

April 2017 at Our Savior's Lutheran

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9:30 Worship/Communion  Fellowship to follow 11:00 Worship Committee mee UCC Spaghetti Fundraiser <i>Fifth Sunday in Lent</i>	3	4 5:30 Bible Study	5 5:30 -7:00 D.O.G. Night 7:15 Lenten Worship	6 	7	1  8
9 8-9:15 Second Sunday Breakfast 9:30 Worship 10:30-11:15 Breakfast continues 11:30-1:00 Youth Group 5:00 LSS Fundraiser <i>Sixth Sunday in Lent</i>	10 	11 7:00 Men's Breakfast 9:30 WELCA 5:30 Bible Study	12 NO D.O.G. Night 	13 6:00 Maundy Thursday Service/w Communion	14 6:00 Good Friday Service	15 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt 
16 7:00 & 9:30 Easter Worship  Communion both services 8:15 Easter Potluck Brunch <i>Easter Sunday</i> 	17 Office Closed May Newsletter Deadline 6:00 Council Meeting	18  <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> Pastor Deb will be attending the Spring Theological Conference </div>	19 5:30 - 7:00 D.O.G. Night	20 3-5pm Fairburn Hermosa Food Bank	21 3:00 Spring Clean-up	22 9:30-3:00 Bear Butte Conference WELCA Spring Gathering here at OSL
23 9:30 Worship/Communion Baptism's & First Communion Fellowship to follow 1:30 Food Pantry Board meet <i>Second Sunday of Easter</i>	24 	25 7:00 Men's Breakfast	26 5:30 - 7:00 D.O.G. Night	27 	28	29
30 9:30 Worship Potluck follows worship Drawing for Spring Fling Raffle <i>Third Sunday of Easter</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 605-255-4662

Pastor Deb Grismer	605-890-0781
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Church Council for 2016:	
Greg Neugebauer, President	605-390-4804
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D.O.G. Night

Disciples of God

Wednesdays - Supper at 5:30
Classes 6:00 - 7:00 for
all kids 4 years old - 8th Grade

**The Theme for April is
"Heroes"**



Adult Bible Study Opportunity
Dwelling in the Word

Tuesdays at 5:30 April 4 and April 11
Upstairs classroom by Pastor Deb's
office at OSL
Facilitator: Margie Neugebauer

Go deeper in God's Word this Lenten season by gathering with a small group to dig into the Scripture texts from the previous Sunday using a specific Bible study format. Bring your own Bible and a willingness to allow the Holy Spirit to work through each text to deepen your faith. *Lenten journals are available in the church office or the usher table.*



April 5 and 12th will be our final
Lenten Services. Please join us on
'Our Lenten Journey to the Cross'.



Sunday, April 9

11:30 - 1:00

**April 23rd to be
determined**

All 7th - 12th Graders Welcome!

COME AND GET IT!

Everyone is invited!

OSL Community Youth Group Fundraiser

Second Sunday Breakfast

Sunday, April 9

8:00 - 9:15 am & 10:30 - 11:15 am

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall**

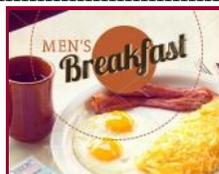


Menu
French Toast Bake
Sausage
Kuchen
Fruit
Drinks



(Freewill Donation)

Thank you for your support!



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.

April dates are the 11th and 25th.

Our April WELCA  women's ministries
meeting will be on
Tuesday, April 11th

beginning at 9:30. Our Bible study will
be out of our "Gather" magazine.

The Bible study, which will be led by
Pastor Deb, is "FOR FREEDOM CHRIST
HAS SET US FREE".

Our hostess will be Kathy Sunding.

*All women are invited to attend and join in
on the Bible study.*

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

April 13 - 6:00 Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion

April 14 - 6:00 Good Friday Services

April 15 - 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt

April 16 - 7 and 9:30 Easter Sunday Worship with Communion

8:15 Potluck Easter Brunch

EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 15th 10:00 am

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

We will gather inside first to hear the story before heading outside to find the eggs

ALL KIDS IN THE COMMUNITY ARE WELCOME TO COME AND HAVE FUN



SPRING CLEAN

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

3:00 UNTIL FINISHED

A light supper will be furnished.

The Property Committee would like to invite all volunteers to help clean up the church grounds. You may come when it is most convenient. Let's help make our church property *'the talk of the town'*.

LSS WEST RIVER BENEFIT EVENT

Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn

We hope you will save the date and join us at our annual LSS fundraising event.



