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Newsletter of  
Our Saviour's  
Lutheran Church  
Appleton, WI

OCTOBER 2020

## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

3009 N Meade St, Appleton 54911

Rev. Kurt Hoffman

Deacon Brett Christensen

## Virtual Worship

Sunday: 9am Streaming  
on Facebook Live.

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**Due to COVID-19, OSLC is suspending ALL Activities, including Worship in person at the church building until further notice.**

**Visit the OSLC Website and Facebook page for updates!**

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### Council Corner: September Council Meeting Highlights

1. The ECS Mission Support is asking for donations, they are experiencing a shortfall due to the COVID Virus. Donations can be sent directly to the Synod office at 16 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, WI 54914.
2. Confirmation and Sunday School will be starting in October. Registration forms are available on the Website and at the entrance of the church.
3. Confirmation for the 2020 Confirmation class will be held on October 25, in a parking lot service.







***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*  
Deacon Brett Christensen, *Youth & Young Adult Ministries Coord.*  
Laura Purath, *Office Mgr./Ministries Coord.*  
Karen Stangel, *Worship Accompanist*  
John Stangel, *Worship Tech.*  
Jenn & Ted Tyvol, *Children's Ministries Coords.*

#### **OSLC COUNCIL**

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### ***From the Pastor's Desk . . .***

Singer/Songwriter/poet Bob Dylan wrote a song called *The Times They Are A Changin'* and as I reflect upon the times we are a livin' right now, the title to Dylan's song seem to strike a cord in me and maybe you too –

*The Times They Are A Changin'!*



And we've witnessed the changin' times bringing about fear, anxiety, rage, despair, depression, control, hate, helplessness and on and on and on.

And we've witnessed the changin' times also bringing about creativity, compassion, cooperation, innovation, and on and on and on.

These times that we live in reminded me of a Bible passage from the Gospel of John, the 1st chapter, verse 16 – from *The Message*: "We all live off of His generous bounty, gift after gift after gift . . ." As people created in the image of God we are blessed, even when the blessing seems distant or shrouded, or unreachable, with a grace and love without end SO THAT we can live grace, speak grace, show grace in our daily interactions with one another.

The liar would have us believe, and his lie seems much more tangible than God's grace at times, that the brokenness of our world is as good as it's gonna get, so we all had better make sure that we get ours or someone else will get what we're due – in short – the opposite of living a grace filled life.

So as we enter this transition month of October: gardens finishing, leaves turning, school back in full swing, please remember that you are held fast in the loving hands of God whose mercies for you and all people are without end – no matter what other lies tell us the contrary.

As a congregation living in these times that are a changin', please also remember that God has blessed us with a strength and power that are unmatched by anything the word has to offer, so let's all continue to live together as  
hope and love-filled people.

Grace and peace, ***Pastor Kurt***



### **Coffee House Connections**

***The first Sunday of the month:  
October 4th***

***Join in the fun!***

**On Sunday, October 4th immediately after worship, we will be hosting a ZOOM gathering for a virtual coffee hour.**

Participants do not need to download anything, simply click on the link provided at the end of worship in the comments section.

If you have any questions about how to participate, please contact Deacon Brett at [brett@oslc-appleton.org](mailto:brett@oslc-appleton.org).

## OSLC Sunday School 2020/2021

Hi, and welcome to another great year of Sunday School at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church! OSLC welcomes all children, members or not, to its Sunday School, including youth ages 3 - 6th grade.



We recognize the unprecedented times that are upon us as we start in a virtual format at least through 2020. We will look to provide Sunday School programming that is relevant and inspiring, understanding that families have a variety of make-ups and schedules. Building community togetherness may supersede specific learning objectives as we begin the year. Our hope is that the child(ren) in your home have a journey of faith that is positive and that we are able to provide you with tools to help make the most of the days at home. Sunday School is truly for everyone.

