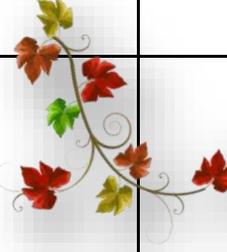
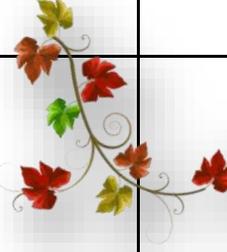


# 2020 November OSL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Worship/ Communion-Online only</p> <p><b>5-6:00pm</b> Confirmation via Zoom only</p> <p><b>7-8:00pm</b> HS Youth Group via Zoom only</p> <p><i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i></p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>  <p><b>ELECTION DAY</b></p> <p><i>Pastor Deb off in afternoon</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>DOG Night video posted online</p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>7:00pm</b> Bible Study with Chelle via Zoom</p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>10:30-11:30</b> Feeding SD Food Drop off -OSL parking lot</p>	<p>7</p> <p><i>Synod Day</i></p>
<p>8</p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Worship-online only</p> <p><b>10:30am</b> Mission Committee meets @ OSL</p> <p><b>7-8:30pm</b> HS Youth Group</p>		<p>10</p> <p><i>Pastor Deb off in afternoon</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p>DOG Night video posted online</p>  <p><b>VETERAN'S DAY</b></p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>9:30am</b> WELCA via Zoom</p> <p><b>7:00pm</b> Bible Study with Chelle via Zoom</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Worship/ Communion- @ OSL and online</p> <p><b>10:30am</b> Church Council meets @ OSL and Zoom</p> <p><b>5-6:00pm</b> Confirmation @ OSL</p> <p><b>7-8:30pm</b> HS Youth Group</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p><i>Pastor Deb off in afternoon</i></p>	<p>18</p> <p>DOG Night video posted online</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>3:00-5:00</b> Hermosa/ Fairburn Community Food Bank open</p>		<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Worship&amp; Baptism- @ OSL and online</p> <p><b>10:30am</b> Outreach Committee meets</p> <p><b>7-8:30pm</b> HS Youth Group</p>  <p><b>Christ the King Sunday</b></p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p><i>Pastor Deb off in afternoon</i></p> 	<p>25</p> <p>DOG Night video posted online</p>	<p>26</p> <p><i>Thanksgiving Office Closed</i></p> <p><i>Mini- Thanksgiving Service posted online</i></p> 	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p><i>1st week of Advent</i></p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Worship- @ OSL and online</p> <p>No HS Youth Group</p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Advent Bible Study via Zoom</p> <p><b>5:30pm</b> Advent Bible Study @ OSL and Zoom</p>					

## *“When are we going to worship in the building?”*

**November 15, 2020**

We have a new target day! It did not work out to be in the building on November 1 so our new plan is to be in the building again on November 15. The same expectations will be set in place. Because we love our congregation and neighbors, the following expectations have been set in place to best protect those who come to worship as well as the congregation from liability issues.

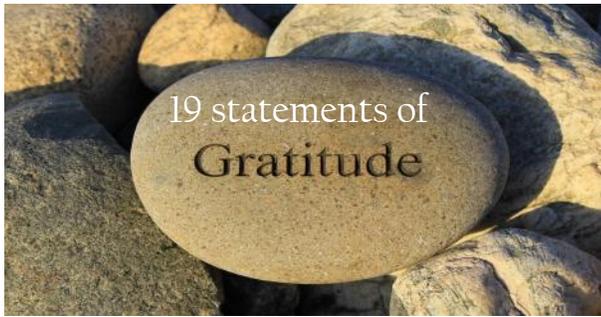
1. Everyone is welcome to be a part of worship. Worship will be offered in the sanctuary and online. You may also worship from your car by parking close to the church building. Please make the decision not to worship in the building if you are not feeling well.
2. Everyone will enter the building through the main church doors. You will be ushered out of the main doors as well, beginning with those in the back of the sanctuary. Please remain seated after the service until you are ushered out. Pastor Deb will greet you outside.
3. If you enter the building, you will need to wear a mask for the entire service. Masks will be available if someone does not have one.
4. Physically distancing yourself from others to the best of your ability will be expected when moving around and when finding a place to sit. An usher will be available to assist if needed.
5. Fist bumps, elbow bumps, foot bumps are welcome when greeting others. Please no hand-shaking or hugging.
6. No fellowship will occur inside the building. Greeting others and visiting outside is an option.
7. Offering baskets will be available as you enter the building and as you leave the building.
8. Bulletins and communion elements will be available as you enter the building. We will remain in the pews for communion.
9. Adjustments will be made to the service. To minimize movement among congregation members, Pastor Deb will lead the service for now with the help of the song leader and pianist or organist.

