



# February



# 2016 at Our Savior's Lutheran

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 7:00 Men's Breakfast 	3 5:30 -7:00 D.O.G. Night	4	5 	6
7 9:30 Worship/Communion Fellowship Hour after worship 1:00 Community Food Bank meeting Fairburn Methodist Church  <i>Last Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	8 	9	10 5:30 -7:00 D.O.G. Night  7:15 Ash Wednesday Service	11	12 	13 
14 9:30 Worship Fellowship Hour after worship <i>Valentine's Day</i>  <i>First Sunday in Lent</i>	15 <i>Presidents Day</i>  <i>Office Closed</i>  6:30 Council Meeting	16 7:00 Men's Breakfast  WELCA 8:45 Old Testament Bible Study	17 5:30 -7:00 D.O.G. Night  7:15 Lenten Service	18 3:00 - 5:30 God's Cupboard at Pop's Grocery	19 	20
21 9:30 Worship/Communion Fellowship Hour after worship February Care and Serve meet 10:45 Worship/Music Committee 11:00 German Presentation 2:00 Youth Group Skating Party  <i>Second Sunday in Lent</i>	22 March Newsletter Deadline	23 	24 5:30 - 7:00 D.O.G. Night  7:15 Lenten Service	25	26	27 
28 9:30 Worship Fellowship Hour after worship Potluck following worship  <i>Third Sunday in Lent</i>	29 <i>Leap Year</i>					



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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday & Wednesday 9:00–12:00 & 1:00–3:00  
 Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 9:00 –12:00

*Please stop in or call anytime*  
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*Pastor Deb's parting words...*

Thank you! A thousand times THANK YOU!

For your prayers and support. For the outpouring of love and food and gifts. For sharing your lives and ministry with me and my family. We have been truly blessed.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

These verses have been my mantra for almost two years now and so far they have served me well. (Don't worry I have to repeat them to myself frequently.) I don't always understand why things happen as they do but God knows. So we have to trust that he will continue to direct our paths based on his will and not ours. I trust your ministry and my ministry to God. We will see where he takes it from there. Prayers surround you.

## **COME AND HEAR AND SEE AND BE A PART OF OUR LENTEN JOURNEY**

As we journey from the stable to the cross, we are continually reminded that we are called to come and hear and see what being a disciple of Jesus is all about. We are called to invite others to come and hear and see as well. During this season of Lent, you are invited to be a part of two worship series - ***Living Lent As People of the Resurrection*** on Sunday mornings and ***Miracles of Lent*** on Wednesday evenings. The journey begins on Ash Wednesday and continues through Easter morning. May these series be tools that inspire you and others to come and hear and see and grow in faith..

### **SUNDAY MORNINGS**

**9:30 AM - WORSHIP**

**10:30 AM - FELLOWSHIP**



Each week we will focus on a word to consider while living Lent as Easter people. Worship services will highlight the ways in which the passion narratives of Christ take on more significant meaning for us when we see them through the lens of the empty tomb and helps us see that we are always alive in Christ, who died and was raised.

For those who are looking for a daily devotion to aid in your Lenten journey, a limited number of Living Lent devotion booklets are available on the ushers table for you to take.

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHTS**

**7:15PM - WORSHIP**



## **Miracles of LENT**

On Wednesday evenings we will read the Passion story through a different lens. We will focus on the important and significant miracles and miraculous signs that God the Father performed to set apart His Son's death from absolutely all others.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW.**

Beginning the first Sunday in February (**February 7**), the worship time at Our Saviors Lutheran will change back to **9:30am** with fellowship following after worship service. Thank you to the worshippers at OSL for your flexibility this past year as we adjusted the worship time to meet Pastor Deb's schedule.

All men are invited to gather for food and fellowship at the **Men's Breakfast** every other Tuesday morning at **7:00am** in the church Fellowship Hall.. *This months dates are February 2nd and 16th.*



WELCA will meet February **16th** in the church fellowship hall beginning at 8:45 with the ongoing study of the "Old Testament".



