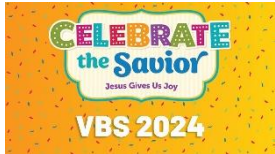


The Announcer
May 12, 2024



Congratulations and God's blessings to our confirmands: Evan John and Kyla Marie. We welcome you into the communicant membership of Our Savior Lutheran Church. May God be with you, bless you, and keep you strong in the faith as you affirm your baptisms today.

Picture Directory – Photos Needed: Please submit your family photos (along with the names) to Anita by **this Sunday, May 12th**. We ask that the photos have been taken within the last 2 years to be current, and a simple snapshot is perfectly fine. If you would like Anita to take your individual or family photo, she can do that right after church on Sunday. She will be putting together a photo book that we will send to Pastor-Elect Armbrecht so he can begin to learn our names and pray for us. Please let Jim or Anita know if you have any questions. You can text or email photos to Anita at (563) 920-4246 or anitapalmer621@gmail.com. Thank you to everyone who has already submitted your photos.



Mark your Calendars! Vacation Bible School will be held the week of **June 3rd – 7th from 9 am - noon**. The theme this year is “Celebrate the Savior – Jesus Gives us Joy” and is open to kids ages 3-years-old thru completed 6th grade. It is open to our church members and family, as well as the public. We are looking for volunteers to assist with teaching, snacks, crafts, music, recreation, etc. A sign-up sheet for volunteers, as well as registration forms, have been placed on the guest

registry table. **Please prayerfully consider volunteering, even if you are only available for a day or two.** If anyone has any “carnival” related items that we could use for decorating, you can leave them in the Hall Classroom labeled with your name. Please contact Sara in the church office if you have any questions. You can place completed registration forms in the Church Office mailbox.

Updating Contact Information: Please contact Sara in the church office to update your contact information for the church records. This includes new or updated cell phones, if you no longer have a landline, email addresses, addresses for your college or grown children, etc. There are some families we do not have any cell phone numbers listed for anyone, so if you are in doubt of whether or not Sara has the correct information for you, **please reach out to double check!** You can email her at oursav@iowatelecom.net or call the church office at 563-927-4860. Thank you!

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



Birthdays this week: May 15: Krista; **May 18:** Milt; Jessie; Ed.

Wedding anniversaries this week: May 18: Alex & Jessica.

OSLC Relay for Life Team will be selling pastries (free will offering) on Sunday, May 19th and Sunday, June 23rd after the worship services. Thank you for your support! The Delaware County Relay for Life will be held Friday, June 28th from 5:00-10:30 pm.



High School & College Graduates: Parents, please check your email if you have a graduating high school or college student. A form has been emailed for you to please fill out and put in the Church Office mailbox or email to Sara by **Monday, May 13th**. (If you want a paper copy of the form, please let Sara know.) The graduate's information will be published in the Announcer on graduation Sunday, May 19th. Thanks!

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!



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, 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!

Greeting Cards for Sale: There is a large selection of Christian graduation cards as well as confirmation cards for sale in the card cabinet in the Narthex. All cards are \$1.00 each. There are also birthday, wedding, anniversary, baptism, get well, etc... cards for sale. Thank you for supporting the Women of Our Savior!

Final Day of Sunday School/Adult Bible Class will be Sunday, May 19th. We will recognize the Sunday school children's perfect/faithful attendance and memory work completion, as well as the high school seniors, which will include a senior slide show. Most likely this recognition will be at the end of the worship service so Pastor Schewe can get to Monticello on time for his next service. I would like to thank all the Sunday school teachers (Jim, Karla, Kayla, and Stephanie), Dave for leading the Adult Bible Class, and Pastor Schewe for leading the combined 5th-8th grade confirmation class! Your hard work and dedication is very much appreciated!