*Please note: These expectations were set in place after much research, discussion and prayer by the Worship Committee and Church Council. The date of Nov. 15 is flexible and subject to change. If the Hermosa School closes due to COVID outbreak or there is a significant outbreak in the community of Hermosa, the building will close and worship will be offered online only. Please watch the OSL website and Facebook page and your email for any changes or updates. A message will also be recorded on the church phone answering machine if the church closes. You may also call or text Pastor Deb (605-890-0781) if you are wondering if we will be worshipping in the building.*



### *We Lift in Prayer...*

- \*Those who are grieving losses of any sort.
- \*Our firefighters and those whose lives have been changed because of fires, our first responders and our frontline workers.
- \*Those recovering from COVID, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Randy, Adare, Richard, Ron, Sam, Wayne, Tiana, Terry, Larry, Evelyn, and Peg.
- \*Those with on-going health concerns, including Darius, Brenda, John, Terri Suzan, Chelle, Patricia, Felix, Taylor, Pepper and Kelly.
- \*For our leaders at every level, including President Trump, Governor Noem, Presiding Bishop Eaton and Bishop Hagmaier.
- \*For all those in the midst of the pandemic and racial and election tension.



Thank you, God for the times You have said "no." They have helped me depend on You so much more.  
Thank you, God, for unanswered prayer. It reminds me that You know what's best for me, even when my opinion differs from Yours.

Thank You, Lord, for the things you have withheld from me. You have protected me from what I may never realize.  
Thank You, God, for the doors You have closed. They have prevented me from going where You would rather not have me go.

Thank you, Lord, for the physical pain You've allowed in my life. It has helped me more closely relate to Your sufferings on my behalf.

Thank you, Lord, for the alone times in my life. Those times have forced me to lean in closer to You.

Thank you, God, for the uncertainties I've experienced. They have deepened my trust in You.

Thank You, Lord, for the times You came through for me when I didn't even know I needed a rescue.

Thank You, Lord, for the losses I have experienced. They have been a reminder that You are my greatest gain.

Thank You, God, for the tears I have shed. They have kept my heart soft and mold-able.

Thank You, God, for the times I haven't been able to control my circumstances. They have reminded me that You are sovereign and on the throne.

Thank You, God, for those people in my life whom You have called home to be with You. Their absence from this earth keeps my heart longing for heaven.

Thank You, God, that I have an inheritance in the heavenly places...something that this world can never steal from me and I could never selfishly squander.

Thank You, God, for the greatest gift You could ever give me: forgiveness through Your perfect Son's death on the cross on my behalf.

Thank You, God, for the righteousness You credited toward me, through the death and resurrection of Jesus. It's a righteousness I could never earn or attain on my own.

Thank You, Father, that You know me, You hear me, and You see my tears. Remind me through difficult times that You are God, You are on the throne, and You are eternally good.

And thank You, Lord, not only for my eternal salvation, but for the salvation You afford every day of my life as You save me from myself, my foolishness, my own limited insights, and my frailties in light of Your power and strength.

- Cindy McMenamin, Author



**OPEN Thursday**  
**November 19th**  
**3:00-5:00pm**

**Located at Heartland Hair**  
**300 E Main St. Hermosa**

For information please  
contact Lois at  
255-5299.



***"All are Welcome"***

***Our invitation can reflect the  
hospitality of Jesus.***

*Calling All The Ladies Out There!*

Join WELCA at our next gathering

Thursday, November 12th

9:30 am at Zoom ONLY

Bible Study

***"Holy Time: Reimagining the Future"***

How do we faithfully look to the future? How do we live now in hope and active expectation, and how does this open us (individuals, churches, communities) to transformation?

*Extra copies of the Bible study are available in the church office.*

*Contact Josie at 605-255-4662 or  
osl@mt-rushmore.net and she will mail one to  
you.*

WELCA meeting to follow.

Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825

Password: OSLHermosa

*The link will also be emailed and posted on the  
OSL Facebook Page and website.*



## DOG NIGHT IS BACK! WELL...KIND OF

DOG Night, as we know it, is changing to keep our children and adults safe.

