

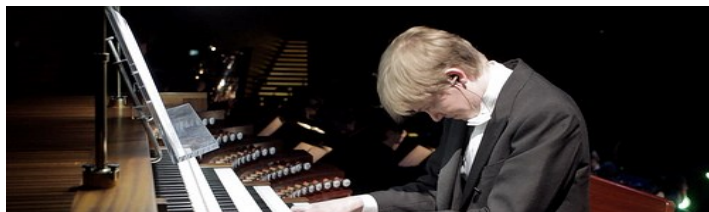
OSL/Melo Faith Connection



JUNE 2018

Our Savior's & Melo
Lutheran Churches

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Thursday, July 26, 7:00 pm at OSL
Organ Concert presented by Ron Pearson
On the occasion of the 50th Class Reunion of the
Warren High School Class of 1968
Reception will follow ~ All are welcome

Vacation Bible School ~ June 11—13, 2018

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held

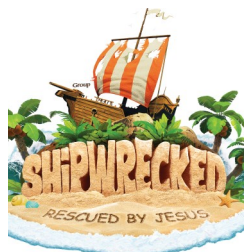
Monday, June 11 to Wednesday, June 13, 5:45—8:15 pm at Our Savior's,
with a parent's program at 7:45 pm on Wednesday, June 13.

Our theme is SHIPWRECKED, and there will be decorations, snacks, crafts,
music, games, and lessons. Note: A snack will be provided, but please
make sure your child has supper prior to VBS.

To register: call or email the church office, or you
may register on the sign-up sheet on the office door.

VBS is open to children age 4 to grade 6 (Fall 2018)
and you are welcome to bring a friend or two!

Helpers are still needed; please contact Heather
(201-0019). You may also register on the first day.



Lawn Chair Sunday Worship & Potluck Brunch
Sunday, June 10th at 10:00 a.m.
Island Park in Warren

OSL/Melo Joint Worship Service
to be followed by Food & Fellowship.
Please bring your own lawn chair and a dish to pass.
Paper goods and beverages will be provided.

****Note from the Office:** July & August items should be turned in
by June 25th as July & August newsletters are combined in one.



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OSL Custodian

Mike & Leanne Novacek

Mike: 201-1065

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A video of OSL Sunday
Worship can be seen on
Monday at 3:30 pm on
Warren cable channel 13.

Archived services can be
viewed on YouTube; a link is
on the church website:
www.oursaviors-melo.org.

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:

TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!

RE M I N D E R :

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS**

June 25th

From the Pastor



In one corner of our back yard we have a garden plot dominated by several large rhubarb plants. A few weeks ago this patch was bare black soil and now a short time later we have rhubarb. When we harvested just the thickest stalks we had enough to fill two five gallon pails. It brought to mind how much we are blessed with abundance.

We have so much to celebrate! During the summer months we will have the opportunity to bring of the abundance of our gardens to the veggie/fruit/plant exchange every Sunday. Just bring from the garden, place on the table in the narthex and by the end of the service we hope the table will be empty. You don't have to bring an item to take an item.

During the summer months special services are planned. This year we will follow the regular Biblical texts and will bring in a water theme. We all love the lake and on Sundays various water aspects will be incorporated into the service.

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. Our theme for VBS is "Shipwrecked—Rescued by Jesus".



The youth calendar is planned through the summer months. On June 20 we will have a bonfire, worship, and play "the Romans and the Christians", a hide & seek game designed for the out-of-doors.

Visitation continues. Please let me know if you would like a visit sooner than the normal rotation. Health and life concerns change. So we would be happy to stop.

The Men will continue their Bible Study through the summer. Come for coffee and insightful discussion on Thursdays at 10:00 am at OSL. The group will volunteer at the Northlands Rescue Mission on June 14.

The summer is a wonderful time to enjoy God's creation. God has blessed us with abundance. I pray that we may find creative ways to use that which God has given, not only to brighten the lives of our families but also our congregation, community, and world.