We will begin our regular meeting at 9:30 AM with our bible study, which is out of our women's magazine, "Gather". After the bible study we will have a short business meeting. *There is an extra copy of the magazine in the church office.*

Hostess - Carol Neugebauer

Bible study leader - Kathy Thompson

*All women of Our Savior's Lutheran are welcome to attend our meetings.*

**Calling all  
7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>  
Graders!**



**What:** Fellowship and Ice Skating

**Where:** Main Street Square Ice Rink

**When:** Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

Meet at the church at 2:00 pm  
and head to Rapid  
Return time - ??

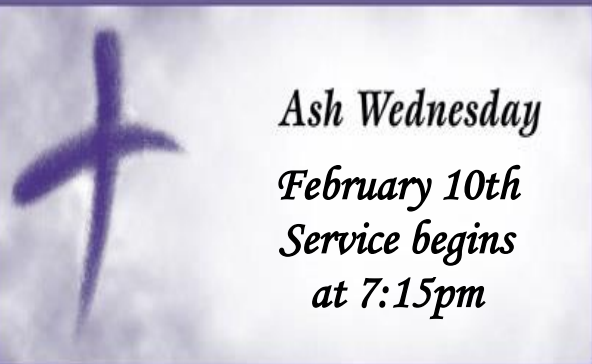
**Cost:** Tickets for skate rental and skating have been donated.

Bring along money for treats and/or supper if needed.

**PLEASE CALL PEG AT THE CHURCH TO REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT SO WE KNOW HOW MANY ARE GOING!!! [605-255-4662](tel:605-255-4662)**

*You may meet the group at the rink about 2:30 if you wish. Just call Peg and let her know you will be meeting the group.*

**\*DRIVERS AND A LEADER ARE NEEDED FOR THIS EVENT!!!** Please let Peg know if you are willing to help.



*Ash Wednesday  
February 10th  
Service begins  
at 7:15pm*

**D.O.G. (Disciples of God) Night**  
Wednesdays, beginning with supper at 5:30pm and ending at 7pm.



Our curriculum this year is called "Living Inside Out" Where Kids Dare to Live Their Faith 24/7.

The theme for February is: **Balloon Fest**  
Focus will be on Holy Spirit.

## MARCH CARE & SERVE TEAM!

*will meet during fellowship on*

**Sunday, February 21**

**February Care & Serve Team Leader will meet with: Scott & Emily Dirkes, Marlene Dickschat, Esther Downen, Donley Hewitt and Mikkey Twitero.**



## CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

OSL Calling Committee

Please continue to pray for the ongoing work of you Pastor Calling Committee. As you heard at our Annual Meeting last Sunday we are patiently waiting for Pastor profiles. We will keep you updated as our work continues. Please contact anyone of the Call Committee if you have questions or concerns.

*Paula Warren  
Becky Lowe  
Dennis Thompson  
Alan Platt  
Bill Dennert*



## ***It's back! The SDSM&T Lutheran Campus Ministries Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser!***

***When: Sunday, Feb. 28 at 12:30 pm***

***Where: Serbeck Center, 501 E St Joseph St (SDSMT Campus)***

***What: Come eat chili and vote for your favorite.***

***Bid on your favorite items in the silent auction.***

***Visit with students and adults from campus and area churches.***



*Tickets are \$5.00 and are available at the church office. Each ticket will get you 10 votes. Can't come but want to help support LCM? Financial donations are welcome. Or buy a bunch of tickets and Pastor Deb, LCM Board Member, will put your votes towards the right chili and maybe OSL can take home the trophy.*

*If you are interested in supporting LCM by making a crockpot of chili or donating something for the silent auction, please give Pastor Deb a call at 605-890-0781. Thank you for helping to show our college students that God is there with them!*



## ***Congratulations to our new Council for 2016.***

The Annual Meeting of Our Savior's Lutheran Church was held on Sunday, January 24th following worship service. ***Emily Dirkes, Marie Kennedy, and Butch Rudd were elected to fill the three vacated positions. Wyone Leonard was elected as the alternate.***

