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Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship

8:00 a.m. Classic

9:15 a.m. Blended

10:30 a.m. "The Crossing"

Communion

1st Sunday: All services

3rd & 5th Sundays:

8:00 & 9:15 a.m. services

Grounded in Faith
Gathered in Love
and Sent with
a Purpose
So that others
may gain
the Kingdom

What's Your Story?

For generations, the giving pattern of most Jewish people was exactly the same: Give 10% and a little bit more. The tithe of one's income was required by the temple. If you chose to give more than 10%, that was called "the offering." Tithes and offerings have been part of Judeo-Christian worship ever since. But for those first century Jews, their "giving story" was just like everyone else's: "I pay the temple tax of 10%."

But then one day Jesus turned the tithe upside down! While watching people put large sums of money into the temple treasury, he noticed a widow quietly approach the treasury and place two copper coins into the slot. Chink! Chink! The disciples were astonished when Jesus turned to them and said "This poor widow put in more than all of them; for they all out of their surplus put into the offering; but she out of her poverty put in all that she had." That sentence, consisting of 33 words, reset the bar for how we view our possessions: God does not lay claim to 10% of our wealth, but rather 100%. And God graciously lets us decide how we will spend and save and share what he has entrusted to us. Giving is no longer a law, it is now an expression of love.

As this fall's Stewardship emphasis approached, I asked a few members of our congregation to share their "giving story" with me. Without telling them why, I added one caveat: their "story" could only be 33 words. As you read their responses below, notice two things: Some DO adhere to a percentage of their income, and not every act of giving is directed to the church. That's okay!

Ray Valley: "I believe 'doing my part' includes working up to giving 10% of our income away to furthering the causes of Christ...because our world won't get better without His guiding hand."

Kelli Conlow: "Our church has taken care of this family in so many ways that we feel every offering we make will

First Word Pastor Steve Molin



be paid back many times, to us and many others."

John Lasswell: "After I lost my job, the church gave us some money 'to help tide you over'...and I decided right then that somehow I would continue giving even though it would not always be easy."

Susan Fredrickson: "The daily gifts we bestow increase our own riches. The help we extend to those in need is added to our own strength ...wealth is not having, but sharing."

Gene and Barb Loudon: "God Is Good. To be able to tithe is a joy to us. Church is an extremely important part in our life."

Dave and Barb Shaw: "A few years ago, we started purchasing a Food Shelf bag each time we shopped at Cub. The first year, it amounted to \$412 and we never even missed it...painless giving rocks!"

Luke and Barb Schlosser: "A teaching on the radio led me to believe that we should tithe. Barb didn't agree so we prayed about it. Two weeks later she said OK. That was 35 years ago."

So, what's your giving story? Do you even have one? In challenging times like these, everything we do with our money needs to be thoughtful, intentional and measurable. In a world where God has provided home and family, food, church, laughter and love...how do you determine what portion of your income you choose to share? Before you fill out your stewardship response card this year, may I ask you to use 33 words and write your story? And if you've got a good one to share, please send it to me at: stevemolin@hotmail.com

Peace for the Journey,

—Pastor Steve



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2010 OUR SAVIOR'S CONFIRMATION CLASS—OCT. 17, 2010

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Financial Box Score

Sept. Budget Giving	\$ 64,152
Sept. Budget Expense	\$ -55,405
Sept. Budget Total	\$ 8,747

Sept. Building Contributions	\$ 9,883
Sept. Mortgage Expenses	\$ -10,932
Sept. Building Net	\$ (1,049)

Sept. Mortgage Amount	\$ 10,932
Current Mortgage Amount (as of Sept. 30, 2010)	\$1,161,563

YTD Giving	\$ 571,889
YTD Expenses	\$ -571,296
YTD Total	\$ (593)

YTD Building Contributions	\$ 94,195
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Welcome! New Members of OSLC

On Sunday, Oct. 3rd, we welcomed to OSLC:

Bonnie Edwards, of Stillwater

Nancy Goralsky, of Lake Elmo

John & Ruth Lasswell, of Stillwater

David Molin, of Vadnais Heights

Matthew & Nichole Toronto, and Annabell and Mason, of Stillwater

Congregational Meeting Notes

At a special meeting of congregation on Sunday, October 10, the board reported favorable financial news. Our revenue this year could reach \$800,000 by year's end (the forecast at the annual meeting was \$760,000). The motion was made that, if the level of \$800,000 is reached, our Mission and Outreach Line (that amount which is given to other ministries and organizations outside our congregation) would be restored to 14%, retroactively to January 1. This had been reduced to 12% due to the budget forecast. In the event that this goal is reached, an additional \$13,000 could be sent to worthy ministries. The motion passed unanimously. The congregation is urged to give generously so that that goal can be attained.

Simply Giving: Automate your regular offering

OSLC wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular offering. Electronic giving provides convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

Getting started is easy. Authorization forms and additional information are available at the church office. Contact finance@oslcstillwater.org if you would like additional information.

