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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.

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Welcome the Stranger

By Pr. Larry Thomas

Matthew 25:35 - Jesus said, "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

The phone rang, and I answered it. At the time, I was the pastor of Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church in Chatsworth, California. The African-American woman on the other end of the phone introduced herself, told me she was black, and asked me whether or not she would be welcomed if she visited our church. I did my best to re-assure her that she would, but my efforts were in vain. As far as I know she never ever visited Holy Shepherd. Who knows why.

Chances are she had visited some churches where she didn't feel welcome and she didn't want to re-visit that pain again. So she called to ask the pastor, and the pastor said she would be welcome hoping against hope that in the event that she did visit that members of the church would be hospitable to her and do their best to make her feel welcome. We never got the chance. I can't say that I blame her for not trying.

Visitor hospitality, welcoming the stranger, is, or should be, something we take for granted; something that goes without saying. It should be a sure thing, a done deal, a slam dunk. But it's not; week in and week out visitors visit OSLC and greeters greet them, and pastor's greet them and other members may or may not greet them. Our natural defaults are such that we gravitate to people we know; we do not, naturally, gravitate to strangers.

Maybe that's why Jesus included welcoming strangers in his Matthew 25 last judgment to do list along with giving food to the hungry, water to the thirsty, clothing the naked and visiting people who are sick and people who are in prison. When we welcome the stranger, we welcome Jesus.

The Rule of St. Benedict takes this very seriously. Fifteen hundred years ago, St. Benedict, wrote about how to receive guests at monasteries: *All guests who present themselves are to be welcomed as Christ, who said:* "*I was a stranger and you welcomed me.*" In her commentary on this chapter of the Rule, Sr. Joan Chittister writes: *The welcome at the door is not only*



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loving--a telephone operator at a jail can do that. It is total as well. Both the community and the abbot receive the guest. The message to the stranger is clear: Come right in and disturb our perfect lives. You are Christ for us today.

During the summer of 1999, I experienced Benedictine hospitality first hand. I spent about five days at New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur. (Note: a number of the monks at New Camaldoli are hermits; they don't talk much.) Camaldolese monks follow the Rule of St. Benedict as well as the little rule of St. Romuald, an 11th century monastic reformer. On my first day, I attended evening prayer. Entering the chapel, I took a copy of the prayer book and made my way to a pew. Before I had the book open, a monk was at my side, helping me with the book, whispering instructions and directions in how evening prayer would proceed. He was gentle, thoughtful, and hospitable.

Sunday morning OSLC greeters and church council members are hoping and praying that OSLC will take the ministry of hospitality and welcoming visitors seriously. As we as a congregation contemplate how best to engage in this most important ministry, I pray that we will be attentive to and mindful of the gospel truth that when we welcome the stranger, we welcome Christ. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews put it this way: *Let mutual love continue*. *Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers. For by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.*

This summer, a friend of mine posted a copy of the "All Are Welcome" bulletin announcement of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church on *Facebook*. Here it is; it's quite a vision for welcoming the stranger hospitality:

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay. filthy rich, dirt poor, and yo no habla Ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying new-borns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds. We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our pastor who can't carry a note in a bucket.

You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Catholic than the Pope, or haven't been in church since little Joey's baptism. We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk food eaters.

We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or if you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion." We've been there too. If you blew all your offering money at the dog track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both.

We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid, or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts...and you!

New Member Orientation Sunday, October 21st @ 9:45 a.m.

This informal event is for those persons who are interested in learning more about the life of this congregation and how they may formally join us in mission and ministry. This is a great opportunity for getting better acquainted with others who have been a part of our worshipping community for a while and with those who have been members for a long time. To sign up, or, to find out more, please contact Pastor Thomas @ 425.392.4169 ext 106 or by e-mail at lethomas@oslcissaquah.org.



Christian Education & Small Group Ministries

Plan to Participate in Sunday Morning, Weekly and Monthly Christian Education this Fall!

Sunday School

9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Preschool—Grade 5

For students in Preschool through Grade 5, our Sunday School programs 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 or contact Pastor Fletcher (rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.)

