

# Weekly eNews Announcements

March 15, 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: Wonderment of an

This week: Wonderment of an Outsider

March 18 -- Holden 5:30pm

March 19 -- With One Voice

9:45am Sunday School for Preschool-5th Grade, Adult Education: Reclaiming the 'L' Word

# Wednesdays in Lent



#### **Everyone has Something to Offer**

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 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 <u>International Health Partners and the Youth</u> <u>Group's trip to Ecuador.</u>

#### **GOOD FRIDAY ACTORS NEEDED!**

Good Friday worship will once again be a Tenebrae - service of darkness. The gradual darkness will occur throughout a series of monologues provided by Biblical characters who were witnesses to Jesus' crucifixion.

We are looking for 7 readers - 4 men, 3 women - to help with the service. There will be one scheduled rehearsal for the readers in this service on Sunday, April 9, in between the morning worship services at 10:00.

If you are interested in helping with a dramatic reading, please contact Carrie Stadtmueller at: <a href="mailto:carrie@our-saviours.org">carrie@our-saviours.org</a>

#### **VOLUNTEERS FOR EASTER WEEKEND!**

We need 4 volunteers to pick up balloons from Party City on Harmony by Target on April 15th at 6:20pm.

We need someone to start the fire for the vigil service at 5:00pm.

If you can do either of these tasks, please contact the church office: <a href="mailto:office@our-saviours.org">office@our-saviours.org</a>

### **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



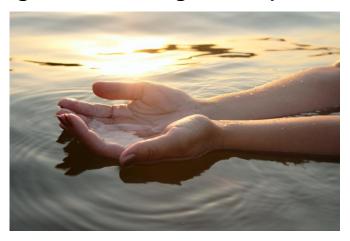
Questions? contact Pastor Leta leta@our-saviours.org

#### **LEARNING**

#### LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES

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

Renewing - Reforming: Unexpected Grace



March 1 - Ash Wednesday

March 5th: 40 Days - Campus Ministry Sunday

March 12th - Wonderment of an Insider

March 19th - Wonderment of outsider

March 26th - The struggle of the faithful - Part I

April 2nd - The struggle of the faithful-Part II

Renewing - Reforming: Everyone Has Something to Offer



Week 1: March 8 - Brad Frye

Week 2: March 15 Week 3: March 22nd Week 4: March 29th Week 5: April 5

#### MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, March 28th, 7am at The Breakfast Club (Just South of Markley Motors-Honda). Brad Abbott, Executive Director of Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp will lead the discussion. For more information contact Peter Jacobs 970-988-4564

#### **LEAH CIRCLE**

Leah Circle will be meet at the home of Barb Slattenow on Thursday, March 23 at 6:45. The lesson Heirs of the Promise, Galatians 3:24-4:31 will be shared and Anita Hildebrand will provide dessert.

#### **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

#### **BOOK CLUB**

Apr 3	The Ocean at the End of the Lane[kit] by Neil Gaiman	
May 1	An American Ghost by Hannah Nordhaus	
Jun 5	A man called Ove by Fredrik Backman	
Jul 3	A Short History of Nearly Everything by Bill Bryson	
Aug 7	Commonwealth by Ann Patchett - Fort Collins Reads	
Sep 4	Being Mortal by Atul Gawande	
Oct 2	High Tide in Tuscon by Barbara Kingsolver	

## **CHILDREN & FAMILY**

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**



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



#### 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 March home devotions: Bible Stories in a Year Faith Formation Journeys

March Home Stories:

Story 8-Miriam & Moses

Story 9-10 Commandments

Story 10--Naomi & Ruth

Story 11--Samuel

#### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIRS**

Children's and Youth Choirs Wednesdays:

5:45-6:20 Jubilate Choir 6:30-6:50 Cherub Choir 5:45-6:20 Alleluia Choir



#### **Performance Schedule:**

April 2, 2017 11:00 am Alleluia/Jubilate
April 16, 2017 9:00 am & 10:30 am Alleluia, Jubilate

#### **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

Rainbow Trail is a great week of camp! Join one or more of

the pastors for the week and experience community, grace, scripture, and more together!

http://www.rainbowtrail.org/

Please Sign Up with the Church Office as well.

