



the Kindred Spirit

February 2018

Newsletter of Our Savior's Lutheran Church · Albany, MN · 320-845-2405

Sunday Worship

8:00 & 10:30 am

Sunday School & Adult Ed

9:15 am

Ash Wednesday

February 14

Worship Services

4:00 & 7:00 pm

Wednesday Lenten Services

Beginning February 21

Noon & 6:00 pm, meal following both services





When I get to heaven, those are the words I hope to hear, “Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!” *Matthew 25:23*. These are the words our Lord used in the Parable of the talents. Those who were faithful stewards of the gifts entrusted to them, received the praise of their master. The obvious challenge for us, as individuals and as a church, is to be equally faithful.

God has blessed each of us in many ways. We have been blessed with the gift of life and a variety of skills and talents. These are what we use to make a living and serve our God. When we use them well, we experience joy and God rejoices with us. So the big challenge is to help each other discern our gifts and make the best use of them.

Likewise, God has blessed our church in many ways. The most obvious of these happens to be

people. The same gifts and passions we use to make a living and find joy can also be used in loving service for our Lord.

The challenge here, though, is that it is tempting not to use our best gifts at church. Those who manage money for a living tend to prefer doing something else at church. Likewise, those who teach tend to prefer doing something else at church, and the same can be said of every other occupation.

Now I can understand that, but here is the problem. If the people who are gifted to do something, prefer not doing it at church, who will end up doing it? The obvious answer is those who will not do it as well.

This is one of the reasons I think many churches may not be living up to their potential. People are working outside of their areas of greatest expertise. People are not bringing their best game to the table.

So, what are we to do with all of this? What do we say to people who tell us, “That is what I do for a living all week long. It is the last thing I want to do on my weekends!”

I don’t have an easy answer, but maybe there is a way that those who do know what to do can show others how to do it. Maybe there is a way we can intentionally

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Pastor Steve, continued

learn from each other. Maybe there is a way we can be intentional about teaching our younger folk the ropes of ministry.

So, my question for you is this. What are your talents and passions and how can you share them in our life together here at OSLC? If it is not in the doing of a ministry, perhaps it is in the teaching of others how to do it.

Only you know the answers to these questions, but I pray that in the coming year we can work at helping each other to answer them together.

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Steve

Wanted: People Interested in Children's Faith Journeys

Find out about Sunday School, Joyful Noise and Confirmation by "job shadowing" some of the people currently involved. Developing the faith and Christian education of the community is everyone's role, responsibility and opportunity. We all need, and need to be, companions in the journey. Talk to Pastor Bobbi if you are interested in learning how you can serve in God's mission here at Our Savior's.

Ash Wednesday is on Valentine's Day, February 14

It's time. It is time to bring in your palms from behind the pictures and over the doors in your homes. Each Palm Sunday we give everyone palm branches to put up, over a door, or behind a picture, or a mirror, as a reminder that Jesus is the Lord. Then in the month before Lent, we bring them back to church and on Fat Tuesday, they are burned in preparation for Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is the day when we begin a season of self-examination and confession with the sign of the cross made on our foreheads. So please remember to bring your palm branches back to church. We will make the ashes on Fat Tuesday, February 13th.

What is the theme for Lent? Midweek services at Noon and 6:00 pm

Next to Jesus, the most influential person in the whole New Testament is St. Paul. So, who is St. Paul and how did this enemy of Christ become one of his greatest champions? Who is this man, and why are his letters so precious to believers? Why is it that we have more of Paul's writings and adventures than anyone else in the New Testament?

Last year we looked at the life of Jesus. This year, during Lent, we are going to focus on the birth of the church, the role Paul played in shaping the faith we believe.

Journeys

Can you believe that Ash Wednesday will be here on Valentine's Day? And so begins our lenten journey. The journey of Lent is generally one of simplicity and denial. As I prayed about this, the same verse kept presenting itself to me. No matter which devotional or website or communication I looked at, this verse was there:

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.
Jeremiah 29:11

God has plans for us, for our journey and they are plans with hope. This put a completely different perspective on this year's Lenten journey for me. Rather than the darkness, sorrow and inevitable pain that I usually associate with Lent, this year I shall have hope. I choose to shift my focus off the individual steps toward the cross and to the longer journey to and beyond the cross.

I have usually noted each dusty, sweaty, rocky and bloody step that Jesus takes, the journey being a laborious and burdensome one. This year I will lift my eyes to see the bigger picture.