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giving[®]

November Worship & Music

Sunday, Nov. 7th — 24th Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

Pastor Steve Molin, preaching

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
Special music: Kingdom Choir & Joyful Noise Choir
- 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services (Communion) with the Augsburg College Jazz and Gospel Praise Ensemble

Sunday, Nov. 14th — 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor Steve Molin, preaching

- 8:00 a.m. Classic Worship
Special music: Kingdom Choir at 8:00 & 9:15 a.m.
- 9:15 a.m. Blended Worship
- 10:30 a.m. "The Crossing," Contemporary Worship with Alleluia Singers and Praise Band

Sunday, Nov. 21st — Christ the King Sunday

Stewardship Celebration Sunday

Pastor Linda VanEaton, preaching

- 8:00 a.m. Classic Worship
Special music: JuBellate bell choir at 8:00 & 9:15
- 9:15 a.m. Blended Worship
- 10:30 a.m. "The Crossing," Contemporary Worship with Alleluia Singers and Praise Band



Wednesday, Nov. 24th, 7:00 p.m.
Thanksgiving Eve Worship & Pie Social
Pastor Steve Molin, preaching

Sunday, Nov. 28th — First Sunday Of Advent

Pastor Linda VanEaton, preaching

- 8:00 a.m. Classic Worship
Special music: Liturgical Choir at 8:00 & 9:15 a.m.
- 9:15 a.m. Blended Worship
- 10:30 a.m. "The Crossing," Contemporary Worship with Alleluia Singers and Praise Band

All Saints Sunday, Nov. 7th

Augsburg Jazz & Gospel Praise Ensemble

Come hear this talented group of musicians from Augsburg College on All Saints Sunday, Nov. 7th, at the 9:15 and 10:30 a.m. services.

Augsburg's Jazz and Gospel Praise Ensemble is a unique union of big band and vocal jazz that performs for conventions, churches and schools. They have appeared at three ELCA National Youth Conventions in Atlanta, New Orleans and St. Louis as well as The Dakota Jazz Club in Minneapolis, and the Nobel Peace Prize Forum.



Invite your friends and neighbors for this special worship event!

Hearts and Treasures Sunday

Sunday, November 21st

Jesus once said, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." In short, Jesus was describing a truth about us; that our values and priorities will be identified by where we spend our money.

Martin Luther put a different spin on this truth when he said "Show me what's in your wallet and I'll show you what's in your heart."

This fall's stewardship emphasis carries the theme "Hearts and Treasures." May God give us joy in our giving and generosity in our living as we find that place where our hearts and our treasures meet.

Our Savior's Annual Giving Tree

The Our Savior's Giving Tree will be set up starting Sunday, Nov. 28th.

Please choose a tag from the tree and purchase a special gift for someone in need this Christmas.



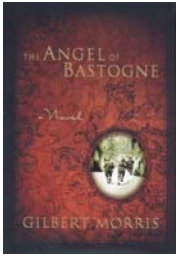
Feed a Family — And Feed the World!

Shopping bags for Union Gospel Mission will be available for us on Sunday, November 7th to fill with a Thanksgiving meal.

The list will be our guide, and will include everything but the turkey, which will be added by UGM.

Last year, Our Savior's responded with 100 meals! Easy, affordable, and a "teachable moment" for our children. Bags must be returned the following **Sunday, November 14.**

Book of the Month Club



November's theme: Holiday Favorite

The Book: "The Angel of Bastogne,"
by Gilbert Morris

Description: Newspaper reporter Ben Raines is a full-fledged cynic trying to bypass what he feels is the least wonderful time of the year. His plan to escape Christmas on an overseas vacation is foiled when he's assigned to write the big front-page holiday story. What's your Christmas story? Let's talk about it!

November Discussion: Monday, Nov. 29th at 1 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.
(Nursery available—please RSVP)

The Book Club's booklist for the coming months:

January: "Altar in the World," by Barbara Brown Taylor

February: "The Giver," by Lois Lowry

March: "Keeping Faith," by Jodi Picoult

April: "Home to Harmony," by Philip Gulley

Readers: Check out the many new titles that have been added to the OSLC Library:

"Infidel," by Ayanna Hirsi Ali

"The Glass Castle," by Jeannette Walls

"Gilead," by Marilynne Robinson

"Gardenias for Breakfast," by Robin Jones Gunn

"The Essential Bible Companion," by John H. Walter

You'll find these new titles and many more on the shelf marked New Books. Happy Reading!

P.E.P.

(People Enjoying People 55+)



November Activities:

Monday, Nov. 1st — To Bethlehem Lutheran in-the-Midway to help serve lunch. Leave church at 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 17th—PEP Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Saturday, Nov. 20th—PEP Small Group meets at 9:30 a.m. at Gorman's Restaurant in Lake Elmo.

Wednesday, Nov. 24th—PEP volunteers are helping serve pie at the Thanksgiving Eve Service and Pie Social.

