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The mission of Our Savior Lutheran Church is to live God's love in Jesus Christ through word and sacraments, worship and prayer, Christian nurture and fellowship, service and outreach.

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Sunday Worship Services:

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School:

9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

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Holy Week / Easter Worship

Palm/Passion Sunday

First Communion Celebration

April 17th at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.



Worship begins with a palm procession, commemorating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The tone of the service changes as we meditate upon Jesus' passion and death. Because this story is central to our faith, we hear Matthew's account of the passion today and John's version on Good Friday. At the 11:00 a.m. service, we celebrate at our Lord's table with the younger members of the congregation who, having recently completed a class on communion education, will receive Holy Communion with the congregation. Our guest preacher will be The Rev. Japhet Ndoriyobijya, a pastor of the Anglican Church of Rwanda and the former Field Coordinator for African Evangelistic Enterprise. He is currently working on his Doctor of Ministry degree at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California.

Maundy Thursday Service

April 21st at 7:00 p.m.

With nightfall, our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Three days of Jesus' death and resurrection. At the heart of the Maundy Thursday liturgy is Jesus' commandment to love one another. As Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, we are called to follow his example as we care for one another and for the poor and the unloved. At the Lord's table we remember Jesus' sacrifice of his life, even as we are called to offer ourselves in love for the life of the world.

Good Friday Worship Service

April 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

At the heart of the Good Friday liturgy is the passion according to John, which proclaims Jesus as a triumphant king who reigns from the cross. The ancient title for this day--the triumph of the cross--reminds us that the church gathers not to mourn this day but to celebrate Christ's life-giving passion and to find strength and hope in the tree of life. In the ancient bidding prayer we offer petitions for all the world for whom Christ died.



Resurrection of our Lord—Easter Day Worship

April 24th at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed! On the first day of the week God began creation, transforming darkness into light. On this, the "eighth day" of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead. We celebrate this new creation in the waters of baptism and in the feast of victory. With great joy we celebrate this day of days, even as we begin the great fifty days of Easter. Filled with hope, we go forth to share the news that Christ is risen! Join us for worship and Easter brunch in Anderson Hall following both the 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. worship services.



Congregational Business

Social Concerns Committee Update

This year Easter is on Sunday, April 24th. The Food Baskets reverse offering, deadline, and distribution dates are as follows:

- Reverse Offering: April 3
- Reverse Offering: April 10
- Return all items by: April 17
- Distribution: April 18

Volunteers are needed to carry out this project. Please contact Margot Inman for more information and to provide help on this project that benefits our congregation members, the Issaquah community and the Issaquah Food Bank. Cash or check donations should be marked as *Social Concerns Food Baskets*. Due to the financial situation there is no budget money available for the food baskets. We will need to depend only on the designated funds donated by your generosity. If you would like to participate as a recipient or know someone who can benefit from this project, please provide their name, total number of family members, and a good contact phone number as soon as possible to Margot at (425) 829-4675 or ana.inman@comcast.net. Thank you very much in advance for your donations and help. Blessings to all as we celebrate our Lord's Resurrection this Easter.

*Yours in Christ,
Margot Inman*

Adoption Shower

April 10 @ 12:15 p.m.
Anderson Hall

On Sunday, April 10th, there will be a sandwich and salad potluck "*Adoption Shower*" for the Francois-Fletcher family in Anderson Hall after the second service. Come celebrate with Pastor Ryan, Natalie, Sammy, Toby and Lydia and learn about Masame, their newly adopted daughter from Ethiopia. Once Masame's travel papers have been approved, Pastor Ryan and Natalie will be returning to Ethiopia to bring her home.

There will be a sign-up posted in the narthex for foods to bring for the potluck. If you'd like to give a present, but aren't sure what they need, we'll have some ideas posted as well. If you have questions, please contact Cheryl Hauser at chauser13@comcast.net, Shari Lundberg at shari.c.lundberg@gmail.com or Jennifer Tolo at Jennifer@tolo.org.

Fellowship corner notes: Easter Brunch

'I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings...and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead' Philippians 3:10 - 11.



Easter is the time of year when we experience the death and resurrection of our risen Christ. As His disciples, we join together in rejoicing and celebration, ever thankful of His sacrifice. Come join us after worship for fellowship and Easter Brunch, to share in our happiness of our risen Lord.

OSLC is proud to offer a full Brunch after the first and second Easter services. Bring your family and friends to enjoy this offering, relax and share in Fellowship with us.

