



## Weekly eNews Announcements

January 25, 2017

"Our Saviour's Lutheran Church welcomes all to the love of Christ through Worshiping, Learning, and Serving."

### Worship This Week



#### Epiphany Season Worship

**Series:** *Living in the Grey*

This week: Are Jesus' Teachings in Black and White?

January 28th -- holden 5:30pm

January 29th --With One Voice-  
Windstrings

9:45am Sunday School for preschool-5th Grade, Adult education: Living in the Grey or Budget review Meeting

Annual Meeting This Sunday at Noon! Council will provide lunch!

### Upcoming Events

#### ANNUAL MEETING

**ANNUAL MEETING** - January 29 12:00pm a celebration lunch and meeting will take place in the fellowship hall! Updates on our campaign and on the building process will be presented as well as a celebration of ministry in 2016 and what we have to look forward to in 2017. Childcare will be provided after children have had a chance to eat.

**WELCOME NATALIE!**

Natalie will begin as our office administrator on Thursday. She will come to the

annual meeting to be introduced as well! Her email is [natalie@our-saviours.org](mailto:natalie@our-saviours.org)



Natalie Grapes received her Bachelor's Degree in Art History from the University of Northern Colorado and her Master's Degree in Arts Leadership and Cultural Management from Colorado State University. She has lived in Fort Collins for the past eleven years. She has previously worked as the Communications Director at Trinity Lutheran Church, as Office Assistant at the School of Theatre Arts and Dance at UNC in Greeley, and as Marketing and House Management Coordinator for Little Theatre of the Rockies. Spare time hobbies include watching

hockey, football and HGTV. She feels overjoyed to have the opportunity to work with the wonderful community at Our Saviour's!

## Winter Dinner Gatherings for OSLC "Retirees"



### Winter Dinner Gatherings- *For OSLC "Retirees"*

**What:** Sunday afternoon dinners  
**When:** February 12, 19 & March 5  
**Time:** 3:00pm  
**Where:** Dan & Marty Larsen's Home  
2700 Bevan Circle, Ft. Collins, CO  
80524

Sign up with Marty Larsen (970-484-6033 or [marty@marthalarsen.com](mailto:marty@marthalarsen.com)) or Janice Skinner (970-206-0116)

This will be an opportunity for folks ('retired') who attend the 3 different church services to renew long-time friendships plus the bonus of making new friendships!

# WOMEN'S RETREAT

## Women's Retreat Registration is Open!

Join us in Estes Park for the weekend of **March 31-April 2, 2017!** Our theme is **All In** and we will explore ways that we are all in with ourselves, our community, our faith and spirituality. Cost is dependent on roommates and we will be organizing transportation so please fill out the online form.

[Registration Link](#)

Questions? contact Pastor Leta [leta@our-saviours.org](mailto:leta@our-saviours.org)



# Winterfest Family Weekend



## February 24-26th at the YMCA

Join us for a fun weekend in the mountains-- sometimes in snow and sometimes in snow!

It's all fun! All ages and family shapes and sizes are welcome. Cost is \$300 per family/room. (Confidential Financial assistance is available by contacting Pastor Leta)

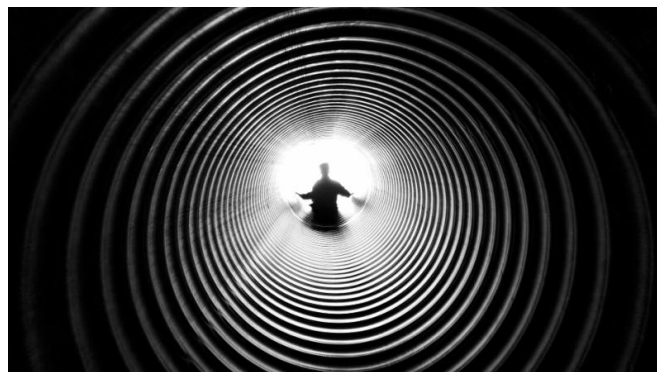
[Register by clicking here!](#)

For more information contact Deems and Jennifer Hargleroad [dhargler@hotmail.com](mailto:dhargler@hotmail.com) or Pastor Leta [leta@our-saviours.org](mailto:leta@our-saviours.org)

## LEARNING

### WORSHIP SERIES STARTING JANUARY 7&8TH

## Living in the Grey



Miss a week? Want to hear again?  
Click for the sermon!