Grades 6—12 *Java Talk*



For students in Grades 6–12 we offer an on campus program geared towards conversation and relationship building. Each Sunday, students meet in the new youth room (formerly Room 7) for JavaTalk, a program geared towards conversation

and relationship building.



Sunday Adult Class—How Lutherans Interpret The Bible Begins October 7 @ 9:45 a.m.

Pastor Thomas will lead this seven session video based class featuring Dr. Mark Allen Powell, professor of New Testament at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Powell invites participants to explore seven important questions about Lutherans and the Bible. He provides a variety of interpretive resources that help participants learn to interpret scripture from a Lutheran perspective. The Sunday morning classes will meet in October, November and December.

- Session 1: "The Word of God" / Sunday, October 7
- Session 2: "What Lutherans Say About the Bible" / Sunday, October 14
- Session 3: "Where the Bible Comes From" / Sunday, October 28
- Session 4: "Interpreting the Bible in Context" / Sunday, November 11
- Session 5: "Determining Right From Wrong" / Sunday, November 25
- Session 6: "The Many Meanings of the Bible" / Sunday, December 2
- Session 6: "Devotional Bible Reading" / Sunday, December 9

Thursday Morning Bible Study *The Gospel According to St. John*



Pastor Thomas is leading the Thursday morning Bible study. We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. The subject of study focus is *The Gospel According to St. John.* Copies of our text, *John For Everyone (Part 2 Chapters 11-21)* by N.T. Wright is available from a variety of on-line vendors.

Mid-Life Spirituality Group Sunday, October 7th

@ the home of Ann & Larry Thomas

The Mid-Life Spirituality Group will meet on Sunday evening, October 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Ann and Larry Thomas. We are reading and discussing the book, *Prayer: Does it Make Any Difference?* by Philip Yancey. Copies of the book are available from a variety of on-line vendors. Our reading assignment for Sunday, October 7th is chapters six and seven in part two. For more information contact Mark Mummy at markmummy55@yahoo.com.



OSLC's Book Club November 17th—7:30 p.m. Raven's Books, Issaquah

Will meet on November 17th at 7:30 p.m. at Raven's Books in Gilman Village. We will discuss *Howard's End* by E.M. Forester. An English novel, sharing the conflicts between reason and passion through class differences, status and their odd relationships in 1910. Grab the book and come join us for some great and lively discussions!

If you have any questions or would like to know more about our book selections please contact Marilyn Larson, at marilyn.larson@gmail.com or call her at (425) 392-6594.



Mission Quilters

Join us Wednesday mornings from 9:30 a.m. until noon in Anderson Hall and assist us making quilts. The Mission Quilters make simple

patchwork quilts that are donated to people in need. Contact the church office for more informa-

Hope Circle

Friday, October 19 9:30 a.m.

Hope Circle will meet Friday, October 19, 2012 at the home of Lucy Acker. Our co-hostess is Linda Nack and our leader will be Nancy Anderson. For more information on Hope Circle or for carpooling information, please contact Sandy Aldworth at (425) 837-1233 or mtnlady@comcast.net.



Faith Circle Monday, October 15 7:30 p.m.

On October 15, 2012, Faith Circle will meet at the home of Marian James and our leader will be Karen Hansen. 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 the Lutheran's women's magazine *Gather*.) 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 Sunset Ale House Tuesday, October 30



A Deeper Well 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), on the last Tuesday of each month. Join us on Tuesday, October 30th beginning at 8:00 p.m. If you have questions, contact Pastor Ryan at (425) 392-4169, ext. 105 or rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org.

Visit ELCA Mission Partner Churches in Sichuan, China

April 2-16, 2013

This past January, OSLC members John and Elaine Stamm and Pastor Thomas accompanied OSLC member Rev. Peter Shen on a ten day trip to China to learn about the ELCA mission and ministry partnerships with congregations, social service agencies, and hospitals . It was an amazing, inspiring and informative trip. This coming April 2-16, 2013, OSLC members Rev. Peter Shen and Rev. Jane Shen are leading an East King County ELCA cluster trip to Sichuan, China. The approximate cost, including air-fare and in country travel, food and lodging expenses as well as other costs are approximately \$4,000.00. Copies of the trip brochure and information are on the table in the narthex. Contact Pr. Thomas or John and Elaine Stamm for more information. (A \$500 per person deposit, payable to Peter Shen, is due by November 15, 2012.)



