

# OSL/Melo Faith Connection

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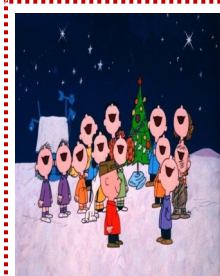
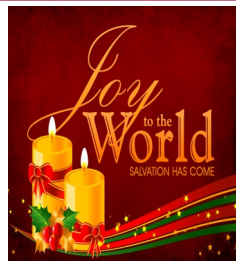
9:00 am Melo Worship  
9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
& OSL Sunday School  
10:00 am Melo Sunday School  
& Coffee Fellowship  
10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship  
10:45 am OSL Worship

A video of OSL Sunday Worship can be seen on Monday at 3:30 pm on cable channel 13 and on YouTube. The service is 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](http://www.oursaviors-melo.org).

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:  
**TURN IN  
YOUR ARTICLES  
EARLY!**  
REMINDER:  
**DEADLINE FOR  
NEWSLETTER  
ARTICLES IS**

December 19th

**Christmas Candlelight Service**  
Sunday, December 15, 7:00 pm  
at Our Savior's featuring the  
OSL/Melo Choir & others  
Coffee Fellowship will follow  
Please come!



The OSL/Melo  
Christmas Eve  
Service will be held  
*Sunday, December  
24th at 4:30 pm*  
at Our Savior's,  
with Holy  
Communion.



**The North Star Manor  
Birthday/Christmas Party**  
Tuesday, December 10, 2:30 pm  
at the North Star Manor,  
hosted by the Lydia/Phoebe Circle.



**~Family & Friends Events~**  
Pancake Breakfast at Melo  
Sunday, December 15,  
hosted by the Sunday School  
after the Christmas Program

Christmas Meal  
at OSL, December 15,  
hosted by the Youth after the  
Christmas Program



All are welcome!!



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
CHANGE YOUR SERVANT  
MONTH AT OSL, OR IF YOU  
WANT TO CHANGE YOUR  
SPOT IN THE ROTATION AT  
MELO, PLEASE CONTACT THE  
CHURCH OFFICE (745-4478)  
BY MID-JANUARY 2020. IF  
YOU'RE ABLE TO BE AN OSL  
SERVANT MONTH LEADER,  
PLEASE CONTACT THE  
OFFICE. THANK YOU TO ALL  
FOR SERVING OTHERS AT  
YOUR CHURCHES !!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

The Melo Sunday School Christmas Program  
Is Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.  
There will be a pancake breakfast hosted by the  
Sunday School following the program.

The OSL Sunday School Christmas Program  
is Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 a.m.  
A Christmas meal will follow the program.

*All are welcome to attend~Bring a friend!*



## From the Pastor

### Advent Leads to Christmas

As I write the Pastor's article, it is not even Thanksgiving, and the stores are filled with Christmas wonder. Evergreen trees, Christmas lights, ornaments, and figurines of all sorts line the aisles.

As you walk through your neighborhood and as you walk through the stores, look for the signs of Christmas. Which ones point to the coming of the Christ Child? Which ones point away from Him?

Advent is from a Latin word that means "coming". During Advent we look forward to the birth of Jesus, salvation, and the coming of eternal life. We focus on His coming as a baby and His return when Jesus will come to earth again someday.

Luke 1:31-33 speaks of the angel's announcement to Mary: "You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father, David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; His kingdom will have no end."

The Scriptures tell us that Jesus will be given a throne - He will reign and His kingdom will never end. His kingdom is born in each one of us as we welcome His coming. How can you look forward to Jesus' coming?

As you decorate your house for Christmas, look for things that point to Christ. For example, point out the star at the top of the tree. The evergreen tree points to the gift of eternal life. Christmas cards and letters announce the coming and birth of a king.

In the busy and often hectic days of the holidays, pray that the Holy Spirit will fill your heart and life with Christ. Center the holiday activities around the spiritual richness of Christ.

Regularly worship with the entire family. Invite neighbors and friends to the many services in December which point us to Christ.

Fill your cup this Advent and Christmas with spiritual food which will satisfy.