Part of the source of this change is the repetitious appearance of the verse from Jeremiah as I mentioned above. The other part of this new idea (at least for me) came from listening to the

children in Sunday School. They hear stories about creation, Noah's Ark and Joseph and the many colored coat from the Old Testament. Then comes the story of Jesus' birth. Then we start talking about Jesus as an adult.

As the teachers reviewed the story of Jesus' birth after the Christmas holiday, I realized that we seldom give the children—or adults—any connection or bridge between Jesus as a baby and Jesus as a Savior. Sure there are stories of miracles Jesus enacts, but isn't that a pretty big disconnect from our own lives?

I can identify with "baby" and then I can identify with "follower" but I haven't really tried to identify with Jesus as a child, as a teenager or as a young adult before the relatively brief walk to his death. The big picture of Jesus' life here was so that we could be connected to God through Jesus.

Jesus lived among us so that we could believe that God understands us even when we can't understand God. The Holy Spirit continues to be present to help us believe because we can't believe on our own.

This year, I'm going to concentrate on the longer view, the overarching life of Jesus and the bigger picture of how much God does to show us that we are loved. Every journey has value. How is your journey?

God's Peace, Pastor Bobbi

OSLC YOUTH & FAMILIES

Sunday School • 9:15 am every Sunday morning

Our amazing Sunday teachers and aides have been teaching the story of Jesus' birth and now they are teaching children to say the Lord's Prayer. The Lord's Prayer is one of the few parts of Liturgy that comes directly from the Bible so it's a part of the story that we want to know.

Everyone is a teacher and everyone is a student when it comes to our faith journey. We can all learn from each other and it is a joy to learn from children. They have so much to share!

Joyful Noise Children's Church Schedule

Joyful Noise is held each Sunday, during part of the 10:30 service, for children who are toilet trained through 4th grade.

February 4 – Jesus Heals
February 11 – The Transformation
February 18 – Noah's Ark
February 25 – Abraham & Sarah's Visitors

Confirmation Schedule

6:00–Meal
6:30–Lessons
7:45–Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

February 7

6th Gr–Freedom: Promised Land
7th & 8th Gr–Why are there so many versions of the Bible?

February 14

Ash Wednesday Services at 4:00 and 7:00 pm

Lenten Confirmation Schedule:

6:00–Worship
6:30–Soup & Sandwich meal
7:00–Lessons
7:45–Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

February 21

6th Gr–Freedom: Unit Unwind
7th & 8th Gr–Journeys of Paul

February 28

6th Gr–Kings & Prophets: Judges
7th & 8th Gr–Journeys of Paul

Happy February Birthdays!

Mason Boundy 4yrs
Cole Marsolek 5yrs
Travis Cephlecha 6yrs
Faith Beuning 11yrs
Drew Lehner 11yrs
Billy Schmitt 11yrs
Kayla Hahn 14yrs
Emily Evenson 15yrs
Kjersti Halvorson 15yrs
Brooke Klaphake 15yrs
Angela Mergen 15yrs

Missed your Birthday? Drop a note to Diana or OSLC Office :)

THINK SUMMER!

Mark your calendars for these great summer opportunities:

June 10-15–Sr. High Mission Trip to Moline, IL

June 24-July 3–ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX

July 22-27–OSLC at Luther Crest

August 6-10–Vacation Bible School

Summer Confirmation Camp!

Calling all “current 6th graders/soon-to-be 7th graders.” We are excited to announce that OSLC will be bringing the “soon-to-be 7th grade confirmation students” to Luther Crest Bible Camp this summer! The group will be a part of the “Witnesses” camp at Luther Crest; friendships, faith, fun, and a ton of memories to be made! During your week of Witnesses Camp, we’ll fill our days riding the zip line and swimming on the sandy lake shore. We’ll camp underneath the stars and sing camp songs at the top of our lungs! Join us as we grow together and witness God’s love and grace through creation and community! OSLC will be going to camp Sunday, July 22- 27, there are camper spots reserved, if you are a soon-to-be 7th grader and you would like to attend Luther Crest with other OSLC soon-to-be 7th graders, please let Diana Brown, OSLC Ministry Associate for

Youth & Families know by February 10th. DEADLINE EXTENDED You can contact her at diana.oslc@gmail.com or 845-2405.

