

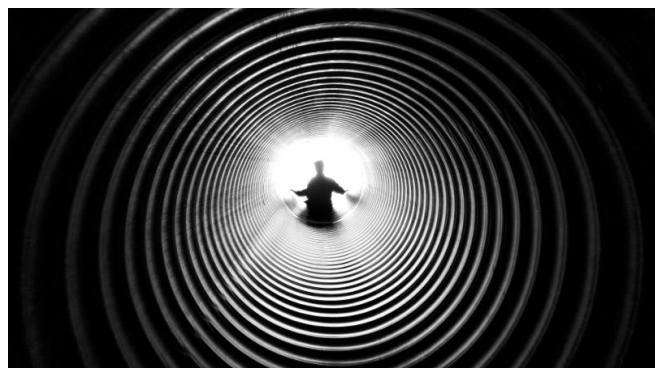


Weekly eNews Announcements

February 22nd, 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: Is Jesus Weak?

February 25th -- holden 5:30pm

February 26th --With One Voice

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

Upcoming Events

Ash Wednesday - March 1st



Join us on Wednesday, March 1st for Ash Wednesday. There will be services at 12 pm and 7 pm.

Council Update

Congratulations to the following Council Members on their new positions:
President-Jerry Freier
Vice President-Annie Hennen
Secretary-Cindy Skinner

Lenten Soup Suppers/Services

Each week a different group is asked to host, bring soup, bread and crackers, set up and clean up the supper (Host). In addition, members of the congregation are asked to bring soup, crackers and bread to supplement each supper, especially for the Ash Wednesday supper. Each supper starts at 5:15 p.m. and ends at 6:30 p.m. Lenten Services begin at 7:00 p.m. Soup in crock pots may be brought during the day (ask office to help plug in) and prior to 5:45 p.m. Sign ups are available in the narthex, or you may sign up by contacting the church office as well.

March 1:	Outside Our Walls Committee
March 8:	Choirs, Bells, Bands
March 15:	Council and Staff
March 22:	Leah Circle and Stephen Ministry
March 29:	Welcome Committee, last 2 years of new members
April 5:	Youth Group

The recipients of the Soup Supper donations will be shared between International Health Partners and the Youth Group's trip to Ecuador.

Winter Dinner Gatherings for OSLC "Retirees"



Winter Dinner Gatherings- For OSLC "Retirees"

What: Sunday afternoon dinners
When: 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) 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



Sky Ranch Annual Meeting

Join us for the Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 26, 3:30-5:00 at Dickens Tavern in Longmont. The Annual Meeting is a great opportunity to meet the new program staff, talk to Board members, and hear updated news on Sky Ranch. Appetizers provided. We would love to see you there! For more information contact our office at 970-493-5258.

Sign Up to be a Lent Mentor!



Lent Mentoring 2017!

When our students get to the end of confirmation, they most often say that

mentoring was the best experience of their education. Come join us this Lent and mentor a youth!

February 22nd-Training at 6:15 for Mentors. Mentor-Student Match Up 6:45-7:45

Feb 22-April 19th-meet four times to engage in conversation. Bible study and guide is provided

April 26-Celebration and Wrap up 6:45pm-8:00pm

Sign up by contacting Pastor Leta (leta@our-saviours.org)

Confirmation Students can sign up [here](#).

North Colorado Conference

Who are the People in your Neighborhood??



Who are the People in Your Neighborhood?

*Join us for a North Colorado
Rocky Mountain Synod Gathering
to find out!*

When: March 5th, 2017

Time: 2:00pm-5:00pm

Location: Trinity Lutheran, 3333 Duffield Ave | Loveland, CO 80538

Contact: Pastor Leta or Pastor Michael to attend with them!

The North Colorado Conference consists of ELCA churches and ministries from the mountains of Estes Park to the Front Range and on out to the ministries on the plains. We are neighbors with a common identity and common mission -- together! We invite you for an afternoon of meeting each other, learning about one another's ministries, and opening doors to

deeper conversation and mission of serving in Christ's name together.

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?](#)