See you in worship!

*Pastor Janet Warnes*



### OUTREACH:

#### NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH

Invite neighbors and friends to festive services in December. Most people who do not attend worship on a regular basis are just waiting to be asked.

Please let Pastor Janet know if you would like to join or know of someone who would like to join one of the congregations.

#### CONFIRMATION UPDATE

Classes for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade continue on Wednesday, December 4, at 4:30 pm. We will be doing our service project along with other OSL & Melo youth. Class resumes January 8. The 9<sup>th</sup> Grade class meets on Sunday, December 1 at 11:45 am for their study.

Remember the kids as they learn more about *God's X-Treme Gift of Grace*.



*Confirmation 10.27.19 ~ Lindsey Bring & Patrick Maruska*

### YOUTH ALERT:

Please join us following the Sunday School Christmas programs on Dec 15 for a Pancake Breakfast at Melo, sponsored by the Sunday School / Christmas Lunch at OSL, sponsored by the Youth.

### PASTORAL ACTS:

#### *Funerals:*

November 2 - Junice Horgen  
by Pastor Jim Robberstad at OSL  
November 20 - Nancy Wurtz  
by Pastor Jim Robberstad at OSL



#### *Baptism:*

November 3 - Evelyn Rae Olson,  
daughter of Aaron & Brenna Olson,  
by Pastor Janet Warnes at OSL



## Christmas Letter from the Pastor



*"For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given,  
and the government will be on his shoulders.  
And He will be called Wonderful Counselor,  
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."*

*Isaiah 9:6*

*A blessed Christmas to you and your loved ones.*

*This year as you gather with family and friends we are reminded of the great gift we have in Jesus Christ. Christmas is always a special time of year. We are captivated by the lights, the music, the smell of fresh pine, the smell of cookies baking, and the nativity scenes. It is easy to become overwhelmed and overbooked with holiday parties, shopping expeditions, and holiday gatherings. I would invite you to take just a few minutes each day and focus your thoughts and prayers on Christ.*

*Christ is present with and for us this Christmas Season. Each one of the Advent Services, Christmas Programs, and Christmas Services are designed to lead us further into the meaning that this beautiful season has.*

*Pause, even as you read this Christmas letter, to celebrate Christ in your midst. Jesus comes to us through the Word and Sacrament. Jesus comes to us through family and friends. Jesus comes to us through the beautiful Christmas carols of the season.*

*Jesus comes to you. He knows our need and our concerns. He carries them for us. He opens for us the way to experience His eternal presence.*

*May your Christmas be blessed by the presence of the Christ-Child.*

*Pastor Janet*

## Sundays in December You Won't Want to Miss! Celebrating Christ's Coming

### December 1<sup>st</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent ~ Prophet's Candle

9:00 am Worship at Melo with Holy Communion  
10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship—*No Sunday School*  
9:30 am *No OSL Sunday School or Adult Bible Study*  
10:15 am Coffee Fellowship at OSL  
10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's with Holy Communion  
11:45 am 9th Grade Confirmation at OSL

### December 8<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent ~ Shepherd's Candle

9:00 am Worship at Melo with Christmas Hymn Sing  
10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship and Sunday School  
9:30 am Adult Bible Study and Sunday School at OSL  
10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship  
10:45 am Worship at OSL with Christmas Hymn Sing

### December 15<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent

Melo & Our Savior's Sunday School Christmas Programs  
9:00 am Worship at Melo / Sunday School Program  
9:30 am Adult Bible Study and Sunday School at OSL  
10:00 am Pancake Breakfast at Melo ~ All are welcome  
10:15 am Coffee Fellowship at OSL - Birthday Cake for Jesus  
10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's / Sunday School Program  
11:45 am Christmas Meal at OSL  
(Free-will offering / Youth fundraiser and cookies will be available for purchase)

### December 15<sup>th</sup> (cont.)

7:00 pm Annual Candlelight Service at OSL featuring the OSL/Melo Choir & others; Coffee Fellowship follows



### December 22<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent ~ Angel's Candle (No Sunday School or Adult Bible Study)