Coming in December:

Monday, Dec. 13th—PEP Christmas Dinner & Program

Saturday, Dec. 18th—PEP Small Group at Gorman's, Lake Elmo

Women's Groups

Deborah/Naomi Circle

Next Mtg: Thursday, Nov. 18th, 7:00 p.m. at Mary Anderson's
Contact: Donna Peterson (439-5903)

Lydia Circle

Next Mtg: *Start date to be announced*
Contact: Heather Swanson (238-3101)

Hannah Circle

Next Mtg: Tuesday, Nov. 2nd —9:30 a.m. at Judy Goldstrand's
Contact: Becky Maier (439-4459)

Ruth Circle

Next Mtg: Friday, Nov. 12th—9:30 a.m. at church
Contacts: Barb Loudon (644-7240)

Sarah Circle

Next Mtg: Thursday, Nov. 11th, at 1:00 p.m. at
Contact: Donna Carlson (351-5052)

Morning Quilters

Next Mtg: Thursdays, Nov. 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 9:00 a.m.
Contact: Audrey Reed (430-2744)

Mission Quilters

Next Mtg: Thursday, Nov. 18th at 9:00 a.m.
Contact: Audrey Reed (430-2744)

Piecemakers (Evening Quilters)

Next Mtg: Wednesdays at 7:00 (schedule is flexible)
Contact: Valerie Kubal (998-3973)

Card Recyclers

Next Mtg: Tuesday, Nov. 30th, at 9:00 a.m.
Contact: Doris Freeman (439-7876)

Prayer Shawl Knitters

Next Mtg: Tuesday, Nov. 16th at 6:30 p.m.
Contacts: Sherry Yahner (430-9863) & Kitty Roettger (777-4192)

Men's Groups

Men's Bible Study

Next Mtg: Thursdays at 6:00 a.m. at Our Savior's
Contact: John Rock (747-0311)

Friday Guys

Next Mtg: Fridays 6:30 a.m. at Joseph's Restaurant (Hwy. 36)
Contact: Pastor Steve (439-5704, ext. 14)

Bible Study Groups

Beth Moore (Tuesdays @ 1:00 p.m.)

Next Mtg: Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m., Nov. 2nd and 16th at church
Contact: Nancy Robertson (715-549-6118)

Beth Moore (Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m.)

Next Mtg: Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., Nov. 4th & 18th at church
Contact: Barb Schlosser (651-439-8432)

Adult Learning and Discipleship

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God- what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12.2)

Using our TALENTS to iSERVE Jesus!



OSLC is a Strengths-based church. We believe that God has given us TALENTS to be used to bring God's kingdom. OSLC uses Clifton StrengthsFinder to measure the presence of talents in 34 general areas or themes. Pastor Linda is a StrengthsFinder coach and teaches a "Living Your Strengths" class every January. Each month we highlight one talent. If you want to learn more about StrengthsFinder contact Pastor Linda: Linda@oslccstillwater.org

Talent of the Month: LEARNER

After three days they found Jesus in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard Jesus was amazed at his understanding and his answers. —Luke 2.46-47

You like to think, exercising the "muscles" of your brain, stretching them in multiple directions. You are the kind of person who enjoys your time alone because it is your time for musing and reflection pondering! You are introspective and need time to "digest" information.

Choose iSERVE items in which you can learn about anything! What about leading a small group, joining **Book of the Month** or stopping in **Sunday Morning Magazine** to hear some new information to learn. What about teaching our children or youth-share your breadth of knowledge!

"It is wrong to define education as preparation for life. Learning is life, a supreme experience of living, a climax of existence." —Abraham Joshua Heschel, Jewish theologian



Women@theEDGE Nov. 8th—Listening and Prayer

Are you a woman in need of some ME time? Are you on the EDGE- whatever that might mean? Join us once a month for a time of learning, sharing and breathing. This year we will be using Colleen Baldrice's book, "The Tree Spirited

Woman," as our guide. You do not need to read the book to be part of our discussion. We meet once a month on Mondays 8pm at Perkins on Hwy 36. Join us! Contact Pastor Linda with questions: Linda@oslccstillwater.org

Upcoming dates/topic: December 6th — Truth



Sunday Morning Magazine

**An adult learning opportunity for you!
Meets 9:15 a.m. Sundays in the Sanctuary.**

Our topics vary from Mission to Bible Study, local authors and experts. Learning is a life-long process!

- **November 7th & 14th: The Rabbi Jesus.** We are familiar with talking about Jesus as our Savior, our Lord, even Shepherd, but what about Rabbi? The image of Jesus as a Jewish teacher is less explored yet the Gospels refer to Jesus as rabbi or teacher 56 times! During these two weeks of study we will discuss characteristics of Jesus as a 1st century rabbi and explore how Jesus still is Master Teacher. **This class will be taught by Dr. Katie Friesen Smith.** She currently serves at Northwestern College as a Student Development Dean and teaching in the Christian Ministries Department. Katie earned a Doctorate of Ministry and Master's of Divinity from Bethel Seminary (MN).
- **November 21: Author Dave Shaw.** Come listen to Dave as he shares some of his works and his own journey of spiritual writing. Dave is a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Sunday Morning Magazine takes a break until January 9, 2011.

FaithMarker:

Baptism—Walking Wet!



Are you planning a baptism at Our Savior's? The first step is to attend this FaithMarker Class, a class is for those being baptized, their parents, sponsors, godparents or other important people in their life. It is a time to learn about what the Sacrament of Holy Baptism means in the Lutheran Church, both for the baptized and for those walking alongside the newly baptized in their journey of faith.

Class taught by Pastor Linda. Contact: linda@oslccstillwater.org. Childcare available.

