size bar soap in original wrappers, sturdy wide tooth combs (out of package), and nail clippers that have the file attached. Please leave items in the box in the kitchen by January 23rd. Thanks for your support!

Members of Our Savior, thank you once again for the scholarship. Your continued prayers and generosity are always appreciated. ~Your Friend in Christ, Sarah



Wanting to Exercise? Every Monday thru Friday (starting this week), from 4:00-5:00 pm at the SONShine Center, you can join Darla as she leads a variety of different exercise programs. Exercising with a group is a fun way to stay motivated, and it's good for your mental and physical health. We hope you can join us!

Thrivent Action Grants Still Needed! The Senior ACTS are still in need of action grants to help with their fundraising projects for the National Youth Gathering. Also, the Properties Committee is in need of some grants to assist with the cost of some repairs at church. Please contact Darla if you can apply for a Thrivent grant (and Darla can assist with the process too). Remember: MOST Thrivent members can apply for up to 2 grants per calendar year! Thanks!

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

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Birthdays this week: January 16: Karla; **January 17:** Dawn; Gary; Kris; **January 20:** Tegan; **January 22:** Avery.

There are no wedding anniversaries this week.

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



Blood

Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Our Savior on Wednesday, February 9th from 1:00-5:30 pm. Donors who give blood anytime between February 1st-28th, 2022, will receive a \$10 Amazon.com gift card via email, thanks to our partners at Amazon. The Red Cross is experiencing the worst blood shortage in over a decade. Please prayerfully consider donating blood if you are able to. As a reminder, you can only give whole blood every 56 days; therefore, you cannot have given after December 15th. Double Red donors can only give every 112 days; therefore, you cannot have given after October 20th. Sixteen year olds can give blood, but must have parental permission. Scheduling to be a donor can be done online at any time by going to www.redcrossblood.org/donating-blood or you can call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). If you have any questions, please contact Gloria. Thank you!

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, January 16:	8:45 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Annual Voter's Meeting
	5:30-7:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00-10:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
TUESDAY, January 18:	9:00-10:30 am	Ladies Bible Class – SSC Fireside Room
WEDNESDAY, January 19:	1:30-3:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Classes – SONshine Center
	7:00 pm	Senior ACTS – SONshine Center
THURSDAY, January 20:	9:00-10:00 am	Bible Study – St. Paul's, Delaware
	6:00-9:00 pm	Hall Classroom reserved
	6:30-9:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
NEXT SUNDAY, January 23:	8:45 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship/Communion
	5:30-7:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	6:00-10:00 pm	SONshine Center reserved

"Caught" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Words have power to catch the listener, the power of Jesus' words and story, even more so. (Luke 4:38 - 5:16). 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. *Give thanks as you pray for strong districts, congregations, and Recognized Service Organizations. When our Synod is strong at home, we can better reach out across the world.*

Generosity Moment: John 2:3 – “When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, ‘They have no wine.’ ” Behold the faith of Mary. She sees a problem and simply lays it before her Son and Lord, saying, “They have no wine.” She does not offer a proposed solution, and she does not demand. She simply states her need and waits for the Lord’s response. She trusts that the Lord is a giver, and she knows that He always provides. May such a faith be ours!

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Epiphany II – God chose humankind in Christ Jesus. God chose you with the celebration of a wedding (John 2:11). God chose you with the love a husband has for his bride (Isaiah 62:4-5). God chose you and all offspring of Adam and Eve (Psalm 128:3). God chose you and every variety of human being, chose us into existence, chose us with forgiveness, chose us for making a difference (1 Corinthians 12:4-6).

Life Quote: “You are not and never have been simply a number, a blob of tissue, or an invisible nobody. Rather, you are now and always have been God’s handcrafted gift to the world.” *Michelle Bauman, director of Y4Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Building Healthy Families: Have you experienced the grief and loss of infertility? Or do you have parenting experience and room in your heart and home for one more child? Would you prayerfully consider adopting a child, possibly one who exists today as a waiting frozen embryo, in need of a forever family? Adoption builds a family through love that transcends genetics, biology and culture. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about domestic, international or embryo adoption invite them to contact Kim Laube at klaube@LutheranFamilyService.org or visit the website at lutheranfamilyservice.org. Adoption workers are available statewide. **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org