9:00 am Worship at Melo  
10:00 am Coffee Fellowship at Melo  
10:15 am Coffee Fellowship at OSL  
10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's

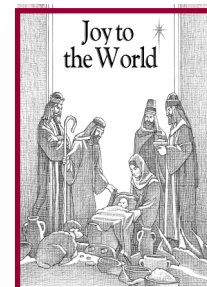
### December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Service for Melo and OSL 4:30 pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at

Our Savior's with Holy Communion

*\*Note: No worship on December 25th.*

### December 29<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas (No Sunday School or Adult Bible Study)

9:00 am Worship at Melo  
10:00 am Coffee Fellowship at Melo  
10:15 am Coffee Fellowship at OSL  
10:45 am Worship at Our Savior's





## Our Savior's Lutheran Church Council October 2019 Meeting Minutes

The October 22, 2019, OSL Council meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Sharon Nelson. Pastor Janet opened with a devotion and prayer.

### **Present:**

Sharon Nelson, Jim Duckstad, Amanda Liebersbach, Kaitlin Barbosa

**Absent:** Tony Johnson, Travis Hanel, Mike Miller

### **This month's agenda and last month's meeting minutes:**

Jim made a motion and Kaitlin seconded to approve the previous month's minutes and the agenda. Motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Generous offering in September and nothing out of ordinary for expenses. Expenses for pulpit supply will be reimbursed through the synod. Discussion on moving council meeting to third Tuesday instead of first Tuesday so that we will have bank statements that can be reconciled.

### **Pastors' Report:**

Due to medical leave, most visitations were done by phone call. There is an upcoming wedding on October 26 and 6 baptisms coming up. There was one funeral and one more scheduled. The National Youth Gathering will take place in 2021 in Minneapolis.

Jim made a motion to receive into adult membership Patrick Maruska and Lindsey Bring as they are confirmed on Sunday, October 27. Kaitlin seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Ron report: Pastor Ron spent the month of September on medical leave following his surgery in Houston. He is planning to be back in Warren on November 1.

Jim made a motion to approve the Pastors' report. Kaitlin seconded. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Stewardship:**

Creating a committee for a new pictorial directory.

#### **Worship & Evangelism:**

Requested a new heater and new Christmas tree for the narthex. Jim will consider options for a heater. Altar guild is planned

through December. Choir will sing for Confirmation. December 15 candlelight service is being planned. They would like to give away the oldest piano in the basement, but it will be difficult to remove. First come, first served, but they are responsible for moving the piano.

### **Property & Management:**

Members are looking into repair on the garbage disposal and wall paint discoloration. Thermostat will be left at 65 degrees in sanctuary once boiler repair has been finished.

Kaitlin made a motion to approve the committee reports. Jim seconded. Motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

Projection Unit: tabled until next month.

Basement Tables and Chairs: Funds will come from WELCA and Project 2000. Committee will form to decide on tables and chairs to purchase.

### **New Business:**

Youth director position: Received one application and will wait until next month to discuss.

Reimbursement for pulpit supply will be submitted to synod.

### **Communion Servers:**

Nov. 3: Jim, Sharon, Mike

Nov. 17: Kaitlin, Travis, Jim

Kaitlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike seconded at 8:24 pm. Motion carried. Pastor Janet closed in prayer. Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 19, at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaitlin Barbosa





## DECEMBER YOUTH NEWSLETTER

### December Acolytes

Dec 1 – Caden Benson & Gabriel Field

Dec 8 – Cami Magnusson

Dec 15 – Ashley & Savannah Bishop

Dec 22 – Ethan Zutz

Dec 24 – Mackenzie & Zoe Slusar

Dec 29 – Lanie Olson

### Confirmation

Sunday, Dec 1 — 9th grade 11:45 am in OSL Library

Wednesday, Dec 4 — 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade **4:30 pm** Christmas Service Project; Classes will meet together with youth grades 6-12 at OSL to make Christmas goodies.



### Youth Notes

+The Youth will make Christmas goodies at OSL at 4:30 pm on Wednesday, Dec 4, and sell them on Santa Day, Saturday, Dec 7 to raise funds for the Marshall County Sharing Tree project and/or the Warren Food Shelf.