### Disciples of God Online Christian Education Ministry

Watch for DOG Night to appear online every Wednesday! We will post a recording on our Facebook page, YouTube page and our Website!

*\*Bible Story/Skit/Puppets \*Ideas to incorporate the weekly theme in your own household!*

Everyone is welcome to watch and participate. Stay tuned to our Facebook Page and our website for ways to participate, both online and in the church!

**Yes, we will need kids to help us each week!**

If you have any questions or ideas, please call Pastor Deb at 605-890-0781 or  
Josie Main at 605-255-4462

[www.oslhermosa.com](http://www.oslhermosa.com)

<https://www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa>



## OSL Community High School Youth Group Our Savior's Lutheran Church

# CHRIST

"For we are all ONE in CHRIST"

Galatians 3:28

OSL Community Youth Group  
Hermosa, SD

*We are a safe group for any 9th - 12th grade students who are interested in learning about God and deepening our faith to become better adults while having fun.*

### **November Schedule**

**Nov. 8, 15 and 22**

**7:00 to 8:30 pm**

in OSL Fellowship Hall -

Crafts and Conversations as we make items  
to sell for fundraising

**No Youth Group on Nov. 29**

*Weekly gatherings will rotate to include Bible study, Service and Fun activities. Fundraising activities will also be scheduled. This group is youth driven with Pastor Deb Grismer as a guide. We expect all members to be respectful, have a good attitude, be willing to actively participate in all types of activities and want to grow in faith. We realize not everyone is able to be with us every week. We hope you will come when you are able. Contact Pastor Deb for more information.*

# HS Youth Group Happenings

## Blessing of the Pets Service

*Thank you to those who came! Thank you, Paw Patch, for providing treats for our pets!*





We will be honoring our Veterans during Worship on November 10th. If you are a Veteran and your name is not on the list already, please let Josie know so we can honor you as well! 255-4662

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| Bob Tesch         | Scott Dirkes      |
| Marvin Bishop     | Bill Dennert      |
| Butch Rudd        | Rodney Grismer    |
| Haylee Grismer    | Rodney Clark      |
| Danni Borden      | Jake Borden       |
| Les Evjen         | Berni Flug        |
| Larry Dickschat   | Larry VanDreissen |
| Travis Hartshorn  | Denny Knight      |
| Larry Fritz       | DJ Mittelstadt    |
| Kevin Vining      | Jim Schultes      |
| Harvey Fitzgerald | Leon Carpenter    |
| Varro Friend      | Paul Reynolds     |
| Darwin Schock     | Donley Hewitt     |
| Gary Hunsaker     | Ron Wagner        |
| Christine Wolcott | Franklin Krause   |
| Gene Deyo         | DiAnn Deyo        |

\*If you are a veteran and you are not listed, we sincerely apologize. Please let us know so we can make the correction.

***O Come, O Come Emmanuel***  
**Advent Bible Study**

Mondays – Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21

9:30 am – Come as you are via Zoom  
(Bedhead, coffee and all)

Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825  
Password: OSLHermosa

5:30 pm – Come as you are to the church  
fellowship hall or via Zoom

*Using the book O Come, O Come, Emmanuel:*

*An Advent Study, our Bible study will accompany our worship series and help us go deeper and unpack the way we see Jesus. The book for this study (paperback or eBook version) is available for \$10.00. If you would like one, please Josie (605-255-4662) or Pastor Deb (605-890-0781)*



No Community Thanksgiving Service this year. Pastor Deb will post a mini-Thanksgiving Service online (FB, YouTube and Website) on Thanksgiving morning.  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa>  
YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/TheOSLHermosa>  
Website: [www.oslhermosa.com](http://www.oslhermosa.com)



"O Come, O Come Emmanuel." This is the theme of our Advent Worship series which will begin on November 29. You are invited to come and worship with us as we look at Scripture and walk through the O antiphons that declare who Christ is to us and that he has come to each one of us. We will be reminded during Advent that Jesus is our Wisdom, our Lord, the Root of Jesse, the Key of David, our Dayspring, our Emmanuel and the King of Nations.