**Invite friends and family members to participate—they do not need to be members of OSLC. See page 10 for registration form.**



## Confirmation Ministry begins in October online for all 7-9 grade youth



Our confirmation ministry will be taking place virtually this fall, as we continue to practice "safer at home" guidelines. Students came together for a zoom orientation on September 30, where they learned how they would be connected this fall and growing in their faith. If your student has not yet registered, simply email Deacon Brett to get started. ([brett@oslc-appleton.org](mailto:brett@oslc-appleton.org))

### OCTOBER CONFIRMATION CALENDAR

Sun. October 4	9AM	<b>OSLC Virtual Worship on Facebook Live</b>
Mon. October 5		<b>Deadline to signup as Sunday Volunteer helpers</b>
Mon. October 5		<b>September Home video/questions on website</b> <a href="http://www.oslc-appleton.org/confirmation">www.oslc-appleton.org/confirmation</a>
Wed. October 7	6:30PM	<b>7th Grade Large Group Zoom Gathering</b>
Sun. October 11	9AM	<b>OSLC Virtual Worship on Facebook Live</b>
Wed. October 14	6:30PM	<b>8th Grade Large Group Zoom Gathering</b>
Sun. October 18	9AM	<b>OSLC Virtual Worship on Facebook Live</b>
Wed. October 21	6:30PM	<b>Affirmation of Baptism worship planning/ rehearsal</b>
Sun. October 25	10AM	<b>Affirmation of Baptism Worship Service</b>
Wed. October 28	6:30PM	<b>9th Grade Large Group Zoom Gathering</b>
Wed. October 28		<b>Oct. Home video questions due to Brett via email</b>

### Calendar of Events leading up to Sunday, October 25 Confirmation



There will be a special worship service for those students from last year's 9<sup>th</sup> grade class who were not able to confirm their faith last spring. We will be hosting an Affirmation of Baptism within Sunday worship, as we come together virtually, for one worship service on Reformation Sunday, October 25 at 10:00 AM. Please contact Deacon Brett with questions ([brett@oslc-appleton.org](mailto:brett@oslc-appleton.org)).

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- Wednesday, October 14 from 3-6pm: Pick up rental robes and corsage at church
  - Wednesday, October 21 at 6:30pm: Virtual zoom Conf. Rehearsal with students
  - Sunday, October 25 at 10:00am: Conf. Drive in worship. Arrive 20 minutes early with robe and corsage on and ready to go.
- ⇒ We will begin the worship service promptly at 10am.

## Kwik Trip Gas Cards still available at the church

Just a friendly reminder that you can still purchase Kwik Trip Gas cards from the youth, during this time when we are not together. If you would like to purchase cards, simply email Deacon Brett with your order and he will try and make them available within 2 days. He will make arrangements with you to pick them up at the church. Thanks for your continued support of our youth.







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The people of OSLC have sewn and shipped  
**ONE THOUSAND DRESSES FOR GIRLS,**  
with one seamstress sewing several hundred!!

**ATTENTION QUILTERS:** The quilt group will not be meeting this fall; however, we still need quilts for Lutheran World Relief. **Anyone who would like quilting supplies or who has quilts to donate please call me,** Linda Storma, at 739-0455.

A shipment of quilts will be sent in October to LWR—call Linda if you have some to include in the shipment. Thanks to all of you for the quilts already completed!



### FACEMASK MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, is willing to help with the mask ministry, please contact Winnie at (920)428-2487 or [winnie.mcpeake@gmail.com](mailto:winnie.mcpeake@gmail.com) to see how you might be able to help.

Knitters are making the strings for fasteners, while sewers are sewing masks in sizes for children or adults. Some of the masks are being placed in the Little Free Pantry on our property along Meade St. to help our neighbors.

Perhaps you have cotton material to donate, or could cut some fabric, or help with delivery, or donate 1/4" elastic you have on hand, etc.

### READ and FEED

OSLC now has two little free libraries and one little free pantry. The pantry is stocked with non-perishable food items and facemasks to help our community.



