



## Weekly eNews Announcements

November 29, 2017

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

### Worship This Week

**Saturday Worship**  
5:30pm

**Sunday Worship**  
8:30 am & 10:30 am

**Education at 9:40 am**



**\*Wednesday Night Activities starting at 5 pm\***

# *On the Journey*



*Advent*  
2017

**ADVENT 1 - KEEP AWAKE**  
**NOVEMBER 26TH**

**ADVENT 2 - PREPARE**  
**DECEMBER 3RD**

**ADVENT 3 - DO NOT BE AFRAID**  
**DECEMBER 10TH**

**ADVENT 4 - MY SOUL MAGNIFIES THE LORD!**  
**DECEMBER 17TH**

**SATURDAYS 5:30 PM, SUNDAYS 8:30 & 10:30 AM**



Missed a Sermon?

Sermons are available to listen to online

<https://www.our-saviours.org/sermons>

Upcoming Events

**UPCOMING EVENTS DURING ADVENT**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Preschool Craft Fair December 2nd 9:00 am

HS Fundraiser Lunch Luau December 10

11:30 am

Kids Night In: Christmas Time December 15th

5:00 pm

FOCOLU Christmas Parties December 17th

Beer and Carols at Island Grill

December 20th 6:30 pm

Neighborhood Caroling December 23rd

4:30 pm

Advent Celebration December 23rd 6:00 pm

## ANNUAL FLEA MARKET



PRESCHOOL ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR/FLEA MARKET

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

We would love to see you there!

**TIME TO SIGN UP TO HELP WITH CHRISTMAS EVE  
WORSHIP!**

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

# CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



## POINSETTIA ORDER FORMS ARE NOW READY!

Pick up a form in this weekend's bulletins or in the church office.

Due by December 10th

## LUAU LUNCHEON CHRISTMAS PROGRAM RECEPTION

Mele Kalikimaka!

All are invited to a Hawaiian Luau Luncheon on December 10th immediately following the 10:30am worship service, which will include the children's Christmas program.



This is a festive sit-down luncheon provided by the High School youth and a great time for fellowship!

A free-will donation will support the 2018 Summer Youth Trip.

There will also be a silent auction with outstanding items and experiences to bid on!



## BEER AND CAROLS @ ISLAND GRILL



Join us as we go carol and then end at Island Grill!  
Fun for the whole family!