+All youth grades 9-12 are invited to attend the Sr. High Youth Gathering on February 22-23 at Luther Crest Bible Camp in Alexandria. *Please contact Heather or Pastor Janet if you're interested!!*

*If you would like to add more meaning and enjoyment to the Christmas season, here are a few suggestions:*

- ◆ Spend some time visiting an older relative or an acquaintance. It can be lonely at this time of year when many friends and loved ones have passed on or live farther away. Give the gift of your time and caring personality!! Bring treats!
- ◆ If you have a little extra money, purchase a gift for one of the sharing trees set up at banks and other locations in the community. You could also help with wrapping and assembling the gift baskets for the less fortunate, which wouldn't cost a thing!! Contact Stacey Urbaniak soon at MCSS (745-5124) if you have time to help out.
- ◆ Invite a friend to go to church on Christmas Eve or to join you at the Christmas Candlelight service at 7 pm on Dec 15th. You're always welcome to bring friends, and sometimes a friend can experience loneliness or sadness, too. Invite them and offer to pick them up!! You'll be blessed by this, too.



### AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head.  
The stars in the bright sky looked down where  
He lay; the little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,  
but little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky;  
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,  
and take us to Heaven to live with Thee there.

### Sites to help you stay informed

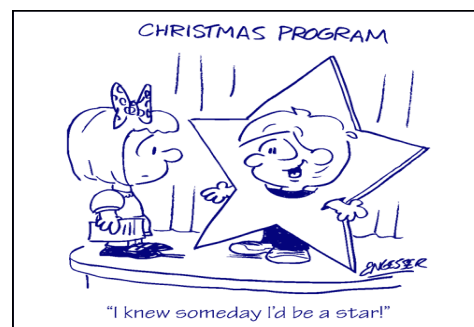
[pathwaysbiblecamp.com](http://pathwaysbiblecamp.com)

[parkriverbiblecamp.org](http://parkriverbiblecamp.org)

[www.oursaviors-melo.org](http://www.oursaviors-melo.org)



[oslyouth@oursaviors-melo.org](mailto:oslyouth@oursaviors-melo.org)



## December Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 - Chase Anderson Austin Wittman	12 - Kirby Kilen Steve Kuzel	20 - Elliott Clark Faith Porter
2 - Jan Johnston Taylor Olson	Larry Rud A ~ Donnie & Linda Hamrick	21 - Sharon Carlson
3 - Ilene Slusar	13 - Ashley Helgeson Jessica Carlson	22 - A ~ Tim & Linda Conely
4 - Ronda Owens Rick Solberg Rita Walker	14 - Linda M. Hamrick David Miller	23 - Phil Thompson Kristen Duckstad
5 - Milo Monroe	Adam Mischel	25 - Danelle Klassy
6 - Chase Knoll Jack Sedlacek Liz Yeado	15 - Kevin Hjelseth Lucas Kostrzewski Mike Miller	26 - Caden Benson Lacey Riopelle A ~ Alan & Lana Maruska
7 - Hayden Strickler	A ~ Mike & Heather Goroski	27 - Darren Carlson Matt Myrfield Bette Solberg
8 - Gerald Hamm A ~ Ally & Justin Johnson A ~ Pat & Mike Williams	17 - Lambert Kostrzewski	28 - Jessica Olson Randy Pearson
10 - Macey Boe Michelle Strickler	18 - Taylor Knoll John Walker	29 - Betty Graham Hayden Hamrick
11 - Carol Anderson Michael Palm Shawn Spidahl	19 - James Bustrack Carrie DeLisle Alexis Jevning Sara Kostrzewski A ~ Earl & Linda Johnson A ~ Peder & Karen Larson	30 - Jacquie Clark



Among those celebrating milestones in December are:  
Gerald Hamm (70)  
Larry Rud (75)  
Jack Sedlacek (85)



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May God Bless you as you celebrate!

\*If your birthday or anniversary is missing or incorrect, please notify the church office.