Mission Trip 2018 Moline, IL

The Quad Cities are actually made up of five cities: Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa; and Rock Island, Moline and East Moline, Ill.

OSLC Youth will have the opportunity to serve in various parts of the Quad Cities, getting into local neighborhoods to see the everyday realities of life. Service partnerships will include working with local children’s programs, engaging with adults who have disabilities, and serving the homeless through food pantries and thrift stores. We may also have the opportunity to meet homeless residents of the Quad Cities. Evening activities include swimming at a local water park, watching a famous water ski show on the beautiful Mississippi River and eating with community friends at a cookout.

Recycle your aluminum cans and support the Youth & Family Ministry!

Drop off your cans in the fenced area next to the garage at the back of the parking lot.



2018 Equipping Congregations Day

Saturday, February 10
8:30 am to 3:30 pm

At Vinje Lutheran Church and
Bethel Lutheran Church, Willmar

All are welcome!

Congregation Members, Council
Officers, Christian Educators,
Worship & Youth Leaders,
Pastors...everyone!

We will be using the buildings of
both Vinje and Bethel Lutheran
Churches in Willmar, to
accommodate up to 1000
registrants. Both locations will
have the same program elements,
the schedules will just be in a
different order. The keynote
speaker will be the Presiding
Bishop of the ELCA Rev.

Elizabeth Eaton. There will also
be a host of workshops for all
ministry areas. Here is a link with
a complete list of workshops:

<http://files.constantcontact.com/9384a7f6001/cb84520d-87b1-4f98-921f-ae1dd2133af0.pdf>

Registration deadline is
February 1st and we will be
registering as a congregation.
So please let us know by
January 30th if you want to go.

Annual Meeting February 11 after second service

Each year we host our Annual
Meeting after the second service
so that people of all ages can
attend without the pressure of
responsibilities after the meeting.
We begin with a potluck and then
move into the meeting over
dessert. During the meeting,
daycare is provided for the
children.

There was a budget information
meeting on January 14th. There
will be another question meeting
before the Annual Meeting with
our Pastors during the education
hour on February 11th.

God has been really investing in
our church during the past year.
Come and see where we have been
and where we are headed together.

At this meeting we will be electing
our council members and our
synodical representatives. We will
also be voting on the 2018 budget
that will shape our ministry.

Our Savior's Church Staff

Pastors:

Steven Olson & Bobbi Bell

*Ministry Associate for Youth &
Families:* Diana Brown

Music Coordinator:
Mike Aronson

Receptionist / Secretary:
Angela Mosman

Custodians: Jim & Deb Kurtz

Church Office Hours:
Monday-Friday · 9am-1pm

Got questions about life



What is the Alpha Course?

On January 21st, we began the Alpha course during our adult education hour. What is it and why are we offering it?

In 1994, Pastor Steve went to Holy Trinity Anglican Church in London, only to be turned away at the door. The reason? There were too many people at church. Pastor Steve, being a persuasive sort of fellow, talked his way in to a standing room only space up by the baptismal font. He couldn't see much from where he stood except a sea of faces. What brought all these people out on a summer evening? It was a church that wasn't afraid of people asking the big questions, the "Alpha" questions as they dealt with issues of faith, life and doubt. To help people address these issues and grow into faith, Holy Trinity put together the Alpha Course which addresses the big questions of faith, life and doubt. From there, this course has spread around the world.

If you are looking at questions of faith, life and doubt, this is a course for you. If you have family or friends dealing with these questions in their lives, this is a course for you. Don't worry if you missed the first two sessions, Pastor Steve can arrange times for you to see the videos and catch up on the conversation.

Adult Ed: Every Sunday 9:15 am Fellowship Hall

February 4 – Alpha Series
Week 3 – Why did Jesus die?

February 11 – Budget questions
with the Pastors

February 18 – Alpha Series
Week 4 - How can I have faith?

February 25 – Alpha Series
Week 5 – Why and how should I
pray?

Sunday, February 11 Annual Meeting Potluck!

Following second service

Everyone is invited! The Life & Mission Committee will be providing seasoned beef on a bun for the main dish. You are invited to bring sides and desserts. Please find the sign-up sheets in the Lobby and choose to bring a 'hot' dish (casserole), 'cold' dish (salad) or a dessert. Also, please bring a small card listing the ingredients of your dish for those with food sensitivities.