**Dec 20th 6:30pm**

**SAVE THE DATES: SPECIAL WORSHIP FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**



# *Christmas Worship*

## *Children's Program Message*

December 10th 10:30 am

## *Christmas Cantata*

December 16th/17th

## *Golden Evening Prayer*

December 23rd 5:30 pm

## *Christmas Eve*

Lessons & Carols 10:00 am

Worship with Children's Choirs 3:00 pm

Worship with Chancel Choir 5:00 pm

Worship with Bells 7:00 pm

Worship with Special Music 10:00 pm

## *Christmas Day*

Lessons & Carols 10:00 am

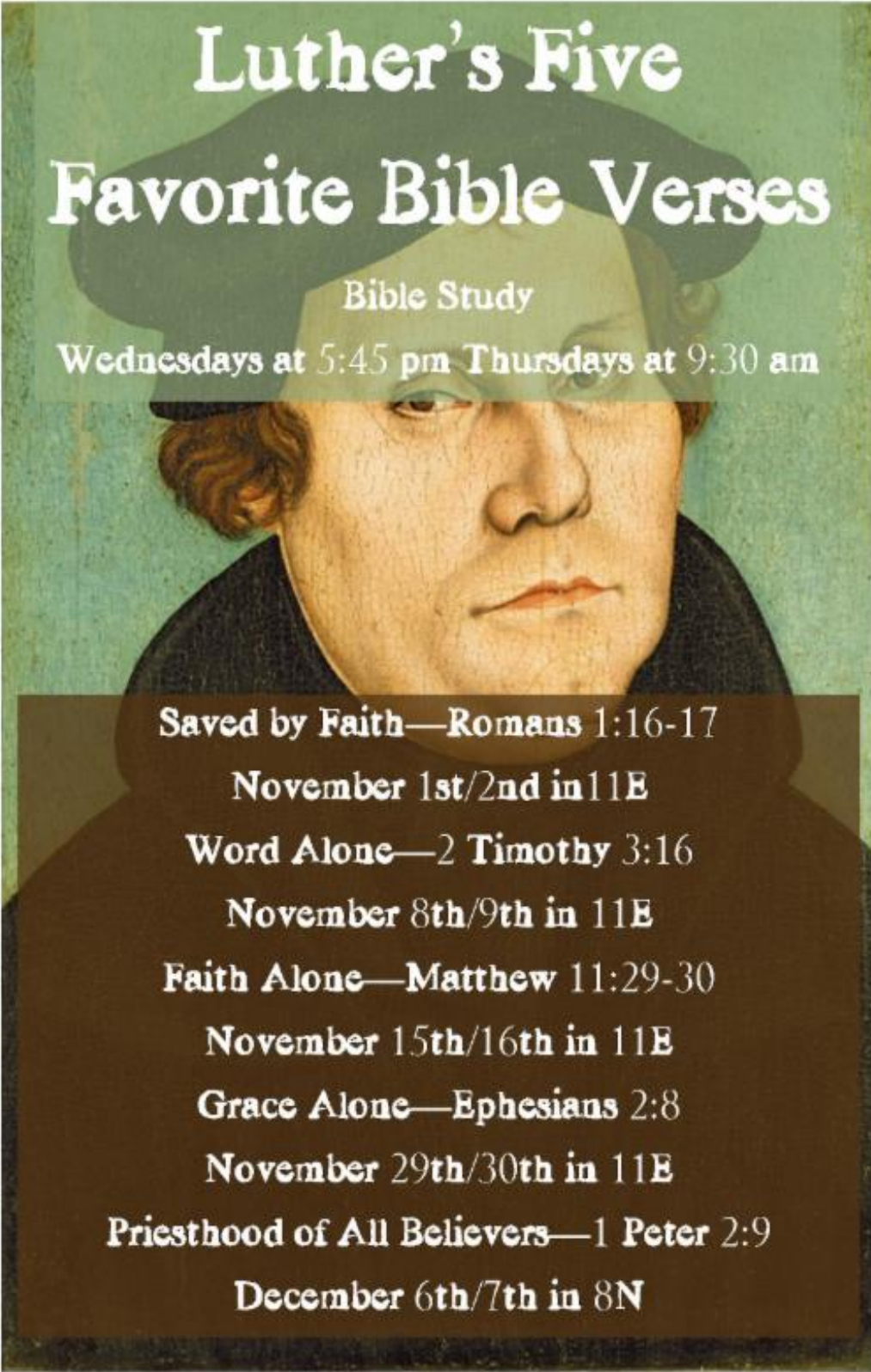
## *New Year's Weekend*

Saturday 5:30 pm, Sunday 10:00 am



## LEARNING

FALL BIBLE STUDY

A portrait of Martin Luther, the German theologian, is the background of the poster. He is shown from the chest up, wearing a black cap and a dark, high-collared garment. The background of the portrait is a textured, light green color.

# Luther's Five Favorite Bible Verses

Bible Study

Wednesdays at 5:45 pm Thursdays at 9:30 am

**Saved by Faith—Romans 1:16-17**

**November 1st/2nd in 11E**

**Word Alone—2 Timothy 3:16**

**November 8th/9th in 11E**

**Faith Alone—Matthew 11:29-30**

**November 15th/16th in 11E**

**Grace Alone—Ephesians 2:8**

**November 29th/30th in 11E**

**Priesthood of All Believers—1 Peter 2:9**

**December 6th/7th in 8N**

**Gifts of Imperfect Parenting**





## Gifts of Imperfect Parenting Course

**November 8th 5W 5:45 pm–7:00 pm**

**November 29th 5W 5:45 pm–7:00 pm**

**December 6th 5W 5:45 pm–7:00 pm**

**RSVP to Pastor Leta at [leta@our-saviours.org](mailto:leta@our-saviours.org)**

**All are welcome!**

## THEOLOGY PUB



**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.**

Next Date: December 21st (Third Thursday due to Holidays)  
at Dungeons & Drafts

## BOOK CLUB

Dec 4	<b>A Secret Gift: How one man's kindness-and a trove of letters-revealed the hidden history of the Great Depression</b> by Ted Gup	Suzie Smith
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## CHILDREN & FAMILY

### Bible in 52 Weeks



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Grab a story packet in the fellowship hall and have fun at home with the activities they share

Take a photo of the activities and upload them to our Facebook group:

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/1349603485105413/?sw\\_fnr\\_id=1994175596&fnr\\_t=0](https://www.facebook.com/groups/1349603485105413/?sw_fnr_id=1994175596&fnr_t=0)

Contact Naomi with any questions

Here is a link to the November home devotions:

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

November Home Stories:

Story 42-[Jesus on the Cross](#)

