



Sunday, August 9, 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 654

The Church's One Foundation

Hymn of the Day: ELW 763

My Life Flows On

Sending Hymn: ELW 697

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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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OSLC WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sermon Series: Then Sings My Soul

Our current sermon series, Then Sings My Soul, looks at how we are impacted by music. We will hear God's word proclaimed and God's promises professed as we sing these hymns together during worship and then reflect on what they mean for our lives. There are so many profound hymns and songs that praise God, and although we can't get to them all, we will examine four impactful pieces of music:

- How Great Thou Art
- Holy, Holy, Holy
- In Christ Alone
- My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing?)

Come sing and explore our faith together with these great pieces of music!

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

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.

Join in as we explore the stories of Moses, Elijah, Peter, and Nebuchadnezzar 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 7-30-26

We are grateful for all the volunteers who were part of the demo phase of the project thus far. Over 228 volunteer hours have been contributed to the construction project already! Project action currently includes:

- Removing historical artifacts cabinets to prepare for kitchen serving window placement. Work has begun to reinstall the cabinets in the southwest hallway.
- Placing support beams to remove remaining load-bearing walls.
- Cement saw cutting will begin to bring water and sewer across hallway for kitchen and new ADA restroom.



GUEST MUSICIAN AUGUST 9 & 16

We are pleased to welcome guest organist **Tom Erickson**, who will be leading worship on **August 9 and 16**. Tom brings a wealth of experience and a love for leading congregational song, and we are grateful to have him share his gifts with us. Please join us in giving Tom a warm Our Saviour's welcome!

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. Come be part of this exciting study and enjoy coffee with friends. For more information or to sign up, please call Karen Olien at 952-237-7890.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Pub Theology—Monday, August 10, 12:00 p.m., at Hidden Haven

Pub Theology is a place for good conversation on topics involving faith, life events, or just being together. This group meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 20520 Polk St. in East Bethel.

Faith & Fiction Book Group—Tuesday, August 11, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Meet to discuss the book *The Pearl Thief* by Elizabeth Wein. For questions and to get location, contact Cindy Mowan at cinmowan@aol.com.

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 our CYF Ministry Director at livguse@oursavioursslc.org. Applications due Thursday, August 20th.

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.

Picnic and Play! Today Sunday, August 9, 11:30 a.m.

All Ages Welcome. Following 10:15 a.m. worship on August 9th, gather together by the playground outside. Lunch will be provided! Then stay for play... playground, yard games and more! It will also be a great time for adult conversation. Parents/guardians are responsible for their kids’ safety and supervision.

Valleyfair Trip—August 10th and 12th

Come enjoy some summer fun at Valleyfair! OSLC Middle Schoolers will spend the day at Valleyfair on Monday, August 10th and High Schoolers will go on Wednesday, August 12th.

Meet at OSLC at 9:15 a.m. and return to church at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$25/ ticket. Invite your friends and join the fun! For questions or to sign up, email Liv, CYF Ministry Director, at livguse@oursavioursslc.org. Scan the QR code to pay for tickets.



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 “Tuezday 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 9 — Aug 16

Sunday, August 9

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
11:30 a.m.—Picnic and Play

Monday, August 10

9:15 a.m.—Middle Schoolers at Valleyfair
12:00 p.m.—Pub Theology@ Hidden Haven
7:00 p.m.—NA Support Group

Tuesday, August 11

8:00 a.m.—Finance Team
1:30 p.m.—Faith & Fiction Book Group at member home
1:40 p.m.—Golf League at Hidden Haven
5:30 p.m.—Executive Team Mtg via Zoom
5:30 p.m.—Band Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.—AA Support Group

Wednesday, August 12

8:30 a.m.—Hard Hats
9:15 a.m.—High Schoolers at Valleyfair

Thursday, August 13

6:30 p.m.—Council Meeting

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

Events are at Our Saviour’s unless otherwise indicated.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are given today by Glenn and Sherry Allenspach in honor of their 46th wedding anniversary.

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.