New this year: The Worship Committee is putting together Advent Worship kits for you to use at home during this time when we need reminders now more than ever that God is with us. These kits will be available to be picked up at the church beginning November 22. If you would like a kit delivered to you, please contact the church office and let Josie know. Kits will be delivered the week of November 22. The kits will contain faith growth tools for God's



## Church Council Meeting Highlights October 18, 2020



*Note: Information presented at the Church Council meeting but mentioned elsewhere in the newsletter is not duplicated here.*

**Members Present:** (in person or via Zoom) Bill Dennert, Dar Schroeder, Jason Virtue, Mike Baschnagel, Adare Diers, Carmen Lakner, Rodney Clark and Chelle Schefcik Pastor Deb was also present.

### Ministry Mission Plan Updates

\*Property Committee: Work is being done on the church boiler

\*Education Committee: Online DOG Night ministry has begun. Confirmation ministry will begin in November.

\*Worship Committee: The Church Council agreed to have online only worship on October 25 due to the projected weather forecast.

\*Pastor Deb's Report: Thank you so much for the card and gift certificates I received for Pastor Appreciation Sunday. Fall Theological Conference was great. Pastoral Care included two weddings, home visits and phone calls. The new computers arrived. I am working on getting them up and going. I met with a local family who is interested in becoming members of our congregation. Josie will be working Tuesday – Thursday for now.

**Next meeting will be November 15, 2020 following worship.**

## thank you for giving

### Financial Update

*As of October 15, we had \$29,501.79 in our checking/savings accounts. Our income from January 1 - September 30, 2020 was \$82,919.45 compared to \$94,424.63 in 2019. Our expenses from January 1-September 30, 2020 totaled \$91,113.42 compared to \$90,897.94 during the same time period in 2019. Mike noted we continue to receive offerings through Tithely and checks mailed to the church by a core group of regular givers. We also received additional offering when by those able to attend the parking lot services. We are now beginning to feel the effects of the reduction in giving from those who give only when they come to worship. The Church Council and OSL staff are very grateful for the continued financial support from many of our worshipers. If you have not kept up with your financial support of OSL, please consider giving if you are able. If you would like more detailed information on OSL financial mission plan, please contact Mike at 605-858-3402 or [treasurerslhermosa@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerslhermosa@gmail.com). Thank you for your continued financial support!*



### OSL's Broadcasting/Sound System Project

**As of 11/01/20 we have raised \$8,826 of the \$20,000 goal!**

Would you like to help contribute? Or do you have questions? Please contact Josie in the church office and she can help! 605-255-4662



Pastor Deb and the Church Council would like the congregation of OSL to ponder and pray. There are two (3 year term) Council positions that will be opening up with our annual meeting in January, as well as one alternate position. We are looking for 3 people to fill the spots needed on the Church Council.

Is this something you would be interested in doing? Do you know of someone that would be great to fill a position? Do you know someone that may be interested in filling a position? If the answer is yes to any of these questions, please let Pastor Deb or any Council member know. Thank you!



### ***Mission of the Moment***

*“You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, ‘My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust’”.* Psalm 91:1-2

You are home and you hear a knock at the door. An official tells you to pack your essentials and evacuate, as a wildfire is speeding toward you. Some of you have lived through this. Others can only imagine. This is the situation many of our neighbors in the western part of the country are facing right now.

Fueled by a heat wave and unfavorable winds, devastating wildfires are raging across California, Oregon, Washington and other western states. At least 20 people have died, hundreds of thousands of people are under evacuation orders and more than 3.5 million acres have burned across the three states. Some evacuees face the difficult decision of whether to stay in a shelter during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For the next several weeks, you can help by contributing to OSL’s *Mission of the Moment*. We are partnering with Lutheran Disaster Response through collecting financial donations for U.S. wildfire survivors. LDR is engaging with at least three Lutheran social services agencies and five synods to assess the situation and determine the best ways to respond. They expect immediate needs may include food and other necessities, as well as emotional and spiritual care for those who have been traumatized. 100% of your financial gifts will be used to assist those affected by wildfires in the US until the response is complete. This assistance is available to everyone in affected communities, not just Lutherans.

Mission of the Moment donations can be placed in the Globe Offering or offering baskets during worship. (The ushers are more than willing to assist.) Donations can also be sent to OSL at PO Box 136. Checks can be made out to OSL with “US Wildfires” or “Mission” written in the memo.

Even as we face multiple crises, together we can reflect Christ’s light and hope to our neighbors in their time of need. Thank you for your generosity.

*\*\*Yes, we will be sponsoring an Angel Tree again this year to help local children experience God’s love through receiving gifts. This mission of the moment will begin on Nov. 22nd. It will look a little different because of COVID. More information to come.*



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Worship Sundays 9:30am  
Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

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