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, May 12:	8:00 am	Worship/Communion/Confirmation Sunday
	9:00 am	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class
	10:00 am-1:00 pm	Fellowship Hall reserved
TUESDAY, May 14:	9:15-11:00 am	Ladies tie quilts for LWR – Hall Classroom
	1:00-4:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
WEDNESDAY, May 15:	7:00 pm	Senior ACTs
THURSDAY, May 16:	9:00 am	Bible Study, St. Paul's, Delaware
	6:30-9:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
NEXT SUNDAY, May 19:	8:00 am	Worship/Communion/Graduation Recognition
	9:00 am	Final Sunday School/Adult Bible Class



Operation Christmas Child Fundraiser: The 2nd annual "Homemade & Homegrown Sale" will be held Saturday, May 18th from 8:00-11:00 am at 308 S. Wayne Street in Manchester. There will be plants (perennials and houseplants), crafts, and baked goods for sale. All proceeds go to support the shipping costs for Operation Christmas Child. Thanks for your support of this important ministry!

The Lutheran Hour: "Waiting, But Not Alone" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge. Jesus leaves His followers waiting for Him to return but He promises they will not be left alone. (Acts 2:1-21). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

Generosity Moment: 1 Peter 4:10 – "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." The grace, the gifts, the blessings — they are all from God. We are to use them as stewards, not as owners. That means we should seek to use them in the way the Owner wants them used. So, we listen to His Word, pray for His wisdom and receive His grace.

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 how God works to strengthen the faith of His people as you pray with thanksgiving for faithful parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, teachers, and other role models who help to "train up a child in the way he should go" (Prov. 22:6).*

Life Quote: "Now we get to receive and enjoy our times and our lives as blessings. And we get to do the same with the gifts and privileges that each of our neighbors embodies, from unborn to elderly and from fertilization to forever. The Lord our God has blessed us for the purpose of life, and He has blessed us for the duration of life. So, let's partake in the blessing of proclaiming God's truth and putting Christ's love into practice, even as the Psalmist himself does!" *Pastor Michael Saleminck ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Easter VII – The loving Creator's presence and power surmounts every impediment to life and sanctifies all its impairments. He works new life in those as dead as stones (Ezekiel 36:26), abundant life among those as abandoned as exiles (Ezekiel 36:24, 28), and everlasting life for those as bereft as beggars (Ezekiel 36:29-30). Jesus stoops these gifts into – and brings them up out of – every kind of uncleanness (Ezekiel 36:25). *Dear Father, invite and involve us in Your overcoming. Amen.*

Building Healthy Families: A Mother's Love - Scripture is full of references to mothers and their unique qualities. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 isn't typically thought of as one of them but think of mothers you know who are living examples of the high calling of love described here: Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. Happy Mother's Day to all women who so lovingly care for their children and others. (P.S. Call your mother!) **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or www.LutheranFamilyService.org

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Measles in the Midwest

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Measles cases continue to spread throughout the United States and the Midwest. To date, cases have been reported in the bordering Iowa states including Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Of the total cases in 2024, 53% of cases were hospitalized.

Measles is an airborne virus. It is extremely contagious and causes a potentially severe rash illness that can lead to brain swelling and serious complications. The measles is NOT just a *little rash*.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- **Call your healthcare provider immediately** if you think you or your child have been exposed to measles.
- **Do not go to the clinic or hospital without calling first** (if you think you or your child could have measles or have been exposed). This is because measles is so contagious. We do not want to expose other patients, visitors and staff in a waiting room. Measles can live in the air for 2 hours after an infected person leaves the space.
- **Measles symptoms** typically include a high fever (may spike to 104°F or higher); cough; runny nose; red, watery eyes; and a rash which breaks out 3-5 days after other symptoms begin. Symptoms present 7-14 days after a measles infection.
- **Get vaccinated with the MMR (measles-mumps-rubella) vaccine.** Call your healthcare provider today to make sure you and your children are up-to-date with your MMR vaccine.

Find more information about measles, prevention and the latest outbreak statistics at [cdc.gov/measles](https://www.cdc.gov/measles).