[January 7th & 8th: Why would we die to Live?](#)  
[January 14th & 15th: Did God have to sacrifice Jesus?](#)  
[January 21st & 22nd: Who are God's People?](#)

January 28th & 29th: Are Jesus' teachings in Black and White?

February 4th & 5th: Am I offensive if I talk about Jesus?

February 11th & 12th: Forgiveness? Seriously?

February 18th & 19th: Is Jesus Weak?

February 25th & 26th: Living in a Paradox.

## LUTHERAN ROOTS-WHY LUTHERAN?

### LUTHERAN ROOTS

Our offerings of Bible Studies will resume in the New Year the week of January 8th.



Lutheran Roots

#### **Wednesday Night Bible Studies 5:45PM**

*January 11th thru February 22nd*

#### **Thursday Morning Bible Studies 9:30AM**

*January 12th thru February 23rd*

January 25th Confession isn't just for Catholics

*How we share our witness*

February 1st God's Love Revealed

*An understanding of the Triune God*

February 8th Saint and Sinner

*A look at the Paradox of faith*

February 15th How we worship

*A look at the gift of worship*

February 22nd The Church today

*Who we are and where we are going?*

## THEOLOGY PUB - THIS THURSDAY

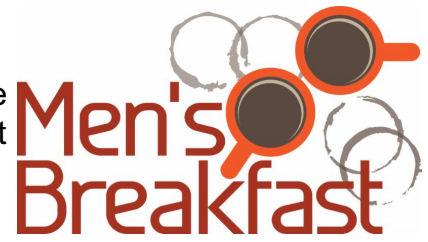


**THEOLOGY PUB** is an opportunity for people to be honest and open about topics of faith, ask any questions, and at the end of the night, know that it's perfectly fine if we disagree with one another.

Join others to enjoy the beverage of your choice every **fourth Thursday, 6:00-7:30pm.**

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Join the Men's Breakfast group on Tuesday, January 31 at the Breakfast Club at 7:00 AM. John Bisbee will talk about "Changing Views of African-Americans During the Civil War."



## LEAH CIRCLE - THIS THURSDAY

Leah Circle will meet at 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, January 26 at the home of Barb Slattenow. Janice Skinner will present the lesson and Carol Bisbee will provide dessert.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY

### PARENT'S NIGHT OUT/KID'S NIGHT IN



Friday, February 3 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Kids will join nursery staff for a night of fun while parents have a night off

A free will donation will be collected to support the nursery and children's ministry

RSVP to [leslie@our-saviours.org](mailto:leslie@our-saviours.org)

## SUNDAY SCHOOL



Preschool-5th Grade meet in Sanctuary at  
9:45am  
Middle School in 9N

## Bible in 52 Weeks





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We have launched the Bible in 52 weeks--Reading through parts of the Bible with one story a week. Once a month we will meet together and then home devotions can be used for the rest of the month.

Here is a link to the January home devotions:

[Bible Stories in a Year Faith Formation Journeys](#)

January Home Stories: Creation, Noah, Abraham and Sarah.

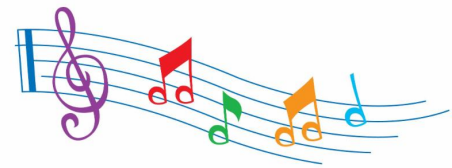
***Our next meeting will be on February 5th at 9:45am.***

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIRS

Children's and Youth Choirs  
Wednesdays:

5:30-6:00 Jubilate Choir

6:00-6:20 Cherub Choir    6:30-7:00 Alleluia Choir



## YOUTH

### FoCoLu EVENTS



FORT COLLINS  
LUTHERANS  
[www.focolu.org](http://www.focolu.org)

### Middle School:

January 25th- Confirmation Class Reform:  
Traditions--Lutheran 101 with Pastor Dana at  
Shepherd of the Hills 6:45pm Email Pastor Leta if you  
are looking for a ride at [leta@our-saviours.org](mailto:leta@our-saviours.org)

