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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.*

## Our Savior Lutheran Church

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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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## Advent 2011, Of Jesse's Lineage: Being God's Family Saints, Sinners, Strangers and Savior

*The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.*

Matthew 1:1

It was a Sunday afternoon in Austin, Texas. We were visiting our daughter Emily and her then fiancé, now husband, Dontay Wilson. We decided to spend part of our day visiting the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum.

I was drawn to a special exhibit on the early twentieth century immigration of Russian Jews to Texas. I was intrigued because my Jewish grandfather, Josef Rosenfeld, had emigrated from Russia to the United States in the early twentieth century. I had always assumed (and never been told otherwise) that grandpa arrived in U.S. via Ellis Island in New York. Given that Grandpa Josef had met my grandmother Josephine in Ft. Worth, Texas, where they were married, I realized, as I toured the exhibit, that maybe my grandpa had arrived in the U.S. via Texas, just like all the immigrants whose photos I was scrutinizing.

Later that evening, I tried to find some of my long lost second cousins on the internet. I thought that Amelia, Lucy, Barry and Sol's last names were Rosenfeld. I couldn't find any of them. Then, a couple weeks later, on a Thursday, I was shopping at a local supermarket and I remembered that Sol and Barry's last name was Mogerman, not Rosenfeld.

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## Sunday, December 25, 2011 & Sunday, January 1, 2012: One Worship Service @ 9:30 a.m.

On the holiday weekends of Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day, and Sunday, January 1, 2012, New Year's Day, there will be one worship service at 9:30 a.m. We will resume our regular schedule of worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. with Sunday school at 9:45 am on Sunday, January 8, 2012.



Once I arrived at home I went online, and within just a few minutes I had found my cousin Sol. I sent him an e-mail and he replied within the hour. Sol wrote me that he had a thirty page letter that his grandfather, my great uncle, Meyer Rosenfeld, had written some fifty years ago. The letter was about our great grandfather Pinchas Rosenfeld and our ancestors in the Ukraine. That evening, I sat in our den reading Uncle Meyer's letter and learning more in one hour than I had ever known about my Russian Jewish ancestors.

I've never had much interest in working on genealogies or family trees. But I don't mind telling you I sure am thankful for family members who do. Thanks to their efforts, on both Ann's side of the family and mine, I have learned a lot about our family histories and, curiously, I have learned a thing or two about myself.

This Advent season, OSLC will explore our faith family's tree, our genealogy of grace, and our ancestry as descendents of our fathers in faith, Abraham, David, and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our theme for this year's Advent Sunday morning worship services is: "Of Jesse's Lineage: Being God's Family—Saints, Sinners, Strangers, and Savior." Each Sunday morning we will share readings and reflections on our faith family tree. As we learn about our ancestors in faith, chances are, we will learn a thing or two about ourselves. What's more, looking back, remembering our ancestors in faith, will help prepare our hearts for the celebration of our Lord's birth on Christmas Day.

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## **Praying the Lord's Prayer**

Beginning November 27, 2011, The First Sunday of Advent, we will be praying the "ecumenical" version of the Lord's Prayer on Sunday mornings. We will continue this practice through Pentecost Sunday, May 27, 2012. On June 3, 2012, the Sunday of The Holy Trinity, we will resume praying the traditional version of the Lord's Prayer. It has been our practice to pray both versions of the Lord's Prayer over the course of a year: approximately six months praying one version, and then, six months praying the other.

### **Saturday, December 24 / Christmas Eve Worship Services: 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm and 11:00 pm**

There will be three Christmas Eve services on Saturday night, December 24. The Christmas Eve Service of the Word, Carols and Candlelight will be at 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. The 11:00 p.m. Service of Holy Communion will also be a service of carols and candlelight.