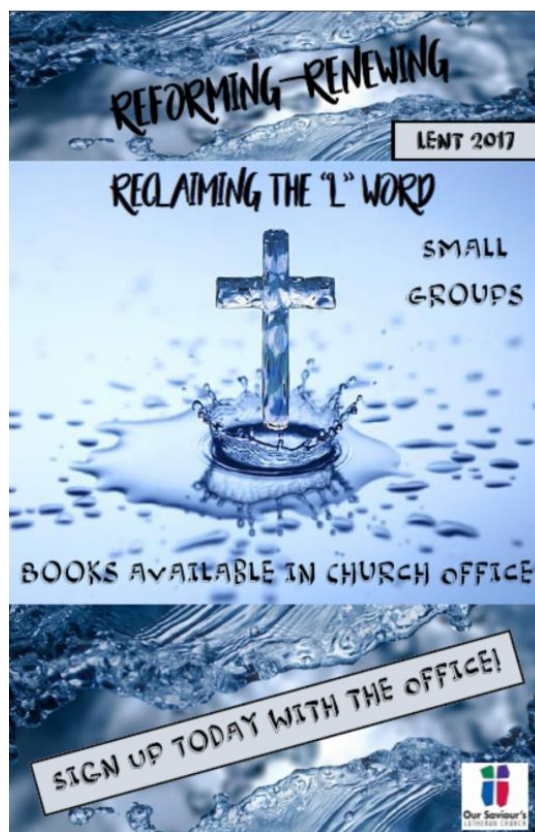
February 25th & 26th: Living in a Paradox.

LENT SMALL GROUPS: RECLAIMING THE "L" WORD

Reclaiming the "L" Word

Sign up for a small group by filling out the form below.

<https://our-saviours.org/learn/adult-forum/small-groups/>



MEN'S BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, February 28th at 7 am at The Breakfast Club (Just south of the Honda dealership). Rev. Dr. James Moy will present a program on "*Christ and Culture*" by *Richard Niebuhr*. Dr. Moy is the former Director of Multicultural Leadership Recruitment and Development for the ELCA and worked in the Division of Ministry, Contextual Directions of our 8 Lutheran Seminaries.

For information call Peter Jacobs at 970-988-4564

LEAH CIRCLE

Leah Circle will meet at 6:45 pm on Thursday, February 23rd at the home of Barb Slattenow. Anita Hildebrand will present the lesson and Marlys Oetken will provide dessert.

LUTHERAN ROOTS-WHY LUTHERAN?

LUTHERAN ROOTS

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

Wednesday Night Bible Studies 5:45PM
January 11th thru February 22nd

Thursday Morning Bible Studies 9:30AM



Lutheran Roots

January 12th thru February 23rd

February 22nd The Church today

Who we are and where we are going?

THEOLOGY PUB



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.**

February 23rd at Dungeons and Drafts

CHILDREN & FAMILY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FUNSHOP EVENT

Group
MAKER FUN FACTORY
Created by **GOD**
Built for a Purpose

DECKER
(Decorator Crab)

Vacation Bible School FunShop Event

Come experience and learn about Maker Fun Factory. A representative from Group will be here to guide us through some fun stations. Register at <https://www.regonline.com/registration/checkin.aspx?EventId=1919023>

March 4th 8:30 am—12:30 pm
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
2000 S. Lemay Avenue

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible in 52 Weeks



Bible in 52 Weeks
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 February home devotions:

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

February Home Stories: Isaac, Joseph, Baby Moses, and Exodus

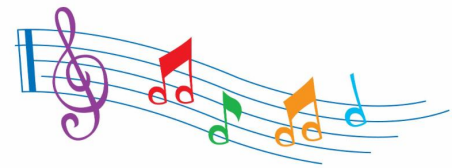
CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIRS

Children's and Youth Choirs
Wednesdays:

5:30-6:00 Jubilate Choir

6:00-6:20 Cherub Choir

6:30-7:00 Alleluia Choir



SUMMER CAMPS

Vacation Bible School June 12th - 16th

@ Our Saviours

Registration: <https://our-saviours.org/2017/02/21/vacation-bible-school-registration-open-2/>

Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp July 16th - July 22nd

Sign Up with Pastor Michael!



For information about the camp: <http://www.rainbowtrail.org/>

Summerfest - August 4th - 6th

<https://our-saviours.org/2017/02/16/summerfest-august-4-6/>

Sky Ranch (All Ages) - August 6th - 11th

<http://skyranchcolorado.org/>

YOUTH

FoCoLu EVENTS



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

FEBRUARY SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP AT TLC ON WEDNESDAYS FROM 7-815PM

FEBRUARY CONFIRMATION AT SOTH ON WEDNESDAYS FROM 645-8 FEB- 8,15

February 22nd: Lent Mentoring Kick Off at OSLC 6:45 PM

February 25th - Middle School Service Project

February 26th - Sr. High Fellowship Event

<http://focolu.org/>



[Like us on Facebook!](#)

SERVICE & GIVING

Habitat Double Event

On Friday, February 24, at 4 pm, Fort Collins Habitat is hosting a rare double event at the Avondale Cottages in Ridgewood Hills located at 6602 Avondale Road. A wall raising ceremony will be held for a new Thrivent Stone Soup home being built in partnership with two Fort Collins churches. Secondly, a new home for the Swift family will be dedicated by the Habitat staff, Fort Collins officials, home sponsors, and builders. Although this was a Women Build sponsored project, the Habitat crew from OSLC worked on the Swift home last September. Please join us for this special occasion and meet the Swift family while touring the home we helped to build. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jerry Freier (freierreed@msn.com or 970-482-6163).