Your support is needed to help care for, support and strengthen lives in the Western Region of South Dakota.

April 9, 2017

STRENGTHENING
INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES
& COMMUNITIES

Interested becoming a sponsor or table host?

Contact Jessica: (605) 791-6769 or
Jessica.Lillebo@LssSD.org

**2017 OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MEMBERS**



Council Members for the 2017 year are as follows left to right back row: Emily Dirkes, Butch Rudd, Mike Baschnagel, Wyone Leonard and Gloria Olawsky. Front row: Pastor Deb Grismer, Marie Kennedy, Greg Neugebauer and Adare Diers.

1st Place Winner



Pastor Deb wins 1st Place in the Chili Cook-off at the SDM&T LCM Dinner March 19. Marie Kennedy provided the music entertainment for the evening.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
SUNDAY, MARCH 5**



Pictures left to right back row: Pastor Deb Grismer, and Reno Lowe. Middle row: Kyle Virtue, Rhett Lowe, Jackson Wiles, and Torin Knight. Front row: Rylan Lowe, Brady Virtue, Jamison Wiles and Jaydin Borden.



We are looking for CD's (new, used, old) for *Vacation Bible School* to use for crafts and decorating.
We appreciate your help in Contributing any CD's for this project.



"A Dinner and a Movie" was a huge success. The kids spent Saturday preparing the food, decorating and setting the tables for the evening. Travis Hartshorn was the main cook for the evening. Larry VanDreissen auctioned 12 youth during the 'Youth Servant Auction'. After getting a bag of popcorn the group went upstairs to view the movie *"The Starfish Throwers"*.



May CARE & SERVE TEAM!

Team members are: Wyone Leonard, Stan & Joy Neugebauer and Darrell & Donna Zuerlein. If you have not yet volunteered, please do so by contacting or Conni Virtue, Joy Neugebauer or Peg in the office.

**HERMOSA - FAIRBURN
COMMUNITY FOOD BANK**

**OPEN Thursday,
April 20
3:00-5:00pm**



Located at Heartland Hair, 300 E Main St. Hermosa

For information please contact Lois Rudd at 255-5299.



Bear Butte Conference Women of the ELCA
Spring Gathering

Simple & Joy-Filled
Celebrating Who We Are Today

May the God of green hope fill you up with joy, fill you up with peace, so that your believing lives, filled with the life-giving energy of the Holy Spirit, will brim over with hope!

Romans 15:13

Saturday, April 22
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Hermosa, SD

9:00 – 9:30 am: Registration, Coffee and Goodies
Cost: \$7.00 (Includes Lunch)

Join us for a day filled with...
*Speakers * Fellowship * Worship * Devotions * Singing
Displays * Business Meeting * Door Prizes * Silent Auction*

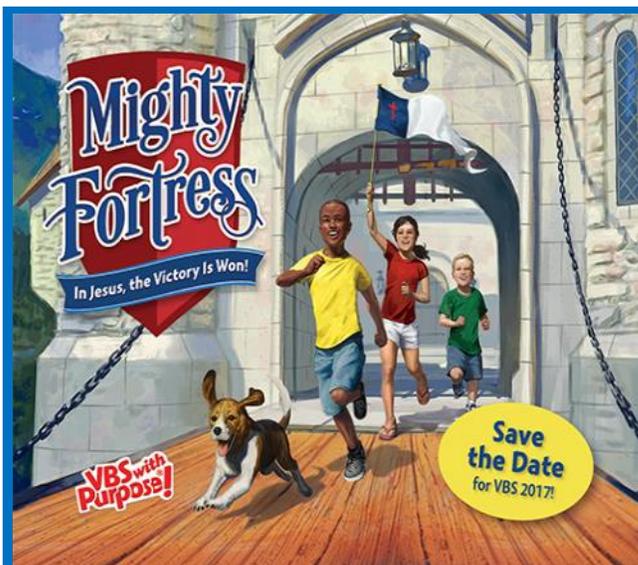
Keynote Speaker: Pastor Deb Grismer
"We Aren't My Grandma's Ladies' Aid"

Offerings will be taken for Synodical and BBC Women of the ELCA as well as Hermosa Backpack Program (upon approval by the Conference)

Do you have pictures of your WELCA group in action?
We would love for you to share them with us.

"ALL WOMEN INVOLVED AT OSL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!"

Please email them as soon as you are able to osl@mt-rushmore.net.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL COMING SOON!

