



## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

3009 N Meade St, Appleton 54911

*Rev. Kurt Hoffman*

### Thursday Worship

#### 6:30pm in-person Worship

During the Summer months, Worship will be held in the Sanctuary on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of the month.

#### 6:30pm Ignite Worship

During the Summer months, Worship will be held outside around the fire pit on the West side of OSLC on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, weather permitting.

### Sunday Worship

#### 9am in-person Worship

The 9 am in-person Worship will also be streaming on Facebook Live and is recorded for viewing any-time.

#### 10:30am Worship

Worship from the parking lot transmits on the station: **(97.9 FM WLGO-Love God, Others)**.

### Contact

920-734-6396

[Kurt@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:Kurt@OSLC-Appleton.org)

[office@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:office@OSLC-Appleton.org)



### Inside This Issue

Worship Information .....	2
Stuff's Happening .....	3
Updates .....	4
Church Calendar .....	5
Council Updates .....	6
Partners in Ministry .....	7
Caring for Creation .....	8



**Beginning with the July 2021 Newsletter, we will resume making limited printed copies available for you to pick up at church or from the brochure box outside of church by the front doors.**

- ◆ If you are receiving this newsletter in the mail, it means we do not have ANY email address on record for you. Please email [office@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:office@OSLC-Appleton.org) and ask that we add your email address to the newsletter and email distribution list.
- ◆ If you are not receiving this electronically, we may not have your CURRENT email address. Please email [office@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:office@OSLC-Appleton.org) and ask that we verify your email address on the church records.

Thank you very much! Please contact us with current NAME, EMAIL, PHONE #'s, and MAILING ADDRESS. Our church records have numerous landlines that are no longer in service, out-of-date email addresses, etc. We appreciate your help to bring OSLC's records up-to-date.

**Laura, Office Manager**      [Office@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:Office@OSLC-Appleton.org)

VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.OSLC-APPLETON.ORG](http://WWW.OSLC-APPLETON.ORG)



**In-person Worship at 9am on Sunday morning-PreRegistration Required (for up to 50 people in the building). This service is also streaming on Facebook Live and recorded for viewing anytime.**

**Beginning in June, Council plans to suspend pre-registration for in-person Worship!!**

### **Thursday night In-Person Worship at 6:30pm during the summer months:**

June 3rd and 17th  
July 1st, 15th, & 30th  
August 5th & 19th

***As a community of believers at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, our vision to "love God. love others."***

#### **SERVING OSLC**

##### **STAFF**

Rev. Kurt Hoffman, Pastor  
Laura Purath, Office Mgr./Ministries Coord.  
Karen Stangel, Worship Accompanist  
John Stangel, Worship Tech.  
Jenn & Ted Tyvol, Children's Ministries Coords.  
Amy Arps, Assistant-Confirmation, Office  
John Hermans-Custodian  
Donna Allen-Financial Assistant

##### **OSLC COUNCIL**

Carol Lamp, President  
Susan Kulkarni, Vice President  
Lori Knoke, Council Secretary  
Steve Alstad, Treasurer  
Brad Wendt, Financial Secretary  
Brian Krauss, Christian. Ed. Comm. Chair  
Larry Williams, Evangelism Comm. Chair  
Steve Bartell, Personnel Comm. Chair  
Joel DeShaney, Property Comm. Chair  
Winnie McPeake, BASICS Council Liaison  
Stephanie Lenz, Stewardship Comm. Chair  
Michael Emrick, Technology Comm. Chair  
John Stangel, Worship & Music Comm. Chair  
Stacey Wagner, Youth/Young Adult Mnstry. Rep.



**Worship from the Parking Lot at 10:30am on Sundays--Broadcast to your vehicle's radio on WLGO 97.9 FM (Love God, Others)**



**Watch the recorded virtual Worship when you want to by visiting [www.OSLC-Appleton.org](http://www.OSLC-Appleton.org) and clicking on the circle labeled "Recorded Worship".**

## **IGNITE WORSHIP**

Ignite Worship around the firepit on our west side will begin in June at 6:30pm on Thursdays. During the 3 summer months, ignite is scheduled for the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month, weather permitting.

