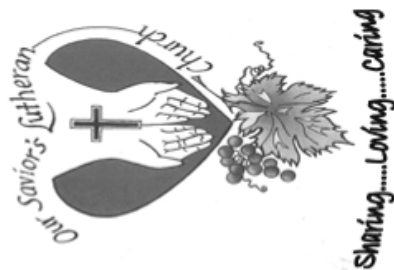


OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

1326 1st Ave N
Great Falls, MT 59401

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Great Falls, MT
Permit No. 424



Our Savior's
News FROM THE PEWS

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Great Falls, MT



These last weeks in the Season of Easter have been from the Gospel of John about Jesus' goodbye to his disciples before the crucifixion. While my leaving is certainly not the same as Jesus' in any way, shape or form, these readings have hit close to home. What does one say to folks who, for nearly eight years, they have grown to love, walked with in good and bad, enjoyed moments of celebration and worship, provided sacraments and more? This is my struggle as the days go quickly by.

I wish I could say thank you individually to each of you for how you welcomed Doug and me, provided a generous income, worked with me in the midst of unprecedented change and concern, and are now saying goodbye in such memorable and touching ways. Each of you consider this to be your huge hug of thanks and gratitude for these years, all the memories, and the notes, calls, emails, and gifts!

June 7 is not, I believe, the complete goodbye for us. We will see one another again one day, for I believe that all relationships God inspires and advocates, God also provides ways for them to continue - now and forever.

Please know I sincerely mean: Blessings. And prayers. God loves you and so do I. Pastor Anna

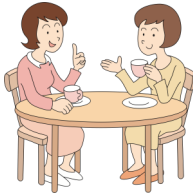


Newsletter Contents

Prayer Concerns	pg. 2	Calendar	Center insert
Ladies Let's Talk	pg. 2	Worship Participants	Center insert
OSLC Art Fair	pg. 3	Thanks to be Shared	pg. 5
Office Changes/Goodbye	pg. 3	Birthdays	pg. 6
Worship Updates	pg. 4	Office Contact info	pg. 7

Ladies: Let's Talk

This fun new ministry meets on the fourth Thursday, June 23, at 1:00 pm in the Memorial Room. Come for a time of socializing and getting to know one another better. If you have questions, please contact Clarice Flanagan, 406-899-0450.



Prayer Concerns

The Prayer Concerns of Our Savior's is making some changes and there is a new "List" Keeper effective June 1. If you would like to add someone to the list, these are the guidelines:

- Prayer Concerns will be added to the list for one month only. For example, if a concern comes in 6/15, it will be added to the list by email when it comes in, will be on the July update, and then removed for August. If the need is for a longer period of time, a request needs to be made to keep the concern on past one month.
- The person placing an individual on the Prayer Concerns list is responsible for following up with that individual and re-placing them, if desired, after one month.
- Beginning with June, names of requests will be placed under these categories: Cancer/Illness, Surgery, Deaths, Ongoing, Other. No other information will be added, except the person requesting the concern and the date. This change is primarily for confidentiality purposes. Those praying really do not need details - an effective prayer could be: "please be with ___ as they have surgery and guide all those caring for them." The rest of the details are known to God.
- Permission must be obtained before adding someone to the concerns list.
- Requests may be given to Elaine Osborne by card on Sunday (found in the pews), email to egomont@bresnan.net, or by phone: 406-452-6774. (Thank you to Elaine for volunteering to take on this important "List" Keeping!)

Please note: Prayer Concerns is a different list than Prayer Partners. Prayer Concerns is for acute or ongoing concerns. Prayer Partners simply remember each day the person chosen for them from those participating. Thank you to all who pray regularly!

High School Seniors

The following were recognized or remembered in worship on Sunday, May 22: Joe Bruner, Natalie Garner, Grace Hansen, Christian Kasuske, Kayla Muston, Ariana Velez. Congratulations to all!



Our Savior's Lutheran

CONTACT INFORMATION

Office telephone: 727-4304
 Web Site: www.oslcgreatfalls.org
 Office Hours: Monday through Friday
 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

STAFF

Pastor Anna Merritt (H - 836-7464) pastoroslcgf@gmail.com
 Amber Dresen Parish Administrator officeoslcgf@gmail.com
 Ellen Forslund Worship & Music Director wmdirectoroslcgf@gmail.com
 Madeleine Folkerts Accompanist accompanistoslcgf@gmail.com
 Terry Lee Custodian custodianoslcgf@gmail.com
 Mike and Jenny Homebound Visitation Ministers
 Kunka

COUNCIL

Kathy Maynard	750-5446	President
Don Marberg	788-5446	Vice President
Joyce Morgan	590-7894	Secretary
Tyler Gunderson	217-7028	Parish Life
Richard Hamill	899-8151	Property/Finance
Janet Murphy	750-5224	Human Concerns
Kayla Muston	836-2677	Education/Youth
Tina Price	799-3609	PR&O
Kerrie Ramstead	217-6674	Worship & Music

JUNE FELLOWSHIP GROUP

*John/Ruth Allen
 Shirley Boettcher
 Luana Brown
 Mike/Michelle Bruner
 Pat Bueling
 Susan Bueling
 Ann Buen
 Cathy Castner
 Casey Furr

** this month's coordinator*

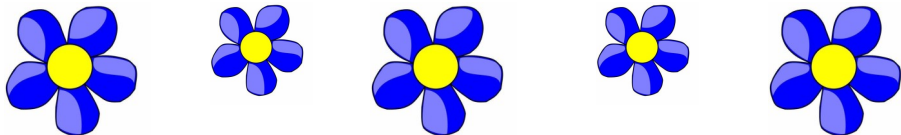
PL Committee Contact: TBD



Blessings to all who celebrate birthdays in:
 June!