## **Join Rwanda Partners**

*Thursday, December 1 @  
The Big Picture, Redmond*  
OR

*Thursday, December 8 @  
The Big Picture, Seattle  
7:00-8:30 pm*

Join Rwanda Partners as we celebrate the season with elegant hors d'oeuvres and drinks, view the premiere of Rwanda Partners latest film, a holiday basket sale, basket giveaways and inspirational stories of change. Pick the date/location you prefer. Thursday, December 1st, The Big Picture Redmond, or, Thursday, December 8th, The Big Picture, Seattle (7:00-8:30 p.m./21 and older only.) All proceeds to benefit the work of Rwanda Partners. To RSVP or for more information contact Rwanda Partners at 206-588-8029 or [info@rwandapartners.org](mailto:info@rwandapartners.org).

# Christian Education & Small Group Ministries

## Sunday School

9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Preschool—Grade 6

Sunday school for ages preschool through sixth grade are tied to the Sunday morning readings that we hear each week in worship. For more information on our Sunday school curriculum, visit [www.activatefaith.org](http://www.activatefaith.org) or contact Pastor Fletcher at [rdffletcher@oslcissaqh.org](mailto:rdffletcher@oslcissaqh.org).



## High School Java Talk

For students in grades seven through twelve, we offer an on campus program geared towards conversation and relationship building. Each Sunday, students meet in the new upstairs youth room for Java Talk, a program geared towards conversation and relationship building.



## Children's Christmas Program

Sunday, December 18th @ 11:00 a.m.

The Children's Christmas Program will take place this year on Sunday, December 18th at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Youth that want to participate are requested to be in Sunday School on the two Sundays before (December 4 and 11) to prepare. There will be special Christmas treats after the service on December 18th.

## Thursday Morning Bible Study

The Letters of John

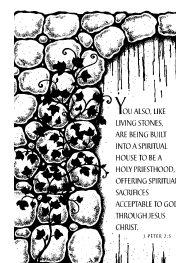
Thursday Morning @ 10:00 am



Pastor Thomas leads the Thursday morning Bible study. We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. We are studying *The Gospel According to St. John*. Copies of our text, *John For Everyone (Part 1 - Chapters 1-10)* by N.T. Wright are available from a variety of on-line vendors. Class will not meet on Thursday, December 22 or Thursday, December 29.

## Sunday Morning Adult Class: The Gift and Grace of Spiritual Practices

December 4, 11 and 18 @ 9:45 a.m.



The gift and grace of spiritual practices (Sabbath keeping, Lectio Divina, and Personal Rule) enhance our day-to-day experience of God in the relationships and experiences of our lives. Join Pastor Thomas on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. in the library for this informative and life-giving class on spiritual disciplines.

## Mid-Life Spirituality Group

The Mid-Life Spirituality Group meets in participants homes on Sunday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. We will begin discussing *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis at our December 4, 2011 meeting. Participants should read the intro and the first three letters. Contact Marilyn Larson at [marilyn.larson@gmail.com](mailto:marilyn.larson@gmail.com) for more information about this group. Watch the bulletin and weekly e-mail for the location of our December 4, 2011 meeting.



## A Deeper Well

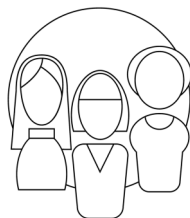
In Recess for December

"A Deeper Well" will be on recess for the month of December. We will reconvene in January so please join us for this gathering that takes place on the last Tuesday evening of each month. This is a time to talk about faith and life and experience some refreshment for both body and soul. We meet at Sunset Ale House on Front Street (20 Front Street, next to Flying Pie Pizzeria and Front Street Market.) Join us for our next gathering on January 31st. If you have questions, contact Pastor Ryan at (425) 392-4169, ext. 105 or [rdffletcher@oslcissaquah.org](mailto:rdffletcher@oslcissaquah.org).

## Hope Circle

Friday, December 16  
11:00 a.m.

Hope Circle will meet Friday, December 16, 2011 at the home of Mary Fricke for our holiday potluck. For more information on Hope Circle or for carpooling information, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or [mtnlady@comcast.net](mailto:mtnlady@comcast.net).