We are collecting:

- Gently used or new books for all ages (especially need children's books)
- Canned and boxed food (that has not expired)
- Face masks

When grocery shopping, please consider picking up an item or two to donate to the Little Free Pantry at OSLC. Donations can be placed in the top blue tote by the front doors at church or send an email to [Laura@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:Laura@OSLC-Appleton.org) to coordinate donating a larger amount.

*Thank you, Tom Roessler for consistently sharing your gifts to make these ministries possible.*

**Thank you, people of OSLC, for helping to reach out to our community!**

### UPDATE:

**Meijer Supermarket Company granted a \$500 gift card to OSLC to help fill the Little Free Pantry!! Thank you, Meijer, for helping us to feed the community.**

### Connecting . . . Be a Phone Buddy



Are you interested in connecting with some of OSLC's older members?

Phone Buddy

If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please contact the office

by calling 920-734-6396 and leave a message or email [office@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:office@OSLC-Appleton.org)

### Looking to connect with even more folks? . . .

#### TeleMatch increases social connections for older adults

Many adults age 60 and older who live alone in their home are particularly c social isolation during this pandemic. Feeling lonely and isolated can lead to chronic health conditions. St. Paul Elder Services and Volunteer Fox Cities are partners in TeleMatch, a program that pairs screened volunteers with older adults who live in their own home in Outagamie County and desire greater social connections. The goal is to assist older adults to remain healthy, safe and independent in their own home. When our vetted volunteers are matched with an older adult, they place a friendly phone call to them. Both can decide the frequency of the calls. Do you have a neighbor or family member who lives alone in their own home or apartment who may benefit from a friendly phone call? Contact Jan at 920-832-9360.



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

**Myrtle Grace Otis**  
who entered eternal life on  
September 3, 2020

**Hazel Norman,**  
Regular visitor at OSLC and  
Sister of Adela Heidemann  
who was born to eternal life on  
January 3, 2020

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



*Memorial monies and gifts were  
received by Our Saviour's in memory of...*

**Dr. Jeff Klingbeil**  
for the Little Free Pantry

**Don Taylor**  
By Eileen Landmann

**Myrtle Otis**  
By Eileen Landmann

**Myrtle Otis**  
By friends of Penny Gillespie

**Hazel Norman**



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

**56 yrs:** Edwin & Eunice Ellefson

**53 yrs:** Bruce Lillge

**20 yrs:** Rece Werner

Joyce Neuman

John & Deb and Justin Carew

Janice Raimer

Charles & Holly Lucht

Jackson Hackbart

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

## How are we doing? Financially?

	Aug 2020	Previous 12 months (Sep2019-Aug2020)
Actual Expenses	\$24,789	451,099
Actual Giving*	<u>25,552</u>	<u>454,696</u>
Difference	763	3,597
*Mission & Ministry General Fund		

Est. expenses:\*\* Sep2020: 41,921      Oct2020: \$44,260  
\*\*Based on the 2020 Budget.

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

## As of August 31, 2020: Liquid Assets

Checking	\$97,530*
Designated monies	46,848
Undesignated memorials	4,005
PPP Loan funds avail. (in Sav.)	0

\*\$60,000 of PPP loan monies are included in checking balance.

## Outstanding Loans

Line of Credit	\$0 (pd in full 8/23/2020 \$28,970
PPP Loan	60,000**

## Investment

Endowment Fund	\$120,908
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**\*\*The PPP loan funds were available due to the pandemic. Some portion of the loan may be forgivable. OSLC was approved to borrow \$60,000 to pay payroll expenses and utilities. Once the "audit" of the use of the loan proceeds is complete, we will know how much of the \$60,000 has been forgiven.**

## Worship Attendance

### VIRTUAL WORSHIP: Facebook live 9am on Sundays

	peak live views	total views
Aug 30:	36	166
Aug 23:	42	208
Aug 16:	44	214
Aug 9:	44	247
Aug 2:	56	256
Devotions have received approximately 100-300 views.		

## Video Tutorials

There are three video tutorials on our Facebook page.