DivorceCare & Recovery Growing through Divorce



Divorce is a painful experience. Are you hurting from a recent divorce or separation? Have you remained injured from a divorce? DivorceCare & Recovery offers help through group learning and support. Group will meet on Monday nights 8-9:30 p.m. beginning in January 2011. Look for more information to follow. Friends are welcome. Contact Pastor Linda with questions: linda@oslccstillwater.org.

DivorceCare Reunion Group — Nov. 15th, 8:00 p.m.

For those who have completed DivorceCare & Recovery program. Group meeting to check in and look ahead.



Girls ADvent eVENT

A Celebration of Devotion, Fellowship & Renewal

December 5th to 11th, at various times and in various locations.
Hosted by Women of Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Invite a Friend & Extend an Invitation to a New Member. A wonderful opportunity for women of all ages to connect with one another in an intimate setting.

Look for sign-up sheets in the Gathering Area between November 7th—28th.

Questions: Contact Becky Maier at 651-439-4459.



Gratitude Boxes

Collection on Sunday, November 14th

In February of this year, an over 70 women of all ages made the BOLD decision to take home a Gratitude Box with the intent that each time she felt gratitude for blessings throughout her day, a few coins would be dropped in the box. We will be collecting Gratitude boxes on Sunday, Nov. 14th during worship services, placing our boxes in the offering basket.

Please choose from the following three organizations that you would like your coins to be designated:

- **YoungLives**, a program for teen moms at Young Life in the St. Croix Valley
- **ELCA Disaster Response**
- **The Lutheran Malaria Initiative**, partnering with Nothing But Nets — just \$10 buys an insecticide-treated bed net, delivers it to someone in Africa, and educates them on its use. Protecting people from malaria-infected mosquitoes is that easy: send a net, save a life. It's something you can do right now.

If you would like to direct your donation to one of these organizations in particular, please place a note inside the box indicating your desire. If you choose to write a check, make it payable to OSLC and write "gratitude box" on the memo line along with where you would like the money to be designated. Those gifts with no preference listed will be divided 1/3 to each. If you miss the collection time, you can drop off at the church office by November 28, 2010.

Thyme for Grace Kitchen Ministry

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. —1 Peter 4:10

What is Thyme for Grace Kitchen Ministry?

As mentioned in the October Lamp, this is an opportunity to spend a couple of hours every six weeks or so creating, preparing and packaging nutritious meals to share with individuals or families when they are in need of a little 'comfort food' during times of difficulty or transition.



Our first cooking session will be held on Monday, Nov. 8th, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at Our Savior's. If you would like to join us, contact Nancy Healey at nancy_a_healey@msn.com additional information.

Our Savior's Luther Church Women - Sisters in Christ 2010 –2011 Schedule of Events

All Women of Our Savior's are Invited to attend events

- November 8:** Thyme for Grace Cooking Session
- November 14:** Collection of Gratitude Boxes
- November 7-28:** Sign-Up for Advent Events
- December 5-11:** Advent Tea Events
- January 22, 2010:** One Day Retreat
- July 14-17, 2010:** Triennial Gathering, Spokane, WA

ELCA Good Gifts

What is the best gift you've ever received? It was probably given out of love.

Love comes to us as a gift from God, and we are called to share it with others. The best gifts are those that deepen our relationships with one another. They are unexpected. They are filled with love. And, they are impossible to wrap.



ELCA Good Gifts make great gifts for your loved ones and carry that love on to others, making a difference in their lives and the world. Take a few moments to explore the catalog, and discover the life-changing ministry we do together as a response to Christ's love in our lives. You can give a gift right now to support the work of ELCA World Hunger that regularly falls into one of these areas:

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| Agriculture | Hunger at Home |
| God's Global Barnyard | Life-Giving Water |
| Health Care | Stand With Africa |
| Training and Education | Women and Children |

Order the ELCA Good Gifts Catalog, call: 800-638-3522



Jamaica Trip is Ready to Roll!

The youth leave for their Jamaica Mission Trip on November 8th. Please pray for the safety of the team as well as their missions. The 2010 Jamaica Mission Team members are listed below to keep them in your prayers:

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| Jaci Beck | Ingrid Larson |
| Marissa Beck | Sarah Peterson |
| Dylan Bretl | Leah Ranta |
| Jordan Bretl | Jonah Robels |
| Joy Hammer | Ben Scheel |
| Alaina Heinen | Jan Stevens |
| Alison Hinchcliffe | Rachel Turnquist |
| Abby Kline | Kathryn Warren |
| Martha Kline | Missy & Michael Carmack (Leaders) |

Final Jamaica Trip Info: Hey Jamaica Team –

Don't forget the final preparations for our trip:

Sunday, November 7th:*

10:30 a.m. – come to worship with your shirts on!
We will be blessed by our family at Our Savior's

11:30 a.m. – Final meeting (all forms and payments due!)

Noon – Pizza and Packing! Remember to bring your "extra" suitcase!

* **Monday, November 8th:** - Depart for Jamaica!

Diggin' Deeper Breakfast Club

Diggin' Deeper Breakfast Club will meet the first Friday of the month: **November 5th at 6:30 a.m.** As always, meet at Perkins for a great Bible study, fun fellowship and **FREE breakfast!**



Congratulations to 2010 Confirmands!

