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Sunday Worship Times

9:00 am Melo Worship
9:30 am Adult Bible Study
& OSL Sunday School
10:00 am Melo Sunday School
& Coffee Fellowship
10:15 am OSL Coffee
Fellowship
10:45 am OSL Worship

A video of OSL Sunday Worship can be seen Mondays at 3:30 pm on cable channel 13 and on YouTube. The service is now being streamed live also. A link can be found on the OSL/Melo church website, and archived services can be viewed as well:

www.oursaviors-melo.org.

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

February 22nd



**Choir Rehearsals
Resume**

OSL/MELO CHOIR:
Beginning Feb 7 and
through the Lenten
season, the Choir will
be meeting at 6:00 pm
on Wednesday
evenings.



OSL Members -
For those who
may wish to
share an Easter
Lily during the Easter
worship services, please
watch your bulletin for
more information.



**COUNCIL
Appreciation
Dinner**

*There will be a Melo
and Our Savior's
Council Appreciation
Dinner held on
February 13th at 6:00
pm at Uptown Café
for incoming, out-
going, and present
council members.
At 7 pm, following
dinner the OSL
Council will meet.*



Soup Supper

Feb 21, 6 pm—Grace Methodist
March 7, 6 pm—OSL
*Watch your bulletin as there may be
others added*



**MEMBERS OF
OUR SAVIOR'S:**

The church Yellow Pages are
currently being updated and
will be published soon. Please
contact the office with any
changes or updates you have, if
you haven't already done so.

Community Lenten Service & Holy Week Schedule

The Parables of Lent ~ Community Wednesday Worship Series for Lent – 2018

February 14 at Our Savior's Lutheran	Pr. Janet Warnes	Ash Wednesday
February 21 at Grace United Methodist	Pr. Brian Schanil	"Receive the Word"
February 28 at Assembly of God	Fr. Emmanuel Sylvester	"Receive the Treasure"
March 7 at Our Savior's Lutheran	Pr. Matt Howe	"Receive Mercy"
March 14 at St. Peter & Paul	Pr. Ron Warnes	"Receive Grace"
March 21 at First Lutheran	Pr. Jim Robberstad	"Receive Forgiveness"
March 25 Palm Sunday—Sunday School Easter Programs 9:00 am Melo / 10:45 am OSL		
Wednesday, March 28 at Melo ~ Maundy Thursday Service		
Thursday, March 29 at OSL ~ Maundy Thursday Service		
Friday, March 30 at OSL ~ OSL/Melo Good Friday Service		

(All evening services are at 7:00 pm)

Sunday, April 1 ~ 9:00 am Melo Easter Worship / 10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship
Sunday, April 1 ~ 9:30 am Easter Breakfast at OSL / 10:45 am OSL Easter Worship



From the Pastor's Desk

From the Pastor:

The Lenten Season is upon us. During Lent there are numerous opportunities to grow in our faith.

On Thursday mornings the Men meet in Bible Study and study the lessons for the upcoming Sunday.

During Sunday worship services interested members are invited to share a favorite verse or testimonial. These Lenten Testimonials will be shared all through the month of February. See the pastor if you would like to share.

Also on Sunday mornings a special children's series entitled "**Let's Grow into Lent**" will be given during the service.

Wednesday evenings, the series, "The Parables of Lent" will be presented. Lenten services are at 7:00 pm. See pg. 1 of the newsletter for details, and watch the bulletin for any updates or additions to the schedule.

Take time in the Lenten Season to grow in your faith.

Your Friend and Pastor,
Pastor Janet Warnes

REFLECTIVE THOUGHTS:

*Never ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged. Be not afraid.

*Healing doesn't mean the damage never existed. It means the damage no longer controls our lives.

*Lent draws us toward the cross. This is a season of self-examination and contemplation of Jesus' suffering and death on the cross. This time of year lends itself to reflection.

*God loves us with an everlasting love. *Jeremiah 31:3.*

*As a loving parent, God is right there with us through the milestones and the mundane. You will see Him if you look, His arms outstretched and His face looking into yours. Take every opportunity to look to Him and fall into those arms.

*No one can match the love God has for you.

*Lord, thank you for choosing me to follow you.

MINISTRY UPDATES:

Youth Events: see pg. 4 of the newsletter.