June 10 & 24  
July 8 & 22  
August 12 & 26



It is fully expected that after Labor Day in 2021, September 9th, OSLC will be back to holding Worship three times each week. Thursday evenings in-person at 6:30pm, and Sunday mornings at 8am and 10:30am in-person.

Our Saviour's will also continue to provide virtual Worship each week as one of the services will be streamed on Facebook Live and recorded for later viewing.



## PICNIC AT THE PARK!! SO NICE TO SEE EVERYONE!



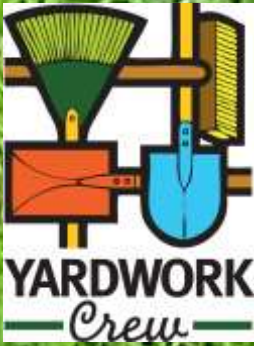
In fact it was so fun, another Picnic at the Park has been scheduled!! Thursday, June 17th at 11:30am! Gather at Kimberly Sunset Park by the lower diamonds, closest to the water. Bring your own lunch and beverage.

No need to sign up. Just show up if you're available!! Questions? Email [larrywilliams7149@gmail.com](mailto:larrywilliams7149@gmail.com) or call (920)470-8123.



**NEXT GATHERING:**  
Tuesday, June 1st at  
6pm

Gather for Bible, Burger & a Beverage!  
Meet at the UNO Pizzeria & Grill off East College Ave. -- W3254 Van Roy Rd., Kimberly, WI. Meet in the Patio Room.



**THANK YOU** to all who participated on May 1st for the outdoor Spring Cleaning Day! While there is more to be done, it looks so much better.



## HELP YOUR CHURCH SAVE GREEN

It's simple arithmetic. If we can get a pool of volunteers to help mow, fertilize, and do property clean-up, we can save approximately \$2500!!

We did it last year!!! Most volunteers trailored their riding mower over to the church. If you are willing to commit to helping even one time, or two, please contact Joel DeShaney at [deshaneyj@gmail.com](mailto:deshaneyj@gmail.com) or call (920) 475-7338. Joel has a schedule started.

## CELEBRATING the church anniversary of **OUR MEMBERS**

*Our Saviour's Lutheran  
Anniversaries of  
Church Membership:*

**June**

**40 yrs**—Becky Fye

**30 yrs**—Nichole Gerarden

Patricia Poleshinski

Terry & Cheryl Wollin

**25 yrs**—Glenn & Debbie Hauser

Renee Londo

Bob & Mary Rahr

**20 yrs**—Annika Rossebo

Megan Riley

*Anniversaries of membership are  
printed beginning with 20 yrs and  
then every fifth year; yearly beyond  
50 yrs.*



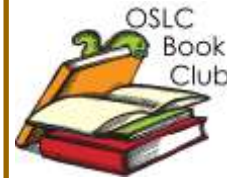
*Our prayers & sympathies remain  
with the families & friends of:*

**Janice "Jan" Mau**  
who was born to eternal life on  
May 2, 2021

**Myra Reynolds**  
who entered eternal life on  
May 7, 2021

*Prayers of sympathy and healing  
for all who are mourning  
the loss of a loved one.*

## OSLC VIRTUAL Book Club—



*Read a good book lately?  
Want to share the book title with others?  
Want to find out what good books others have read?*

Email [CarolLamp44@gmail.com](mailto:CarolLamp44@gmail.com) to participate on **Wednesday, June 23rd at 11:30am.**



**Benjamin James Lisbeth**

Born: April 13, 2019

Baptized: April 15 6, 2021

Son of James & Jessica Lisbeth



## Larry Williams, Director of Fellowship & Events, would like you to know . . .

. . . he has begun planning events for 2021! It is with great anticipation that as more and more opportunities become available, the following events are in the works:

- Potluck luncheon at church on Wednesday, July 14th at 11:30am. Larry will be cooking BBQ'd pork butts to make pulled pork sandwiches. Please bring a dish to pass.
- Chicken Sunday on August 15th at VanAbels in Hollandtown.
- Dine-Around on Wednesday, September 22nd. Location to be determined.
- OctoberFeast at Mark's Eastside in Oct.
- Soup Cook-off on Sunday, September 7th at 11:30am in OSLC Fellowship Hall. (Packers have an away game at 3:30pm.)
- Christmas Park Luncheon in December.