1. How to "plug in" to see the streaming Facebook Live Worship Service on Sunday mornings at 9am.
2. How to participate in the virtual Coffee House gatherings.
3. How to access and use the OSLC on-line Church Directory.







## DEVOTIONS

- Pastor Kurt has a daily devotion called "Bread for the Journey", streaming on Facebook live at 9am M-F.
- Deacon Brett has a daily devotion called "A Minute At A Time" on Facebook M-F.

- View

Worship or Devotions any time as they are also recorded.

[www.OSLC-Appleton.org](http://www.OSLC-Appleton.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/OSLC-Our-Saviours-Lutheran-Church-Appleton-WI-181313441890433/?ref=bookmarks>



**Virtual Bible Study** led by Pastor Kurt (aka Men's Bible Study and BB&B) will take place virtually on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 6-7pm. July 7 & 21. Via ZOOM.\*

**Women of Wisdom Virtual Bible Study** led by Deacon Brett on Monday afternoons from 1:30 to 3pm. Currently, we are studying the first in a series by Sarah Young, *Jesus Calling-Experiencing God's Presence*. If you would like to participate, please contact [Brett@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:Brett@OSLC-Appleton.org).



## The Rev. Anne Edison-Albright elected Bishop of the East Central Synod of WI.

On September 26th voting members from the East Central Synod of Wisconsin met in the first ever virtual synod assembly hosted by the synod. The Rev. Anne Edison-Albright was elected Bishop of the synod on the 5th ballot with a total of one-hundred and fifty-one votes. Congratulations Bishop-elect Edison-Albright!

**Bishop-Elect Anne Edison-Albright currently serves as the Director of College Ministries and College Pastor at Luther College in Decorah, IA. She has served the Luther College community since 2016...[TO READ MORE, CLICK HERE.](#)**



## 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, October 28th at 11:30am.** We meet online virtually. All you need is internet access, and a device with a camera and microphone.



## NOW a link on the OSLC website under Learning/Togetherness!





Use the OSLC on-line directory for contact information.

- ♦ Send an email to [Laura@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:Laura@OSLC-Appleton.org) if you cannot get into the directory at [www.lconcmo.com](http://www.lconcmo.com). A link and username will be emailed to you.
- ♦ If you need help updating your information in the church records or want to submit a new picture, email [Laura@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:Laura@OSLC-Appleton.org)

*Help to fight the isolation felt during this time. Use the OSLC directory to send a card or note in the mail.*

The East Central Synod of Wisconsin is experiencing some significant shortfall to their budgeted income for 2020. While we are up-to-date on our pledge, some churches have been unable to make this payment as their receipt in offerings are down. If you would like to help reduce the synod's shortfall, you can send a check made payable to ECSW and mail to 16 Tri-Park Way, Appleton, WI 54914.



Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sa
		<b>Worship, Sunday School, Confirmation, studies, meetings, and all "activities", are virtual!</b>	<b>Virtual Sunday School begins on Sun., Oct. 4th for age 3yrs through students in Gr. 6</b>	<b>1</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>9:30am</b> Staff meeting	<b>2</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Check for Sunday School material at: <a href="http://www.OSIC-Appleton.org">www.OSIC-Appleton.org</a> <b>9:00am</b> Worship-streaming on Facebook Live (recorded for later viewing) <b>~9:35am</b> Virtual Coffee House	<b>5</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>NO</b> Women of Wisdom Bible Study – Jesus Calling	<b>6</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>9:30am</b> Staff meeting <b>6:00pm</b> Bible Study-Pr Kurt	<b>7</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation-Gr. 7 ZOOM gathering	<b>8</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>9:30am</b> Staff meeting	<b>9</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett	<b>10</b>
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<b>25 REFORMATION/CONFIRMATION SUNDAY</b> <b>10:00am</b> Confirmation Service/Worship Sunday School-streaming on Facebook Live (recorded for later viewing) Check for Sunday School material at: <a href="http://www.OSIC-Appleton.org">www.OSIC-Appleton.org</a>	<b>26</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>1:30pm</b> Women of Wisdom Bible Study – Jesus Calling	<b>27</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>9:30am</b> Staff meeting	<b>28</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>11:30am</b> Book Club <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation-Gr. 9 ZOOM gathering	<b>29</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett <b>9:30am</b> Staff meeting	<b>30</b> <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: Bread for the Journey by Pr Kurt <b>9:00am</b> Devotional: A Minute at a Time by Dea Brett	<b>31</b>