The Lydia and Phoebe Circle meet on February 9 at 2:00 pm at North Star Manor Apartments; same location with a new name!

EDUCATION CORNER:

Confirmation Update:

7th Grade and 8th Grade Confirmands attend Lenten services and help serve the Soup Supper on March 7. Classes resume on April 4.

9th Grade Confirmation meets at 11:45 am on February 11 following worship. Confirmands should also attend Lenten services.

OUTREACH:

If you would like to join one of the churches or know of someone who would, please let one of the Pastors know. A new member Sunday will be held soon.

SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS:

Sunday, February 4, 2018 – Scout Sunday ~ The Scouts will be leading the service together with Scout leaders and Pastor Janet. Holy Communion.

We are called to be a light and let our light shine.

9:00 am Worship at Melo with Holy Communion

9:30 am OSL Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

10:00 am Melo Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship

10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship

10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's with Holy Communion / Baptism

Noisy Offering after the Services for the Food Shelf

Sunday, February 11, 2018 – Transfiguration of our Lord

Jesus is transfigured and we are changed, too.

9:00 am Worship at Melo / Sunday School sings

9:30 am OSL Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

10:00 am Melo Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship

10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship

10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's

11:45 am 9th Grade Confirmation at Our Savior's

Sunday, February 18, 2018 – First Sunday in Lent Holy Communion / NO Sunday School

9:00 am Worship at Melo

9:30 am OSL Adult Bible Study

10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship

10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship

10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's

Sunday, February 25, 2018 – Youth Leadership Sunday / Lenten Testimonials

9:00 am Worship at Melo

9:30 am OSL Sunday School and Adult Bible Study

10:00 am Melo Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship

10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship

10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's / Sunday School sings



Our Savior's Lutheran Church January Council Meeting Minutes (unapproved)

The January 16, 2018 OSL meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Sharon Nelson. Pastor Janet opened with a prayer.

Attending: Pastor Janet, Sharon Nelson, Katie Benson, Kaitlin Barbosa, Tony Johnson, Mike Miller.

Absent: Travis Hanel, Amanda Liebersbach.

This month's agenda and last month's meeting minutes: Kaitlin made a motion and Mike seconded, to approve this month's agenda with some additions and last month's meeting minutes, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Tony made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, Katie seconded, motion carried.

Pastors' Reports: Pastor Janet made 6 nursing home visits, 10 hospital visits, 4 homebound visits, and there are 2 prospective families. There is a wedding planned for January, one upcoming baptism for Rhett Pierce on January 28th, and the most recent funeral was for David Duckstad. Pastor Janet discussed the upcoming Worship Calendar which includes the Youth Leadership Sunday and the Annual OSL Meeting will be on January 28th, Scout Sunday on February 4th, and the 1st Sunday in Lent is February 18th. Lenten services at OSL will be at 7pm as follows: Ash Wednesday is on February 14th, March 7th with a Soup Supper, Maundy Thursday on March 29th, Good Friday service on March 30th, and Easter Sunday is April 1st. Tony made a motion to try for this year in lieu of having the Sunrise service, to have the youth serve the Easter breakfast at around 9:30 am and have one Easter service at OSL at 10:45 am, Katie seconded, motion carried.

Pastor Ron and Pastor Janet have completed all homebound visits for December. There are 39 on the

homebound list. There are five on the prayer list for the Parish. Kaitlin made a motion to approve the Pastor's reports, Mike seconded, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Stewardship: The stewardship committee has not met recently.

Worship and Evangelism: The committee met January 16th. There are a few poinsettias remaining that members can take home if they wish. Joan has written a letter to the council to have internet available at the front of the church that might cost \$200.00 in order to use internet based music programs. Tony made a motion to install cable in the choir area so that internet can be available, Kaitlin seconded, motion carried.

Education & Youth: The youth will be presenting an Easter Program on Palm Sunday. Upcoming events are being planned for the youth through March. There has been good attendance of the youth at the Confirmation classes.

Property and Management:

Tony has requested that the city provide a price to him for the cost of replacing the flag poles to match the flag poles at the fire department. There were two U.S. flags donated to OSL.

There is progress being made on the narthex table.

The council will look at hiring professional cleaners to do a deep cleaning of the church in the summer after Vacation Bible School.