WALL RAISING

Join us as we kick-off the
2017 Thrivent Stone Soup home

Sponsored by Thrivent Financial,
Plymouth Congregational Church
& Westminster Presbyterian Church

THRIVENT FINANCIAL

HOME DEDICATION

Join us in welcoming the
Swift family home

Sponsored by
Women Build donors

friday • february 24 • 4 pm
ridgewood hills • 6602 avondale rd.

Please join us for both events consecutively.

FortCollinsHabitat.org  Habitat for Humanity 970.223.4522

FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY HOSTING AT OSLC

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hard Hat Party! Together we raised over \$32,000 for the Transitional House!

The next hosting week for Faith Family Hospitality 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 programming, FFH is requesting all volunteers attend a training session. Please join us for a fun informative session. Come learn about how to be a part of providing a warm safe place for families dealing with homelessness in Fort Collins!

FFH Volunteer Trainings are happening each month


Feb. 26 Feb. 26 (1-2:30) at Our Saviors
March 5 (1-2:30) at American Baptist.
March 6 (7-8:30 pm) at Community of Christ
April 23 April 23 (1-2:30) at Our Saviour's Lutheran
April 24 (7-8:30 pm) at Our Saviour's Lutheran
May 1 (7-8:30 pm) at Our Saviour's Lutheran
May 21 (1-2:30) at Our Saviour's



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

OSLC and Habitat Mission Trip to Vietnam - update - new dates and location: 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 Hoa Binh (located in northern Vietnam) from October 14 - 28, 2017, and the trip will 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 - 3,000, depending on airfare and Thrivent membership. For more information, please contact Jerry Freier at 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**

October 14-28, 2017*

Contact: Jerry Freier
(freierreed@msn.com; 970-482-6163)

Cost: approximately \$2,500-\$3,000 per person
(depending on airfare and Thrivent membership)



Build a house and enjoy cultural activities

*Please note the date change.

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

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Choice Dollars® directions can help support OSLC's ministries.

Think of the impact you-along with other eligible Thrivent members-can help make by directing Choice Dollars® to OSLC. The grant funding we receive from Thrivent Financial through this program can help us meet the unexpected needs of our ministries. Choice Dollars for 2016 must be designated by March 31, 2017. Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt. Together, we can do even more to help strengthen communities and change lives.

OTHER NEWS

OFFICE NEWS



Copies of the updated directory are available in the office.

NEW OFFICE HOURS:
Monday 12 pm - 3:30 pm
Tuesday - Friday

9 am - 3:30 pm

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 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>

Luther College Jazz Orchestra

The Luther College Jazz Orchestra, under the direction of Tony Guzmán, will perform two concerts in the Fort Collins and Greeley areas. Please join us for one or both concerts in Fort Collins at Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, March 18th at 6:00 pm, or in Greeley at Our Savior's Lutheran Church on Tuesday, March 21st at 7:00 pm. The program features a variety of exciting jazz repertoire including works by Duke Ellington, Oliver Nelson, Thelonious Monk, Bill Holman, Astor Piazzolla, Fred Sturm, and many others. Luther jazz faculty member Jon

Ailabouni will also be featured on trumpet and flugelhorn.

Jazz Orchestra, Luther's premier jazz ensemble, travels annually and tours abroad every four years-most recently in May/June 2016 to Brazil for a three-week, 13 performance immersion in the musical cultures of the country. The band is excited to perform for the Fort Collins and Greeley communities, and hopes you are able to join us at a concert.

New Member Class



**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 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.

VOLUNTEER TO BE AN OFFERING TELLER!

Come get to know our new Office Administrator, Natalie, while helping out
 the church at the same time! Volunteers are needed to count offering for
 Monday mornings at 9:30 am or later
 (Occasionally Tuesdays or Wednesdays with holidays).
 Haven't done it before? No problem! Natalie will guide you through it.
 It only takes about 30 minutes of your time.

Sign up to volunteer here:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094ba8ab2daa8-fall>

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SATURDAY	THIS WEEK - February 25	NEXT WEEK - March 4
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Roberta Menten	Erik Thompson
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:	Ella Wolf	Andrew Hennen

8:30 Service	THIS WEEK - February 26	NEXT WEEK - March 5
GREETER:	Anita and John Bleem	
USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Melanie Reed	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Cara Butler & Gabriel Stadtmueller	Rebecca Rehm & Ben Freeman
COFFEE HOST:	Christine Butler	

11:00 Service	THIS WEEK - February 26	NEXT WEEK - March 5
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Alan Romero	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Espen & Ingrid Marston	Aspen Haboush & Lydia Genson
OFFERING	Natalie Grapes & TBD	Natalie Grapes & TBD

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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