https://our-saviours.org/2017/03/07/summer-camp-sign/

#### Summerfest - August 4th - 6th

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

#### Sky Ranch (FOCOLU) - August 6th - 11th

Kids registered online before April 15th will receive a \$20 discount!

http://skyranchcolorado.org/

Use FOCOLU Group Code: 17FOCOLU (Case Sensitive)

Please Sign Up with the Church Office as well.

https://our-saviours.org/2017/03/07/summer-camp-sign/

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

http://skyranchcolorado.org/

Please Sign Up with the Church Office as well. https://our-saviours.org/2017/03/07/summer-camp-sign/

#### YOUTH

#### **FoCoLu EVENTS**



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

#### 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).

http://focolu.org/



## **SERVICE & GIVING**

#### **Lincoln Middle School Service Project**

Lincoln Middle School is once again headed out of doors on a 5 day adventures this summer. Due to your help in the past the program continues to grow and reach even more kids. The first year we were able to take out 38 kids, last year we took 65 and this year we have 87 signed up. This has only been possible with generous people and their gifts to allow this diverse groups of students to be able to go. Last year, you sponsored 4 kids. All of these monetary donations are stretched as far as possible to help as many as possible, so thank you in advance. For any questions, please talk to Rob Behrens by email at: rbehrens@psdschools.org.

In the memo line of your check if you could just put Lincoln, that would great! Thank you so much for your support!

#### STITCHING RICE PACKS

Would you like to share your sewing abilities? We are preparing more rice packs for **OVOF** *Gifting*. The fabric is cut and ready for straight stitching. If you'd like to help, please text or call Wanda at 970-581-0678

#### FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY HOSTING AT OSLC

#### The sign up is ready!

Faith Family Hospitality is an interfaith organization that coordinates 30 faith communities and many partner agencies to support local families dealing with homelessness.

OSLC is hosting 4 families the week of April 16th-23rd. We need yoir help!

There are many ways to get involved. Please use the link below or sign up on the OSLC website.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FAFAD2EA64-ffhspring

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

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



#### **OSLC Habitat Build Dates for 2017**

Our Saviour's collaboration with Fort Collins Habitat for Humanity in building homes for families in need will be expanded this year to include the FoCoLu churches. While OSLC will still participate, as a congregation, in two build days, we have added three additional dates as special opportunities for the ELCA churches to work together with us and share in this valuable experience. Also, this fall we have organized an OSLC-Habitat mission trip to a village in northern Vietnam to extend our outreach internationally. Please add these dates to your calendar:

OSLC Build Dates: June 17 (Saturday) and September 28 (Thursday)

FoCoLu Build Dates: June 10, July 8, and August 5 (all Saturdays)

OSLC-Habitat Vietnam Travel and Build Dates: October 14 - 28

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Jerry Freier at <a href="mailto:freierreed@msn.com">freierreed@msn.com</a> or 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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!

What is the time commitment? 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. Have questions? 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**



Monday 12 pm - 3:30 pm Tuesday - Friday 9 am - 3:30 pm

#### We need Office Volunteers!

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 Online Here!

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

The printer will be unavailable Wednesday, March 22nd - Thursday, March 23rd for installation of new copier/printer.



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 <a href="mailto:leta@our-saviours.org">leta@our-saviours.org</a> <a href="mailto:michael@our-saviours.org">michael@our-saviours.org</a>

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 15	NEXT WEEK - March 22
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	_	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:		
SATURDAY	THIS WEEK - March 18	NEXT WEEK - March 25
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Sidney Thompson	Roberta Menten
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTE:	Benny Duran	Caroline Menten
8:30 Service	THIS WEEK - March 19	NEXT WEEK - March 26
GREETER:		
USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Naomi Johnson	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Rebecca Rehm & Leif Tufte	Gabe Stadtmueller & Rebecca Rehm
COFFEE HOST:		Jim & Bonnie Shumaker
11:00 Service	THIS WEEK - March 19	NEXT WEEK - March 26
GREETER/USHER:		
WORSHIP ASST:	Laura Burlingame-Lee	
SOUND BOARD:		
ACOLYTES:	Aspen Haboush & Molly Wulff	Katie Brown & Molly Wulff
OFFERING TELLER:	Natalie Grapes & Judy Lantry	Natalie Grapes & Judy Lantry

#### 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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