Join us for this wonderful fellowship event. A freewill offering will be requested, and all proceeds will support Our Savior's ministry.

Would you like to help Kristin in her ministry?

You can support Kristin Wolford, missionary to the Dominican Republic, with a gift or set up monthly support.

Look for the direct payment form in the Narthex to mail a gift or to set up monthly bank withdrawal. Or, you can set up monthly giving online at:

www.igoworldwide.org

and click on Emmanuel.

LENT 2018
40 DAYS OF
Giving
supporting
**Our Savior's
Ministry**

Our 2018 Lenten Giving mission will be directed to support the ministry at Our Savior's, specifically the position of associate pastor. Over the past year, we have been blessed by the gifts of Pastor Bobbi. Our church is growing and the need for the ministry of an associate pastor will continue in worship, education, pastoral care, family care, visitation, and the overall faith formation for each person here.

The offerings for the Wednesday Lenten Meals and Easter Breakfast will be directed to Our Savior's ministry and your generosity is greatly appreciated! We believe God has wonderful plans for our growth and we hope you can help support Our Savior's ministry.

Thank you for responding to our survey!

We want to thank everyone who took time to let us know which fellowship events and mission opportunities are important to you. We will be reviewing and planning at our meeting on February 7, at 5:30. *Join us!*

Women's Ministry Meeting

Lady Generators
Tuesday, February 20
9:00–11:00 am

Meeting at Our Savior's in the
Fireside Room.
Join us!

Women's Bible Study

Mary's Circle
Wednesday, February 21
1:00 pm
in the Fireside Room

Heart Heart

Annual Valentine's Party
Sunday, February 18
2:30 pm

*All women of Our Savior's are
invited to attend!*

Join us for fellowship, fun and
desserts. Find out who has been
your "secret friend" during the
last year. Plus, we will start again
with choosing new secret friends
for 2018!

It's just for fun!
If you have any questions call
Sharon Lehner at 320-845-2904.



This past year we have donated
17 quilts to Terebinth Refuge for
girls coming to the shelter. This
house is for girls recovering from
the sex trafficking world and
healing for a new future. We plan
on continuing to furnish twin size
quilts that are sewn and tied with
yarn by members of our
congregation at our meetings. At
the start of 2018 we have finished
five more quilts and have 15 tops
ready to tie at our meeting.

Looking forward to 2018:
A class is offered for beginner to
experienced quilters for three
winter months. Classes are
Mondays, February 5, February 26
and March 26, at 1:00 to 5:00
and/or 5:30 to 9:00. All are
welcome to bring their own sew
machines, fabric and the love of
spending time together. A
devotion will be centered on the
theme of "Log Cabin" quilt
square. My goal is to have some
quilting friends that share the love
of this art and learn how the
fundamentals of quilting give
faith lessons.

Making quilts with love,
Elaine Randall 320-260-8977



**Financial Peace University
Starts February 18 • 1:30 pm**

What if you could be debt-free with an emergency fund of 3–6 months of expenses saved, all while investing for retirement and planning for your family’s future? Sound impossible? It’s not! With Dave Ramsey’s class Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money. If you’re interested in learning more about the class, message me! Because we’re offering it at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church just for you starting February 18th. You can register on line at <https://fpu.com/1051241>

OUR MISSION:

Our Savior’s Lutheran Church is one people united in Christ, empowered by God’s grace through worship and the study of His Word, to glorify God by serving and witnessing in the community and the world.

**Worship is
Recorded**

Worship is recorded to CD every Sunday. If you missed a Sunday, or are unable to get to church and would like to listen to the service, please call the church office.

The Flu and YOU

CDC recommends a yearly flu vaccine as the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses.

While there are many different flu viruses, a flu vaccine protects against the viruses that research suggests will be most common.

Flu vaccination can reduce flu illnesses, doctors' visits, and missed work and school due to flu, as well as prevent flu-related hospitalizations.

Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu vaccine every year before flu activity begins in their community. CDC recommends getting vaccinated ideally by the end of October.

CDC recommends use of injectable influenza vaccines (including inactivated influenza vaccines and recombinant influenza vaccines) during 2017-2018. The nasal spray flu vaccine (live attenuated influenza vaccine or LAIV) should not be used during 2017-2018.

People at high risk of serious flu complications include young children, pregnant women, people with chronic health conditions like asthma, diabetes or heart and lung disease and people 65 years and older.