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## A NOTE FROM THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM

Dear Children and Families,

August 18, 2020

Hi, and welcome to another great year of Sunday School at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church! We look forward to warmly connecting with our returning families from previous times; we have missed you! We also are excited to embrace new children and families into our program in the coming months, and we hope you find this community at OSLC to be one filled with faith, love, and hope. OSLC welcomes all children, members or not, to its Sunday School, including youth ages 3 - 6th grade.

### Faith Journey

As we all embark on this faith journey with the child(ren), we recognize the unprecedented times that are upon us. Sunday School ended abruptly for our children, their teachers, and all of the Sunday School families last year, and our program will look much different beginning in the 2020-2021 school year as we start in a virtual format at least through 2020. We will continue to align our programming with the opening of worship, and when times are ready to commence in person, we will joyfully share that news with you of returning to the church.

### What Will Sunday School Look Like This Fall?

We will look to provide Sunday School programming that is relevant and inspiring, understanding that families have a variety of make-ups and schedules, that time is precious, and that there may be already a lot of screen time in your home with work, school, and other commitments. We recognize that timing/viewing/participation may differ for each family, and creating and growing relationships and building community togetherness may supersede specific learning objectives as we begin the year. Our hope is that the child(ren) in your home have a journey of faith that is positive and that we are able to provide you with tools to help make the most of the days at home. Sunday School is truly for everyone.

### How Do We Participate?

You will find a registration form for the OSLC Sunday School 2020-2021 year. Here, be sure to register anyone who may fall into the specified age range who may participate in Sunday School this year. Anyone will be able to view things online; however, we'd like to know who we have joining us. Please fill out the form and return it to us. Because we are virtual to start, this could include friends, relatives, neighbors, classmates, and others who might not otherwise be with us, or who may not even be members of the congregation. We are so glad you ALL are joining us, and we want to be sure to include you in communications; for this reason, registration is key.

### When Do We Start?

Sunday School for the 2020-2021 school year will begin the week of October 4th, 2020. Please register so we can provide more information to you as it becomes available. We will also have articles/items in our monthly OSLC newsletter. Please contact us if you are not yet receiving those newsletters online through the church and would like to be included. Finally, please be on the look out for our Volunteer Needs Spotlight in the September newsletter, where we will highlight opportunities for not only teaching the children, but smaller, more defined roles where you can assist the children in families.

Thank you so much for venturing on this new journey with us this fall. We are glad to be back, and we hope you are too.

With Grace and Hope,  
Jenn and Ted Tyvol, Children's Ministries Co-  
Coordinators

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





## Make a Difference!

The 2020-2021 Sunday School Year is now seeking volunteer teachers and project coordinators here at OSLC! Whether you are looking for a large or small commitment, we have a GREAT variety of options this year, some specific to while we are virtual! If you feel you have the joy in your heart to make a difference to OSLC's youth this year by volunteering your time and talents, please reach out to Jenn or Ted at [JennandTed@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:JennandTed@OSLC-Appleton.org), or please feel free to call (920) 248-1720. We would LOVE for you to join us! We welcome volunteers of all ages...yes, kids, that could include YOU as well. The time commitments are extremely flexible based on your wishes, and these could be time-limited during virtual times only. Hope to hear from you soon!

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If you don't see a specific opportunity listed that you feel you have a great niche for, please reach out to us!

### Prayer Partners:

Come one, come all! Could you please pray for our children, families, teachers, and other staff/volunteers for a year of growth, love, and hope? We would love it!

### Musicians:

We are looking for those willing to use their talents to help with pre-recorded and/or live songs, using voice or instruments.