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| Jaclyn Nicole Beck | Alec Timothy Johnson |
| Andrew Richard Benish | Joseph John Johnson |
| Ryan John Black | Conor Harley McClellan |
| Jackson Robert Braatz | Connor Scott Nelson |
| Daniel Thomas Buege | Maddie Rose Nelson |
| Maria Christine Costa | Andrew Douglas Peterson |
| Ian Jack Dwyer | Travis Richard Prigge |
| Frans Jozsef Elliott | Jonah Ryan Robles |
| Cody Lee Floen | Claire Louise Rutscher |
| Thomas Charles Frost | Benjamin Michael Scheel |
| Jenna Marie Garness | Addie Grace Marie Sobczak |
| Sam Thomas Hodnefield | Serena Ann Swanson |





Children's Christmas Program Task Force Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in being part of the Team that plans this year's program?

Help coordination of all aspects, from script and music to costumes and fellowship. Christmas is a season with an amazing story to tell. Join the team that will share in telling the story through the gifts of the children at Our Savior's.

For more information, questions or if you wish to be on the team contact Karen Gieseke, Interim Children & Family Ministry Director, cfm@oslcstillwater.org or 651-439-5704 ext 23.

Children's Christmas Program Parent Information Meeting

Is your child in First through Fourth grade wanting to participate in the telling of the Christmas Story at this year's Christmas Program?

Then plan to attend the Parent Information Meeting!

Wednesday, November 3, 6:30pm, in the Sanctuary

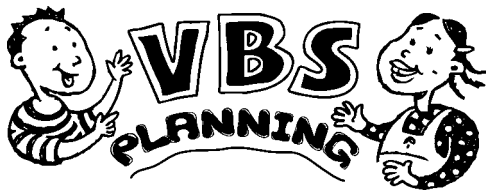
Learn about the schedule, participation, music, plus more, and how your family can be a part of this amazing season which shares the story of Jesus' birth.

For more information, questions or if are unable to attend the meeting, contact Karen Gieseke, Interim Children & Family Ministry Director, cfm@oslcstillwater.org or 651-439-5704 ext 23.

Children's Christmas Program

Come and hear the story of Jesus' birth. Join with our children as they share their gifts and talents in the telling of this story of God's amazing love. Share in the music and words that draw us into a season of wonder and awe.

Join in fellowship following the program with special holiday faire, cider and coffee. December dates to be announced.



Looking ahead to VBS

Watch for information regarding a VBS 2011 Task Force, forming in January 2011, to begin the fun and exciting preparations for the 2011 Vacation Bible School.

This amazing community ministry event uses the gifts and talents of so many! Come join the Team as plans and preparations begin. Mark your calendar now for August 2011!

Operation Christmas Child and Children & Family Ministry partnership!

God calls us to love our neighbor and Christmas is an especially meaningful time to answer God's call. With this in mind, Sunday School & WAVE classes will be preparing shoe boxes filled with gifts for the Operation Christmas Child Mission & Service project.



Families of ALL ages are invited to share in this experience with their donations. **Collection of items will occur from Oct. 31-Nov 17.**

Each Sunday School and WAVE class will prepare as many boxes as possible with the amount of items collected.

What is needed?

Shoe boxes: empty boxes—plastic or paper

School supplies: pens, pencils & sharpeners, crayons, markers, paper, solar calculators, coloring & picture books, etc

Small toys: small cars, dolls, stuffed animals, jump ropes, etch-a-sketch, harmonica, kazoo or yoyos, etc

Hygiene items: toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar of soap, comb, washcloth, etc

Other: hard candy, lollipops, gum, t-shirts, socks, hair clips, sunglasses, etc

You may include a personal note and a photo of your family, if you wish

Each box requires \$7 for shipping.

Thank-you for sharing in this global outreach, and partnering with our Children during this season of giving.

Children & Family Ministry Congregational Survey

During this time of transition in our Children & Family Ministry area, tools and resources are being implemented which gives our leadership the opportunity hear from, and listen to the congregation. These tools provide the congregation the opportunity to intentionally share visions, desires, needs, concerns and hopes for God's call to all of us as we minister to Children and Families.

A survey will be made available, both on-line and in paper form, inviting all members to share their input. The launching of this survey will be shared with the congregation through email, the church website and bulletin.

The survey will be offered for several weeks, with a start and end date published. Results of the survey will be made available to the congregation at a later date.

Please take the time to share your excitement and vision for ministry at Our Savior's.

For more information or questions, contact Karen Gieseke, Interim Children & Family Ministry Director, cfm@oslcstillwater.org or 651-439-5704 ext 23.

FaithMarkers

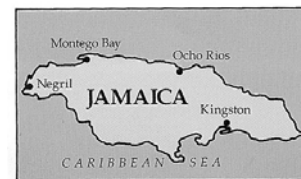
FaithMarkers is a time of intentional family teaching, where children and parents/guardians/caregivers come together for a time of learning around faith. 2 year olds through Kindergarten will use an assigned Sunday/ Wednesday class time. 1st through 6th grade will meet on an assigned Monday evening. Childcare is available for FaithMarker classes. You will receive a special invitation for this learning event with all the details. Check the schedule below and Save-the-Date!