## Faith Circle

Monday, December 19  
7:30 p.m.

On December 19, 2011, Faith Circle will meet at the home of Shannon Dickens-Little and our leader will be Gwynn Wilkinson.

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 *Gather* (formerly *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](mailto:ritahansen@brigadoon.net).



## OSLC's Book Club



Raven's Books—In Gilman Village, Issaquah  
7:30 p.m.

Please join us at our new location, Ravens Books in Gilman Village. Our very own locally owned book store right here in Issaquah. We've changed our starting time to 7:30 p.m. Our next gathering is next year 2012. We'll meet on January 9th, March 12th, May 14th and July 9th.

January 9, 2012

*The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkinson

March 12, 2012

*Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

Please join us this year and read some great books and join in our lively discussions. Send me your suggestions for books you'd like to read for August and October. For more information please contact Marilyn Larson, at [marilyn.larson@gmail.com](mailto:marilyn.larson@gmail.com) or call her at (425) 392-6594.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

Sunday., December 4  
10:00 a.m.

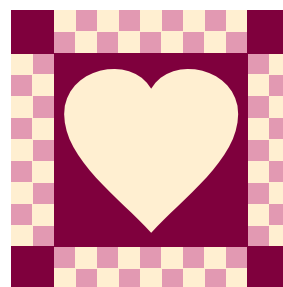


The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet between services on Sunday, December 4 at 10:00 a.m. at the back closet in Anderson Hall to bless newly completed shawls and distribute yarn. If you knit or crochet—or would like to please stop by! This wonderful ministry provides warm, comfy shawls to those in need.

If you know of someone who could use a prayer shawl, please let Karen Hansen, Muriel Brown or one of the pastors know.

## Mission Quilters

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





## Library News

With the Christmas holiday season upon us once more, bringing its promise of the beauty of lights, decorated homes and trees, colorful gifts and poinsettias, the excited faces of little ones, the anticipation of celebrating with friends and family – and the hustle-bustle of busy days, where can a visit to our library fit into all this? Each year our time seems stretched to the ultimate, making us think a trip to the library is out of the question. But the library can offer helpful ideas for creating those beautiful decorations, suggest special new holiday recipes to try, provide Christmas stories galore to share with little ones or to enjoy yourself, making the little bit of time it takes to visit, worthwhile and enriching to your holiday.

Consider the beautiful picture books and stories for your little ones, such as *The Crippled Lamb* or *I Am Christmas* which retells the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem but reveals much more about Jesus than his birth. Your older readers can enjoy the beautifully illustrated *Nutcracker* or *The Christmas Carol*. And you can find holiday preparation helps in *101 Ideas for the Best-Ever Christmas* or *Great Christmas Ideas* or adult fiction stories which are especially meaningful.

Just visiting the library and browsing through the many titles we have on display provides a moment of peace...come and rest, discover and enjoy what the library can offer at this special time of year.

Sharon Mantei, Library Committee



### Our Savior Lutheran Preschool

Our Savior Lutheran Preschool loves to have visitors come to our classroom. If you have children 3 or 4 years old and are looking for a school for this year or next, please give us a call. We will schedule a tour for you to see all that our students do in a day. Our staff has many years of experience working in early childhood education.

Connie Van Houten, Director  
(425) 392-1201, Ext. 4

**2012 Women's  
Retreat  
February 3-5  
@ Rainbow Lodge**



### A Walk Through the Bible w/ Pastor Heidi Fish

Attention all OSLC Women! Mark your calendars for February 3-5, 2012 and our annual Women's Retreat at Rainbow Lodge in North Bend. Our guest speaker from last year, Heidi Fish, is returning this year. Our topic will be "A Walk Through the Bible". We'll learn a song to memorize the books of the Bible and play Bible Trivia so come prepared for fun. Of course, there will be lots of down time for resting, hiking, visiting, and reflecting.