### Song Leaders:

Are you great with children's songs? Are you a former camp counselor, or are you possibly one in your heart? We are looking for people of all ages to showcase songs for our youth. These will be pre-recorded; time commitment can be minimal.

### Sunday School Teachers:

We look forward to welcoming back returning teachers, and we are needing new Sunday School teachers as well! When virtual, Sunday School teaching can include checking in with your children/families, providing content for a specific area in terms of pre-recorded videos, etc. The possibilities are endless! If you have time know that we are virtual and are interested in joining this flexible-timed position for the "online season" only, that is would be helpful too! Even if

you've never volunteered for Sunday School before, NOW is the time! E-mail or call us!

### Tech Crew:

Do you love computers/programs, etc.? We are seeking assistance for volunteers with backgrounds to set up programs for virtual Sunday School items. Time commitment will be on an as-needed basis.

### Guest Speakers:

Do you have a special hobby or talent you'd like to share? Do you know about gardening, how to make tasty treats, or have special arts and crafts talents we could showcase? Have you traveled somewhere special, done service work or volunteering that you'd like to share, or have a special skill in puppetry? We need you! Connect with us! Time commitment is based on your schedule, and in general is one time only...unless you have many things to share, of course!

### Postal Ministry:

Do you have time while the kids are sleeping... or better yet...have kids who would love to volunteer? Try out the postal ministry! Time commitment would be as needed for items to be prepped for postal drop off, stamping and addressing items, etc. We provide the items; work in the comfort of your own home.

### Kit Team:

Do you have a knack for finding great deals? Do you have ideas for At-Home Family kits for the fall? Would you be willing to put things in provided boxes to mail out to children and their families? If any of these sound doable, connect with us!

### Special Events Coordinator/Team:

Are you interested in milestone events that occur during the year for Sunday School children and their families? Come lead or join a team of talented people who would like to ensure each of these run smoothly and are fun! A variety of time commitments are available for various milestone events and holiday celebrations.



## 2020-2021 Sunday School Registration

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church ~ 3009 N. Meade St., Appleton, WI 54911

**Sunday School begins the week of October 4th, 2020 and will be VIRTUAL until at least Jan 1, 2021.**

**Please fill out registration form and return via mail or scan/e-mail to [JennandTed@OSLC-Appleton.org](mailto:JennandTed@OSLC-Appleton.org). We can be contacted for questions via phone at (920) 248-1720.**

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Typically, children must be 3 years old by Sept. 1\* and "potty trained" to begin Sunday School. Because we are virtual to start, this requirement is waived currently.

Please register your children for the same grades that they attend at regular day school.

Child(ren)'s Names:	Age on 09/01/2020	Birth Date	School Grade on 09/01/2020	Allergies or special concerns

We are always in need of Sunday School teachers. If you are interested in becoming part of a teaching team for Sunday School, please write your name and grade(s) you would like to teach below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s) Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

### NOTICE REGARDING PHOTOGRAPHS

Periodically throughout the year, photographs of our students will be taken as they engage in Sunday School instruction. We'd like to use the photos on bulletin boards, in the "Our Glass" newsletter, and on the Our Saviour's website and/or Facebook page as a way of informing our members about Sunday School happenings.

**CONSENT:** Yes, I do hereby give my permission for OSLC to use photographs of my child(ren) .

Signature of parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you **DO NOT** wish your child's picture to be used check this box: ☐

**\*\*If your child has allergies or other medical conditions we should be aware of, please see your child's Sunday School teacher on the first day of in-person class to be sure our records are accurate. You can reach Jenn or Ted Tyvol anytime via email or phone as well.\*\***





## OSLC Registration Form 2020-21

side 1

Parents—Please complete this form for each student enrolled in OSLU.

**Student Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 4 digits PIN# \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Make up a number. Used in publishing your results)

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent(s) (Guardian) Information**

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] Email \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Email \_\_\_\_\_

(Check email(s) that should receive SRU information.)