Discussed the tape on the Sanctuary doors and that the doors should be revarnished, which Pastor Janet will look into further.

Pastor Janet will discuss with WELCA their thoughts on replacing the table and chairs in the basement.

At this time, the consideration of new furniture in the library will be tabled as the property and man-

agement priorities will be the following: replacing the narthex table, revarnishing the sanctuary doors, replacing the flag poles, placing carpet on the west entry stairs, replacement of the basement tables and chairs, and replacement of the alley windows.

Katie made a motion to approve the committee reports, Kaitlin seconded, motion carried.

Old Business:

New members for Council: Tony Johnson will stay on for three more years. Katie Benson will stay on for one more year. The council members will remain the same as the last year.

OSL annual meeting: The OSL annual meeting will be held on January 28th after the 10:45 am service.

New Business:

Review of Budget for 2018: The council reviewed the proposed 2018 budget and made adjustments. Katie made a motion to accept the 2018 proposed budget with adjustments made, Tony seconded, motion carried.

Appointment of Audit Committee: Mike made a motion to approve Elva Bustrack, Wayne Spidahl, and Darrell Rindy as the audit committee, Kaitlin seconded, motion carried.

ODC Contract: Tony made a motion to approve the ODC contract for weekly general cleaning, Mike seconded, motion carried.

Communion Servers:

February 4th: Katie, Travis, Kaitlin. February 18th: Mike, Tony, Jim.

The next council meeting will be held on February 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Katie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm, Kaitlin seconded, motion carried. Pastor Janet closed with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Benson.



February Youth Newsletter



February Acolytes

Feb 4 – Evan Monogue, Patrick Maruska

Feb 11 – Kirby Kilen

Feb 14 – Sophia Maruska

Feb 18 – Brooklyn Porter, Zoe Slusar

Feb 25 – Kyle Kleinvachter

Confirmation

Feb 7: 8th Grade 3:30 pm / 7th Grade 4:45 pm

Feb 11: 9th grade Confirmation 11:45 am

February 14—March 28: 7th grade & 8th grade Confirmation classes will break for Lent. 7th & 8th Grade Confirmants: attend Lenten Services and youth events. Classes resume on April 4 at 3:30 and 4:45 pm.

Youth Gathering

There will be NW MN Synod Youth Gathering for Senior High—April 13-15 at Luther Crest Bible Camp in Alexandria. Watch for more information.

Youth Leadership Practices

We will lead the service on Feb 25th. On Wednesdays, the 6-12th grade students are all invited to meet at OSL in the library to help plan & practice for our Youth Leadership Sunday. We meet and you choose music, who will read, song lead, usher, and sometimes we may do a skit or the children's sermon. Watch for texts from Heather, as well.



Sites to help you stay informed

pathwaysbiblecamp.com

parkriverbiblecamp.org

oursaviors-melo.org

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Part-Time Youth Director –Heather Goroski

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UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

February –
Possible ski trip.

February 5 – 6:30 pm Youth Committee meeting to plan events. Youth are welcome to come and bring input about activities you would like to help plan.

February 14 – Ash Wednesday.

Confirmation youth should attend the 7 pm service; 9th Grade could invite their mentor to join them.

February 25 – Youth Leadership Sunday at OSL.

March –

‘Feed the Hungry Food Drive’ together with the Scouts.

Return to OSL for cocoa & treats after the drive. Watch for further details to come.

March 7 – Lenten service at Our Saviors.

At 6:00 pm, Youth will serve a Soup Supper at OSL. Usually, the 7th Grade Confirmation Class will come to help and the 8th grade class usually brings sandwich fixings and bars. A post-card will be sent out with details.



March 16 - Youth “Night at the Movies”. Watch for more info.