Watch for registration information coming in December. If you have questions, feel free to contact any of the retreat team: Kimberly Montague, Pam Moore, Jane Tierney, Leslie Waltzer, and Birdena Leiningar



# Congregational Business

## Social Concerns

### Thanksgiving and Christmas News

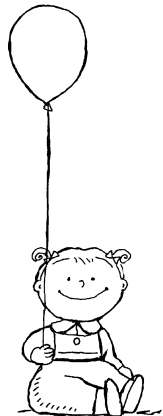
Thanks to all, over 36 families were blessed with Thanksgiving Food Baskets. Special thanks to all those friends and families of all ages who helped in making this project a successful one with your caring work. Detailed numbers will be available in the next Focus.



Our next project is the Christmas Giving Tree. This year we will work on this project as we did last year. Sign up, take an ornament, buy your gift cards, and bring them back with the ornament and a purchase receipt with the activation code taped to the card to OSLC. This will help recipients avoid confusion at the stores when they do their shopping and the clerks or the machines are overwhelmed. More details to follow in the Sunday bulletins.

As always we want to THANK YOU for your continued support of our projects aimed at sharing hope and spreading God's gifts with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Have a Joyous Christmas Season. Praise the Lord and rejoice in Jesus' birth!

*Margot Inman and Social Concerns Committee*



**Child  
Care  
Available**

### **Parents' Night Out!** Friday, December 9th, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Go to dinner, do some Christmas shopping, or just relax for a few hours while your children are having their own night out. OSLC youth that will be attending the ELCA National Youth gathering in New Orleans in July 2012 and their parents are hosting this event to raise money from your donations. **Friday, Dec. 9 from 6:00-9:00pm** for children ages preschool and up. There will be snacks, a movie, games and crafts. Questions? Contact Pastor Ryan Fletcher at [rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org](mailto:rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org) or 425-392-4169.

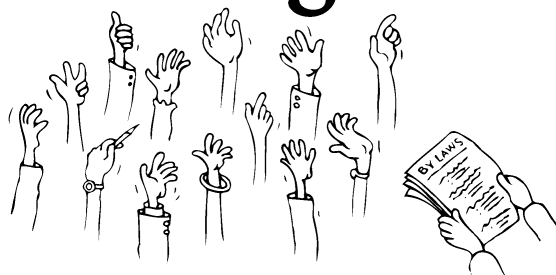
### **Bells and Holly Berries** **Handbell Concert and** **Carol Sing** Sunday, December 18th 3:00 p.m.



Memorial Bells of Our Savior Lutheran Church will be joining with musicians in our midst to present a musical gift to the congregation, *Bells and Holly Berries*, on Sunday afternoon December 18th at 3:00 p.m. This will be a musical journey through the Advent and Christmas season in lessons and carols. Listen to and sign the favorites of the season. Holiday refreshments will be offered following the concert by the fellowship committee and musicians. Invite your friends and neighbors to join in this wonderful event full of music and joy!



# Congregational Meeting



At the November 20, 2011 Congregational Meeting, the following persons were elected to terms on council, as voting members to the 2012 Northwest Washington Synod Assembly and to the 2012 nominating committee:

## *Council Officers*

- President – Sandy Nygaard (2nd term expires 12/13)
- Secretary – Jeff Ziegler (1st term expires 12/13)
- Financial Secretary – Mary Ann Hult (1st term expires 12/13)
- Administration/Personnel – Paul Timmerman (1st term expires 12/13)
- Social Concerns – Brian Humphries (1st term expires 12/13)
- Fellowship – Marilyn Larson (1st term expires 12/13)
- Worship – David Carlson (2nd term expires 12/13)
- Stewardship – Wendy Winslow (2nd term expires 12/13)
- Youth – Gerrie Hendrickson (1st term expires 12/12)
- Christian Education – Connie Fletcher (1st term expires 12/13)

## *2011 Northwest Washington Synod Assembly Voting Members*

*(Synod Assembly to be held at the Everett Event Center, May 18 & 19, 2012)*

- Synod Assembly Voting Member, female – Jane Shen
- Synod Assembly Voting Member, male – John Stamm

## *2011 Nominating Committee*

According to Chapter 13 of OSLC's constitution, page 13 (see C13.02), "A Nominating Committee of six voting members of this congregation, two of whom shall be outgoing members of the Congregation Council, shall be elected at the annual meeting for a term of one year. Members of the Nominating Committee are not eligible for consecutive re-election."