Vaccination also is important for health care workers, and other people who live with or care for

high risk people to keep from spreading flu to them.

Children younger than 6 months are at high risk of serious flu illness, but are too young to be vaccinated. People who care for infants should be vaccinated instead.

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

Take everyday preventive actions to stop the spread of germs.

Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

If you are sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone for 24 hours without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.)

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it. Sneeze and cough into your elbow area.

Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose & mouth. Germs spread this way.

Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs like the flu.

Together we can make healthy happen!



FARE FOR ALL

Food that makes Cents

~February~

Orders and payment due:
Sunday, February 4

Pick Up:
Monday, February 12
3:30–6pm

See flyers at the order table on
Sundays at OSLC, at the
website: www.fareforall.org, or
stop in the church office.

OSLC Site Coordinators:
Patty Carbert, 320-333-5380
Lisa Beuning, 320-291-1114

“Simply Giving” Program

The “Simply Giving Program” is a way to automate your giving online, in a secure, automatic recurring contributions.

There are two ways to enroll. You can pick up a form at the office and use that to enroll or you can enroll online. For those who enroll online, you can view your history anytime. To enroll online, follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at oursaviorslutheranalbany.org,
2. Click the Online Giving button
3. Click the Create Profile button. Then follow the onscreen instructions to create your profile and schedule your contributions.

So when is Easter?

Believe it or not Easter will fall on April Fools Day this year, which is oddly appropriate. On Good Friday, Satan thought he had won when Christ died on the Cross. Easter morning he learned he was the fool.

Without a doubt Easter is the most important day in our Christian Year. So why is it that the date of Easter is always changing?

The date of Easter Sunday, a so-called movable feast day in the Christian Church Year, may seem mysterious to many who celebrate it. There are 35 possible dates in the spring season (northern hemisphere) for celebrating a one-time event. The earliest is March 22. The latest is April 25th. Why this wandering?

The main reason is that Jesus’ followers had failed to record the exact date of their Lord’s resurrection. They didn’t think the date was important. For them it was enough to know it was at the time of the annual Passover celebration and that Jesus rose on the First day of the week, Sunday. Later on, though, different people made their best guesses as to the actual date of Easter, but there never was an agreement on the exact date. We just know it was in the spring of the year. So as a compromise the people agreed to celebrate Easter on the first Sunday, following the first full moon, following the first day of spring.

The Lift

Life

(Author Unknown)

“I may never see tomorrow,
there is no written guarantee,
and the things that happened
yesterday,
belong to history
I cannot predict the future,
I cannot change the past,
I have just the precious present
moments,
I must treat it as my last.”

“I must use this moment wisely,
for it soon will pass away,
and be lost forever,
as a part of yesterday
I must exercise compassion,
help the fallen to their feet,
Be a friend unto the friendless,
look for needs that I can meet.”

“The unkind things I do today
may never be undone,
and the friendships that I fail
to win
may nevermore be won,
I may not have another chance
on bended knees to pray,
and I thank God, with a
humble heart
for giving me this day.”

Good Samaritan - Community Crisis Fund

In keeping with its Biblical and charitable goals, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, through the Congregational Life & Mission Committee, has established a Good Samaritan – Community Crisis Fund. This fund helps people in our church and community who have an emergency financial need *or* for “Love Gifts” to those with illness or other emotional distress where financial help can be a blessing. These funds are used at the discretion of Pastor Steve, with a committee member volunteer as oversight for the account.

You can anonymously direct a gift to someone in need:

If you would like to give a monetary gift to a specific person, but fear they may not feel comfortable taking your gift, please use this fund. Provide their name with your donation and Pastor Steve will deliver your gift. You have the opportunity to help while remaining anonymous.

Donations are payable to OSLC “Good Samaritan – Community Crisis Fund.” The seeds for this fund are from the proceeds of the Harvest Dinner. We hope you will prayerfully consider supporting this fund into the future.

Laughter is the best medicine.

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be, "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

The third verse of Blessed Assurance will be sung without musical accomplishment.

A song fest was held at the Methodist church Wednesday.

Today's Sermon: "How Much Can a Man Drink?" with hymns from a full choir.

Hymn: "I Love Thee My Ford."

Miss Charlene Mason sang, "I Will Not Pass This Way Again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

Women's Luncheon: Each member bring a sandwich. Polly Phillips will give the medication.