After the meeting the new council elected the following officers for 2016: **Jack Corr will serve as President. Greg Neugebauer will serve as Vice-President. Adare Diers will serve as Secretary. Marvin Bishop accepted the appointment of Treasurer. Other members include: Emily Dirkes, Marie Kennedy, and Butch Rudd. Wyone Leonard will serve as alternate.**



**Youth Group Lock-in was January 8th & 9th. There were 15 in attendance. The group had fun playing games and making their own**



**CONGRATULATIONS! Winners of the Chili Cook-off held after the Annual Meeting on January 24. Greg Neugebauer, 1st place; Kevin Vining, 2nd place; Richard Stinson, 3rd place. There were 12 entries and was enjoy by all who tasted.**



Bill Dennert, past Council President doing the Litany of Farewell for Pastor Deb on Sunday, Jan 31. Bill presented Pastor Deb with flowers and chocolates from the congregation. Below right: church family is enjoying a farewell potluck with lots of good ole Lutheran food.



**Chelle Sorensen-Schnefcik singing during Offering. Marie Kennedy played an original song for Pastor Deb.**

**Pastor Deb helping the kids build a wall and then tearing it down during the Children's Message.**



## HERMOSA COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

### 'GOD'S CUPBOARD'

**will have a community meeting at Fairburn Methodist Church beginning at 1:00pm February 7th. Anyone who is interested in learning more about the community food bank are encouraged attend.**

*For information please contact Lois Rudd at 255-5299.*

## HERMOSA COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

### 'GOD'S CUPBOARD'

**OPEN February 18  
3:30-5:00pm**



***Located at Pop's Grocery***

All donations of food items can be dropped off at Pop's Grocery. The cupboards are bare and any donations are very much appreciated.

For information please contact Lois Rudd at

## Better Choices Better Health

This is a self-management workshop for anyone who lives with a chronic condition or for caretakers of someone who has a chronic condition. Workshops go 6 weeks 2 ½ hours and are led by trained leaders.

The emphasis of the curriculum is not designed to help people learn more about the chronic conditions but rather *to learn skills and tools to better manage those conditions.*

You will learn such skills as managing your symptoms, communicating better, dealing with anger and depression, designing a healthy eating plan, managing pain and fatigue, problem solving, relaxation and stress management, and appropriate use of medications. This program is being instituted in South Dakota by the SD Department of Health and SDSU Extension.

Other partners include SD Department of Social Services, Regional Hospital, Avera and Sanford Health Systems, and numerous other organizations.

Workshops in Hermosa and Custer will be scheduled for late January or early February. You may register at this website, [www.betterchoicesbetterhealthsd.org](http://www.betterchoicesbetterhealthsd.org).

For more information, check the website or call Vicki Palmreuter at 303.521.7935 or Margie Neugebauer at 303.590.4403 or email; [margeneugebauer@gmail.com](mailto:margeneugebauer@gmail.com).

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On Sunday, January 24th we welcomed Lisa Cordell, Dennis Beighley and Christine Wolcott as our newest members to our church family. Also joining them up front was Larry and Marlene Dickschat, Scott, Emily, Cody and Mason Dirkes who became members in May, but were unable to attend the welcome service. We are so honored to have these new members of Our Savior's Lutheran.



### *Praying and Caring for One Another*

*Praying for one another is vital to our community of faith and part of being a member of the priesthood of all believers. If you or a family member wishes to be included in this printed prayer list, please contact Peg in the church office.*

We pray for the comfort and strength for those who have recently lost loved ones, including **Wilma Loken and Jerry Puckett.**

We pray for the health and healing of those ill or hospitalized and their caregivers, including: **Brandon Grismer; Bernie Quaschnick; Amaris Swallow; Preston (Kim's friend); Jake & Preston (Brandon's friends); Peg Tesch; Chuck Twitero; Steve Pendegraft; Roger Downen; Don Aduddell; Bill Burnbaum; and Pastor Herb Cleveland.**

We pray for those in special circumstances, including: Those affected by acts of nature, including **St Agnes Lutheran Church in Iowa and Brian & Katherine Richard (Chic's grandson and wife).**