I give permission to photograph/video our (my) child, and to use these photographs/videos to promote Our Saviour's in marketing tools such as, but not exclusive to, bulletin boards, brochures, flyers, newsletters, videos, and website. Please initial one: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to help as a confirmation mentor in class or as a chaperone for events?

**Return this form to the church office when completed**



## OSLC Registration Form 2020-21

side 2

**Student Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year (circle): One Two Three

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in Fall 2020 \_\_\_\_\_

School friends who attend Our Saviour's: \_\_\_\_\_

Your child's biggest fear about entering confirmation this year: \_\_\_\_\_

**Interests**

School extra-curricular activities: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite activities outside of school: \_\_\_\_\_

**Education**

How your child best learns: Please rank 1 (best) to 4 (least).

\_\_\_\_\_ work on a project

\_\_\_\_\_ see a movie

\_\_\_\_\_ read about it

\_\_\_\_\_ group discussion

Learning challenges the teachers need to be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_



## Fox Valley Lutheran Homes

[Click here for the FVLH newsletter.](#)

### Fox Valley Lutheran Homes 'Virtual Race' Fundraiser

Hello everyone,

In October FVLH will be hosting a 'virtual race' as a fundraiser. Many events are not being held due to the Covid 19 pandemic. This is a way for us to get some exercise, fresh air and raise money! There is a link below to access registration and more information—more info about getting together to walk will be available as we near the date.

If you choose to walk on your own, great! If you choose to NOT walk, but still sign up, great! The entire \$10 registration fee will be given to FVLH.

There is a 'bling' kit available for purchase (it's all about the t-shirt!).

The race host will receive the money and send you your package. Let me know if you have any questions.

Please share with friends across the globe, family members, your congregations, etc. The more the merrier! \$\$\$

Happy day,

**Amy Jo Christianson**, FVLH Board Member, Marketing/Development Co-Chair

Registered participants can begin running this virtual race event on OCTOBER 2nd at 12:00AM. Registration for this event will close on OCTOBER 18th at 10:00PM. All registrants must run their virtual race by 11:59PM on OCTOBER 18th.

<https://foxvalleylutheranhomes.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=13836>

## thrivent



### Give Students a Foot Up

Thrivent is partnering with Samaritan's Feet to hold a back-to-school "shoe raiser" to support kids in need in our communities. No matter if they are learning in-person or from afar, new shoes are some of the most-needed items by students.

While this shoe drive may look a little different than your typical shoe drive, the result is the same: Students across the country will receive shoes, thanks to people like you.

**Get creative.** Post a photo with as many shoes as possible! For every shoe featured, \$2\* will be donated toward this fundraiser. All photos must be posted on our campaign page.

**Give.** For every \$2 you donate through this page Thrivent will add another \$1\* to the cause.

**Send hope.** Write a Hope Note for one of the children who will receive shoes.

Visit our campaign page for more information!

[Click here](#) for more information.



**Come join the fun! Neighborhood Preschool is accepting registrations now for the 2020/2021 school year.**

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

### CROSSWAYS CAMP: FALL COLOR HIKES

Fall is a beautiful time at camp! Come and enjoy a Fall Color Hike at Waypost on October 3rd, plan a trip to see progress at the lodge at Imago Dei Village, or find your way to a Fall Color Hike at Pine Lake Camp on October 10th. Consider joining in the 20 Hours Outside challenge, or share your time with camp by volunteering to rake or serve. Don't let Fall pass without making a stop at your favorite camp to see the seasons change. Coordinate your visit with the site director or register for one of our events at [CrosswaysCamps.org](http://CrosswaysCamps.org).





## MEETING MINUTES

OSLC Council Meeting: August 11, 2020 (Zoom Meeting)

*Mission Statement: Gather, Grow, Go*

*Vision: Love God, Love Others*

Present: Pastor Kurt, Brett Christiansen, Carol Lamp, Susan Kalkarni, Joan Allen, Steve Bartell, Brian Krauss, Jeff Figgins, Jim Leppla, Greg McDonald, Lori Knoke, Larry Williams, John Stangel, Larry Williams, Laura Purath, Lorna Wulterkens, Steve Alstad  
Excused: Will Hansen

The ZOOM Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by Carol Lamp.