Family FaithMarkers 2010-11: Families Learning Together

Age	FaithMarker Event	Teaching Date/ Time	Worship Celebration
Birth	Baptism Walking Wet	January 10, 2011, April 4, 2011	Scheduled with the church office
2 year olds	God's Story in My Life- Welcome to Sunday School	Contact Pastor Linda	
3 year olds	My Church Family	Contact Pastor Linda	
4 year olds	Prayer	Nov. 14 or 17, during regular class time	
Kindergartners	The Lord's Prayer	Jan. 9 or 12, 2011 during regular class time	
1st Grade	Hands-On Bible	Contact Pastor Linda	Reformation Sunday, Oct. 31, at any service
2nd Grade	Gifts and Abilities	Nov. 15, 2010 5:30-6:30pm	Stewardship Celebration- Nov. 21st at any service
3rd Grade	Baptism- I am the beloved!	January 10, 2011 5:30-6:30pm	
4th Grade	Apostles' Creed- I believe...	November 8, 5:30-6:30pm	
5th Grade	Ten Commandments	November 15, 6:30-7:30pm	
6th Grade	Martin Luther	May 2, 2011 5:30-6:30pm	
1st to 6th Grade**	First Communion Retreat	April 18, 2011 6-7:30pm	Sunday, May 1, at any service

****Holy Communion is one of two sacraments in the Lutheran church. At Our Savior's families decide when a child is ready to receive instruction in preparation for First Communion and then attend the First Communion Retreat together. Questions? Contact one of the Pastors or the Director of Children and Family Ministry.**

Mission Jamaica for Adults



February 2-9, 2011

"My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practice real love." 1 John 3.18 —The Message

Mission Jamaica is an opportunity to practice real love on real people — the children and staff of Garland Hall — a children's orphanage in Jamaica. We go and repair roofs, paint rooms and practice love.

- The all-inclusive cost for this mission trip is under \$1900.
- Consider joining Pastor Linda and the rest of the mission team.
- See Pastor Linda for a Registration Form.
- Deposit of \$200 is due by November 14th.

Choose "Gifts that Give" and Change Lives!

November 21 from 9 am - 1 pm
First Presbyterian Church

Seeking an alternative to gift cards or popular mass-produced products? Choose "Gifts that Give" at the 15th Annual Alternative Gift Market open Saturday, November 20 from 10 am - 4 pm and Sunday, November 21 from 9 am - 1 pm at First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater, 6201 Osgood Ave N.

Shop for "gifts that give" by fairly compensating artisans in developing nations. At the Market, discover fairly-traded handicrafts, foods, toys, clothing and more! Vendors include African Team Ministries, Bead for Life, Global Crafts, Global Mamas, I Love A Parade, Marketplace Handwork of India, Partners for Just Trade, Red Lake Nation Foods, SERRV International, Turkish Scarf Project, White Earth Land Recovery Project, and Women's Bean Project.

Shop for "gifts that give" by providing for people's basic needs of food, shelter, and medical care. Choose gifts of donations to non-profit organizations with established track records of helping people and the environment. Non-profit organizations represented include Church World Service, Common Hope, Compatible Technology International, East Metro Birthday Bags, Family Means, Habitat for Humanity, Heifer Project, Medical Benevolence Foundation and Valley Outreach.

Need a gift bag for your chosen gift? Choose eco-friendly, reusable fabric gift bags of all sizes and for all occasions.

Cash or checks will be accepted at the Market. Enjoy homemade treats on both days and a simple soup lunch on Saturday. For more information: www.fpc-stillwateragm.org. See you at the Market!

CALLED TO CARE — SHELLY ROCK

The Great Role Reversal....Caring for the Parents Who Cared for You

We grow up under the care of our parents but we age under the care of our children. How do we as seniors prepare ourselves and our children (or other loved one) for this? How do we as children prepare ourselves and our parents?



As a society, we are living longer and healthier than the generations before us. Our seniors are staying independent longer than ever before. Though chronic illness affects millions, healthcare relentlessly strives to find ways to keep us "aging in place."

Families are stretched these days. Distance, fast-paced lifestyles, and/or strained relationships often hinder our abilities and challenge us as we seek to nurture and care for our aging parents.

A few tips for caregiving children to keep in mind:

- Being a care receiver isn't easy either! Be respectful.
- Know what you need to know. Who is designated in the family to respond to health crisis and needs? Who is designated in the family to deal with financial and legal matters? Is there an Advanced Directive in place? Learn as much as you can about your parent's illness and treatment, where they are living, and who their neighbors and support systems are.
- Plan your visits: Be observant. Are there possible hazards or safety concerns: loose rugs, poor lighting, hand rails in places, fire alarm batteries working? Are there any chores that need to be done? Are they taking their medications? Are they getting out to exercise or spend time with friends....things that they have always enjoyed doing? Are the bills getting paid?
- Get in touch and Stay in touch. Go to doctor's appointments as you are able, make the care conference with the nursing home or assisted living team---teleconference works too. Who are some reliable "eyes and ears" you have to contact to get realistic updates on how things are going? Do they have a ride to church? Get a directory of senior resources and services in the church and community that your parents live in. Help your parents stay in contact by giving them resource information and access to additional support. Help them set up speed dial or give them a phone for their nursing home room.
- Remember to take time to just "be" with your parents. Your caregiving and concern can consume your time with them. Try not to let it. Rent an old movie that you both enjoy, visit friends together, play a game, take a drive, enjoy each others company.
- Let go of caregiver guilt and take care of yourself too. Live your own life. You are not going to be able to prevent every accident that may come, cure their illness or stop their death. Walk with them. Love them. Do your best. Pray! God promises to never leave us nor forsake us (Deuteronomy 31:6; Hebrews 13:5-6)...He will be there for your parents too.