Announcement in the church bulletin for a National Day of Prayer and Fasting conference, "The cost for attending the Fasting Prayer conference includes meals."

The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hospitality.

Ushers will eat latecomers.

Tuesday at 4 p.m. there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 p.m. Please use large double door at the side entrance.



Albany Food Shelf

The following items are needed this month at the Albany Food Shelf:

Shampoo · Conditioner

Remember...the first Sunday of every month is Food Shelf Sunday. Bring a food item donation for our local food shelf. The need is great, and with your help, people right here in our community are able to provide food on the table for their families. Donations can be dropped off in the designated bins in the Narthex. Thank you!

Name Tags

Everyone is invited to have your own Our Savior's Lutheran Church name tag! The tags are magnetic, look better, and are easier on clothing.

Just sign up on the sheet in the Lobby and a volunteer will make tags for you!

Congregational Council Minutes

Monthly Congregation Council Meeting minutes are available to you in church on the Congregation Council Bulletin Board located by the Fellowship Hall.



The Bible teaches great truths about change. God is changeless and dependable. God calls for a change of heart called repentance. When we change ourselves to obey God, that is called obedience.

“O my Strength, I watch for you; you, O God, are my fortress, my loving God. God will go before me and will let me gloat over those who slander me.”
—Psalm 59: 9-10

“You will roll them up like a robe; like a garment they will be changed.”
—Hebrews 1:12

“When you have faults, do not fear to abandon them.”
—Confucius (551 BC- 479 BC)

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.”
—Romans 8:28

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.”
—Mark 13:31

“The more things change, the more they remain the same.”
—Alphonse Karr (1808- 1890)

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”
—Hebrews 13:8

“But this is how God fulfilled what He had foretold through all the prophets, saying that His Christ would suffer. Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the LORD...”
—Acts 3:18-19

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”
—2 Corinthians 5:17

“The change we have been striving after is not to be produced by any more striving after. It is to be wrought upon us by the molding of hands beyond our own. As the branch ascends, and the bud bursts, and the fruit reddens under the cooperation of influences from the outside air, so man rises to the higher stature under invisible pressures from without.”
—Henry Drummond

“The Spirit of the LORD will come upon you in power, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person.”
—1 Samuel 10:6

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” —Jeremiah 29:11

Worship Ministers—February 2018

	Reader	Communion	Ushers
Sunday, February 4			
8:00 am	Jolene Lobitz <i>sound board: Jerry Stark</i>	Jolene Lobitz Sue Koplín Lisa Beuning	Sharon Lehner Evie Fischer
10:30 am	Denise Croat <i>sound board: Eric Ruch</i>	Denise Croat Hannah Finkelson Anna Sundet	Pat & Shelley Johnson & family

Sunday, February 11

8:00 am	Sandu Paulsen <i>sound board: Matt Rafteseth</i>	Sandy Paulsen Ron Paulsen Charity Kauder	Mark & Jan Roering
10:30 am	Barb Fischer <i>sound board: Pat Johnson</i>	Barb Fischer Anna Sundet Cheri Salzer	Kyle & Michelle Evenson & family

Ash Wednesday, February 14

Services at 4:00 and 7:00 pm · *sound board: Kevin Beuning*

Sunday, February 18

8:00 am	Deb Solarz <i>sound board: Kevin Beuning</i>	Deb Solarz Mary Adelman Evie Fischer	Tom & Sue Koplín
10:30 am	Al Amdahl <i>sound board: Alex Aronson</i>	Al & Dana Amdahl Hannah Finkelson	John & Anna Sundet & family

Lenten Services, February 21

Services at 12:00 and 6:00 pm · *sound board: Jerry Stark*

Sunday, February 25

8:00 am	Lynda Hartwig <i>sound board: Matt Rafteseth</i>	Lynda Hartwig Katelyn Hartwig Sue Koplín	Mary Adelman Evie Fischer
10:30 am	Colton Leyk <i>sound board: Pat Johnson</i>	Colton Leyk Mike & Patty Carbert	Jim & Deb Kurtz

Lenten Services, February 28

Services at 12:00 and 6:00 pm · *sound board: Kevin Beuning*



Sunday Worship
Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 am
Pastors: Steven Olson & Bobbi Bell
Ministry Associate for Youth &
Families: Diana Brown
Music Coordinator: Mike Aronson
Receptionist/Secretary:
Angela Mosman
Custodians: Jim & Deb Kurtz
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