A sign up poster is available in the Narthex if you are able to assist with fruit platters and/or pastries. If you are interested in helping in any of the following:

Table set up and decoration on Saturday
Kitchen set up and prep on Saturday
Buffet set up/refresh Sunday before either serving
Clean up

Please contact me for more information: Judi (Russell) Case (425) 445-2803 or judirussell56@gmail.com

Blessings on your day!

Constitution Committee Update

The Constitution committee created by past council president, John Nelson, has continued to meet monthly to address issues raised previously about the content of the constitution and by-laws and the potential need to update portions of them. Awareness and compliance with the constitution and by-laws has also been raised as an ongoing issue. The committee members are Sandy Nygaard, Paula Seeger, Connie Fletcher, Lisa Gillen, Ralph Case, Bill Bergsma and Pr. Larry Thomas.

The committee has reviewed OSLC's current constitution in comparison with the ELCA synod model constitution which is available at the synod site at <http://www.lutheransnw.org/leadership/forms.asp>. Copies of OSLC's current constitution and by-laws are available at our church office. The committee has reviewed the constitution for potential changes to update it from the current version which was written in 1988. The by-laws are also being reviewed. Prior to voting on any changes to the constitution or by-laws at the June or November congregational meeting, the committee will plan for constitution and by-law forums, where there will be a presentation of the recommended changes, discussion on the rationale for any changes and to obtain feedback and answer questions from the congregation. The Bishop's office must also review any proposed changes prior to a vote by the congregation. Congregation members are encouraged to be aware of the contents of both the constitution and by-laws so that an open discussion can be held prior to any voting on proposed changes.

Submitted by Paula Seeger, Council Vice President

BELLS & BERRIES RETURN IN MAY

What would Lutherans do without music and food in their lives? Memorial Bells will again be presenting their annual Bells & Berries concert on Sunday, May 15 at 3:00 p.m. The ringers have been working all year on this project just for you! So now, the food part. Following the concert is our absolutely smashing rendition of berry shortcake. You wouldn't want to miss that!

This concert gives us the opportunity to revisit our favorite pieces, and perhaps yours. I have an idea which ones affected the congregation the most, since often we receive comments of encouragement after a worship ringing. Praising God and touching the listeners with our musical message are the reasons we ring.

This year has found our group in a transition stage, having lost (temporarily we hope) six ringers. But alas, God provides. We have added two ringers from neighboring areas and two from OSLC. We have five ringers from Our Savior, and six from the community. Together we join to make beautiful music for our Lord in regular worship services. We normally ring with thirteen people, so there is room for you to ring with us.

For information about the concert or ringing with us, please contact Alice Lewis (425) 432-0366, or alicelewis@motorplex.com. Mark May 15 on your calendars now!

*Musical blessings,
Alice, Handbell Director*



Rwanda Partners Mission Trip *May 29—June 7*

Rwanda Partners is taking a team to Rwanda for a short-term mission trip from May 29-June 7. Pastor Thomas will co-lead the trip together with RP Board Member Dean Wagner. The trip will include reconciliation ministry, evangelism, church partnerships, project visits and school support. If interested, call or email Allie Wallace for more information at allie@rwandapartners.org or (206) 588-8029.

Rwanda Partners Dinner Auction - A Night at the Space Needle

Saturday, April 16, 2011

Join Rwanda Partners for the 2011 Dinner Auction at the Space Needle. RP will be hosting a silent auction on the top deck of the Space Needle with majestic views of the city and Puget Sound. Dinner will be served in the banquet hall at the Space Needle. Tickets are \$48. Register online at rwandapartners.org



Did You Know??

There are many "hidden" ministries at OSLC, activities that people have taken upon themselves to show the compassion of Christ to the needy. If your heart feels drawn to helping, give these secret angels a call or a click.

It's been cold on the streets of Seattle. Ask the people who live in the park near the courthouse! Paula Seeger runs off to work in the morning with her bags or roller suitcase full of clothes collected by Di-anne Tanner. She has sorted them to make outfits, and done what is needed to make them wearable.

On Sundays, she packages items in zip-lock bags to carry with her daily. In each there is a pair of socks, a hand-warmer, a foot-warmer, 2 granola bars, and 2 mandarin oranges. Some bags have carrots, broccoli or chex mix. Every bag is a blessing. The clothes are a blessing to keep people warm and dry. Most of all, the blessing comes because someone does not pass them by. She talks to them; she looks them in the eye and she shakes their hand. She knows them by name. She cares that they exist, and they know it.