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT

December 2017

General Account**Receipts**

General/Christmas/Other	\$ 25,675.36
Endowment Fund	\$ - 1,290.00
Project 2000/Building Fund	\$ - 4,867.00
Missions	\$ - 660.00
Youth	\$ - 150.00
Food Shelf	\$ - 350.00
Melo Reimbursement	\$ 540.41

Total Income \$ 18,898.77*(items with a minus sign were paid out to those accts)***Expenses**

ELCA Budget	\$ 7,500.00
Missions	\$ 1,000.00
Pr. Pension/Insurance	\$ 3,337.03
Pr. Mileage/Phone	\$ 579.65
Salaries/FICA	\$ 8,964.91
Christmas	\$ 650.00
Flowers	- \$ 47.58
ODC Custodial	\$ 240.00
Church Repairs/Maint.	\$ 1,549.00
Buildings	\$ 1,116.63
Education/Youth	\$ 365.80
Worship/Music	\$ 320.18
Office Supplies/Postage	\$ 235.20
Office Repair/Maint.	\$ 51.00
Custodial Supplies	\$ 186.36
Bank Service Chg	\$ 7.50

Total Expenses \$26,055.68**Net Ordinary Income (- \$ 7,156.91)**

Other Expense

Donations Restricted - \$ 2,900.00

Net Income (- \$ 4,256.91)**Other OSL Accounts**

General Fund	\$ 36,229.932
Mission Fund	\$ 4,907.91
Project 2000/Building Fund	\$ 23,713.33
Bremer MM Fund	\$ 57,984.95
Memorial Fund	\$ 11,301.46
Servant Group	\$ 7,964.77
OSL Bell Ringers	\$ 688.29



December 2017 Offering	Simply Giving	12/3/2017	12/10/2017	12/17/2017	12/24/2017	12/31/2017	Dec Total
General	\$ 1,610.00	\$ 2,658.00	\$ 3,238.36	\$ 2,028.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,575.00	\$15,109.36
Utilities				\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00
Christmas			\$ 50.00		\$ 3,801.00		\$3,851.00
Postage		\$ 360.00					\$ 360.00
Candlelight			\$ 230.00				\$ 230.00
Project 2000/Bldg Fund	\$ 40.00		\$ 500.00				\$ 540.00
Endowment Fund	\$ 40.00	\$ 100.00					\$ 140.00
Mission Fund	\$ 20.00						\$ 20.00
Food Shelf					\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00
Youth Group			\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$150.00
Total	\$ 1,710.00	\$ 3,118.00	\$ 4,068.36	\$ 2,278.00	\$ 7,811.00	\$ 1,625.00	\$20,610.36
Total to General Fund	\$ 19,750.36						

OSL 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes

Welcoming/Opening: The January 22, 2017 Annual OSL meeting was called to order at 11:40 am by President Council Chair, Sharon Nelson, followed by an opening and prayer by Pastor Janet.

Determine Quorum: It was determined that there was a quorum during the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda: Joan Peterson made a motion to accept the agenda, Karen Poverud seconded, motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Janet Warnes presented the Pastor's Report.

Council President's Report: President Sharon Nelson presented the report. Joan Peterson made a motion to accept the Pastor's Report and Council President's report, Eric Wittman seconded, motion carried.

Minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting: A motion was made by Ron Leverington to accept the 2016 annual meeting minutes, Jim Folz seconded, motion carried.

Statistical Report: The report shows that in 2016 there were three baptisms, 11 funerals including eight members and three non-members, five transfers into OSL, and eight members confirmed. Joan Peterson said a change needed to be made to Jane Grega's name. Her middle name should be Marilyn, not Marlene. A motion was made by Joan Peterson to accept the statistical report with the change made as listed above, Bobbi Mischel seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Pastor Janet presented the treasurer report. A motion was made by Curt Anderson to accept the treasurer's report as written, Ron Leverington seconded, motion carried.

Organizational Reports: Joan Peterson thanked the congregation for financial support towards the new Clavinova. Sharon made note that much has been accomplished by the Property Committee and the committee will be continuing it's work. A motion was made by Elva Bustrack to accept the organizational reports as written, Eric Wittman seconded, motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Sharon reported there is no unfinished business.

New Business:

Election of New Council Members: The nominating committee includes Brian Wurtzel and Jim Duckstad. Kaitlyn Barbosa and Mike Miller have accepted three year council positions. Sharon Nelson accepted to continue as council President. JoAnn Laymon made a motion to accept the new council members, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Adoption of 2017 Budget: There was a discussion regarding the 2017 budget. Karen Poverud made a motion to approve the 2017 budget as written, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Election of Nominating Committee for 2017: Heather Goroski made a motion that Jim Duckstad and Brian Wurtzel serve on the Nominating committee, Wayne Spidahl seconded, motion carried.