If we have missed anyone's birthday, please call the Church Office.

Travis Keeton	6/01	Eric Ramstead	6/17
David Krueger	6/03	John Ranum	6/18
Kayla Muston	6/04	Heather Bredeson	6/19
Judith Onstad		Nancy Doughten	
Colt Lehman	6/05	Adeline Grundy	
Nancy Hamill	6/07	K.C. Hill	
Howard Corey	6/08	Blakelee Bell	6/22
Richard Johnson		Stephanie Schaffel	
Gary Payton		Curtis Zemljak	
Karisa Brown	6/10	Ilo Sorte	6/23
Laura Sweeney	6/11	Mike Brown	6/24
Alysa Curry	6/12	Jackson Hamill	
Tina Migneault		Ariana Velez	
Rodney Pribyl	6/13	LeeAnn Jovick	6/25
Christofer Brown	6/14	Amy Muston	
Marillyn Thomas		Lucille Payton	
Nicole Kojetin	6/15	Kristen Rowen	6/27
Misty Sumner		Carol Anderson	6/30
Paige Muston	6/16	Kathy Maynard	



Prayers for the congregations of the Montana Synod

Monthly prayers for our fellow ELCA Lutherans in the Montana Synod include these congregations:

Faith, Hamilton	American, Hogeland
First American, Hardin	Trinity, Hot Springs
American, Harlem	Joliet, Joliet
American, Harlowton	Bethel, Joplin
First, Havre	St. John's, Jordan
Messiah, Havre	Bethlehem, Kalispell
Our Redeemer's, Helena	Northridge, Kalispell
St. John's, Helena	Kremlin, Kremlin
New Life, Helena	Our Savior's, Laurel
Hinsdale, Hinsdale	Zion, Lewistown

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Family Art Fair

Invite friends and neighbors to this opportunity to make art!

When: Saturday, July 30th 10am to Noon and Sunday, July 31st 2 pm to 4 pm
 Where: OSLC Courtyard.

Needs:

- Volunteers to help supervise tables, welcome participants, hand out water, etc (Don't need to be an artist. Don't need to be available both days.)
- Crafters who would be willing to lead an art or craft activity (monies available to cover supplies.)



If you are willing to help, please contact Vicki Dunham 406-788-4660 or Jenny Kunka 406-396-1398.



Office Changes and a Goodbye to Amber

March, 2019, Our Savior's said hello to Amber Dresen as the Office Administrator. She has been an important part of the team of the Our Savior's staff, but the time has come to send her off to a new opportunity. Amber has begun training for a position with the GF School District. However, she is planning on staying with Our Savior's until the beginning of August

to help with the transition. We wish her well and thank her for her years with Our Savior's. You will be missed.

Book Club

Book Club will resume on September 26th. Please watch for information for the next book.

Worship Updates

At the May Council Meeting, requests were considered regarding worship. These came from various folks, were regarded seriously and discussed extensively by Worship and Music, then brought to Council. To that end:

- Once the carpet has been installed, the ELW hymnals will be returned to the pews. However, two-three verses will be chosen for singing most hymns, and all singing will be done seated. Council discussed, at the recommendation of Worship and Music, that it has been scientifically determined the coronavirus is airborne spread, and singing is one powerful way germs are transmitted. Sitting during singing may be difficult, but we do sing more exuberantly when we stand, causing more airborne risks.
- Masks will continue to be considered optional, but recommended.
- Holy Communion will continue to be in a continuous line to allow for better distancing and less time in close proximity.
- Volunteers for reading the lessons and leading the Psalm will begin in June. A sign-up sheet will be available in the back of the sanctuary to chose a Sunday you would like to participate.

Thank you, as always, for your suggestions and understanding.



Summer Worship and Pastor Transition

Please note there will not be the early worship service during this summer. There will be one worship service at 10:00 am. Kathy Maynard, president, and council are making arrangements for supply ministers to lead worship in the coming months.



*Call
Committee*

Also, the next steps of the Call Process may now begin with Pastor Anna's leaving. Council will be responsible for appointing a Call Committee. Also paperwork will need to be completed and submitted to the Synod Office before any interviews can begin. Your patience and understanding in the process is appreciated.

Young at Heart/Pinochle and Games

Young at Heart will not be meeting during the summer months. Pinochle and Games will also not meet during the summer months. Look forward to seeing you all again in September!

**General Fund:
Offerings and Disbursements**

April 2022		Year to Date	
Beginning Balance	-6,553	Beginning Balance	0
General Offerings	21,058	Offerings YTD	70,107
Disbursements	-18,735	Disbursements YTD	-74,337
Ending Balance	-4,230	Ending Balance	-4,230

CHANGE FOR CHANGE

March offering \$77

April offering \$76

Thank you all for your amazing generosity!



Dick Marberg thanks the Prayer Shawl Ministry for his reminder of God's love and presence. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. (Dick is now in Peace Hospice House.)

Many thanks to the people who helped make our new quilting space a reality. This was a journey that included taking out the platform in the former confirmation room so it could be painted and re-carpeted and the strong guys who moved the furniture into the new "parlor." A big thanks to everyone who helped clean out the storage closet. That was a big job. Also, thanks to Harry and Lilli Milton for putting together the shelving units in the new space, and everyone who helped with the move. Thanks to Terry for moving the tables one last time and for the use of his cart which made the move easier. Most of all, our thanks to Pastor Anna for her vision, initiative and support to make this happen. We couldn't have done it without you. - Jan Dahle, On behalf of the Love Day Quilters