"These people do not ask me for money, nor do I give out any," Paula says. "For the most part they do not have alcohol on their breath, they are just cold, hungry and trying to survive. One of the men, Mark, was wet and cold, so I bought him a sleeping bag and rain jacket. Another needed jeans and a belt, which I obtained from donations. Both of them gave me warm, appreciative hugs". Women's clothing is taken to Pastor Kristy of the Church of Steadfast Love at the Compass Housing Alliance.



Vincent waits in the cold for the shelter in City Hall to open. There he can sleep indoors on a floor mat. Paula approaches him to talk. She shares the biblical messages from the Ash Wednesday service at OSLC. Vincent's Bible is worn and highlighted. He carries and reads it every day. He asks if she can bring peroxide to heal his skin from flea bites, and some underwear. Paula wonders, "If we had to reduce all our possessions to a back pack, would it include a Bible?"

Can **you** help? Drop clothes, socks and underwear in the boxes opposite the library. They'll go straight to the streets. If you work downtown and want to join Paula, or if you can help fill zip-lock bags with food, contact Paula at (425) 222-6230 or policygrr@centurytel.net.

Mike Heck Update

Dear Our Savior Members and Friends,

We wanted to again write and greet all of you. We sure miss seeing all of you! We promise to come around now that spring is here and Mike is stronger and better! Yes, better! Thanks be to God.

First we want to again express our sincere thanks and gratitude to all of you who attended and/or supported us at the Cross and Crown benefit dinner. It was an amazing evening with 400 people attending! To say we were overwhelmed is an understatement. Our home church family and our friends did such an amazing job organizing and executing that evening. We will be forever thankful to everyone for the support.

Second, on Wednesday, March 16th, we had the most incredible news given to us by Mike's neuro-oncologist and neuro-radiologist. That morning Mike had an MRI. We were initially told by his team of doctors that this MRI would most likely be worse than earlier MRI's. We could not believe our ears when we were told that the MRI looked better than earlier ones and that the tumor had not grown back and there were no visible signs of any tumor on the MRI. God is good all the time, all the time God is good!!! Now that we have the upper hand on Mike's brain tumor, they are treating him with aggressive chemo to be sure any bad cells disguising themselves as good ones or any that are just not seen will be treated by the chemo. He will receive chemo for at least the next twelve months.

Thank you OSLC for your prayers, calls, visits and good thoughts. We look forward to greeting you on a Sunday morning soon!

*Much Love,
Janet & Mike*



4/1	John & Jane Tierney	4/1	Eric Flatness	4/17	Noah Fitterer
	Rowan & Barb Hinds		Joanna Moreira		Tyler Wright
4/6	David & Debra Wagner	4/3	Jesse Fitterer	4/18	Mike Nygaard
	Paul & Bodil Isop		Sarah Perkins	4/20	Scott Coyle
4/13	John & Linda Wallace	4/4	Janette Singley-Wray		Tanner Geraci
4/21	Martin & Gloria Olson	4/5	Dave Park		John Stamm
4/25	Paul & Carla Geraci	4/6	Tulio Moreira	4/21	Elle Perkins
4/26	Jim & Alicia Veevaert		Aminah Lamb-Murray		John Wray
		4/7	Jerry Nack	4/22	Elizabeth Brown
		4/8	Jeff Youngstrom	4/23	Sarah Fletcher
		4/11	Alicia Veevaert	4/24	Chris Hoganson
			Angela Dickens		Donald Rentschler
			Jane Hughes	4/25	Cecelia Loudermilk
		4/12	Stacey Radermacher	4/26	Elizabeth North
			Terri Jonas		Orion Marshall
		4/13	Dominik Fry	4/27	Ingeborg Nims
			Jim Marshall	4/28	Colleen Petersen
		4/14	Jonathan Smith		Martin Olson
		4/15	Joni Njos Zink	4/29	Chuck McCoy
			Rebekah Christopherson		David Sladek
		4/16	Brandi Downey		Ron Sordahl
			Jocelynn McCleery	4/30	Norma Byrnett
			Kimberly Montague		
			Linda Nack		
			Samuel Francois Fletcher		

Church Council Update

Passed Motions:

- Each committee needs to review their budget and if not all budgeted funds will be used contact Gary Kneepkens of amount that could be returned or unused.
- Provide Janet Heck six weeks paid family leave.
- Provide option for Janet to use either paid family leave or accrued vacation time at her discretion following the exhaustion of her accrued sick time.
- Accept recommendation by council personnel rep to increase Becky Mogensen's weekly hours by 12 hours.
- Lenten offerings (Ash Wednesday - Easter Sunday) are designated to go to Missionary Support. Allow OSLC preschool to use a classroom downstairs for after school programming.