Sunday Morning Altar Flowers

Providing flowers for the altar on Sunday mornings, is a wonderful way to remember a loved one, celebrate an anniversary or birthday, or to the glory of God. If you are interested in providing flowers, there is a flower sign -up chart posted in Anderson Hall. The cost is \$50.00. Checks should be made payable to OSLC and indicate 'altar flowers' on the memo line of your check. Contact Judi Case if you have questions, judirussell@gmail.com or 425-455-2803.



Halloween Boo Bash

Saturday, October 27th, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Come join the fun at our Halloween Boo Bash on Saturday, October 27th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Wear your costume! There will be games, prizes, cake walk, haunted house, hot dogs and refreshments. This event is sponsored by the OSLC youth for children of all ages but designed mostly for ages preschool through elementary. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Ann Kofol at annkofol@yahoo.com or Gerrie Hendrickson at teamhendrickson@msn.com.



Upcoming OSLC Youth Events

October 12-14

Let Justice Roll, Senior High event at Holden Village

October 19-21

Confirmation Retreat @ Camp Sambica

October 27, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Boo Bash, Children's Halloween Event

Youth Ministry Committee Come Help Advocate for Youth at OSLC

October 2nd, 7:00 p.m.



Towards the end of the Gospel of John, Jesus promises that God, the Father, will not abandon the disciples but will send them an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will be with them. Soon, the disciples discover that this Holy Spirit comes to them in and through the early Christian community that becomes the Church. Our children and youth need you to step out in faith and answer this same Spirit's call. We need advocates to listen well to the stories their lives are telling and to lift up their participation in the life of our congregation. Come join the Youth Ministry Committee! We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the OSLC library. Questions? Contact Pastor Ryan.

Children's Ministry Committee

October 9th, 10:00 a.m.

Based on the success of the Youth Ministry Committee over the past couple of years, there has been a growing awareness of the need for a committee that focuses on children's ministries at OSLC (Birth through Grade 5). The Children's Ministry Committee meets monthly to develop vision for children's ministries at OSLC, and shepherd some key programs and events. Presently, there are about five individuals who have indicated strong interest in being a part of this group. They will meet on Tuesday, October 9th at 10:00 a.m. in the OSLC library. Childcare is provided. If you have a passion for helping to build relationships with and among our young families at OSLC, please contact Pastor Ryan, at rdfletcher@oslcissaquah.org or (425) 392-4169, ext. 105.

OSLC Constitution Committee to Host Forum

October 14 @ 9:45 a.m.

Members of the OSLC Constitution Committee have been hard at work for over two years preparing an updated and revised edition of our 1988 OSLC Constitution and Bylaws. The committee has finished their work and are ready to present it to the congregation for review and discussion. (Copies of the draft constitution were mailed electronically to OSLC members.) If you need another copy, or a hard copy, please contact the church office. Members of the Constitution Committee will lead a second forum on Sunday, October 14 during the 9:45 am education hour. The Church Council will do a final review of the draft constitution at the October 9th meeting. The new constitution will be presented to the congregation at the November 18, 2012 Congregational Meeting for approval. Members of the Constitution Committee are: Bill Bergsma, Ralph Case, Connie Fletcher, Lisa Gillin, Sandy Nygaard, Paula Seeger, and Pastor Thomas.

Church Website Now Includes Audio From Recent Sermons Preached At OSLC:

www.oslcissaquah.org

OSLC's website now includes audio from recent sermons preached at OSLC. Preaching is a central part of our worship life at Our Savior Lutheran Church, as we proclaim God's Word to be a living thing in our lives. Both in the live event and in the days and weeks that follow, we understand preaching to be a conversa-



tion between God and the entire gathered community. We invite you to join in that conversation. The audio recording from recent sermons preached at OSLC are available to you on the OSLC website as an invitation to engage God's living Word! Check it out at www.oslcissaquah.org. Click on the Worship and Music tab and follow that to sermons.



Treasurer's Update

August 2012

We are two months through our 2012/2013 fiscal year.