Election of Endowment Committee Members: There are two members who are going off the committee but are eligible for re-election. Kay Anderson made a motion to reelect Randy Englestad and Jason Clark to serve on the endowment committee, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Election of Audit Committee Members: Joan Peterson made a motion to reelect Elva Bustrack, Darrell Rindy, and Wayne Spidahl to the Audit committee, Mike Miller seconded, motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Wayne Spidahl to adjourn the annual OSL meeting, Jim Folz seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.

Closing Prayer: Meeting adjourned by Pastor Janet with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Katie Benson

Our Savior's Lutheran Church WELCA Secretary's Minutes

The Executive Board of Our Savior's Lutheran WELCA met Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 6:00 pm. The following board members were present: Deb Schmidt, Virlynn Hanson and Elva Bustrack. Pastor Janet was also present.

Deb Schmidt, President, called the meeting to order. The Secretary's report was read and a motion to approve was made by Elva Bustrack, seconded by Deb Schmidt. Motion carried. The Treasurer's report was presented and will be put on file for audit.

Old Business:

The Fall Supper went very well. The profit from the supper was \$1,708.79.

New Business:

The Lydia/ Phoebe Circle will have a program at the Good Samaritan Center next week for the December birthdays. There was a motion by Elva Bustrack, seconded by Virlynn Hanson to give the following donations:

OSL WELCA donations for 2017

Warren Senior Meals	\$200
Northland Rescue Mission	\$150
North Star Manor	\$150
Lost & Found	\$100
Concordia College	\$100
UND Christus Rex Center	\$100
Warren Food Shelf	\$200
Marshall Co. Service Unit Salvation Army	\$100
Warren Ministerial	\$100

Lutheran Campus Ministries-Moorhead	\$100
Living at Home Block Nursing Program	\$100
North Valley Health Center	\$100
Christmas gifts (Pastor/ Sec/ Custodian)	\$300
World Hunger	\$411.33
(1/4 Spring Supper Net - was paid in August)	

The Board went over some of the Yellow Book changes when they met. Any further changes to the WELCA information in the Yellow Book should be reported to Virlynn Hanson or Deb Schmidt as soon as possible so it can be corrected for the 2018 Yellow Book.

Dates for the WELCA events in 2018 were set and are as follows:

Executive Board meeting, March 7, 2018 @ 6:00PM
 Spring Supper, April 25, 2018
 Deliver meals on wheels in April
 LWR pick-up in May
 Executive Board meeting, May 30, 2018 @ 6:00PM
 Executive Board meeting, September 5, 2018 @ 6:00PM
 Fall Supper, September 19, 2018
 Executive Board meeting, December 5, 2018 @ 6:00PM
 North Star Manor Christmas Birthday Party, December 2018 (to be set by North Star Manor, usually the second Tuesday of December).

The North Star Manor will provide food for the birthday party.
 The next WELCA Board meeting will be Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the church lounge. The meeting was adjourned.

Virlynn Hanson, Secretary

OSL 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

Welcoming/Opening: The January 28, 2018 Annual OSL meeting was called to order at 11:34 am by President Council Chair, Sharon Nelson, followed by a prayer.

Determine Quorum: It was determined that there was a quorum during the meeting.

Adoption of Agenda: Joan Peterson made a motion to accept the agenda, Gladwin Lynne seconded, motion carried.

Pastor's Report: President Sharon Nelson presented the Pastor's report in the absence of Pastor Janet Warnes. Elva Bustrack made a motion to accept the Pastor's report, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Council President's Report: President Sharon Nelson presented the report. Brian Wurtzel made a motion to accept the Council President's report, Gladwin Lynne seconded, motion carried.

Minutes of 2017 Annual Meeting: A motion was made by Elva Bustrack to accept the 2017 annual meeting minutes with the dates to be corrected, Mara Hanel seconded, motion carried.

Statistical Report: A motion was made by Darby Boe to accept the statistical report, Brian Wurtzel seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Amanda Liebersbach, treasurer of OSL, presented the treasurer's report. Amanda stated that the health insurance costs for Pastor Janet will go up for the 2018 year. The largest costs for this past year were the telephone system and copy machine. A motion was made by Leanne Novacek to accept the treasurer's report as written, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Organizational Reports: A motion was made by Elva Bustrack to accept the organizational reports as written, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Unfinished Business: Sharon reported there is no unfinished business.