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: **Ruth Henriksen; Ralph & Lois; Steve Hammer; Matt Roby; Kevin Davisson.**

## Treasurer's Report

January 3	66	\$1,706
January 10	62	\$2,170
January 17	74	\$1,770
January 24	86	\$2,369
January 31	71	\$1,208
<b>January Averages</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>\$1,845</b>

January Offerings	\$9,223
January Expenses	\$4,728
Total Offerings YTD	\$9,223
Total Expenses YTD	\$4,728
January Mission	\$489

A little girl was sitting on her grandfather's lap as he read her a bedtime story. From time to time, she would take her eyes off the book and reach up to touch his wrinkled cheek. She was alternately stroking her own cheek, then his again. Finally she spoke up, 'Grandpa, did God make you?' 'Yes, sweetheart', he answered, 'God made me a long time ago.' 'Oh,' she paused, 'Grandpa, did God make me too?' 'Yes, indeed, honey,' he said, 'God made you just a little while ago.' Feeling their respective faces again, she observed, 'God's getting better at it, isn't he?'

**Are you handy with a shovel?** Your ministry is needed! Volunteers are needed for snow removal on the sidewalk around the church building. **A BIG THANK YOU** to Dan Martin and Bernie Flug for volunteering to clear out the parking lot.



LOOKING AHEAD AT  
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN.

Coming  
Soon!

**Lenten Services** will continue Wednesday evenings at 7:15 through March 16.

**Palm Sunday** follows on March 20.

**Holy Week** is March 21-26 with Maundy Thursday on March 24 and Good Friday on March 25.

**Easter Sunday Services** will be March 27. More details on service times will be published in next months newsletter.

If you have a Pastoral care need during this time of transition, please call the office at 255-4662, or you can call Peg Tesch, *Church Secretary*, after hours at 255-4552. We want to make sure that your pastoral care needs are being met. All information will be kept confidential.

## NEWS IN OUR COMMUNITY

### PANCAKE BREAKFASTS at HERMOSA MASONIC HALL

From now through March 20, the Masons will be serving a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, and eggs cooked to order every Sunday morning from 7:00-12:00 at the Masonic Hall in Hermosa. Everyone is welcome. The cost is \$7.00.

### BLACK HILLS ELECTRIC CO-OP/ CO-SPONSOR:

### HERMOSA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SOUP SUPPER

Tuesday, February 11, 6-7pm in the Hermosa School Gym. Come and enjoy soup/chili, fellowship and information. *Each year the co-op pays a per person donation, serves the food and cleans up afterward. The organization provides the food. A free-will donation is collected to the organization co-hosting the meal.*

All donations will benefit the Hermosa Fire Dept.



# Mission of the Month

## Lutheran World Relief School Kits



Our Savior's WELCA is putting together school kits to be sent to needy children all over the world through Lutheran World Relief. This month our Mission will be to team up with WELCA and support this project.

Why school supplies? To the children who receive School Kits, these supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not. Public school is usually free, but in the places where LWR works, even a few required supplies, like pens and paper, may be more than many families can afford.

Money donated will be used to purchase any supplies needed to complete the kits, make or purchase cloth bags required for each kit, and help with postage. (It costs LWR about \$1.40 per School Kit to deliver it overseas.)

*Please write checks to Our Savior's with "Mission" in the memo line, and drop in the offering plate or Mission Donation Box in the fellowship hall.*

### ITEMS FOR SCHOOL KITS

- 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper
- pencil sharpeners
- blunt scissors
- black or blue ball point pens
- unsharpened #2 pencil with erasers
- 2 1/2" erasers
- boxes of 16-24 crayons



\*Please give new items only, do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your congregation's name, items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Place items in the box provided in the narthex.



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**Worship Time**  
**Sunday 9:30 am**  
**1st & 3rd Sundays**  
**Communion**  
**Fellowship Hour**  
**Follows worship.**

**D.O.G. NIGHT**  
**5:30 - 7:00pm**  
**Wednesday's**



***Our Mission: "We welcome others to join us in worshiping and serving Christ"***