What has actually happened this year: We have received YTD – (100% of budget)	\$70,918
We have spent YTD - (92% of budget) Surplus	<u>\$68,61</u> \$ 2,30
Compared to what we budgeted:	
Compared to what we budgeted: We are over budgeted giving by	\$ 279

Our contributions were \$6,504 more than last year *Respectfully, Randy Halter, Treasurer*

OSL Preschool Annual Poinsettia and Wreath Fundraiser

Poinsettia and Wreath Orders Due by Tuesday, November 6th

OSL preschool is having their annual Squak Mt. Nursery poinsettias and wreaths for sale. We take orders no later than November 6 and the items are delivered to us November 30th. The plants come in white, pink and red and are absolutely huge and the best quality you can buy. The wreaths are fresh greenery with pine cones and smell wonderful. Please tell your friends and neighbors as well. This is one of the main fundraisers for the year. Place your orders in the box on the table in the narthex.

Thank you for your support!!

OSL Preschool Christmas Wreath & Poinsettia Sale From Squak Mt. Nursery

EVERGREEN WREATHS \$16.50 EACH

POINSETTIAS \$13.50 each

Orders due: Tuesday, November 6th Pick up orders Friday, November 30th

Contact Jennifer Tolo at 425-888-8517 or by email at jennifer@tolo.org if you have questions.

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Name_____ E-mail Phone

	Quantity	Total \$
Wreaths	@\$	16.50 ea
Red Poinsettias	@\$	13.50 ea
Pink Poinsettias	@\$	13.50 ea
White Poinsettias	@\$	13.50 ea
	TOTAL	

Please make checks payable to <u>OSL Preschool</u>. Place your order and payment in the box on the table in the narthex.

Fall Fun at Preschool!~!



October is a month of change. We see changes in the weather, the trees and the children.

The students come to school eager to explore and play with their friends. The teachers are pleased to see how much of the classroom routine the children have learned in a very short time. We are enjoying the individual traits that make the children so unique and special.

In the classroom we will eat, paint with, cook, weigh and compare apples. The fall leaves will provide many glorious pictures of painted and printed leaves. Our first field trip of the year will be to a pumpkin patch. God has provided us with a season that is full of beauty.

We would love to enroll more students this fall. We currently have five openings for 4 and 5 year olds. Our class runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:15 to 11:45. If you know of anyone who is looking for an excellent preschool for their child, please have them contact the preschool office at 425-392-1201, ex. 4. Thank you. *Marcia Gervin – Lead Teacher*



OSLC Library Update

I've been working on the library committee for so long I really can't remember when I started. This fall I've been digging deep in our attic, sorting through boxes that stir up memories of the years gone by, and in one of them I found some library things I worked on in 1981! Now that's a long time! To be with a committee that long and still

enjoy it like I do, must mean there are some really good things about it. Here are some of the things I value.

First of all, I love books. I don't spend as much time as I'd like reading them, but I love seeing new titles and interesting covers and wondering about what they have to tell me. I love to come down to church once in awhile and do something to contribute in some small way. I enjoy chatting with the people I run into there and spending time and becoming really good friends with my fellow library workers. I love the flexibility of this committee in scheduling time and in the jobs that need to be done. If there are new or "new to the library" books to be processed (there always are), there are many steps that take place, some requiring a little typing, but most simple enough that lots of chatting can be done. If I feel creative, the bulletin board should be changed seasonally and I can be thinking of new ideas there. Or I can take care of circulation, re-organize the children's section, change books on the mobile cart, write an article for the Focus or read to the pre-school children and help each one of them check out a book. Or, if I simply feel like tidying up, I can "read" the shelves and make sure the books are in the proper order or do a little dusting.

If any of this sounds like something you would enjoy, or you'd just like to find out a little more, give us a call or an e-mail. We can use more helpful hands! We meet on one Monday morning each month, and we vary which one it is according to which one is best for our committee members on that particular month. (That's an example of what I mean by being flexible!)

You can reach me—Sharon Mantei at 425-392-6235 <u>rsmantei@msn.com</u> or Becky Brooks at 425-391-3980 <u>becky@tomecat.com</u>. The only requirement is that you love books—we would love to have you join us!