## December Servants



### Lector:

Dec 1 - Amanda Liebersbach  
Dec 8 - Darby Boe  
Dec 15 - Cathie Borud

Dec 22 - Cathie Borud  
Dec 24 - Darby Boe

Dec 29 - Amanda Liebersbach

### Ushers:

Dec 1 - Jim Folz, Tony Johnson  
Dec 8 - Darby Boe, Jim Folz  
Dec 15 - Cathie Borud, Jim Folz  
Gerald Hamm, Matt Vongroven

Dec 15 **Candlelight** - Jim Folz, Gerald Hamm, Kenny Palm  
Dec 22 - Nate Borud, Jim Folz  
Dec 24 - Darby Boe, Jim Folz,  
Gerald Hamm, Kenny Palm

Dec 29 - Darby Boe, Jim Folz, Gerald Hamm

### Song Leader:

Dec 1 - Travis Hanel  
Dec 8 - Katie Benson  
Dec 15 - Darby Boe

Dec 22 - Katie Benson  
Dec 24 - Wayne Torgerson

Dec 29 - Open

### Coffee Hosts:

Dec 1 - Amanda Liebersbach  
Dec 8 - Ashley Vongroven  
Dec 15 - Cathie Borud (serve cake)  
Dec 15 **Candlelight** - Belinda Folz,  
Amanda Liebersbach  
Dec 22 - Brittney & Jennifer Palm  
Dec 29 - Belinda Folz

### Melo Custodian:

Dec 1-8 - Dustin Johnson  
Dec 15-22 - John Johnson  
Dec 29 - Aaron Knoll

### Melo Lector:

December - Jake Cobb  
& Aiden Johnson

### Melo Acolyte:

December - Jake C & Aiden J

### Communion Servers:

Dec 1 - James Duckstad, Mike Miller, Sharon Nelson  
Dec 24 - Kaitlin Barbosa, James Duckstad, Travis Hanel

## DECEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
<b>1 HOLY COMMUNION</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Blessing of Quilts <b>9:00 AM</b> Melo Worship <b>9:30 AM</b> No OSL Sunday School - No Adult Bible Study <b>10:00 AM</b> Melo Coffee Fellowship - No Sunday School <b>10:15 AM</b> OSL Coffee <b>10:45 AM</b> OSL Worship <b>11:45 AM</b> Gr. 9 Confirmation	<b>2</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Mtg  <b>5:30 PM</b> Education Committee <b>6:30 PM</b> Youth Board	<b>3</b> <b>9:00AM</b> ODC Bible Study  <b>1:00 PM</b> Quilting  <b>5:00 PM</b> WELCA Executive Board Meeting	<b>4</b> <b>4:30 PM</b> Youth Gr. 6-12 Christmas Service Project Baking  <b>6:00 PM</b> Choir	<b>5</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Men's Bible Study	<b>6</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Funeral of Pastor Mark Rittmann	
<b>8 Christmas Hymn Sing</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Melo Worship <b>9:30 AM</b> OSL Sunday School & Adult Bible Study <b>10:00 AM</b> Melo Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship <b>10:15 AM</b> OSL Coffee <b>10:45 AM</b> OSL Worship	<b>9</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Mtg	<b>10</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> ODC Christmas Potluck Dinner <b>1:00 PM</b> Quilting <b>2:30 PM</b> North Star Manor Birthday/Christmas Party-Lydia/Phoebe Cir.	<b>11</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir	<b>12</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Men's Bible Study  <b>5:00 PM</b> Endowment Committee Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Sunday School Program Practice <b>9-10:30 AM</b> Melo <b>10 AM-Noon</b> OSL (K-6)
<b>15 Sunday School Programs</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Melo Sunday School Program & Pancake Breakfast <b>9:30 AM</b> OSL Sunday School & Adult Bible Study <b>10:15 AM</b> OSL Coffee/Cake <b>10:45 AM</b> OSL Worship and Sunday School Program <b>11:45 AM</b> OSL Christmas Meal—Freewill offering <b>7:00 PM</b> Candlelight Service	<b>16</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Mtg	<b>17</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> W&E Committee  <b>7:00 PM</b> OSL Council	<b>18</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir  <b>7:00 PM</b> Melo Council Mtg	<b>19</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Men's Bible Study	<b>20</b> <b>2-6 PM</b> Boy Scouts Fruit Basket Project at OSL	<b>21</b> <b>9 AM-1 PM</b> Boy Scouts Fruit Basket Project at OSL
<b>22</b> <b>No Sunday School</b> <b>No Adult Bible Study</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> Melo Worship <b>10:00 AM</b> Melo Coffee Fellowship <b>10:15 AM</b> OSL Coffee <b>10:45 AM</b> OSL Worship	<b>23</b>  <i>Office closed</i>	<b>24</b> <b>4:30 PM</b> Christmas Eve OSL/Melo joint Worship Service at OSL with Holy Communion  <i>Office closed</i>	<b>25</b>  <b>Have a Blessed Christmas</b>  <i>Office closed</i>	<b>26</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Men's Bible Study  <i>Office closed</i>	<b>27</b>  <i>Office closed</i>	<b>28</b>
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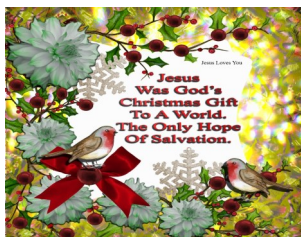