[Story 43-The Tomb is Empty!](#)

[Story 44-The Disciples see Jesus](#)

[Story 45-The Ascension](#)

[Story 46-Pentecost](#)

## YOUTH

### FoCoLu EVENTS





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**Volunteer to help here:**

**<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094aaea72ea3fe3-luau>**

***The Rocky Mountain Synod Youth Gathering for all 6-12 graders!***

*January 13-15 2018 in Colorado Springs-\$200*

*FOCOLU will travel all together for this weekend away as we explore the surprises that exist with-in our Church.*

*The Gathering will have both Middle School and Sr. High "Experiences" throughout our time together. Worship will be the only time all ages will be together.*

*FOCOLU includes a \$30 fee to help offset the costs of adult leaders/drivers and the interns.*

*Total cost for the weekend is \$200 and checks can be written out to your home congregation.*

*Please also sign up on the website sign up genius in the Confirmation U tab or click [Here](#)*

Confirmation Students: Sign up for classes here!

<http://focolu.org/>



[Like us on Facebook!](#)

## SERVICE & GIVING

### Mission to Hope Walk is this Saturday!

So far we have a team of 20 walkers who will carry backpacks and your gear donations from Catholic Charities to the Murphy Center. Not signed up? Come join us! Just show up at 8 a.m. at Catholic Charities on Linden St., ready to walk. (only a mile, so you will still have time to catch the OSLC Pre-School Craft Sale & Flea Market!) Thanks to your generosity, the backpacks are stuffed, and your sponsorship dollars have given OSLC the honor of being a "Bronze Sponsor" for the walk. Thank you all for giving a hand up to the homeless in our community.

### GOOD GIFTS ADVENT TREE

Our Advent tree will be on display starting the weekend of December 2/3 and will be available until the weekend of December 16/17. This year, the tree will be filled with **ELCA Good Gifts ornaments** with a variety of animals to purchase for families around the world. An animal can make a world of difference for a family in need. Animals provide food to eat, fertilizer to grow crops and offspring to sell on the market. With one gift, you can help a family escape the cycle of hunger and poverty for good.

Please take one or more ornaments and then please make your donation by writing a **check to OSLC and in the memo line please write ELCA World Hunger**. You can return your check to the Advent tree table or place it in the collection basket.

Advent calendars will also be available for you to have for the Advent season.

We will also have a tree requesting donations of King Soopers gift cards for Putnam Elementary families. You can return the gift cards in an envelope with Putnam Elementary written on the front of the envelope.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY

OSLC will be taking a year-long hiatus from hosting FFH families during construction.

However, we will be supporting other host churches throughout the next year. Third Day Church, located at 608 East Drake Rd, will be hosting the week after Thanksgiving and would appreciate our help. Please use the following link to sign up, <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4fada72daaf58-ffh1126>, or call coordinators, Jodi Loecke (970)371-5345 or Angie Asmus (970)646-2134 with any questions.

We are also collecting lamps, duffle bags, shampoo and conditioner, towel sets, dressers and nightstands for our families being placed in permanent housing. These can be dropped off at the Day Center at 300 East Oak Street (FFH Day Center and Mennonite Fellowship).

We are strongly encouraging all volunteers to attend a FFH training to learn more about homelessness and specifics about the larger program. These are offered on December 3 at Foothills Unitarian, from 1-2:30, and December 4 at First United Methodist Church, from 7-8:30 pm. Finally volunteers are always needed at the Day Center. If you are interested, please call Chrissa Percival, FFH Program Director, at (970)484-3342.

## BUILDING UPDATES



Capital Campaign update  
as of November 29th:

Total received of the first year: \$646,789.16

Total pledged over three years: \$1,635,322

### Building Program Headline News

Final floor plan and site plans complete, design done. Pending final City approval, construction on track to begin around year end.

Please direct any questions to our Building Committee:

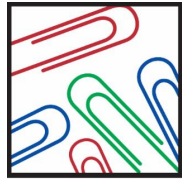
Larry Roesner, chair and owners rep, Pastor Leta Behrens, Pastor Michael Stadtmueller, Bill Brown, Bob Bury, Shelly Carroll, Jim Gjerde, Fred Haberecht, Shelly Kalkowski Ling, Christine Marston, Ken Roper, and Roger

If you would like to email the team please contact the office.