Your friend and pastor,
Pastor Janet Warnes

MINISTRY UPDATES:

- + Joint Worship for Our Savior's and Melo on Sunday, June 10, at 10:00 am at Island Park in Warren; potluck brunch to follow. See newsletter page 1 for details.
- +Vacation Bible School is June 11– 13 from 5:45 pm to 8:15 pm. See page 1 for details.
- +The Education Committee and Youth Board meet on June 4 at OSL at 5:30 & 6:30 pm.
- +The OSL Endowment Committee is scheduled to meet on June 7 at 5 pm at OSL.
- +The Lydia/Phoebe Circle meets on Friday, June 8 at 2 pm at North Star Manor Apartments.
- +Thank you to Senior Meals & Food Shelf volunteers who gave of their time in April & May.
- +Marshall County Fair Events:
Wed, July 25—Sidewalk Prophets concert in Grandstand at 8 pm following the parade.
Thur, July 26—Organ concert at OSL at 7 pm featuring Warren Class of '68's Ron Pearson.
Sun, July 29—Community worship service at 9: 30 am in Grandstand with Lorie Line.

OUTREACH:

If you or someone you know would like to join our church family, please contact Pastor Janet or the church office so that new member classes can be completed.

PASTORAL ACTS:

May 20, 2018—Baptism of Hunter Kasprowicz, son of Matt & Rosanna Kasprowicz and Dawn Thomson.



Our Savior's Lutheran Church
May 2018 Council Meeting Minutes
(Unapproved)

The May 8, 2018, OSL Council meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Sharon Nelson. Pastor Janet opened with a devotion and prayer.

Attending: Amanda Liebersbach, Mike Miller, Kaitlin Barbosa, Sharon Nelson, Katie Benson and Pastor Janet.

Absent: Travis Hanel, Tony Johnson.

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

Treasurer's Report: Organist compensation included Easter. Restricted donations included the new speaker system. A donation for the speaker system is going into Project 2000, which will later reimburse for the new speaker system. Mike made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Kaitlin seconded. Motion carried.

Eagle Scout Project: Jakob Wurtzel presented an idea for an Eagle Scout project this summer. He would like to create a large cross to be used during Holy Week, Easter and other seasons. Jakob will come back with a budget and dimensions for council approval.

Men's Bible Study: Peder Larson shared about the Thursday morning Men's Bible Study and mission project they are working on. On June 14, they will be serving at the Northland Rescue Mission for 70-90 people. The mission supplies the meat, but they would like funding to supply buns, sides, and utensils. They would like to also purchase T-shirts with OSL's name and an additional \$500 towards the prison book project, to give books to those at the rescue mission and Grand Forks prisons. They are asking for \$1000 to cover the expenses. Mike made a motion to use \$1000 from the mission fund. Kaitlin seconded. Motion carried.

Pastors' Report: Pastor Janet made 6 nursing home visits, 9 hospital visits, 5 homebound visits, and there are two prospective families. She met with the WELCA executive board about tables and chairs in the basement. A committee will form to select new tables and chairs. She continues with confirmation, visitation, services, meetings, appointments, pastoral acts, youth planning and events. Pr. Janet is requesting May 21-24 and May 29-30 off for vacation and her father's committal. Pastor Ron has completed April visits and May visits are on their way. Pr. Janet and Pr. Ron have led the Men's Bible Study and completed nursing home visits, Food Shelf, Warren Ministerial, and a Confirmation field trip. There are 39 on the homebound list and 9 on the prayer list.

Kaitlin made a motion to approve the Pastor's reports and Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Worship and Evangelism: The committee met on May 8. Altar guild is set through August. Usher duties are being reviewed. Thank you to Katie Benson for organizing song leaders and thank you to song leaders. Lawn Chair Sunday is set for June 10 at 10 a.m. at Island Park. Please bring a dish to pass. Fair Sunday worship will be at 9:30 a.m. with Lorie Line playing. Special music is planned for Senior Recognition Sunday on May 20 and plans are underway for Candlelight.

Education and Youth: The job description for a part-time youth director was reviewed. Activities are being planned.

Property and Management: Asian beetles are being sprayed and cleaned but continued work is needed. Discussion was held to hire someone for refinishing the sanctuary doors. A new folding machine is needed in the office. Katie made a motion to purchase a new folding machine for \$500. Kaitlin seconded. Motion carried. Kaitlin made a motion to approve committee reports. Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Old Business:

A new sound system is being purchased with a donation.

New Business:

Communion Servers: June 3 & 17— Jim Duckstad.

Youth position: A candidate was met and interviewed by council. Council will proceed with references and background check.