Ralph Case, David Hersey, Cheryl Hauser, Jean Pass

## *Continuing Church Council Members are:*

- Vice President – Paula Seeger (1st term expires 12/12)
- Treasurer – Randy Halter (1st term expires 12/12)
- Building and Grounds – Mark Cron (1st term expires 12/12)





## Treasurer's Update

### October 2011



We are three months through our fiscal year.

#### What has actually happened this year:

We have received YTD - (96% of budget)	\$133,241
We have spent YTD - (94% of budget)	\$130,321
Surplus	\$ 2,920

We are under budgeted giving by \$ 5,391

We are under budgeted spending by \$ 8,299

Compared to last year's actual giving, our contributions were less than last year by \$615.

*Respectfully,  
Randy Halter, Treasurer*



### BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

12/1	Leslie Succo	12/16	Elsa Bachman
12/3	Ben Taylor		Paula Seeger
	Paige Lucas		Rollie Kiefel
	Stan Patterson	12/17	Haley Ziegler
12/4	Jennifer Gardner	12/18	Laura Halter
	Sarah (Wuest) Parlin	12/18	Marc Montague
	Shawn Clark	12/20	Brittney Peterson
12/5	Jessica Liepins		Spence
	Randi Strom		Dustin Jonas
12/6	Christiana (Baseler)	12/23	Bev Geary
	Nelson	12/24	Paul Crawford
	Lori Downey		Rita Hansen
12/7	Carol McMurray		Toby Fletcher
12/10	Callan Moore	12/25	Brian FitzGerald
	Frankie Tate	12/26	Gabriel Humphries
12/26	Gabriel Humphries	12/28	Gary Kneepkens
12/11	Kristina Steffen		Hannah Bachman
	Lucy Acker	12/30	Jack Gardner
12/12	Stephanie Wright		Sue Friddell
12/13	Joyce Craig	12/31	Kate Halter
12/14	Doug Patur		
	Olivia Liebrock		
12/15	David North		



12/2	John & Jean Pass
12/3	David & Katrina Walker
12/9	Justin & Katy Ulland
12/12	Steve & Vicki LeFever
12/14	Randy & Linda Baseler
12/27	David & Sigrid Flatness
	Olaf & Marilyn Grette



## Worship Schedule

**Sun., December 4—2nd Sunday of Advent**

First Reading: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:1a,7-15  
Gospel: Mark 14:66-72

**Sun., December 11—3rd Sunday of Advent**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11  
Second Reading: Hebrew 13:1-2  
Gospel: Matthew 25:34-36

**Sun., December 18—4th Sunday of Advent**

First Reading: Isaiah 25:1-9  
Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

**Sun., December 25—Christmas Day**

First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10  
Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4  
Gospel: John 1:1-14

**On December 4, 11 and 18,  
Sunday morning  
worship services with Holy  
Communion begin at  
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.**

**On Sunday, December 25, we  
will have one worship service  
with Holy Communion at  
9:30 a.m.**

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

**No Sunday School on  
December 25, 2011 and  
January 1, 2012**



## Christmas Eve Worship Assistants

<b>Christmas Eve Worship, Saturday, December 24th</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 7:00 p.m. Service of the Word, Carols &amp; Candlelight</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 9:00 p.m. Service of the Word, Carols &amp; Candlelight</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 11:00 p.m. Service of the Word, Carols &amp; Candlelight w/Holy Communion</b>
Ushers	Jim & Leslie Kramer		
Lectors	1. Sue Friddell 2.	1. Judi Case 2.	1. Karen Hansen 2.
Communion Assistants	N/R	N/R	Karen Hansen
Sound Engineers			

There is still room for any volunteers wishing to serve at the Christmas Eve Services. If you are interested, please contact Janet Heck in the Church Office (425) 392-4169 or on [office@oslcissaquah.org](mailto:office@oslcissaquah.org).