See more information at <https://our-saviours.org/buildingprogram/>

## OTHER NEWS

### OFFICE NEWS



## Office Hours

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

**We are looking for volunteers to help in the office.**

If you are interested please contact Natalie at [natalie@our-saviours.org](mailto:natalie@our-saviours.org)

### HOMESHARE - An Innovative Housing Solution

Neighbor to Neighbor and the Partnership for Age Friendly Communities in Larimer County are introducing a new and innovative housing program "HomeShare". HomeShare is a housing matching service designed to match homeowners, 55 years and older (home provider) with people looking for an affordable rental (home seeker). Benefits of the program include: safe housing solution for the home provider and home seeker; increased financial capabilities; provide mutual assistance; matching facilitated by Neighbor to Neighbor Housing Counselor; and support provided for a 6 month period after the match. Neighbor to Neighbor will begin to facilitate matches in early 2018. At this time they are building a list of home providers. Brochures are available in the church office on the program. If you are interested in learning more or getting on the list of home providers, please contact Neighbor to Neighbor @ [970-488-2374](tel:970-488-2374); or email: [homeshare@n2n.org](mailto:homeshare@n2n.org).

### COLD/FLU SEASON

Cold/flu season is upon us. There is no better prevention than SOAP & WATER by washing your hands. However, there is sanitizer if you aren't near a sink.



## LUTHERAN CHORALE CONCERTS

The Lutheran Chorale would like to invite you to join us in celebrating the birth of our Lord. We will be presenting three concerts: one on December 10, 2017 at 3 pm, and two concerts on December 11, 2017 at noon and 3 pm.

**Rejoice! Our Light Has Come** will be performed on Saturday, December 10 at 3 pm at **The Sanctuary, Denver**, 3101 W 31<sup>st</sup> Ave., Denver, CO, 80211. This will be a free concert, with our annual ***Silent auction /Bake sale*** being held prior to the concert with doors opening at 1:30 pm. Please join us for some very special items. Our second **Rejoice! Our Lord Has Come** concert will be held on Sunday, December 11, at 3 pm at **Lutheran Hospital's Chapel of the Good Samaritan**, 8300 W 38<sup>th</sup> Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO, 80033. This will also be a free concert, with a free will offering accepted.

**Joyous Carols of the Season** our third concert will be held on Sunday, December 10, at noon at **Exempla Lutheran Hospital**, 8300 W. 39<sup>th</sup> Ave., Wheat Ridge, CO. We will be singing in the lobby and around the hospital.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Linda Thompson: 303-666-6642, e-mail us at [thelutheranchorale@comcast.net](mailto:thelutheranchorale@comcast.net), or visit our web site at [www.thelutheranchorale.org](http://www.thelutheranchorale.org).

## UPCOMING BELL CONCERTS

Come watch our Interim Handbell Director and Office Administrator, Natalie Grapes in concert!

**Bells of the Rockies ...**  
*Celebrate  
 Holiday  
 Favorites*



**December hustle have  
 you rushing about?  
 Give yourself a gift  
 of holiday music!**

*Sit back, relax—enjoy the sights  
 and sounds of Christmas  
 at a Bells of the Rockies' concert.*

<b>Sunday, December 17          at 4 p.m.</b>		<b>Friday, December 22          at 7 p.m.</b>
Faith United Church of Christ 1020 Walnut St. Windsor, CO 80550		Rialto Theatre 228 E. 4th St. Loveland, CO 80537

Questions? 970-215-2377

**32<sup>nd</sup> Annual First Presbyterian Church**  
*Bells of Christmas*  
 a community tradition

**December 3, 2017  
 at 7:00 p.m.**  
 First Presbyterian Church  
 531 S. College Avenue  
 Fort Collins



**FREE ADMISSION**  
 A freewill offering will be taken.  
 Childcare is available by reservation.

First Presbyterian Church | firstpresfc.org | (970)482-6107

**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>

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

<b>Saturday, December 2, 2017</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>
<b>Usher/Greeter</b>	
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	Erik Thompson
<b>Acolyte</b>	Will Clouser
<b>Sunday, December 3, 2017</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Anita & John Bleem
<b>Greeters</b>	
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	Mike Hoover
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Suzie Smith

Acolytes	Kaija Kaupang & Ben Freeman
<b>Sunday, December 3, 2017</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>
Greeter/ Usher	Alison Rogers
Worship Assistant	
Sound System	Jonathan Marston
Acolytes	Aidan & Rebecca Burlingame-Lee
	<b>10:30 AM</b>
<b>Monday, December 4, 2017</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
Offering Tellers	Patty Gold

Below are options to volunteer:

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

### Missed the Last Worship Series?



Re\*Formation: Living, Growing, & Walking with Jesus

Messages are available to listen to online

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