Sunday morning worship services with Holy Communion begin at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.	Worship ScheduleSun., October 7—19th Sunday after PentecostFirst ReadingGenesis 2:18-24Second ReadingHebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12Gospel:Mark 10:2-16
Sunday School for all ages (preschool through adult) begins at 9:45 a.m.	Sun., October 14—20th Sunday after PentecostFirst Reading:Amos 5:6-7, 10-15Second Reading:Hebrews 4:12-16Gospel:Mark 10:17-31
Sing the Music of Advent and Christmas	Sun., October 21—21st Sunday after PentecostFirst Reading:Isaiah 53:4-12Second Reading:Hebrews 5:1-10Gospel:Mark 10:35-45
You are welcome to sing with the Chan- cel Choir during the seasons of Advent and Christmas. The Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings, 7:00pm - 8:30pm in the sanctuary. Questions? Please con- tact Scott Hafso (<u>bellevuer@gmail.com</u>).	Sun., October 28—Reformation Sunday First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34 Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28 Gospel: John 8:31-36
10/4Mark Mummy10/19And10/5Howard Schmidt10/20AndPaul Isop10/21And10/6Katherine BrownCar10/7Garth O'BrienGraShannon Dickens-LittleMar10/9Claire ToloMat10/11Alexandra Morrey10/24AndShane SmallDict10/12Dianne Tanner10/2510/16Heather Leibrock10/2810/16Heather Leibrock10/2910/17Marilyn KneepkensMatNatalie FrancoisTon10/30JimLisaSan	Arew Kramer h Byar hrew Walker ha Montague ol Harbolt ce Tolo tian James tias Olshausen hrea Taylor k Ferrarini ne Stamm se Peters er Shen h Butler deleine O'Brien nmy Zhu-Sordahl Wiseman o Gillin dy Saathoff ley Witsoe

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We remember in prayer...



<u>We remember in prayer OSLC members</u>: Sandy Aldworth; Maury Clark; Chris Cummings; Gene Elfstrom; Marie Foss; Virginia Fraas; Steve Gacek; Carol Harbolt; Jeff Hendrickson; Marian James; Josee Jordan; Florence Kinnune; Dianne Kleingartner; Jeannie Lindquist; Jim Marshall; Carol McMurray; Jerry Nack; Gloria Olson; Kathi Perkins; Colleen Petersen; Pastor Eldon 'Pick' Pickering; Marlene Pickering; Jeff Saathoff; Steve Setterlund; Mary Swanson; Dianne Tanner; Frank and Tommie Troutman; Gwynn Wilkinson; Shirley Witsoe.

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

Francis Grilley (mother of Dianne Kleingartner); **Mildred Mahon** (Cheryl Neeb); **Leonard Deranleau** (uncle of Shirley Witsoe); **Ragnhild Tohaug** (sister of Knut Johansen); **Roy Peterson** (Pr. Fletcher)

<u>We pray for expectant mothers</u>: Christy Aguirre (daughter of Vern and Connie Van Houten); Sarah Parlin (daughter of Jane Wuest); May Robertson (daughter-in-law of Don and Lorna Robertson); Stephani Wilhelm (Dave & Marilyn Carlson); Jessica Browning (niece/cousin of Montague Family); Karina Beagley (niece of Shelley Howe); Susan Hult (daughter of Mary Ann Hult); Katie Garcia (niece of Shelley Howe); Lydia Moorehead (Dave & Georgeanne Park)

We promise to nurture: Lyndsey Noelle Mondor baptized September 23rd. (daughter of Troy and Christina, granddaughter of Scott and Peggy Coyle and great-granddaughter of Betty Evans)

Our Savior Lutheran Preschool, Parents, Teachers and Students

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

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..

<u>We offer thanksgiving to God</u>: For the September 9th marriage of **Drew Fletcher and Jennifer Tucker**. For **Karen Gerde's** new job in Spokane and new apartment. For the prayers that **Connor Rundell** has received following his heart surgery. (6 yr. old grandson of Don and Darlene Tatley) For the marriage of **Trina Beagley and Aaron Pomeroy**. (niece of Shelley Howe)

> 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.

	Reformation Sunday		21 Pentecost		20 Pentecost		19 Pentecost	Sunday Ser- vice
	October 28		October 21		October 14		October 7	Date
11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	Time
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