**Registration for Winter and Spring Classes is open! Click here!**

### High School:

Wednesday night youth group at OSLC 7:00pm

January 28

Mission Trip Meeting at SOTH 10:00am

January 28

High School Service Project

<http://focolu.org/>



[Like us on Facebook!](#)

## SERVICE & GIVING

### Faith Family Hospitality Update

**Please join us!**



317 and 321 S. Sherwood Street, Fort Collins

**FFH Hard Hat Fundraiser**  
**Dinner and Auction**

Celebrating 5 years, 30 member congregations, AND  
the development of our new Transitional Housing!

**Sunday, January 29, 5:30 – 8:00pm**  
Hosted by Faith Church, 3920 South Shields Street

**Buy Tickets Now!**  
\$50 per person – quantities limited – tables available

FFH Website OR Text "FFH" to 51555 OR Contact your Coordinator

#### The FFH Day Center Needs You! Yes, You!

We are in the process of developing & expanding our Day Center (DC) volunteer program & are looking for new volunteers to join the FFH family. We need people willing to act as DC hosts, providing the ministry of presence, as well as complete tasks such as opening/closing duties, answering the phone, greeting visitors, washing towels, stocking supplies & playing with the kids. Come be a part of providing a safe, warm place for families experiencing homelessness in Fort Collins!

Please contact Lindsay von Bernuth ([lindsayvonb@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayvonb@gmail.com)) or Jodi Loecke ([jodiloecke@comcast.net](mailto:jodiloecke@comcast.net)) if you are interested in volunteering

**You can also contact the FFH directly**

Chrissa Percival, Program Director  
Faith Family Hospitality  
[programdirectorffh@gmail.com](mailto:programdirectorffh@gmail.com)  
970.484.3342

## FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY HOSTING AT OSLC

The next hosting week for FFH will begin on Easter Sunday April 16th. We are excited to announce a new partnership with St. Luke's Episcopal Church along with our continued work with our support congregation Temple Or Hadash. Due to the expansion of FFH programming, all new and old volunteers are encouraged to attend a training session. OSLC is hosting training sessions on Feb 6th from 7:00-8:30 and March 5th from 1:00-2:30 To sign up email [lindsayvonb@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayvonb@gmail.com).

Other upcoming training sessions at surrounding congregations are planned for Jan 23, Feb 26 and May 6th. Please contact Lindsay von Bernuth ([lindsayvonb@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayvonb@gmail.com)) or Jodi Loecke ([jodiloecke@comcast.net](mailto:jodiloecke@comcast.net)) for more information.

Thank you for your continued support of FFH!



## A BIG THANK YOU

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all who have donated to Homeless Gear. You have helped many people who spend much of their lives on the streets. They still need thermal underwear, warm socks and mittens or gloves, and backpacks. Please put donations in the tote in fellowship hall. Questions: contact John Bisbee.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

**OSLC and Habitat Host Global Mission in Vietnam:** Fort Collins Habitat for Humanity and OSLC are partnering to help build affordable homes for families in need in Vietnam. This outreach mission trip is part of Habitat's Global Village program which seeks to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Vietnam was chosen in part because of our history with this country and in part to bring strength and stability to families needing a decent place to live. We will be building in the village of Pho Yen (northern Vietnam) from November 4-17, 2017, and the trip will also include sightseeing excursions along with a variety of



cultural experiences. Vietnam is a beautiful country with friendly people and a rich culture that they are eager to share with us. The cost, including airfare, will be about \$2,500, with discounts for Thrivent members. An informational meeting is planned for Wednesday, February 8, at 6 pm in room 12E. For more information, please contact Jerry Freier at [freierreed@msn.com](mailto:freierreed@msn.com) or at 970-482-6163.