New Business:

Election of New Council Members: Katie Benson has accepted an additional one year term and Tony Johnson has accepted another three year term to council. No further council nominations were made. Darby Boe made a motion to accept Katie Benson and Tony Johnson as continuing council members, motion carried.

Adoption of 2018 Budget: Gloria Thompson made a motion to approve the 2018 budget as written, Gladwin Lynne seconded, motion carried.

Election of Nominating Committee for 2018: Joan Peterson made a motion that Katie Benson and Travis Hanel serve as the Nominating committee for 2018, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Election of Endowment Committee Members: The Endowment committee term of Dean Maruska is up this year and he is willing to be reelected for another three year term. There were no further nominations. Mara Hanel made a motion to accept Dean Maruska for a three year term on the Endowment committee, Joan Peterson seconded, motion carried.

Election of Audit Committee Members: There was a discussion as to the role of the Audit committee. The congregation discussed that a true audit of the financial books should be completed by the Audit committee rather than just a verification of the records. Darby Boe made a motion to reelect Elva Bustrack, Darrell Rindy, and Wayne Spidahl to the Audit committee, for the committee to audit the financial books at a frequency deemed necessary by the council, and if the members don't accept their nomination, for the council to elect members as necessary. Joan Peterson made a second, motion carried.

There was a discussion that the congregation would like the annual reports to be made available to them one week before the annual meeting next year.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Gladwin Lynne to adjourn the annual OSL meeting, Darby Boe seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:09 pm.

Closing Prayer: Meeting adjourned by President Sharon Nelson.

Respectfully submitted, Katie Benson

MISSION ACTION

During 2017, we accomplished the following:

St. Gianna's Maternity Home ~	8 baby/toddler quilts, also 280 disposable diapers, 15 receiving blankets, 10 pr. Socks, 8 undershirts, 8 cloth diapers, 2 boys shirt & pant sets, 1 sweater – February of 2017
Lutheran World Relief ~	41 quilts - May of 2017 and 10 quilts – November of 2017
Marshall Co. Social Services ~	12 adult quilts, 13 youth quilts and 10 baby quilts – December of 2017
Northlands Rescue Mission ~	15 quilts, 3 large boxes miscellaneous personal care items, socks, etc., 12 large bags of coats, blankets, clothing, etc. – December of 2017
Care & Share, Crookston ~	8 large quilts, 9 youth quilts and 9 baby quilts – December of 2017


We also gave 8 baptismal quilts to babies in our Melo & Our Savior's congregations. In addition, we gave 4 fire quilts and 3 comfort quilts for those with long-term illness or other health concerns.

Thank you to Gladwin Lynne, Peder Larson, Jim Bjorgaard and any others we may have missed, for helping pack and deliver our quilts, etc. Also, thank you to those who have anonymously left bags of material for quilting, and to the members of the congregations for your generous giving to our Mission Action endeavors.

There were 23 prayer shawls given in 2017. Those ladies who are part of the prayer shawl ministry, knitting and crocheting yarn they have donated, are: Mary Jo Chandler, Bev Duckstad, Florence Johnson, Karen Larson, and Jeanie Ulferts. Elva Bustrack also donates yarn for this project. If you'd like to participate, call or stop in at the church office for the instructions. We are in need of more volunteers for this if you happen to have this talent!

We would invite anyone who has some free time to come join our quilting group on any work day, which are Tuesdays from 1-4 pm in OSL's lower level. We meet from September until early May, with a break over Christmas & New Year's. Join us for coffee and chatter around 2:30 pm. Consider yourself invited!

FEBRUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	2	3
4 HOLY COMMUNION Scout Sunday 9:00 AM Melo Worship 9:30 AM OSL Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Melo Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee 10:45 AM OSL Worship & Baptism / Noisy Offering for Food Shelf	5 1:00 PM Staff Mtg 5:30 PM Education Cmte 6:30 PM Youth Board	6 9:00 AM ODC Bible Study 1:00 PM Quilting	7 3:30 PM 8th Grade Conf 4:45 PM 7th Grade Conf 5:50 PM Youth Leadership Mtg 6:00 PM Choir	8 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	9 2:00 PM Lydia/Phoebe Circle	10
11 9:00 AM Melo Worship/SS sings 9:30 AM OSL Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Melo Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee 10:45 AM OSL Worship 11:45 AM 9th Grade Confirmation at OSL	12 1:00 PM Staff Mtg	13 9:00 AM ODC Bible Study 1:00 PM Quilting 5:00 PM W&E Meeting 6:00 PM OSL & Melo Council Appreciation Dinner 7:00 PM OSL Council	14 ASH WEDNESDAY <i>No Confirmation</i> 5:50 PM Youth Leadership 6:00 PM Choir 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service at OSL	15 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	16	17
18 HOLY COMMUNION No Melo & OSL S. School 9:00 AM Melo Worship 9:30 AM OSL Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Melo Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee 10:45 AM OSL Worship	19 President's Day <i>Office Closed</i>	20 9:00 AM ODC Bible Study 1:00 PM Quilting	21 <i>No Confirmation</i> 5:50 PM Youth Leadership Mtg 6:00 PM Choir 6:00 PM Soup Supper at Grace 7:00 PM Lenten Service at Grace Methodist	22 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	23	24
25 Youth Leadership Sunday 9:00 AM Melo Worship 9:30 AM OSL Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Melo Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee 10:45 AM OSL Worship/ SS sings	26 1:00 PM Staff Mtg	27 9:00 AM ODC Bible Study 1:00 PM Quilting	28 <i>No Confirmation</i> 6:00 PM Choir 7:00 PM Lenten Service at Assembly of God	1 MARCH 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	2	3

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 - Abigail Hamrick	12 - Kristal Walen	20 A - Bill & Yvonne Bossman
3 - John Amundgaard	13 - Becky Ament	21 - Etta Vongroven
Jacob Cobb	Zak Duckstad	22 - Jan Riopelle
Emma Dahlman	Hannah Hamrick	23 - Michael Trudell
4 - Jon Slusar	Sawyer Reinier	24 - Christina Erickson
5 - Sophia Wurtzel	14 - Ilene Estabrook	Philip Olson
7 - Maureen Greentree	16 - Steve Hamrick	26 - Sadie Scherber
8 - Lana Maruska	Michelle Kuzel	27 Annabella Seaverson- Gutierrez
Cory Myrfield	DJ McGregor	28 - Stacy Balzum
9 - Josh Benson	Roger Porter	
Patrick Maruska	17 - Verna Jorgenson	
Brooke Olson	Cris Kalt	
10 - Kenley Marquis	18 - Alisa Warnes	
11 - Jeff Chandler	19 - Jim Myrfield	
Jennifer Conely	20 - Michael Jevning	
Gabe Marquis	Carter Maruska	



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February Servants

Lector:

Feb 4 - Scouts

Feb 11 - Jean Walker

Feb 18 - Bobbi Mischel

Feb 25 - Youth

Coffee Hosts/Flowers:

Feb 4 - Danelle Klassy, Deb Myrfield

Feb 11 - Carol Kilen, Gloria Thompson

Feb 18 - Elva Bustrack, Jeanie Ulferts

Feb 25 - MaryJo Chandler, Ilene Estabrook

Ushers:

Feb 4 - Matt Klassy, Curt Myrfield, Scouts

Feb 18 - Phil Thompson, Jean Walker, John Walker

Feb 18 - Greg & Jesse Kilen, Jim & Patti Myrfield

Feb 25 - Dean Chandler, Matt Klassy, Youth

Song Leader:

Feb 4 - Julie Rittmann

Feb 11 - Wayne Torgerson

Feb 18 - Bobbi Mischel

Feb 25 - Travis Hanel

Melo Custodian:

Feb 4 - Larry Rud

Feb 11-18 - Pete Solvik

Feb 25 - Cole Wittman

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Communion Servers:

Feb 4 - Kaitlin Barbosa, Tony Johnson, Mike Miller

Feb 18 - Katie Benson, Travis Hanel, Sharon Nelson

Communion Bread:

Feb 18 - Bev Lydeen

Nursery:

Please attend your own children

Ash Wednesday, Feb 14: Usher—David Lydeen; Song Leader—Katie Benson



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Lessons for February 2018

Feb 4

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalm 147:1-11,20c

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Mark 1:29-39

Feb 11

2 Kings 2:1-12

Psalm 50:1-6

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Mark 9:2-9



Feb 18

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

Feb 25

Genesis 17:1-7,15-16

Psalm 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38