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Our Savior's is linking up with the NOAH (Nurturing Older Adults at Home) project. This project is striving to give support tips and resources to caregivers where they are at in nurturing older adults where they are at. If you are interested in learning more about this project or in seeking additional caregiving information, please call me: Shelly Rock, Parish Nurse #651-439-5704 ext. 19.

Called to Care — Shelly Rock

Links: www.agingcare.com

www.fcntc.org click on NOAH project

Donation Opportunity

Support the OSLC Care Ministry!

The 5th Grade Girl Scout Troop #52938 has chosen to support OSLC parish nurse, Shelly Rock, and the care ministry for their Bronze Award Project. They will be collecting items and then assembling them into gifts that Shelly and the care team can take and distribute to people in the community.

The two items the Girl Scouts are focusing on first are fleece blankets and soups in a jar. Any items on the list you can donate would be appreciated. A box will be in the common area marked "Girl Scout Donations" where you can leave your gift. On their wish list:

- **Fleece for Blankets**
- **Chicken Noodle Soup in a Jar Ingredients:** Wide Mouth Jars, Red Lentils, Dried Onion Flakes, Chicken Bouillon Granules, Dried Dill Weed or Dill Seed, Celery Seed, Garlic Powder, Medium Egg Noodles, Bay Leaves.
- **Country Soup in a Jar Ingredients:** Wide Mouth Jars, Barley, Dried Split Peas, White Rice, Dry Lentils, Dried Minced Onion, Dried Parsley, Lemon Pepper, Beef Bouillon Granules, Alphabet Pasta, Twist Macaroni.

Any questions can be directed to Shelly Rock or the Girl Scout troop leader: patricia@moffitts.net

Volunteers Needed

Meals on Wheels Delivery Sign-up

We will be taking sign-ups for our last Meals on Wheels delivery of the year on Sunday, October 31 & Sunday, November 7. We have 8 spots to fill this time.

This is an easy and rewarding way to serve Stillwater's seniors by delivering them a nutritious meal over the lunch hour. It only takes an hour, to an hour & a half, to complete each route.

Please consider signing up and brightening someones day! Call 323-3402 or 430-1111 with any questions. — Marissa Jones & Susan Fredricksen