Decisions Made:

- Janet Heck to use her 60 day sick leave first.
- Recommended freeze of all ministry teams and activities and benevolence spending with the exception of Missionary Support.
- Pastor Larry can dispose of the remaining five or six wooden pews however he wants.
- David Sladek will represent the OSLC youth at the synod assembly in May.
- Temporary closure of the church office on Fridays will start on March 4. Pastoral staff will continue with their regular hours each Friday, but access to the building will be limited.
- Accept finance committee recommendation to go to congregation for additional \$25,000. Cheryl Hauser will lead a sub team to plan and execute the communication to the congregation. (Out of this came the "Give an extra month" campaign with temple talks.)

Please feel free to talk to any council member if you have any questions or comments. Complete monthly approved minutes in electronic form are available anytime upon email request to Kathy Ziegler at zskathy@comcast.net.

Kathy Zielger, Secretary

Fall 2011 Preschool Registration

The preschool is currently taking registrations for the fall of 2011. We accept three, four and five year olds as well as a few older two year olds with permission of the director. Please check out our web site at www.oslpreschool.org, call (425) 392-1201 Ext. 4 or email Connie at preschool1201@hotmail.com to get your questions answered. We are offering a "Lunch Bunch" between the morning and afternoon classes next year. We will take a limited amount of students for this extra time at school. You can find information packets in the slots on the wall by the main church office. It is great fun for us to give tours of our classroom by appointment.

Connie VanHouten
Preschool Director

Christian Education & Small Group Ministries

Sunday School

9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Preschool—Grade 5

For students in Preschool through Grade 5, our Sunday School program ties in to the Sunday morning readings that we hear each week in worship. For more information on our Sunday school curriculum, visit www.activatefaith.org.



Senior/ Jr. High and Middle School Java Talk

For senior, junior high and middle school students (grades six through twelve), we offer a program geared towards conversation and relationship building. Each Sunday, students gather with Paul Tolo and Wes Telyea, our interim youth ministry assistant, to enjoy a beverage and discuss a faith topic.

Mid-Life Spirituality Group

OSLC's Mid-Life Spirituality Group meets Sunday evenings, twice a month, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We are discussing the book, *Ancient Paths: Discover Christian Formation the Benedictine Way* by David Robinson. The book is available from a variety of on-line vendors. Contact Marilyn Larson at (425) 392-6954 or marilyn.larson@gmail.com for more information about this group.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

The Book of Exodus

Pastor Thomas leads the Thursday morning Bible study. We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. We are studying the book of Exodus. Copies of our text, *Exodus and Leviticus for Everyone*, by John Goldingay are available from a variety of on-line vendors.



OSLC's Book Club

Barnes & Noble – Pickering
Place, Issaquah
7:30 p.m.

Here are the dates and books for our reading schedule in 2011:

May 16, 2011	<i>Plum Wine</i> by Angela Davis-Gardner
August 15, 2011	<i>Same Kind of Different as Me</i> by Ron Hall and Denver Moore
October 17, 2011	<i>Sarah's Key</i> by Taiana de Rosnay

Please join us this year and read some great books and join in our lively discussions. For more information please contact Marilyn Larson, at marilyn.larson@gmail.com or call her at (425) 392-6594.

Hope Circle

Friday, April 15
9:30 a.m.

Hope Circle will meet Friday, April 15, 2011 at the home of Jean Chaney and our leader will be Jane Shen. For more information on Hope Circle or for carpooling information, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.

Women's Circle



Faith Circle

Monday, April 18
7:30 p.m.

On April 18, 2011, Faith Circle will meet at the home of Maureen Lock and our leader will be Evy Sneva. Faith Circle meets on the third Monday of each month, from September to May, at 7:30 p.m., in different member's homes. (We break for the summer months - June through August.) We use the Bible study found in *Lutheran Woman Today*. If you need more information or would like to join Faith Circle, please contact Rita Hansen at (425) 392-2108 or ritahansen@brigadoon.net.



A Deeper Well

April 26
8:00 p.m.