## Mission Action

The Christmas Season is upon us. We're preparing our hearts to be joyful in sharing. We have made quilts we will be donating to local folks in need through area service organizations.

Some of the quilts will be displayed at Melo and OSL on December 1<sup>st</sup> and will be blessed, and soon after they will be distributed to those in need. Quilts are generally sent to the Mission, the Care & Share in Crookston, and Marshall County Social Services. Thank you very much to our volunteers who deliver them! We will continue to be very busy! After the quilts are finished for the Christmas donations on December 10<sup>th</sup>, we will break for the holidays. We have to make the lefse, 'ya know! We will begin again on January 14<sup>th</sup> in the New Year.

In closing, we sincerely thank all who have given donations to our group, and we wish all a Merry and Blessed Christmas. Amen.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ Job Openings: Part-time OSL/Melo youth director & Part-time OSL building supervisor positions. Job description & applications available in church office (745-4478). *We thank DJ McGregor and Mike & Leanne Novacek for their years of dedicated service to God's house and our church family.*
- ♦ If you receive the newsletter by mail and would like to change to email delivery, please notify the office!
- ♦ If there are changes to be made to the 2020 OSL Yellow pages, please notify the church office by mid-January. If you have dropped your landline, please notify the office!
- ♦ The ODC Bible Study Potluck Christmas Dinner will be on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, with Bible Study at 10 a.m.

**Committee Annual Reports** need to be in to the office by January 13, 2019, or as soon as possible thereafter. It is planned to have the annual reports available for pick-up ahead of the annual meeting.



## POINSETTIAS Have Been Shared By:

### MELO

Lowell & Shirley Hamrick (2): In memory of Frank & Anna Hamrick and Edwin Mykleby and Alice Grim.

### OUR SAVIOR'S

Carol Anderson (2): In memory of Edwin & Fern Anderson. Diane Bjorgaard and Emilie Holland (2): In honor of Glenn Johnson and in memory of Doris Johnson.

Darby & Amanda Boe: In memory of loved ones.

Bill & Yvonne Bossman Family: In memory of Chris Bossman.

Mike & Hollie Cheney (2): In honor of Jady Cheney; in memory of Sandra Forslund.

Duckstad Family (2): In memory of David Duckstad and Robert Duckstad.

Eric Field & Laura Nybladh: In memory of loved ones.

Travis & Mara Hanel: In memory of Kristin Walm.

Pete & Virlynn Hanson and family (3): In memory of Gladys & Selvin Aase; in memory of Ruth & Albert Hanson; in memory of Dennis Anderson, Roberta Stengl, and Jill Anderson.

Glenn & RuthAnn Johnson (2): In memory of Doris Johnson and Robert Strandberg.

Greg & Carol Kilen: In memory of Laurel & Beverly Wittman and Roger & Sharon Kilen.