Our Savior's Lutheran Church — Calendar of Events — NOVEMBER 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>31 Gr. 1 Faith Marker; Scouts Wreath Sale</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Children & Youth Education</p> <p>9:15 AM Sunday Morning Magazine</p> <p>10:30 AM "The Crossing" Worship</p> <p>10:30 AM "The EDGE" (10-12th Grade)</p> <p>10:30 AM Children Education</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>1 Election Set-Up</p> <p>Operation Christmas Child (Collection Beggings)</p> <p>9:15 AM PEP (Bethlehem Lutheran in-the-Midway)</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM Giving Tree Task Force</p>	<p>2 Elections</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Meeting</p> <p>9:30 AM Hannah Circle</p> <p>1:00 PM Beth Moore</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM JuBellate</p>	<p>3 4:30 PM Youth Bell Choir</p> <p>5:30 PM WAVE & WNL</p> <p>6:30 PM Cherub & Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM Christmas Program</p> <p>Parent's Mtg</p> <p>6:30 PM First Light Leaders</p> <p>7:00 PM First Light</p> <p>7:00 PM Kingdom Choir</p> <p>8:00 PM Proclaim!</p>	<p>4 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilters</p> <p>4:00 PM Ponies Football Dinner</p> <p>6:00 PM Girl Scouts</p> <p>6:30 PM Beth Moore</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>5 6:30 AM Diggin' Deeper (Perkins)</p> <p>6:30 AM Friday Guys</p>	<p>6 8:00 AM Yoga Flow</p> <p>12:00 PM Gillo Madho Reception</p>
<p>7 Union Gospel Mission Thanksgiving Bags</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Worship w/ Augsburg Jazz</p> <p>9:15 AM Children & Youth Education</p> <p>9:15 AM Sunday Morning Magazine</p> <p>10:30 AM The Crossing w/Augsburg Jazz</p> <p>10:30 AM "The EDGE" (10-12th Grade)</p> <p>10:30 AM Children Education</p> <p>11:30 AM Jamaica Packing Mtg</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>8 Youth Jamaica Trip</p> <p>2:00 PM Thyme for Grace</p> <p>5:30 PM Grade 4 Faith Marker</p> <p>6:00 PM Girl Scouts #52794</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>8:00 PM Women @theEDGE (Perkins)</p>	<p>9 Youth Jamaica Trip</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM JuBellate</p>	<p>10 Youth Jamaica Trip</p> <p>4:30 PM Youth Handbell Choir</p> <p>5:30 PM WAVE & WNL</p> <p>6:30 PM Cherub & Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM KINGSmen</p> <p>7:00 PM First Light</p> <p>7:00 PM Kingdom Choir</p> <p>8:00 PM Liturgical Choir</p>	<p>11 Youth Jamaica Trip</p> <p>Veterans Day Offices Closed</p> <p>6:00 AM Men's Bible Study</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilters</p> <p>1:00 PM Sarah Circle</p> <p>4:00 PM Ponies Dinner</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM Church Board</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>12 Youth Jamaica Trip</p> <p>6:30 AM Friday Guys</p> <p>9:30 AM Ruth Circle</p>	<p>13 Youth Jamaica Trip</p>
<p>14 4-Year Old Faith Marker; Gratitude Boxes Collected; Jamaica Trip; Military Card Sunday; Union Gospel Mission Bags</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Children & Youth Education</p> <p>9:15 AM Sunday Morning Magazine</p> <p>10:30 AM "The Crossing" Worship</p> <p>10:30 AM "The EDGE" (10-12th Grade)</p> <p>10:30 AM Children Education</p> <p>12:00 PM Frost Reception</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>15 Jamaica Trip (Youth)</p> <p>5:30 PM Grade 2 Faith Marker</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p> <p>6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Knitters</p> <p>7:00 PM JuBellate</p>	<p>16 9:00 AM Staff Meeting</p> <p>1:00 PM Beth Moore</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>6:30 PM Cadettes #51402</p> <p>6:30 PM Prayer Shawl Knitters</p> <p>7:00 PM JuBellate</p>	<p>17 4-Yr. Old Faith Marker</p> <p>Operation Christmas Child (Final Collection Day)</p> <p>4:30 PM Youth Handbell Choir</p> <p>5:30 PM WAVE & WNL</p> <p>6:30 PM Cherub & Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM PEP Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM First Light</p> <p>7:00 PM Kingdom Choir</p> <p>8:00 PM Proclaim!</p>	<p>18 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilters</p> <p>3:00 PM Syttende Mai Setup</p> <p>6:30 PM Beth Moore</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM Deb/Naomi Circle</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team</p> <p>7:00 PM Syttende Mai</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>19 6:30 AM Friday Guys</p>	<p>20 8:00 AM Yoga Flow</p> <p>9:30 AM PEP Small Group (at Gorman's)</p> <p>12:00 PM Cham Adhom Memorial</p>
<p>21 Gr. 2 Faith Marker; Wreath Pick-up; Stewardship Celebration</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Worship</p> <p>9:15 AM Children & Youth Education</p> <p>9:15 AM Sunday Morning Magazine</p> <p>10:30 AM "The Crossing" Worship</p> <p>10:30 AM "The EDGE" (10-12th Grade)</p> <p>10:30 AM Children Education</p> <p>4:00 PM Thanksgiving Scavenger Hunt</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>22 6:00 PM Girl Scouts #52794</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p>	<p>23 9:00 AM Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM JuBellate</p>	<p>24 6:30 PM KINGSmen</p> <p>7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship & Pie Social</p> <p>8:00 PM Kingdom Choir</p>	<p>25 Offices Closed</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>26 Offices Closed</p>	<p>27 8:00 AM Yoga Flow</p>
<p>28 Giving Tree</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship</p> <p>9:00 AM Blood Pressure Check</p> <p>9:15 AM Worship</p> <p>10:30 AM "The Crossing" Worship</p> <p>7:00 PM Advent Tea Training</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>29 9:00 AM Advent Tea Training</p> <p>1:00 PM Book of the Month</p> <p>6:30 PM Book of the Month</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p>	<p>30 9:00 AM Card Recyclers</p> <p>9:00 AM Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:30 PM Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM JuBellate</p>	<p>1 November 11:30 AM Advent Worship</p> <p>12:00 PM Advent Lunch</p> <p>4:30 PM Youth Handbell Choir</p> <p>5:30 PM WAVE & WNL</p> <p>6:00 PM Advent Supper</p> <p>6:30 PM Cherub & Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM First Light Leaders</p> <p>7:00 PM Advent Worship</p> <p>7:00 PM First Light</p> <p>7:00 PM Kingdom Choir</p> <p>8:00 PM Proclaim!</p>	<p>2 November 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilters</p> <p>6:00 PM Girl Scouts</p> <p>6:30 PM Beth Moore</p> <p>6:30 PM Cub Scouts #242</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team</p> <p>7:30 PM AA</p>	<p>3 November 6:30 AM Diggin' Deeper (Perkins)</p> <p>6:30 AM Friday Guys</p>	<p>4 November 8:00 AM Advent Music Festival</p> <p>Rehearsal</p> <p>9:00 AM Decorate the Church for Christmas</p>



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November Events:

Sunday, November 7th
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
with Augsburg Jazz and Gospel Ensemble
(9:15 & 10:30 service)

Sunday, November 21st
CHRIST the KING SUNDAY and
STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION
(all services)

Wednesday, November 24th
THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE
and **PIE SOCIAL**
(7:00 p.m.)

*Invite a neighbor or friend.
All are welcome!*