Dates: June 12 - 16 9:00 - 11:30 Monday - Friday

Registration will begin in May.

Theme: A Mighty Fortress - In Jesus, the Victory is Won

At ***Mighty Fortress***, kids learn that God is their refuge and strength. Friends may fail them. They may not ace their test or make the team, but God promises to be their rock and their salvation—their fortress and sure defense. **So raise your banner! In Jesus, the victory is won!**

The Education Committee is looking for volunteers to help with this community event! Contact Gloria Olawsky, Becky Lowe, Adare Diers, Tanya Cooper or Pastor Deb Grismer if you are available to help for part or all of the week!



THE REFORMATION

OBSERVING 500 YEARS

The Bible

In 1520, Luther received the Bull of Excommunication from the Pope, a document that functionally kicked Luther out of the Roman Catholic Church. Luther's response? He burned the Canon Law. The Canon Law is the legal code that informs the life and practice of the Roman Catholic institution. When Luther set this document aflame, it was his way of publicly walking away from the jurisdiction of the Pope and any claims of authority made by the Roman Catholic Church. In short, no longer would Luther and his colleagues look to the Pope as the place to find answers and make decisions for the life of faith. This raised a new question. If one can't look to the Pope to resolve questions and concerns, where does one turn?

The answer was simple for Luther. Christ is the head of the church - what He says is authoritative. And the only place you find Christ's speaking into this world is the Scriptures, Old and New Testament together. Luther's assertion was not new. Others were saying as much prior to Luther. However, the moment in time and the circumstances surrounding Luther brought this assertion into a whole new light.

With the Bible taking center stage, Luther and his contemporaries found themselves working on a whole new set of projects and questions. One of their first projects was to translate the Bible into the language of the people. With the Bible in the hands of the people, Luther recognized he needed to teach the purpose, authority, interpretation and use of the Scriptures. Luther and his colleagues did this for one reason: to help people use the Bible in a way that fulfills the intent of the Scriptures -- to make faith in Christ.

Our Lenten Journey

As we journey from the stable to the cross, we are continually reminded that we are called to walk with our Rabbi no matter where the road takes him or us so that we can learn from him and learn to be him. We are called to invite others to walk with us as well. During this season of Lent, you are invited to be a part of two worship series – ***Standing at the Cross*** on Sunday mornings and ***Let All of Me Kneel Before God's Holy Name*** on Wednesday evenings. The journey begins on **Ash Wednesday (March 1)** and continues through **Easter morning (April 16)**. May these series be tools that help us in our walk with Jesus as we grow in faith.

Sunday Mornings 9:30am

As a Lenten lead-in to the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, this Standing at the Cross series will focus on portions of sermons Martin Luther actually preached during Lent, Holy Week and Easter in the parishes where he served. As we stand with Luther at the foot of the cross each week, we contemplate the ways in which we stand firm in the faith as followers of Christ during this holy season.



Wednesday evenings - 7:15 pm

 On Wednesdays we will focus on our *bodily* worship of the Triune God. When we come to worship, we are to engage all of our bodies in the art and act of worship - our heads and our hands, our knees and our arms, our lips and our eyes, our ears and our flesh. Biblical worship is not a disembodied activity, but an embodied reality.



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 the family of **Les Johnson** (Chic's brother).

We pray for the health and healing of those ill or hospitalized and their caregivers, including: **Kathy Carpenter, Emily Deutscher** (Susan's sister), **Heidi** (Hunsaker's niece), **Peg Tesch, Donna Zuerlein, Lyle Sorensen** (Joan's brother),

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: **Jerry Jasmer** (Pastor Deb's uncle), **Cindy** (Karen & Judy's cousin), **Heather Jankord, Don Aduddell, Donita Kindt, Jessica Bradley.**



MARCH CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

March 8, 2017

The Church Council met on March 8 with all members present. Minutes from the February meeting were approved with a friendly change.