Maynard & JoAnn Laymon (2): In memory of Bruce Laymon and Larry & Mary Laymon.

Roger & Bobbi Mischel (2): In honor of Elva Bustrack and Jeanie Ulferts.

Milo & Lois Monroe (2): In memory of Joan & Edwin Rokke and Eva & George Monroe.

Sharon Nelson: In memory of Gerald Nelson.

Ilayne Potucek: In memory of Martin & Evelyn Kolstad and Jack Potucek.

Karen Poverud: In memory of Curtis Haarsager; in honor of Carole Haarsager.

Wayne & Shawn Spidahl (2): In memory of Paul & Garrett Torgerson and Carroll Spidahl & Wayne Holsing.

Wurtzel Family: In memory of Mark "Zupe" Bushy.

+ **THANK YOU** to those who decorate at Our Savior's. The significance of the red color on the left and white on the right in the sanctuary is in the following verse:

*"Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD.*

*"Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."*

Isaiah 1:18



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Treasurer's Report ~ October 2019

**Receipts**

General Fund	\$ 11,541.00
Melo Pr. Sal/Benefits	\$ 540.41
Proj 2000/Bldg Fund	\$ 100.00
Mission Fund	\$ 110.00
Endowment Fund	\$ 265.00
Lutheran Magazine	\$ 145.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 12,701.41</b>

**Expenditures**

Salaries/Pulpit Supply	\$ 9,206.98
Pr. Pension/Insurance	\$ 3,701.36
Bldgs/Phone/Internet	\$ 672.10
Worship/Music	\$ 630.42
Education/Youth	\$ 2,124.00
Church Insurance	\$ 3,711.00
ODC Custodial	\$ 600.80
Groundskeeping	\$ 363.96
Office Repair/Maint.	\$ 137.44
Office Supplies/Postage	\$ 286.47
Organ/Piano Tuning	\$ 1,185.00
Custodial Supplies	\$ 119.96
Church Repairs/Maint.	\$ 100.00
Bank Service Charges	\$ 111.45
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 22,950.94</b>

Net Ordinary Income (\$ -10,249.53)  
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**Account Balances**

General Fund	\$ 84,894.92
Memorial Fund	\$ 13,093.67
Proj 2000/Bldg Fund	\$ 29,084.85
Mission Fund	\$ 4,935.31
OSL Servant Group	\$ 6,972.31
Bell Ringers	\$ 688.42
Money Market	\$ 58,078.65



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT  
THIS PAST YEAR



October Offering	Simply Giving	10/6/2019	10/13/2019	10/20/2019	10/27/2019	October Total
General	\$ 2,830.00	\$ 977.00	\$ 3,011.00	\$ 1,251.00	\$ 2,872.00	\$10,941.00
Utilities					\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Postage		\$ 380.00				\$ 380.00
Proj. 2000/Bldg	\$ 100.00					\$ 100.00
Endowment	\$ 40.00		\$ 100.00	\$ 125.00		\$ 265.00
Mission	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00			\$ 20.00	\$ 110.00
Thanksgiving					\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00
Lutheran		\$ 25.00	\$ 10.00		\$ 110.00	\$ 145.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,010.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,432.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,121.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,376.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,222.00</b>	<b>\$12,161.00</b>

Total to General Fund \$11,521.00

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### Lessons for December 2019

#### December 1

Isaiah 2:1-5  
Psalm 122  
Romans 13:11-14  
Matthew 24:36-44

#### December 8

Isaiah 11:1-10  
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19  
Romans 15:4-13  
Matthew 3:1-12

#### December 15

Isaiah 35:1-10  
Psalm 146:5-10  
James 5:7-10  
Matthew 11:2-11

#### December 22

Isaiah 7:10-16  
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19  
Romans 1:1-7  
Matthew 1:18-25



#### December 24

Isaiah 9:2-7  
Psalm 96  
Titus 2:11-14  
Luke 2:1-14

#### December 29

Isaiah 63:7-9  
Psalm 148  
Hebrews 2:10-18  
Matthew 2:13-23