



Weekly eNews Announcements

February 1st, 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: Am I Offensive If I Talk About Jesus?

February 4th -- holden 5:30pm

February 5th --With One Voice

9:45am Sunday School for preschool-5th Grade, Adult education: Living in the Grey, Bible in 52 Weeks

Upcoming Events

Welcome Natalie!

WELCOME NATALIE!

Natalie will begin is our new Office Administrator.

Her email is 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) 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



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 or Pastor Leta 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

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



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

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT/KID'S NIGHT IN - THIS FRIDAY



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

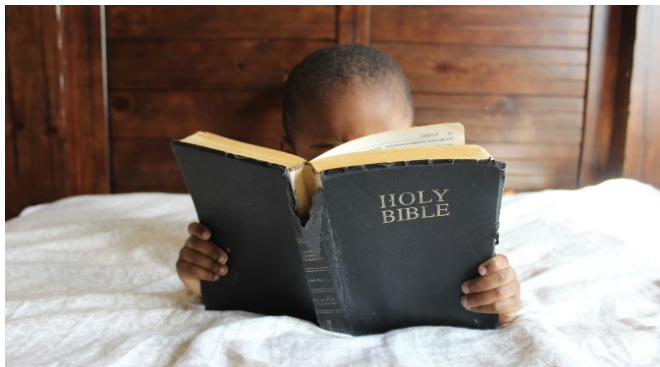
SUNDAY SCHOOL



Bible in 52 Weeks meeting at 9:45 am

See below for more information.

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 January home devotions:

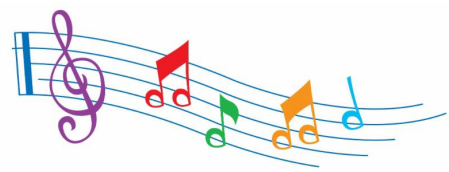
[Bible Stories in a Year Faith Formation Journeys](#)

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



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-1,8,15

February 9th: Theology Pop (sign up at the link above)

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

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.

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) or Jodi Loecke (jodiloেকে@comcast.net) for more information.


Thank you for your continued support of FFH!



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 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; 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 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.

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

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

Office News



Welcome Natalie Grapes! Natalie is our New Office Administrator.

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>

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

Spiritual Morsel

If you or someone you know is interested in OSLC Membership, please contact the church office. The words of our Lord appear to be more unsettled than in the past perhaps we are being called to take those words more seriously than ever before. The words may remain merely a tidy motto or become a powerful reality to which we commit ourselves in prayerful concern.

Pastor Fred Castor
 Spiritual Guide

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

SATURDAY	THIS WEEK - February 4	NEXT WEEK - February 11
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Lynda Lloyd	Sylvia Daire
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:	Andrew Hennen	Will Clouser

8:30 Service	THIS WEEK - February 5	NEXT WEEK - February 12
GREETER:		
USHER:	Jim & Bonnie Shumaker	
WORSHIP ASST:	Eva Sue Littleton	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Rhianna Bertram & Kaija Kaupang	Katelyn Miller & Molly Wulff
COFFEE HOST:	Annie & Stuart Hennen	Steven & Teri Micek

11:00 Service	THIS WEEK - February 5	NEXT WEEK - February 12
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:		
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Ella Bajcsi & Benny Duran	Leif Tufte & Norah McDonald

OFFERING
TELLER:

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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