Additional details for events will be published as the dates get closer and details are confirmed.




*Let the good times roll!*

- Another "Picnic at the Park" on Thursday, June 17th. See page 3 of this newsletter for more info.



# CHURCH CALENDAR

5

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sa
		1 6:00pm Men's BB&B @UNO	2 1:00pm Staff meeting	3 6:30pm In-person Worship	4	5
6 9:00am In-person Worship: Simultaneously streaming on Facebook Live (recorded for later viewing) 10:30am Worship from the Parking Lot	7	8 6:30pm Council Mtg	9 1:00pm Staff meeting	10  6:30pm In-person Worship @the firepit on the west side of the OSLC building, weather permitting. <b>Worship will be cancelled if there is rain or inclement weather.</b>	11	12
13 9:00am In-person Worship: Simultaneously streaming on Facebook Live (recorded for later viewing) 10:30am Worship from the Parking Lot	14	15	16 1:00pm Staff meeting	17 11:30am Picnic at the Park @Sunset Park in Kimberly-Bring Your Own Lunch and Beverage 6:30pm In-person Worship	18	19
20 Father's Day 9:00am In-person Worship: Simultaneously streaming on Facebook Live (recorded for later viewing) 10:30am Worship from the Parking Lot	21 1:30pm Women of Wisdom Bible Study: Jesus Calling @OSLC	22	23 11:30am Book Club 1:00pm Staff meeting	24  6:30pm In-person Worship @the firepit on the west side of the OSLC building, weather permitting. <b>Worship will be cancelled if there is rain or inclement weather.</b>	25	26
27 9:00am In-person Worship: Simultaneously streaming on Facebook Live (recorded for later viewing) 10:30am Worship from the Parking Lot	28	29	30 1:00pm Staff meeting			



## May Council Meeting Highlights

1. A very heart felt thank you to Pastor Kurt and Laura for helping us all through the last 14 months. We know that you both went above and beyond to keep the Ministry alive and vital. We also want to acknowledge that you both carried much of the emotional weight of the congregation, and we so appreciate!
2. Small groups can start gathering in the church building starting June 1. Please contact the office if you need the building opened

for your meetings. Please maintain social distance, wear masks, do not use the kitchen area, and sanitize the area you used before leaving.

3. The Return to Church task force has disbanded! The Long Term Planning Committee is back in action, please let the office know if you are interested in joining the Long Term Planning discussion.
4. We are still accepting applications for the Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator, please let your friends and family know about this Opportunity!

### MEETING MINUTES

OSLC Council Meeting: April 13, 2021 (Zoom)  
Mission Statement: Gather, Grow, Go  
Vision: Love God, Love Others

Present: Laura Purath, Carol Lamp, Susan Kulkarni, Steve Bartell, Brian Krauss, Michael Emrick, Lori Knoke, Larry Williams, Winnie McPeake, John Stangel, Steve Alstad, Stephanie Lenz, Stacey Wagner, Joel DeShaney

The ZOOM Meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by Carol Lamp.  
Carol gave a devotion.  
The Meeting Agenda was approved.  
March minutes were approved.

### Monthly Reports:

- Pastor Kurt's written report was submitted.
- Financial Reports were submitted.
- Christian Education written report was submitted
- BASICS written report was submitted
- Property written report was submitted
- Stewardship written report was submitted
- Office Manager written report was submitted
- Weekly contributions continue to be on budget

### Old Business:

- The reopening Task Force is continuing to work toward worship in person. The reservation program "Church Reserve" has been purchased and is being tested. Preregistration will be required for in person worship, maximum 50 people in building. Parking Lot services started on March 7th and are going great. Virtual Service will continue as well. We will be transitioning back to scheduling volunteers for services.
- If you are interested in Ushering or Greeting, please contact the office, we will need more Ushers for both Parking Lot and in person services.
- The Job Description for the new Full Time Youth and Family Coordinator has been submitted to Crossways Camps and to the Synod Office. If you are interested or know someone who is, contact the office. Hopefully interviewing will occur in May and we will have someone in place by June.
- The AV project installation has been completed, there are a few bugs to work out, but the equipment should be working great for our return to in-person services on May 2nd.
- John and Donna have returned to work.
- Brad Wendt submitted a new format for

reporting financials in the Our Glass.