The next council meeting will be held on July 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. Mike made a motion for adjournment. Katie seconded, motion carried. Pastor Janet closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Kaitlin Barbosa



Congratulations and God's Blessings to the graduating 2018 High School Seniors of our congregations who were recognized on Sunday, May 20th: Sierra Branch, Teaira Chandler, Lexy Jevning, Alex Porter, Julie Rittmann, Damien Scherber, & Mason Wang. Remember that you will always have a church home with us! Please pray for our graduates as they go on their way.



First Communion

Congratulations to the First Communion Class on their First Communion on May 6th! May God bless you all on this milestone in your faith journey: Caden Benson, Max Carlson & Macey Novacek.

JUNE NEWS- LETTER



Monday—Wednesday evening, June 11th - 13th, from 5:45-8:15 pm – Vacation Bible School will be held at OSL. Youth volunteers are needed to help out with the many different activities. If you would like to help, contact Heather at 201-0019. Come and join the fun!!



Wednesday, June 20, 9 to 11 pm, Island Park: Campfire Youth (Gr. 6-12) Event

Awesome night of fun, food, friends, and 'e-mails from God'. Special feature "the Romans and the Christians" hide & seek game for the outdoors.

Wednesday, July 11, 6 to 9 pm in TRF: Mini Golf & Go Kart Youth (Gr. 6-12) Event

Wednesday, August 8, beginning at 4 pm: Youth (Gr. 6-12) Event— Service project with the Humane Society, cook-out, and drive-in movie. **There may also be a Lake Retreat in August.**



Look for postcards in the mail this summer with details for these upcoming Youth events.

Bible Camp Summer 2018

There is information on the OSL Bulletin Board for Pathways Bible Camps (Camp Minne-Wa-Kan and Camp Emmaus). You can find the schedule for the many choices of camps for this coming summer at the website below with the most up-to-date information. If you would like to attend, there are several dates to choose from and funds may be available to help towards the cost; please contact Pastor Janet or the office for more info on this.

Look for these websites to stay informed:

www.pathwaysbiblecamps.org
www.parkriverbiblecamp.org
www.oursaviors-melo.org

SPECIAL SERVICES IN JUNE

Inspirational Services

You Won't Want to Miss

Sunday, June 3, 2018 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost / Holy Communion

9:00 am Worship Service at Melo
 10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship
 10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship
 10:45 am Worship Service at OSL

Sunday, June 10, 2018 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost / Lawn Chair Service at Island Park in Warren

10:00 am Melo/OSL Joint Worship Service
 Potluck Brunch to follow with paper goods and beverage to be provided; bring a dish to pass
 (*Worship at OSL in case of inclement weather*)



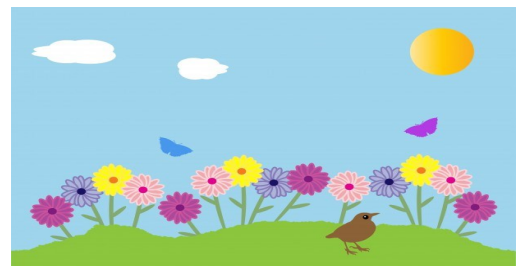
Sunday, June 17, 2018 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost / Holy Communion Father's Day

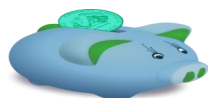
9:00 am Worship Service at Melo
 10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship
 10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship
 10:45 am Worship Service at OSL



Sunday, June 24, 2018 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost / Hymn Sing

9:00 am Worship Service at Melo
 10:00 am Melo Coffee Fellowship
 10:15 am OSL Coffee Fellowship
 10:45 am Worship Service at OSL





OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
April 2018 Treasurer's Report



Receipts

General Offering	\$22,552.60
Project 2000/Bldg Fund	\$ 190.00
Mission	\$ 70.00
Endowment	\$ 40.00
Youth Group	\$ 100.00
Melo Reimbursement	\$ 540.41
Food Shelf	\$ 10.00
<u>Living Lutheran Magazine</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
Total Income	\$23,523.01

Expenditures

Pastor Ins./Pension	\$ 3,513.32
Pastor Expense	\$ 578.65
Salaries/FICA	\$ 9,190.76
Buildings	\$ 1,529.97
Staff Development	\$ 195.00
Worship & Music	\$ 64.72
Office Repair/Maint.	\$ 124.94
Custodial Supplies	\$ 143.02
ODC Custodian	\$ 458.25
Groundskeeper	\$ 100.00
Office Supplies/Postage	\$ 213.12
Special Assessments	\$ 330.10
Church Repair/Maint.	\$ 134.50
Equipment Purchase	\$ 529.99
<u>Bank Service Chg</u>	<u>\$ 7.50</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 17,113.84

