



Sunday, August 16, 2026

Our Saviour's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Reaching out with a voice of HOPE

Sunday Worship Today

8:30 a.m. Traditional

10:15 a.m. Contemporary

Both services stream live on YouTube

Service Hymns

Opening Hymn: ELW 805

Lead On, O King Eternal!

Hymn of the Day: ELW 742

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Sending Hymn: ELW 650

In Christ There Is No East or West

Kids In Worship—Prayground

Our Saviour's loves kids in worship! The Prayground is a space for younger kids to enjoy playing while watching and listening to worship. Parents are encouraged to stay nearby and remind children to keep engaged with quiet play and quiet talking while also seeing what's going on with worship.

10:15 Kids' Time:

Kids head out to the Gathering Space for an activity during the sermon time, and come back for the rest of the service.

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion at Our Saviour's.

You may commune in place with a Communion kit or come forward.

Gluten Free wafers are available at the front of each section for you to pick up as you come forward. If you cannot have any gluten cross-contamination, you can also dip in the cups of wine on the stands.

Servers are available to serve those who wish to commune in place. Simply give them a wave when they begin to look around after serving their section. Communion kits are available from the ushers if you prefer.



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Pastor Matt Polsdofer

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OSLC WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sermon Series: Epic Meltdowns

Everyone has moments when life feels like too much. Even the greatest heroes of faith experienced fear, failure, exhaustion, doubt, and pride. In this four-week series, we'll discover that the Bible doesn't hide these epic meltdowns—it reveals a God who meets people in the middle of them with grace, mercy, and hope. Come hear the stories of Moses, Elijah, Peter, and Jonah and discover that when we fall apart, God is still faithful!

- Epic Meltdowns: Stories of Fear, Failure, Burnout, and the God who meets us there August 16th-September 6th.



BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE 8-13-2026

The project is still on schedule for completion by early November.

- Concrete demo is complete and new concrete will be poured 8/14.
- Framing begins 8/17 and will take up to 2 weeks to complete.
- Underground plumbing will begin 8/24.
- Soil testing has been completed.
- Building inspector completed his inspection of the concrete demo.
- Concrete testing will be done tomorrow.
- Door color samples were verified with architect & construction team.
- Carpet samples were given to the architect today to approve.
- Paint & graphic info will be sent to OSLC next week to verify & order.

GUEST MUSICIAN AUGUST 16

Welcome guest organist **Tom Erickson**, who is leading worship on **August 16**. Tom brings a wealth of experience and a love for leading congregational song, and we are grateful to have him share his gifts.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY COMING THIS FALL

Starting Tuesday, September 8 at 9:30 a.m. the weekly Adult Bible Study will resume in the Worship Space. The study will be on the book of Romans and will once again be led by Karen Olien. For more information or to sign up, please call Karen Olien at 952-237-7890.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

DAD SQUAD—Monday, August 17, 7:00 PM

Dads with kids at home, connecting, growing, and doing life together. The Dad Squad Crew will be meeting offsite for a bonfire night! To RSVP, email Pastor Matt at mpolsdofer@oursaviourslc.org or 763-434-6117.

OSLC Golf League—Tuesday, August 18, 1:40 p.m.

Join in at Hidden Haven Golf Course on Tuesdays this summer. Tee times start at 1:40 p.m. To sign up, call Ted Engen at 612-867-8730.

Fiction Addiction Book Group—Tuesday, August 18, 6:30 p.m.

The group will meet in the home of Alisa Bigelbach to discuss *Us Against You* by Frederick Backman. Questions? Email alisa.bigelbach@usfamily.net.

Dinners at 6:30—Thursday, August 20

Join this fun fellowship group for dinner at Pappy's Café & Tavern, 13827 Round Lake Blvd NW, Andover. Sign up on the board in the Rotunda so reservations can be made. Questions? Call Jeannie Zank at 952-237-9262.

SAM (Seasoned Adult Ministry) Event—Friday, August 27, 1:00 p.m.

The SAM group will be meeting at Garphish Brewing Company, 165 Main St., Bethel, MN, for fun and food. The tap room serves pizzas, pretzels, meat sticks and chips or you can bring your own food. Beer not your thing? No worries, Garphish has seltzers, sodas and root beer on tap as well as NA beer. Join in for a fun afternoon together. Questions? Call LeAnn Traffie at 763-350-8865.

Every time you give to Our Saviour's you help to fulfill our mission of "Reaching Out with a Voice of Hope." Use QR to give online:



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Children, Youth & Family (CYF) Assistant Applications Now Open!