A Deeper Well is a time to talk about faith and life and experience some refreshment for both body and soul. It is a new year, and we are moving to a new location. We now meet at Sunset Ale House on Front Street (20 Front Street, next to Flying Pie Pizzeria and Front Street Market) on the last Tuesday of each month. If you want more information about A Deeper Well, contact Pastor Ryan at rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org, (425) 392-4169, ext. 105)

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

April 3
9:45 a.m.

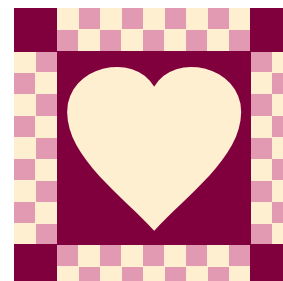


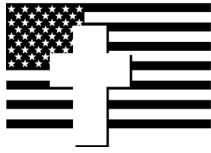
The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet between services on April 3 at the back closet in Anderson Hall to bless newly completed shawls and distribute yarn. If you knit or crochet, please come and join us!

New knitters and crocheters are welcome. Contact Karen Hansen or Muriel Brown for more information.

Mission Quilters

Join us Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Anderson Hall and assist us making quilts.





Comfort Boxes

Thank you to all donations that have come in so far. We have sent over 450 boxes. We have been informed there is a shortage of nail clippers, dental floss, boot socks, cotton balls, swabs, packages of wet wipes and concentrated drink mixes (in individual sizes—like Crystal Light). In addition to paperback books, any magazines less than three months old and recent Sunday comics are appreciated.

Donations for comfort boxes for military men and women can be placed in the blue collection bin in the narthex. These comfort boxes are being mailed to our men and women currently serving on the front lines. This collection is an on-going one and if you have any questions or would like to become involved with helping the VFW with sorting and packing boxes, please call Dave and Georgeanne Park at parkd@q.com or (425) 392-7275.



Tent City 4 is now located at 106 Fifth Avenue in Kirkland. The biggest priority is still blankets and warm clothing. The clothing items needed are: adult sized coats, gloves, hats, scarves, blankets, sweat pants/sweat shirts, jeans, men's and women's underwear, socks, shoes (suitable for hard work), boots.

TC4 donations can be placed in the red collection box in the narthex. Questions can be directed to Dave and Georgeanne Park at (425) 392-7275 or the church office (425) 392-4169 ext. 100.

PERU MISSION TRIP 2011—and MAYBE 2012?

As we indicated previously, our Lutheran brothers and sisters in Chiclayo have invited us to send a mission team! Henrik and Patty Christopherson - long-time members of OSLC, veteran missionaries in Chiclayo, and highly experienced mission trip guides - have offered to shepherd us on this trip, greeting us at the airport in Lima and guiding us every step of the way.

The proposed dates for this trip are October 5th through October 17th. There will be an optional excursion at the end of the trip, which would add a few days (and an undetermined cost) for those interested. This excursion would leave from Lima, so that those not interested can easily and safely return home on the 17th. Details of the excursion will depend on group interest; Machu Picchu has been a popular destination for previous mission trips.

This will be a working trip, and the cost is estimated at \$500 plus airfare (and any optional excursion costs). An intrepid spirit, a good sense of humor, and a love of Christ and neighbor are highly recommended for those wanting to come along.

We need a firm commitment by the end of June! You can contact any of us listed below:

Mark Mummy (markmummy55@yahoo.com)
Craig Gillin (craig@gillindesign.com)
Gary Kneepkens (jkneepkens@yahoo.com)

Is anyone interested in a youth-oriented mission trip to Peru in 2012? If so, please let us know!



youth NEWS



Communion Education Class for 2nd Graders, April 3 & 10:

Attention all families of second graders and older kids who have not yet taken OSLC's Communion Education class! On April 3 and 10 during the education hour (9:45-10:45 a.m.), Pastor Ryan will be leading a two session class on the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This class is for students and families (at least one parent or caregiver is asked to attend). The class is fun and engaging and will help prepare each child for their participation in Holy Communion at OSLC. It also leads up to a special Communion Celebration that we will have on Palm Sunday, April 17, during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. To register or for any questions you might have, contact Pastor Ryan at rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.

Middle & High School Youth Event:

Whirlyball

Friday, April 15th

6:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.

We had so much fun at whirlyball that we are going back! And this time we have the courts for two hours! We will be leaving the church at 6:00 p.m. sharp, due to traffic, so make sure to show up on time. Also, make sure to eat something before you come. The cost is only \$2! If you and your friends are interested, please RSVP to Wes by April 13th at youth@oslcissaquah.org. (Parents: We need drivers. If you are willing to drive, please let Wes know as soon as possible.

