

Weekly eNews Announcements

March 1, 2017

"Our Saviour's Lutheran Church welcomes all to the love of

Christ through Worshiping, Learning, and Serving."

Worship This Week



Lent Season Worship Series: Reforming - Renewing: Unexpected Grace This week: 40 Days - Campus Ministry Sunday Sermon from FOCOLU Intern Ally Williams!

March 4 -- Holden 5:30pm

March 5 --With One Voice

9:45am Sunday School for preschool-5th Grade, Adult education: Unexpected Grace

Ash Wednesday - March 1st



Join us on Wednesday, March 1st for Ash Wednesday. There will be services at 12 pm and 7 pm along with a soup supper at 5:15 pm. Remaining Wednesdays during Lent: March 8th - April 5th Soup Suppers: 5:15 pm Worship: 7 pm

Upcoming Events

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 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.*



Sign up with Marty Larsen (970-484-6033 or <u>marty@marthalarsen.com</u>) 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!

Daylight Savings Time - March 12th



DON'T FORGET TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS ON MARCH 12TH!

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



North Colorado Conference

Who are the People in your Neighborhood??



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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

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT: EPIPHANY WORSHIP SERIES



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.

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**.

March 23rd at Horse and Dragon

CHILDREN & FAMILY

SUNDAY SCHOOL



Sunday School 9:45 Preschool - 5th Grade in Sanctuary

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

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Here is a link to the March home devotions:

Bible Stories in a Year Faith Formation Journeys March Home Stories:

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

Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp July 16th - July 22nd Sign Up with Pastor Michael! For information about the camp: <u>http://www.rainbowtrail.org/</u>



Summerfest - August 4th - 6th https://our-saviours.org/2017/02/16/summerfest-august-4-6/

> Sky Ranch (All Ages) - August 6th - 11th <u>http://skyranchcolorado.org/</u>

YOUTH

FoCoLu EVENTS



Registration for Winter and Spring Classes is open! Click <u>here!</u>

Meet at each individual congregation for Lent.

March 24th-25th Middle School Lock-In @ OSLC 7 pm - 8 am. March 25th High School Service Event 11 am - 1 pm (Meet at OSLC).



SERVICE & GIVING

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

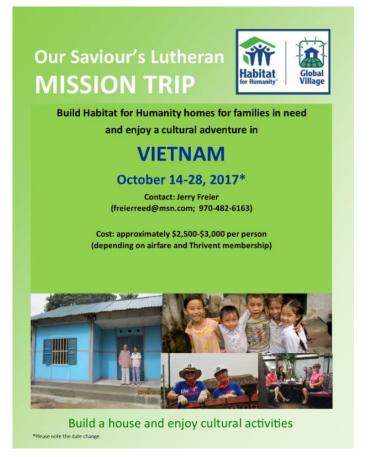
March 5 (1-2:30) at American Baptist. March 6 (7-8:30 pm) at Community of Christ April 23 April 23 (1-2:30) at Our Saviour's Lutheran April 24 (7-8:30 pm) at Our Saviour's Lutheran May 1 (7-8:30 pm) at Our Saviour's Lutheran May 21 (1-2:30) at Our Saviour's



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.



ONE VILLAGE ONE FAMILY

One Village One Family Team #2 has completed our journey with our village family. Scott and Erica are both employed full time and are living in a two bedroom apartment. Erica's daughter Skye is a 7th grader at Lincoln Middle School and is currently playing basketball and looking forward to going out for track in the spring. Erica is enrolled in online classes at CSU to complete her undergraduate degree. They are extremely grateful for all the help they received from our congregation.

As you can see from the paragraph above, OSLC village #2 has helped their family achieve stability. Village #1 is well on their way. So now we're looking for new mentors!

The need is great! From 2013 - 2016, an average of 975 students in the Poudre School District were homeless every year. Sometimes the problem seems so overwhelming that we feel we cannot do anything. But in the One Village One Family program (a part of Homeless Gear), you can work with a single family and help them progress before your very eyes. \$2,000 has already been donated to help village #3 and #4 get started. Can you help?

What are the qualities of a good village mentor? Do you have a passion to help homeless families? Can you treat all people with dignity and respect? Can you work collaboratively with your OSLC friends? Do you have a strong desire to build a relationship with one struggling family? Are you encouraging, trustworthy, reliable, patient, flexible, and tactful? Then this type of ministry might be for you!

<u>What is the time commitment?</u> One 3+ hour training session, plus once-per- month meetings with your family for 6-7 months. The person chosen as village "lead" also calls the family once per week. <u>Have questions?</u> Speak with one of the 2016 villagers: Becky Shelley, Sean Shelley, Brian Nugent, Karen Wulff, Diana Hutchinson, Jack Wisbon, Sue Wisbon, Bonnie Shumaker, Beth DeHaven, Bill DeHaven, Melanie Reed, or Jerry Freier. Or email Madelyn Mihm @ mbmihm@comcast.net. Thank you!

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



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 Wednesdays or Fridays 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 <u>Online Here!</u>

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

CONNECTING WITH OUR SYNOD



The weekly Synod newsletter can be found at the following link: <u>http://rmselca.org/email-newsletter-archive</u>

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 <u>leta@our-saviours.org</u> <u>michael@our-saviours.org</u>

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					
	WEDNESDAY	THIS WEEK - March 1	NEXT WEEK - March 8		
	GREETER/USHER:				
	WORSHIP ASST:				

SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:	Molly Wulff & Leif Tufte	
SATURDAY	THIS WEEK - March 4	NEXT WEEK - March 11
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Erik Thompson	Duane Daire
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:	Andrew Hennen	Quinn Halvorson
8:30 Service	THIS WEEK - March 5th	NEXT WEEK - March 12
GREETER:		
USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:		
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Rebecca Rehm & Ben Freeman	Luke McDonald & Norah McDonald
COFFEE HOST:		
11:00 Service	THIS WEEK - March 5th	NEXT WEEK - March 12
GREETER/USHER:		LaPlante Family
WORSHIP ASST:		
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Aspen Haboush & Lydia Genson	Georgia LaPlate & Rhianna Bertram
OFFERING	Natalie Grapes & Judy Lantry	Natalie Grapes & Gil Fechner
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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