### New Business:

- Joel DeShaney has obtained quotes for resurfacing the parking lots. The quotes range from \$82,000 - \$180,500. More research needs to be done to determine our lots lines, why there is such a difference in the quotes and we need to contact the Nursing Home to determine if they want to also resurface their portion of the lot. Hopefully we can complete this project in 2022.
- We will be asking for volunteers to mow the grass again this year. Please contact the office.
- Joel DeShaney will be obtaining quotes for Lawn Service.
- The reservation system is up and running for in-person worship. After May 2nd, the program will be opened Monday morning to register for the following Sunday.
- Leaven has returned our \$500 donation; they have reached their limit and suggest we donate to another charity. We decided to donate the \$500 to NAMI.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.  
We adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Lori Knoke**, Council Secretary

## How are we doing? Financially?

	Apr 2021	Diff. of Actual vs Budgeted YTD Apr 2021	
Actual Expenses	37,161	\$ -711	WORSE
Actual Giving*	43,324	1,572	BETTER
Difference	6,163	861	BETTER
<i>*Mission &amp; Ministry General Fund</i>			

Est. expenses:\*\* May 2021: \$27,729 Jun 2021: \$  
\*\*Based on the 2021 Budget.

## As of April 30, 2021: Liquid Assets

Checking	\$152,381
Designated monies	48,215
Undesignated memorials	10,291

Outstanding Loans: none  
Endowment Funds available for distribution during 2021: \$6,771\*  
\*Qualified and approved requests

For additional information, request full financial reports from the Financial Secretary or office.

**Council  
Meeting:  
Tues., June 8,  
2021  
At 6:30pm**

### Worship Attendance

#### LIVESTREAMING WORSHIP on Facebook live at 9am on Sundays

	Reactions <sup>1</sup>	total views <sup>2</sup>
April 25:	11	285
April 18:	10	308
April 11:	10	321
April 4:	16	367

<sup>1</sup>How many liked, loved, cared, cried, etc. with an emoji <sup>2</sup>Total views of live and recorded Worship



## Pathfinders: 3rd—5th Grade

This is classic youth camp at it's best - 6 days and 5 nights filled with games, swimming, nature activities, campfires, new friends, excellent cabin leaders, engaging Bible studies, vibrant worship, and more! We are also offering three half-week sessions (3 days, 2 nights) for campers in this age group who would prefer a shorter experience at camp, but with all the same great activities.

## Mavericks: 6th—8th Grade

Our Mavericks program gives youth in this age group the opportunity to experience unconditional acceptance of their true selves, just as God made them, regardless of their clothes, shoes, athletic ability, or whether or not they have the latest tech gadget. Mavericks will enjoy classic recreational activities while also building self-esteem, and problem solving skills, and work together. Mavericks will build faith-based friendships and deepen their relationship with our steadfast God.

## Settlers: 9th—12th Grade

Crossways camps build critical life skills, especially in teenagers! Independence, autonomy, problem-solving, grit - these are essential for making that transition into adulthood. Settlers experience extended river trips (Village only), overnight camp-outs, low ropes challenge courses, and take part in some of the program leadership onsite with our younger campers. Settlers also get to kick back and enjoy classic camp activities, late night campfires, nature hikes, and more. We take our Settlers deeper into Bible study and talk about the intersection of faith and real life, exploring what it means to love God and to be faithful examples of Christ's love in our world.

## Pioneers: 1st - 3rd Grade

3-day, 2-night overnight camp for our youngest youth campers! Our Pioneers get to experience the best camp has to offer in a time-frame that works for them. Make new friends, learn fun games, swim and play on our waterfronts, cookout over a fire, explore nature, and learn all about how the love of God through Jesus changes everything.

## Leaders In Training: 10th—12th Grade

This two-week program is a combination of leadership training, peer ministry, and youth camp designed specially for our older high school campers who are interested in learning what it's like to serve on camp staff! During the first week campers experience classic camp activities and participate in intensive leadership and peer ministry training to prepare them for the second week: when LIT campers are paired with cabin leaders to act as a junior cabin leader in a cabin group of younger campers!