Middle School Epic Week

Camp Lutherwood

July 24 - 29, 2011

All youth entering Grades Six through Nine are invited to attend Middle School Epic week at Camp Lutherwood this summer (July 24-29)! Epic team challenges, radical night games, and unmatched fun! Don't miss out on this EPIC week! Pastor Ryan will also be at Lutherwood this same week serving as the camp resource pastor. For more information or to register, contact Camp Lutherwood at www.camlutherwood.org or contact Pastor Ryan at (425) 392-4169 ext. 105 or rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.

OSLC Day Camp & Jr. Day Camp

August 1 - 5, 2011

Mark your calendars, registration is now open for OSLC's Day Camp and Jr. Day Camp! Both of these wonderful week-long camps take place at OSLC from August 1-5 this summer. For our older kids (entering Grades one through six), Day Camp is a joint effort between our congregation and Lutherwood Bible Camp (Bellingham, WA). Lutherwood staff, together with people from our congregation, will create a fun and memorable experience for all involved. For our younger kids (ages three, four and five), Jr. Day Camp is a half-day version tailored especially to their interests. If you pre-register, the cost is only \$45 for the week of Day Camp and \$25 for the week of Jr. Day Camp. Registration forms are available from the church office or online at www.oslccdaycamp.com.



It's time once again for the OSL Preschool hanging flower basket sale. Squak Mountain Nursery provides the preschool with beautiful hanging baskets with your choice of fuchsia, geranium and/or petunia hanging baskets that arrive in May , just before Mother's Day. Orders are due Sunday, April 3rd and can be placed in the labeled box in the narthex. Consider asking friends and family if they'd like to order too! The money raised goes to the general fund for the preschool. If you have any questions please call or email Windy Smith (206) 915-2326 or windysmith14@hotmail.com.



Please use the order form below. Fill it out at home and drop it off at the church.

OSL Preschool Spring Hanging Flower Basket Sale

Fuchsias \$31 each
Geraniums \$31 each
Petunias \$29 each

Orders due: Sunday, April 3rd
Pick up orders starting Tuesday, May 3rd

They make great Mother's Day presents!

Contact Windy Smith at (206) 915-2326
or windysmith14@hotmail.com if you have questions.

Name _____
E-mail _____

Phone _____

Quantity

Total \$

Fuchsias

_____ @ \$31 ea _____

Geraniums

_____ @ \$31 ea _____

Petunias

_____ @ \$29 ea _____

TOTAL

Please make checks payable to OSL Preschool. Please leave your order forms in the box located in the narthex.. Order are due by Sunday , April 3rd.

Treasurer's Update

Feb. 2011



We are 8 months (67%) through our fiscal year.

What has actually happened this year:

We have received YTD - (89% of operations budget)	\$ 276,098
We have spent YTD - (87% of operations budget)	<u>\$ 270,992</u>
Deficit - We have spent more than received	\$ 5,106

Compared to what we budgeted:

We are behind budgeted giving by	\$ 34,502
We are under budgeted spending by	\$ 39,089

Compared to last year's actual:

Our contributions were less than last year by	\$ 41,000
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*Respectfully,
Randy Halter, Treasurer*

**Sunday morning worship
services with Holy
Communion begin at
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School for all ages
(preschool through adult)
begins at 9:45 a.m.**

**Three Easter Sunday Services with
Holy Communion
April 24th at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.**

**Join us for Easter Brunch following
the 8:00 & 9:30 a.m. services.**

Worship Schedule

Sun., April 3—4th Sunday in Lent

First Reading:	1 Samuel 16:1-13
Second Reading:	Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel:	John 9:1-41

Sun., April 10—5th Sunday in Lent

First Reading:	Ezekiel 37:1-14
Second Reading:	Romans 8:6-11
Gospel:	John 11:1-45

Sun., April 17—Passion/Palm Sunday

First Reading:	Isaiah 50:4-9a
Second Reading:	Philippians 2:5-11
Gospel:	Matt 27:11-54

Sun., April 24—Easter Sunday

First Reading:	Jeremiah 31:1-6
Second Reading:	Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel:	John 20:1-18

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

and then...

GIVE AN EXTRA MONTH !

In how many ways are we **BLESSED** by our life at OSLC?
Let us count the ways!

Seriously: count them!

Count our spiritual growth and discipleship... our church home and family of faith who are really there for others in times of struggle... the ministries serving special needs... being part of a body that reaches out to help the disadvantaged in our community and throughout the world.