## Our Saviour's Lutheran MISSION TRIP

Build Habitat for Humanity homes for families in need  
and enjoy a cultural adventure in  
**VIETNAM**  
**NOVEMBER 4-17, 2017**  
Contact: Jerry Freier  
([freierreed@msn.com](mailto:freierreed@msn.com); 970-482-6163)  
  
Cost: approximately \$2,500 per person (discounts for Thrivent members)  
  
INFORMATIONAL MEETING:  
Wednesday, February 8, 6:00-6:45pm in room 12E





Build a house and enjoy cultural activities

## ONE VILLAGE ONE FAMILY

**ONE VILLAGE ONE FAMILY** heartily thanks the OSLC villages that helped house two homeless families in 2016. Now it's time to add two more villages!

### How does OVOF work?

- 8 partner agencies, such as FFH, refer families to OVOF.
- Each family must have at least one child under 18--& no felony convictions.
- They must have a job or non-expiring aid to support their living expenses.
- They must commit to 7 meetings with their village.

### How about the villages?

- Each 4-5 member village commits to a training session + about 7 months of mentoring.
- They meet with their family monthly, & the leader calls them weekly.
- Finding affordable housing requires energy, given the local housing crunch.

### How can we all help?

- Volunteer for a village & pray for those who do.
- Help raise \$2,000 per village to cover first month's rent + deposit. Generous donors have already given \$2,000! **Thank you!!** Questions? [mbmihm@comcast.net](mailto:mbmihm@comcast.net).

## THANK YOU FROM THE MURPHY CENTER

**THANK YOU**, Our Saviour's, and the donors who recently contributed \$2,000 to the Murphy Center Food Pantry. We anticipate serving more than 45,000 meals in 2017 via:

**1. Morning Day Services:**

Continental breakfast including coffee every morning

**2. Take-Away Meals:** "Take-away" style lunches distributed M-F

**3. Family Food Boxes:**

Boxes of food distributed to OVOF (and other) families in need

**4. Night Street Outreach:** Food bags distributed 3 nights/week

Thank you!!!

Ken John, Murphy Center Resource & Marketing Director

## OTHER NEWS

### OFFICE NEWS

#### Office News



Welcome Natalie Grapes! Natalie is our New Office Administrator and she will begin on Thursday. Natalie will be introduced at the annual meeting.

We will be continuing to have volunteers in the office! Volunteers Needed: If you are available on weekdays between 9 and 3 for a 2-hour shift and would like to volunteer to help with phones and assisting in the church office please call the office at 970-484-3133 or email at

office@our-saviours.org or sign up [Online Here!](#)

Please send any office communication to office@our-saviours.org

Please send enews and announcements to leslie@our-saviours.org or office@our-saviours.org

## CONNECTING WITH OUR SYNOD



**Rocky Mountain Synod**  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

The weekly Synod newsletter can be found at the following link:

<http://rmselca.org/email-newsletter-archive>



**Are you looking for a church home and want more information about OSLC?**

Please stop by the Welcome table in the Narthex or send an email to the pastors for more information  
[leta@our-saviours.org](mailto:leta@our-saviours.org)     [michael@our-saviours.org](mailto:michael@our-saviours.org)

New Member Welcome Class, April 30, 2017

11:00am with a brunch followed by an orientation class from noon until 2:00pm

If you or someone you know is interested in OSLC Membership, please contact the church office.

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SATURDAY	THIS WEEK - January 28	NEXT WEEK - February 4
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Sidney Thompson	Lynda Lloyd
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:	Will Clouser	Andrew Hennen

8:30 Service	THIS WEEK - January 29	NEXT WEEK - February 5
GREETER:	LaPlante Family	
USHER:	Anita & John Bleem	Jim & Bonnie Shumaker
WORSHIP ASST:		Eva Sue Littleton
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Georgia LaPlante & Katie Brown	Rhianna Bertram & Kaija Kaupang
COFFEE HOST:	Council Members	Annie & Stuart Hennen
11:00 Service	THIS WEEK - January 29	NEXT WEEK - February 5
GREETER/USHER:	Hutchinson Family	
WORSHIP ASST:	Laura Burlingame-Lee	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Brian Hutchinson & Cara Butler	Ella Bajcsi & Benny Duran

Below are options to volunteer:

1. SIGNUP GENIUS: Click [HERE](#)
2. Our Saviour's Website: Click [HERE](#)
3. Call the office: 970-484-3133



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