Other OSL Accounts

General Fund	\$ 38,984.39
Mission Fund	\$ 4,908.07
Project 2000/Building Fund	\$ 23,715.08
Bremer MM Fund	\$ 58,002.11
Memorial Fund	\$ 11,301.83
Servant Group	\$ 7,561.48
Bell Ringers	\$ 688.32

Net Ordinary Income	\$ 6,409.17
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Other Expense

Donations Restricted \$ 4,700.00

Net Other Income	\$ - 4,700.00
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Net Income	\$ 1,709.17
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Thrivent Choice Dollars

*If you are a member of Thrivent and have insurance policies with Thrivent, you may be able to direct Choice dollars to OSL or Melo. Choice dollars are a charitable grant program that gives Thrivent Financial direction as to where you would like the gifts given. If you specify, they will be given to OSL or Melo. To date in 2018, \$349.00 has been designated to OSL. **How do I designate Choice Dollars?:** The easiest way is to call 1-800-847-4836 and when prompted say "Thrivent Choice". You can also visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice. If you have any questions, call the office or talk with Pastor Janet.*

April Offering	Simply Giving	4/1/18	4/8/18	4/15/18	4/22/18	4/29/18	April Total
General	\$ 2,335.00	\$ 1,944.10	\$ 1,897.00	\$ 11,688.00	\$ 1,773.50	\$ 1,869.00	\$ 21,506.50
Utilities					\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
Postage		\$ 370.00					\$ 370.00
Thrivent Choice			\$ 349.00				\$ 349.00
Youth Group		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00				\$ 100.00
Proj. 2000/Bldg	\$ 40.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00		\$ 190.00
Endowment	\$ 40.00						\$ 40.00
Mission	\$ 20.00		\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00			\$ 70.00
Food Shelf			\$ 10.00				\$ 10.00
Living Lutheran			\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00		\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 2,345.00	\$ 2,439.10	\$ 2,439.10	\$ 11,738.00	\$ 2,008.50	\$ 1,869.00	\$ 22,955.50
Total to General	Fund						\$22,425.50

JUNE 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Holy Communion 9:00 AM Melo Worship 10:00 AM Melo Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee Fellowship 10:45 AM OSL Worship	4 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Ed Committee 6:30 PM Youth Board	5 6:00 PM W&E Committee 7:00 PM Food Shelf Board	6 	7 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	8 2:00 PM Lydia/Phoebe Circle NW MN Synod Assembly	9 NW MN Synod Assembly at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Moorhead MN
10 Lawn Chair Service 10:00 AM Melo and OSL Worship at Island Park in Warren Potluck Brunch to follow service 	11 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 5:45-8:15 PM Vacation Bible School at OSL	12 5:45-8:15 PM VBS at OSL 	13 5:45-8:15 PM Vacation Bible School at OSL 7:45 PM VBS Program	14 Flag Day 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study to Northlands Mission 5:00 PM Endowment Committee	15 	16
17 Holy Communion Father's Day 9:00 AM Melo Worship 10:00 AM Melo Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee Fellowship 10:45 AM OSL Worship 	18 1:00 PM Staff Meeting	19 	20 9 to 11 PM Youth Event Campfire at Island Park 	21 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	22 	23
24 Hymn Sing 9:00 AM Melo Worship 10:00 AM Melo Coffee Fellowship 10:15 AM OSL Coffee Fellowship 10:45 AM OSL Worship	25 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM OSL Council	26 	27 	28 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study	29 	30

June Servants

Lector:

June 3 - Sara Hedlund
June 10 -
June 17 - Karen Larson
June 24 -

Coffee Hosts/Flowers:

June 3 - Tami Duckstad
June 10 - Bring a dish to pass—Island Park
June 17 - Sara Hedlund
June 24 -

Ushers:

June 3 - James Duckstad, Sara Hedlund
June 10 -
June 17 - James Duckstad, Sara Hedlund
June 24 - James Duckstad, Sara Hedlund

Melo Custodian:

June 3—10 - Mylo Carlson
June 17—24 - Kevin Hamrick

Communion Server:

June 3 & 17 - Jim Duckstad

Song Leader:

June 3 - Julie Rittmann
June 10 -
June 17 - Wayne Torgerson
June 24 - Julie Rittmann



June Birthdays & Anniversaries



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| 1 - Alexander Norton
Jon O'Keefe
A- Wayne & Linda Hamrick | 14 - Elijah Donarski
Christopher Howard
Curt Myrfield
A- Jack & Delores Sedlacek | 25 - Mike Carlson
Nate Chandler
Vanessa Hacker
A- Johny & Kaitlin Barbosa
A- Mike & Donna Miller |
| 2 - LuAnn Johnson
A- Cole & Kathy Wittman | 15 - Jason Kalt
Alex Porter | 26 - Ashley Bishop
Jarrod Peterson
A- Jim & Karen Pearson |
| 3 - Keaton Laymon
Paisley Solberg | 16 - Jayce Hapka | 27 - John Graham
Kacey Green
A- Dean & Mary Jo Chandler
A- Willis & Janice Grochow |
| 4 - Gail Hamrick
Tony Hamrick | 17 - Earl Johnson
JoAnn Laymon | 28 - Cody Kostrzewski
A- Wayne & Bev Torgerson |
| 5 - Faith Rud | 18 - Katie Benson
Hailey Greentree
Gary Owens | 29 - Brenna Olson
Laura Nybladh |
| 6 - Leo Johnson
Olivia Woinarowicz | 19 - Lowell Goplin
A- Curt & Deb Myrfield | 30 - Kathy Kleinvachter
A- George & Marie Owens
A- Jake & Ashley Reinier
A- Matt & Ashley Vongroven |
| 7 - Ryan Gallagher
Danny Mattson | 20 - Austin Roley
A- Brian & Kacey Green
A- Lowell & Shirley Hamrick
A- Phil & Gloria Thompson | |
| 8 - Brenda Myrfield
Ariana Porter
Heather Treumer
A- Jim & Belinda Folz
A- Jim & Janice Johnston | 21 - Randy Engelstad | |
| 9 - Hallee Spidahl | 22 - Irmy Haugen
Everly Johnson | |
| 10 - A- Jim & Pat Bjorgaard | 23 - Dorothy Johnson
A- Chuck & Maureen Greentree
A- Brian & Denise Laymon | |
| 11 - Chandler Klassy
Randy Owens | 24 - Eliz Porter | |
| 12 - Emmett Treumer | | |
| 13 - Ava Wittman
A- Randy & Cindy Engelstad | | |



Celebrating milestones this month:
Gail Hamrick (65 yrs).

Best Wishes to you!

LOST AND FOUND:

Remember to check the items on the office hallway window ledge if you are missing anything. New items added are: a charm from a necklace or bracelet ('Love, Faith, Hope') and a cap for a baby bottle. Items remaining are: a winter women's glove (pink & black), a pair of women's sunglasses, and a few items of jewelry (some children's). Call the office or stop in sometime to claim!

THIS AND THAT:

If you will be gone on vacation or at the lake on many weekends this summer, you may want to consider the Simply Giving program for your offering. This can be started, changed or stopped at any time. It is an electronic funds transfer and you choose the frequency and designate the account(s) you would like, i.e. general fund, building, mission, endowment. Contact the office for information.



MANY THANKS to all who have volunteered in recent months at our churches! To name a few, this includes Sunday School teachers and staff, Youth event leaders and volunteers, Senior Meal delivery folks, Food Shelf helpers, worship song leaders, servant group worship participants & funeral lunch workers and providers, those donating flowers, altar guild members, and members of the various committees, who have given of their time, talents & resources!!

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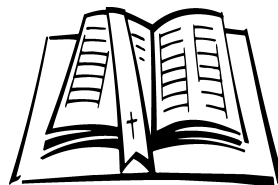
Lessons for June 2018

June 3

Deuteronomy 5:12-15
Psalm 81:1-10
2 Corinthians 4:5-12
Mark 2:23—3:6

June 10

Genesis 3:8-15
Psalm 130
2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1
Mark 3:20-35



June 17

Ezekiel 17:22-24
Psalm 92:1-4,12-15
2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34

June 24

Malachi 3:1-4
Psalm 141
Acts 13:13-26
Luke 1:57-67