## FAMILY CAMP

Experience camp as a family for faith development that builds an excitement for God, creates meaningful faith practices you can continue at home, and invites you to play together in God's amazing creation. We offer programming for all ages! Enjoy mornings that begin with engaging worship, followed by Bible study for age groups led by camp staff. Afternoons are filled with activities of your choosing, including swimming, canoeing/kayaking, arts & crafts, archery, hiking, and more! Close every night with a campfire and songs. Enjoy delicious, wholesome meals cooked for you - and you don't have to clean up!

## RETREATS

- ♦ Women's Wellness
- ♦ Building Youth Groups
- ♦ Junior High Blast
- ♦ Crafting Retreats

For additional information, including dates and prices, please visit:

[www.crosswayscamps.org](http://www.crosswayscamps.org)



### Apartment Openings

WE ANTICIPATE A VACANCY of a one and a two bedroom apartment beginning in June and/or July. Linwood Place is directly across the street from Linwood Park. Are you interested in living at Linwood Place? Please contact us for information and to schedule a tour by calling 920-734-7225 or by emailing our Executive Director Lynn Ann Clausing Rusch at [lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com](mailto:lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com).

Linwood Place is an independent living community for persons 62 and over in a faith-based community. We serve persons wishing to partake in community living and maintain independence without the work of home maintenance.

**Looking Forward to Outside Grilling — Can You Help?**

The tenants of Fox Valley Lutheran Homes have received their COVID vaccinations and are looking forward to warm weather and outdoor activities. Our backyard patio is set up and we are planning our first community grill out. Our current grill is beyond repair and we are need of a gas grill. We are seeking a donation of \$550 to cover the cost of a new grill and utensils. Your donation to help purchase a new grill is greatly appreciated. Please contact Executive Director, Lynn Ann Clausing-Rusch at 920-734-7225 or at [lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com](mailto:lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com) for additional information. You can also mail your donation to Fox Valley Lutheran Homes, 425 N Linwood Ave, #111, Appleton, WI 54914. Thank you for your support.

### Help Wanted

We thank our Building Manager, Brian Krauss for almost 7 years of service as a volunteer and later as an employee to the ministry of Fox Valley Lutheran Homes (FVLH). His servant attitude has been a blessing for all of us. Brian has announced that he will be leaving FVLH. We will soon be announcing an opening for a new building manager. This is part-time position to begin on or around July 1. Please contact Lynn Ann for more information at 920-734-7225 or by email at [lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com](mailto:lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com).





**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church**  
 3009 N Meade St  
 Appleton WI 54911  
[www.OSLC-Appleton.org](http://www.OSLC-Appleton.org)

**ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED**

First Std  
 U.S. Postage  
 PAID  
 City, ST  
 Permit # 000

Love God. Love others.

## C A R I N G F O R C R E A T I O N

8



### Quilting Ministry:

The quilt group is not currently meeting; however, anyone who would like to make quilts for LWR please call me, Linda Storma, at 920-739-0455 for quilting supplies or instructions on making quilts at home. We now have a new supply of batting available for quilt filler.



### Kwik Trip Gas Cards still available

You can still purchase Kwik Trip Gas cards from the youth. If you would like to purchase cards, simply email [Amy@OSLC-appleton.org](mailto:Amy@OSLC-appleton.org) with your order. She will try and make them available within 2 days. Amy will make arrangements with you to pick them up at the church. Thanks for your continued support of our youth.

**Come join the fun! Neighborhood Preschool is accepting registrations now for the 2021/2022 school year.**

Call Sheri at 920-858-6879.  
[www.Neighborhoodpreschool.org](http://www.Neighborhoodpreschool.org)



# thrivent®

**Want to understand how taxes might affect your retirement?**

Join us for **Savvy Tax Strategies** with Mike Fuehrmeyer, Financial Consultant with Thrivent, where we will provide a fundamental overview of the topic, including:

- The critical tax question you must answer before retirement.
- The Social Security "tax trap", and ways to avoid it.
- Mistakes to avoid when it comes to your investment portfolio, health care, and estate.

All are welcome, we encourage you to [share this invite](#) with others who might be interested in learning more!

**June 8th at Noon OR June 8th at 6:30pm**

[Click here to register](#)