# December 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>OSLC facility use</b> printed in non- italics.</p> <p><i>Community facility</i> use printed in italics.</p> </div>			<b>1</b> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rooms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al-Anon (Rm 7) 10:00 AM Bible Study w/ Pastor Thomas (Library) 7:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9:00 AM Altar Guild Advent/Christmas Decorating
<b>4</b> <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> 8:30AM Worship 9:45 Shawl Knitting Ministry (AH) 9:45 AM Sunday School / Adult Education 11:00 AM Worship 7:00 PM Mid-Life Spirituality Group	<b>5</b> 10:00 AM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Coun- seling Network (LCN Office) 5:30 PM Girl Scouts (Rooms 14, 15) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall) (	<b>6</b> 6:00 PM Global Missions Committee (Narthex) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Downstairs Room) 7:00 PM Youth Ministry Committee Meeting (Library) 7:00 PM Constitution Committee Meeting (Narthex)	<b>7</b> 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Confirmation Group Meeting (Youth Room)	<b>8</b> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rooms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 10:00 AM Al-Anon (Downstairs Room) 6:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary) 6:30 - 8:30 PM OSL Preschool Christmas	<b>9</b> 6:00-9:00 PM parents' Night Out (Anderson Hall)	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> 8:30AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School / Adult Education 11:00 AM Worship / Bible Presentation	<b>12</b> 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, Rm 7)	<b>13</b> 5:30 PM Issaquah Meal Program @ Fire Station 6:00 PM Executive Committee (Library) 7:00 PM Council Meeting (Library) 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Downstairs Room)	<b>14</b> 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary) 7:00 PM Middle School & High School Youth Christmas Party (Youth Room)	<b>15</b>  7:45 AM TOPS (Rooms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Bible Study (Library) 10:00 AM Al-Anon (Downstairs Room)) 12:00 PM OSLC Janu- ary Newsletter Deadline 6:00 PM Memorial Bells (Sanctuary)	<b>16</b> 11:00 AM Hope Circle @ the home of Mary Fricke	<b>17</b> 8:00 AM-4:30 PM Girl Scouts (Anderson Hall)
<b>18</b> <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> 5:45 AM-8:00AM Hammond House Breakfast 8:30AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School / Adult Education 11:00 AM Worship / Sunday School Christmas Program 3:00 PM Memorial Bells Handbell Concert @ OSLC 7:00PM Mid-Life Spiritu- ality Group	<b>19</b> 10:00 AM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Coun- seling Network (LCN Office) 7:30 PM Faith Circle @ the home of Shannon Dickens-Little	<b>20</b> 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Downstairs Room)	<b>21</b> 9:30 AM Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall) 12:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)	<b>22</b> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rooms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Downstairs Room)	<b>23</b> Christmas Eve OSLC Office Closed	<b>24</b>  Christmas Eve OSLC Office Closed 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Worship 9:00 PM Christmas Eve Worship 11:00 PM Christmas Eve Worship w/ Holy Communion
<b>25</b>  MERRY CHRISTMAS 9:30 AM Worship	<b>26</b> Christmas OSLC Office Closed 10:00 AM OA (Room 7) 1:00 PM Lutheran Coun- seling Network (LCN Office)	<b>27</b> 7:00 PM AA (Anderson Hall, Downstairs Room)	<b>28</b> Food Prep for TC4 Dinner (Anderson Hall)	<b>29</b> 7:45 AM TOPS (Rooms 14, 17) 10:00 AM Al Anon (Downstairs Room)	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