Make a list of how *you* are personally blessed at OSLC. Count the spiritual guidance, biblical messages and Christian education... the programs, ministries, and committees serving with compassion and love... the music... the teaching of our children... the things we've done in new ways these past several months (you'll hear more about all that soon) to open pathways to an in-depth Christian walk where we put our faith into action for a spirit-led future, fruitful in Christ...

Where do the blessings stop? And what are we doing – you and I as individuals – to keep the blessings flowing out to others?

They don't just happen all by themselves; you know that. A community of people ***giving*** creates blessings for all: People giving their *time*. Their *talents*. And their *money*.

But giving has dropped dramatically these past 12 months.

When giving drops, our ministries, our compassion projects, and our benevolence drop, too. It makes our hearts ache to think about that.

So the council is asking each household to help get us back on track. We are asking you to give an additional month as though there were **13** in a year. If you can do that, OSLC can meet its ministry and mission goals.

That's right: if you can give what you normally give each month just **one extra time**, we will see the blessings keep on flowing!

**Count your Blessings.
And then...
Give an Extra Month!**

April 2011



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<p>10</p> <p>Food Basket Collection 8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Communion Instruction Class 9:45 AM Sunday School / Adult Education 11:00 AM Worship 12:15 PM Adoption Shower 7:00 PM Women's Fellowship Group Meeting (Narthex)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30 AM Avant Designer's Guild (Anderson Hall) 10:00 AM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Coun- seling Network (LCN Office) 1:00 PM Parkinson's Support Group (Library) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall, Room 7) 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 116 (Rooms 14, 15)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:30 PM Issaquah Meal Program @ Fire Station 6:00 PM Executive Committee (Library) 7:00 PM Council Meet- ing (Library) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Room 7)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:30 PM Staff Meeting (Library) 5:30 PM Lenten Dinner (Anderson Hall) 5:30 PM Youth Bells (Sanctuary) 7:00 Mid-Week Lenten Service 7:50 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Rm 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:30 AM Hope Circle @ the home of Jean Chaney 6:00 PM Youth Whirly- ball Event</p> <p><i>Newsletter DEADLine</i></p>	<p>16</p> <p>7:00 PM Rwanda Part- ners Benefit Dinner Auction @ the Space Needle 4:30 PM Ferrarini/Joule Wedding</p>
<p>17</p> <p>PALM SUNDAY Food Basket Collection 5:45 AM-8:00AM Hammond House Break- fast 8:30AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School / Adult Education 11:00 AM Worship w/ Communion Celebration</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Easter Food Basket Distribution 10:00 AM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Coun- seling Network (LCN Office) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall, Room 7) 7:30 PM Faith Circle @ the home of Maureen Lock</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Room 7)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 5:30 PM Youth Bells (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Rm 7) 10:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service</p> <p><i>MAUNDY THURSDAY</i></p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:30 AM Issaquah Quilters (Anderson Hall) 7:00 PM Good Friday Service</p> <p><i>Good Friday Service</i></p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Easter Sunday & Easter Brunch (following 8:00 and And 9:30 worship) 8:00 AM Worship 9:30 AM Worship 11:00 AM Worship</p> <p><i>Alleluia!</i></p>	<p>25</p> <p>OSLC Office Closed 10:00 AM OA (Rm 7) 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM Lutheran Counseling Network (LCN Office) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #676 (Anderson Hall, Room 7) 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 116 (Room 14 & 15)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall & Room 7) 8:00 PM A Deeper Well @ Sunset Ale House</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 6:00 PM Youth Bells (Narthex) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Confirmation Group Meeting (Youth Room)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7:45 AM TOPS (Rms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Rm 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>AA Workshop (Anderson Hall)</p>

We remember in prayer...



We remember in prayer OSLC members: Joe Acker; Sandy Aldworth; Micah Clark; Chris Cummings; Connie Downey; Gene Elfstrom; Marie Foss; Virginia Fraas; Christine Fry; Rita Hansen; Carol Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Cynthia Holmberg; Lois Jacobson; Marian James; Josee Jordan; Leotagail Kramer; Lyle Lewis; Jeannie Lindquist; Vern Lindquist; Jocelyn McCleery; Jerry Nack; Colleen Petersen; Pastor Eldon 'Pick' Pickering; Jeff Saathoff; Bob Schlemlein; Steve Setterlund; Mary Swanson; Pam Travis; Linda Wallace; Gwynn Wilkinson; Odin Witsoe.