The following actions were taken by the Council:

- *The Treasurer's Report was presented and approved. Treasurer Marvin Bishop informed the council the monthly expenses for this congregation run about \$10,000 per month. The Audit Committee report was also presented and approved.
- *Pastor Deb will be added as a signer on the High School Youth checking account and a debit card will be obtained for this account.
- *Mike Baschnagel has been appointed the new treasurer for the church. The Council thanked Marvin Bishop for his tremendous work as our treasurer.
- *Counters will now be used to assist with Sunday morning offering counting duties. Mike will train volunteers to fill these positions.
- *Peg's review results were shared with the Council. A cost of living increase will be added to the secretary's salary.
- *The Council is looking for volunteers to be Synod Assembly voting members on June 2 & 3 in Sioux Falls. Registration and hotel rooms will be covered by the church. Any interested congregation member should contact a Council member or Pastor Deb.
- *The Custer Y will be starting a preschool using space at OSL beginning in Fall of 2017. They have already received several registrations.
- *Pastor Deb's annual review was conducted with input from Committee members, as well as other congregation and community members. A cost of living increase will also be added to Pastor Deb's salary and affected benefits. This increase was built into the 2017 Financial Mission Plan.
- *Paul and Laurel Reynolds, Denny and Jan Knight, Steve and Patti Pendegraft, Clay Walberg and Suzan Heidelberger, Pastor Deb, Rod, Brandon and Haylee Grismer were approved as new members of the church.
- *The Property Committee will be purchasing a new riding lawn mower and weed eater before the Spring Clean-up date.
- *Committee updates were presented.

Next Council meeting will be April 20 at 6:00 pm.

The Challenge Is On!!

Accomplish something millions have said is a life goal - read the entire Bible in 90 days. The Worship Committee challenges the family of faith at OSL, along with anyone else who would like to join us, to spend the summer reading the Bible from Genesis to Revelations in just 12 pages a day. Alone this is a difficult task but if we ban together and support each other we can turn an aspiration into an inspiration. This whole-church challenge will shape our worship services and include weekly small group and Bible studies, prayer groups, reading guides and other tools to assist you along the way. Participant guides, which will be used in the Bible studies along with your daily reading, will be available for purchase. You can use a Bible you already own or purchase the NIV large print Bible specifically printed for this challenge. More information and sign-up sheets will soon be on display in the area by the main entrance. You can also visit with Pastor Deb. Children can join in by reading Bibles printed at their level or by being read to by others. If reading through the whole Bible is overwhelming, you can choose to read 90 Bible stories instead. You can take your Bible with you when you travel to keep up with your reading, knowing others are reading right along with you reminding you that we are all part of one family of faith. The challenge will begin on June 1. Are you up for it?

SPRING FLING RAFFLE

Grand Prize: Star Quilt
Other Prizes: Scheels,
Jolly Lane, and
Ace Hardware Certificates



Each member of the Property Committee has tickets and they are also available in the office.

DRAWING WILL BE HELD DURING OUR POTLUCK ON APRIL 30.

The Property Committee members (Stan Neugebauer, Rodney Clark, Chic Schneekloth, Dan Martin, Kevin Vining, Bill Dennert, Butch Rudd, Lois Rudd, and Cleon Diers).

Sponsored by the Property Committee with proceeds going toward a riding lawn mower and weed eater for OSL.

Donation: \$10 or 3 for \$25 do not have to be present

TREASURER'S REPORT

Date Attendance Offering

<i>Date</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Offering</i>
March 5	92	\$2179
March 12	88	\$1750
March 19	72	\$2077
March 26	76	\$1735
March weekly averages	82	\$1935

March Offerings	\$8,063
March Expenses	\$8,867
Total Offerings YTD	\$29,309
Total Expenses YTD	\$29,483
March Mission	\$563.00



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SEEDS

The 7.8 magnitude earthquake that struck Nepal in 2015 didn't just destroy homes. It also destroyed food supplies and livelihoods. In regions where families already struggled to make ends meet, the destruction was absolutely devastating. Adding to the stress was the fact that these communities were remote and not easily accessible, so it wasn't easy for organizations to reach them to help. One way LWR responded to this earthquake was to distribute vegetable seeds and provide training on good agricultural practices, making it possible for people to grow enough vegetables to feed their families.

This is one example of how the gift of seeds can reach even some of the most far away places, helping to improve lives of people living in poverty around the world. Farming households in many places need seeds that are well-suited for climate conditions of the community. **The Mission Committee challenges the congregation of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in partnership with the D.O.G. Night students to raise \$600 which will provide seeds to 40 households.**

To support this mission, drop your donation in the offering plate, the Globe Offering, or the Mission Box in the fellowship hall. (Please write checks to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, and write "Mission" in the memo line)



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Worship Time
Sunday 9:30 am
1st & 3rd Sundays
Communion
Coffee Hour 10:30

D.O.G. NIGHT
5:30 - 7:00pm
Every
Wednesday



Our Mission: "We invite, encourage, educate and empower all people to follow God and serve others."