## **We remember in prayer...**



**We remember in prayer OSLC members:** Joe Acker; Sandy Aldworth; Chris Cummings; Gene Elfstrom; Barbara Extract; Marie Foss; Virginia Fraas; Carol Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Gerald Hersey; Shelley Howe; Marian James; Josee Jordan; Leotagail Kramer; Jeannie Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Jerry Nack; Jeannette Patterson; Kathi Perkins; Colleen Petersen; Nancy Peterson; Pastor Eldon 'Pick' Pickering; Jeff Saathoff; Steve Setterlund; Mary Swanson; Frank and Tommie Troutman; Gwynn Wilkinson.

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

**Jim Hess** (Sandy Aldworth); **Harry Krogh** (father of Steve Krogh); **Bill Lagerquist** (Sandy Aldworth); **Lee Johnson** (Ray and Carol Harbolt); **Jim Darst** (Bill Bergsma); **Leonard Stanley** (brother of Shirley Witsoe); **Anna Hoiland** (mother of Ann Thomas); **Robert Hardin** (uncle of Mark Cron); **Mildred Wetzel** (aunt of Tami Cron)

**We pray for expectant mothers:** **Leah Davey** (Pam Moore); **Devaney Bechler** (Ann and Larry Thomas); **Marina Collum** (daughter of Paul and Bodil Isop); **Lynitta Fricke** (Mary Fricke); **Laura Moynihan** (Joyce Craig); **Cloti Martinez Pisfil** (Cheryl Hauser)

**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 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:** That **Barbara Perkins** had successful hip surgery. (mother of Joanne Suttmeier). For God's mercy during **Barbara Extract's** cancer treatment, for all of the prayers for her and praise for her wonderful family and friends. For **Ann Kofol's** return to good health. For the November 6<sup>th</sup> wedding of **Katie Olmstead and Timothy Hoiland**. (nephew of Ann and Larry Thomas). For the gradual healing and recovery of **Tom Cooper**. (Carol and Bill Bergsma). For the joyous birth of **Camila Cecile Francois** daughter of Chris and Olvido and niece/cousin of the Fletcher/Francois family; and, for the joyous birth of **Theo Wilson Prangley**, son of Destiny Graham. (Sandy Aldworth). For **Nancy Peterson's** healing and recovery and for the prayers she received.

*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.*



# December Worship Assistants



<b>Sunday Service</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Communion Assistants</b>	<b>Altar Guild/ Bread Bakers</b>	<b>Sound Engineer</b>
			Mary Fricke 425-313-1582	Bill Suttmeier 425-392-1864	Church Office 425-392-4169	Church Office 425-392-4169	Judi Case 425-445-2803	Marilyn Larson 425-392-6594
2 Advent	Dec. 4	8:30 am	Connie Fletcher Mary Fricke	Don Robertson Jeff Lucas	Judi Case	Mary Fricke, Alice Lewis, Judi & Ralph Case	Marilyn Larson Bread: Connie Fletcher	
		11:00 am	Don & Nancy Cummings	Jeff & Justin Hendrickson	Kimberly Montague	Kimberly, Marc & Ashley Montague	Rita Hansen	
3 Advent	Dec. 11	8:30 am		Craig Gillin Jon Smith	Connie Fletcher	Connie Fletcher, Alice Lewis		
		11:00 am	Muriel Brown Vicky Jacobson	Larry & Chris- tine Fry	Karen Hansen	Karen Hansen		
4 Advent	Dec. 18	8:30 am	Don & Jean Chaney	Lena Schaper Marilyn Larson	Judi Case	Ralph & Judi Case Mary Fricke		
		11:00 am	Jerry & Linda Nack	Richard Lock Bill Suttmeier	Maury Clark	Muriel Brown, Alice Lewis		
Christ- mas Day	Dec. 25	9:30 am						



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