We ask for peace and comfort for those mourning the death of loved ones:

Steve Bellm (Diane Nelson); Steve Birdsall (Montague Family); Joan Case (mother of Connor Case); Edward Fish; Ronald Meier (Paula Seeger); Gertrude Bourn (mother of Georgeanne Park)

We pray for expectant mothers: Victoria Bearden (daughter of Richard and Maureen Locke); Jessica Browning (niece/cousin of Montague family); Colleen Darnell (daughter of Bruce and Norma Byrkett); Caryn Gilbertson (granddaughter of Marlene and Pick Pickering); Heather McKimmey (sister-in-law of Becky Mogensen); Sophia Nygaard (granddaughter-in-law of Joe and Lucy Acker); Sharon Solie (Montague Family) Laura Suttmeier (daughter-in-law of Bill and Joanne Suttmeier); Katy Ulland; Katrina Walker

We pray for the safety of OSLC members and friends serving in the military here and abroad.

We pray for and give thanks for the ministry of Our Savior Lutheran Preschool.

We pray for safety of all students traveling during Spring Break.

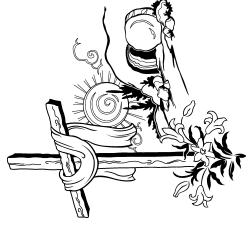
We pray for our missionaries and global missions: Henrik & Patty Christopherson; Rwanda Partners; Sister Congregations: St. Catherine's Lutheran Church in St. Petersburg, Russia and Mekelle Lutheran Church in Mekelle, Ethiopia; for the congregations in Chicalyo, Peru: Pepe at Las Brisas, Merci in San Antonio and Harold at Las Lomas. MaaSae Girls Lutheran Secondary School in Monduli, Tanzania..

We offer thanksgiving to God: For the joyous birth of Emily Sophia to Loren Beagley and Karina Zasuetto (Howe Family); for the joyous birth of twins, Sam and Noah to Katie and David Citrom (Howe Family); for Gerry Lider's release from the hospital (Bill & Carol Bergsma); answered prayers for Sarah (Ann Kofol); praise and thanksgiving for Kirsten Wood's successful studies in South Africa and her safe return home (Randy & Joanna Wood); for our many blessings (Barbara Extract; Ann Kofol).

Prayer is putting our faith into action, and prayer is pleasing to God. Link up with our prayer chain if you have a need or if you want to share a thanksgiving or praise. Call Jill Naegle, (425) 392-0116.



Worship Assistants April 2011



Service	Date	Time	Ushers	Lectors	Communion Assistants	Sound Engineer
4th Sun. in Lent	Apr. 3	8:30	Don Robertson & Richard Lock	Janette Singley-Wray	Janette Singley-Wray; Mary Fricke; Alice Lewis	Dave Wagner
		11:00	Jeff & Justin Hendrickson	Sue Friddell	Sue Friddell; Karen Hansen; Alice Lewis; Rita Hansen	Dave Wagner
Wed. Lenten Service	Apr. 6	7:00 pm	Marillyn Larson & Richard Lock	N/R	N/R	Dave Park
5th Sun. in Lent	Apr. 10	8:30	Craig & Sam Gillin	Connie Fletcher	Connie Fletcher	Dave Park
		11:00	Bruce Matthias & Bill Suttmeier	Maury clark	Judi & Ralph Case; Karen Hansen; Muriel Brown	
Wed. Lenten Service	Apr. 13	7:00 pm	Larry & Christine Fry	N/R	N/R	Dave Park
Passion/Palm Sunday	Apr. 17	8:30	Marilyn Larson & Lena Schaper	Judi Case	Judi & Ralph Case; Mary Fricke; Alice Lewis	
		11:00	Larry & Christine Fry	Maury Clark	Muriel Brown; Marc, Kimberly & Ashley Montague	
Maundy Thursday	Apr. 21	7:00 p.m.	Jim & Leslie Kramer	Kimberly Montague	Kimberly & Marc Montague	Jeff Ziegler
Good Friday	Apr. 22	7:00 p.m.		Sue Friddell	N/R	Jeff Ziegler
Easter	Apr. 24	8:00	Doug & Lindy Downey	Sam Shrimpton	Sam Shrimpton; Lori Downey	David Hersey
		9:30		Karen Hansen	Karen Hansen; Alice Lewis	
		11:00	Gary & Marilyn Kneepkens	Sue Friddell	Sue Friddell; Rita Hansen	

When you arrive, please sign-in on the worship sign-in sheet located in the sacristy.



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