Pastor Kurt gave the devotion.

The Meeting Agenda was approved.

July 14th minutes were approved.

### Monthly Reports:

- Pastor Kurt's written report was submitted.
- Financial Reports were submitted.
- Christian Education written report was submitted
- Deacon Brett's written report was submitted, discussion of Youth Survey and plans for Youth Activities going forward
- Office Manager written report was submitted

### Old Business:

- We have several volunteers for mowing the lawn, and watering the plants. We still need help with weeding. If anyone is interested in pulling weeds, just stop by church and pick an area to start. We are starting to consider what will be needed for snow removal.
- We are in agreement with the Appleton Conference of Churches in agreeing to move forward to together with a timeline for reopening that is safe and follows the Badger Bounce Back recommendations.
- The collection of food and books for the new "Read and Feed" little libraries was very successful and the libraries are all open. Any additional donations of food or books (especially children's books) can continue to be dropped off at church. Just leave items at the front doors, the area is checked daily.
- Virtual Coffee Hours after service will start on Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>. Watch the comments during the service for a link.

### New Business:

- The Synod Assembly Virtual Meeting will take place on September 26<sup>th</sup>. Will Hansen, Kathy Hoffman and Susan Kulkarni will be the Delegates from our congregation.
- It has been decided not to go forward with a Stewardship Drive at this time. Also, we will not archive inactive members this

year.

- It has been decided to not send out via mail Quarterly Statements this year. These are available on-line if anyone needs to access their statement.
- There was a long discussion regarding the status of Neighborhood Nursery School which houses a 3 year old and AASD 4K program in our building. A new lease will be drawn up reflecting COVID-19 compliance issues. It was decided to keep the portion of the building that the school used locked from the rest of the building. They will have one entrance/exit and 3 fire exits. Families will not be allowed into the building with their students. (Because AASD has changed their Fall Schedule to be On-Line only, the Neighborhood Nursery School will not start meeting in-person until a later date)
- Starting immediately, John Stangel will be handling the technology portion of the Sunday Services. This decision was made to limit the number of household's in the building on Sunday's.
- Staff is again working from home, the building will be locked at all times. Please contact Pastor Kurt directly for any pastoral needs.
- There will be a Synod Wide Service provided by Church of the Wilderness in Bowler, WI – 8/23
- Returning to church Task Force updates:
  - Seven areas of service have been identified by the Task Force to help to open church safely once the pandemic is under control. Worship will look very different once we can meet in person again.
  - A survey will go out to all members this summer/fall regarding their comfort in returning to the building for services, and ways that can make everyone comfortable and safe.
  - We need refer to the Church Mutual Insurance documents and the Badger Bounce Back recommendations as we move toward reopening.
  - We will need supplies, such as Hand Sanitizer, Thermometers, Cleaning supplies, etc.
  - Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping with any areas of reopening.
- Pastor Kurt and Brett will continue with daily devotions on Facebook, 9am and 12 noon.
- A special Thank You to all of our members that continue to support the mission of our church, we are currently in a financially stable position and appreciate all the ongoing support. Because of steady income and reduced expenses, we have made the decision to not renew our Line of Credit loan. We will be paying off the approximate balance of \$30,000.
- At this time we are planning on having Sunday School start on October 4, Virtual only.
- Confirmation students who completed their studies in the spring will confirmed in a Parking Lot Service on Oct 25. Families will remain in their cars during the service.
- A special Thank You also to Pastor Kurt, Deacon Brett and Laura for doing such a great job during these unusual times.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

We adjourned at 8:10.

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

**Next Virtual  
Council Meeting:  
Tues., Oct. 13, 2020  
At 6:30pm**

**See page 5 for financial report.**





The 2021 Stewardship Theme  
is quite simple:

**That's it. Thank You for all that you have  
done and continue to do.**

*Thank You!*