Are you a high school student who enjoys working with kids and wants to grow in your faith while serving others? Applications are now being accepted for our **2026–2027 CYF Assistant** positions (September 2026 –August 2027). These are due by Thursday, August 20th.

CYF Assistants help lead **Sunday morning children's ministry** and **Wednesday evening confirmation**, building relationships and helping create a welcoming, Christ-centered environment for children and youth. During the construction phase, OSLC will be hosting a Tuesday Night Kids Connection and will be having CYF Assistants helping with this.

This opportunity is open to **students entering 9th grade and above**. **Applicants must be at least 16 years old to work Wednesday evening confirmation.**

If you're interested in applying to serve in this ministry or have any questions, please reach out to Liv Guse, the CYF Ministry Director at livguse@oursavioursslc.org. Applications due Thursday, August 20th.

OSLC Meditation Garden Team Summer Update

Despite the heat the team has completed a number of tasks this summer: Weeds are getting under control after 2 professional applications; and they are corralling the aggressive hydrangea & overly happy wisteria! The butterfly garden is looking great with new flowers and replacement plants, as well as several replacements on the berm and rainbow garden. The team acquired a garden tool cart with new tools and a Gorilla Cart, both make the tasks much easier. Currently they are 2/3 through with spreading mulch, hoping the weather stays on the cooler side to finish! Future plans: They are looking for solutions to improve water irrigation on the berm so that they can move forward with new plantings. Interested in joining the Meditation Garden Team? Please email Connie at weigels4@gmail.com to be put on our text/email group and thank you for the continued support! -The Meditation Garden Team

CHILDREN~YOUTH~FAMILY (CYF) www.oursavioursslc.org/cyfhome

Today In Children and Youth Ministry:

10:15 a.m. Kids’ Ministry – **Kid’s Time**—Kids head out for an activity during the sermon time, and come back for the rest of the service.

Special Announcements for Fall Kids’ Ministry



Our Saviour’s is so excited for the new renovation of the CYF space for kids, volunteers and staff. With the renovation project going on, there is a great opportunity to experiment and try some new things for a few months.

Sunday Mornings in the Fall:

Starting on Sunday, September 13th through Sunday, November 1st, OSLC will be doing Kids Time the same way as during the summer, where the children go out for the sermon and come back into worship afterwards.

Something New:

During the construction time, the kids are going to have a Tuesday evening kids ministry opportunity called “Tuesdaz Kidz Connection”. This will be at church from 6pm to 7pm starting on Tuesday, September 15th for 3-year-olds to 5th grade. It will start with an opening time together, then have two different groups and activities going on.



New Space:

On Sunday November 1st OSLC is excited to offer a peek at the rooms and CYF areas. On Sunday, November 8th there will be a special celebration for the new kids ministry area. Registration Information Coming Soon.



HAPPENING Aug 16 — Aug 23

Sunday, August 16

8:30 a.m.—Traditional Worship
10:15 a.m.—Contemporary Worship
10:15 a.m.—Kid’s Time
11:15 a.m.—Zoom Coffee Hour

Monday, August 17

7:00 p.m.—Dad Squad-Offsite
7:00 p.m.—Align & Shine Mom’s Group
7:00 p.m.—NA Support Group

Tuesday, August 18

1:40 p.m.—Golf League at Hidden Haven
5:30 p.m.—Band Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.—Fiction Addiction at Bigelbach Home
6:30 p.m.—AA Support Group

Wednesday, August 19

8:30 a.m.—Hard Hats
5:00 p.m.—Potluck & Chapel Worship
Ham Lake

Thursday, August 20

6:30 p.m.—Dinner’s at 6:30— Pappy’s Café
in Andover

Sunday, August 23

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UPCOMING CHAPEL WORSHIP

Come worship at OSLC’s chapel that was built in 1872. Located at 2232 Swedish Drive in Ham Lake, our first building is on the National Register of Historic Places. With music led on a pump organ, worshipping in this space is a step back in time.



On Wednesday, August 19, the Pre-Harvest Picnic will take place at the chapel with the potluck starting at 5:00 p.m., worship at 6:30 p.m. and treats at 7:30 p.m.

A GREAT WAY TO HELP SUPPORT NACE FOODSHELF PROGRAM

The Clothing Closet that is next door to NACE Food Shelf is now open to the community. For each \$1 taken in, NACE will be able to purchase \$8 worth of food through Second Harvest.

Store hours are: Mondays 9-noon, Tuesdays 5-8 p.m., Wednesdays noon-4, and Thursdays 9-noon. Come and shop and help support our food shelf program.