



Our Saviour's LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 11, 2018

WEEKLY eNEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS



Listen to the Past Sermons Here:

[Living In-Between: The Gift of Baptism](#)

[Living In-Between: Actively Waiting](#)

Worship Series: Living In-Between

THIS WEEKEND!

December 16th Christmas Program
& Luau Lunch Fundraiser

COATS: We have several new places for coats! There are two small closets in the narthex near the nursery, the other end of the narthex next to the music room and a closet as you enter from the East side of the Fellowship Hall.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

ADVENT 3

SATURDAY 5:30 PM

SUNDAY 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

Education 9:40-10:15AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

<https://vbspro.events/p/events/oslcsundayschool>

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

5:00 - 6:30 Dinner Served

5:00 - 6:00 Bell Choir Rehearsal

5:30-7:00 Nursery Open

5:30-7:30 Caroling

5:30-5:50 Cherub Choir

5:45 - 7:00 Adult Bible Study

6:00 - 6:45 Alleluia Choir

6:00 - 7:00 Windstrings

6:30 - 7:30 Confirmation

7:00 - 8:30 Chancel Choir

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm

Friday 9 am - 12 pm

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Total Received as of Dec. 10th:

\$ 1,339,017.85

Total Pledged over Three Years:

\$1,635,322 (2017 - 2019)

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND HIGH SCHOOL LUAU LUNCH THIS WEEKEND

Join us at 10:30 am Sunday worship for the Children's Christmas Program and then after the service we will have the High School Luau Lunch fundraiser!

Mele Kalikimaka! All are invited to a Hawaiian Luau Lunch on December 16 immediately following the 10:30 worship service, which will include the children's Christmas program. This is a festive sit-down lunch provided by the senior high youth and a great time for fellowship! A free-will donation will support the 2019 Summer Youth Trip.

Sign up to help here (8th - 12th graders get credit for helping to fund raise the Mission trip to El Paso next year):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4fadaa29a5fc1-hawaiian>

Warm Wishes & Mele Kalikimaka

Join us for a **Hawaiian Luau Lunch**

December 16

*Following the 10:30 Worship Service Featuring
the Children's Christmas Program*

Hosted by the High School Youth

*A free will donation will support the
2019 Summer Youth Trip*



ADVENT ACTIVITIES

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

ADVENT

Events & Activities

advent festival

Nov. 25th
9:30 - 10:15 am
All Ages!
OSLC

*high school christmas
party*

Dec. 1st
4:00 pm
LuMin

kids night in

Dec. 7th
5 - 9 pm
RSVP:
katie@our-saviours.org

christmas carols

Dec. 12th
5:30 - 7:30 pm
Families Welcome!

*middle school
christmas party*

Dec. 15th
7 - 10 pm
Spirit of Joy

*childrens christmas
program*

Dec. 16th
10:30 am
carrie@our-saviours.org

*high school luau
lunch fundraiser*

Dec. 16th
11:30 am
OSLC

beer and carols

Dec. 19th
6:30 pm
Island Grill

christmas cantata

Dec. 22nd 5:30 pm
Dec. 23rd
8:30 and 10:30 am

christmas eve worship

3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm

christmas day worship

10:00 am

BEER AND CAROLS

BEEK AND CAROLS

**WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 19TH
6:30 PM
ISLAND GRILL**



CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Christmas Worship

Children's Program

December 16th 10:30 am

HIGH SCHOOL LUAU LUNCH FUNDRAISER

December 16th 11:30 am

Christmas Cantata

December 22nd 5:30 pm/23rd 8:30 & 10:30 am

Christmas Eve Candlelight

3:00 pm Worship with Youth Choirs

5:00 pm Worship with Bells

7:00 pm Worship with Chancel Choir

10:00 pm Worship with Special Music

Christmas Day

10:00 am Worship with Favorite Hymns

New Years Weekend

Saturday 5:30 pm, Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 am

GUSTAVUS JAZZ ORCHESTRA

The Gustavus Jazz Orchestra will be coming to OSLC on Tuesday February 5th, 2019! We are excited to have a concert here from this group! We are looking for a coordinator for this event to help provide them a simple dinner and assist with getting host families matched up with their students. We are also looking for host families for that night to take the students overnight, provide breakfast, and return them to OSLC in the morning. Students need to be housed in groups that in multiples of 2 (so 2, 4, 6, 8, etc.) Please contact Natalie Grapes (natalie@our-saviours.org) or

Pastor Leta (leta@our-saviours.org) to volunteer for either need. Help us be a blessing to these young people who are sharing their gifts!

To request more information: natalie@our-saviours.org

LEARNING

ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

Join us on Wednesdays at 5:45PM or Thursdays at 9:30 to dig into scripture. Join any or all of the sections.

God on the Move Devotional Books for 2018-2019 are available in the office and in the worship space. Pick yours up today

December 2 - January 13 Living "In Between" (Luke)

December 19 6:30PM Island Grill - Beer and Carols!

MENS BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY

There will be no men's breakfast meeting in December. We will resume January 29th.

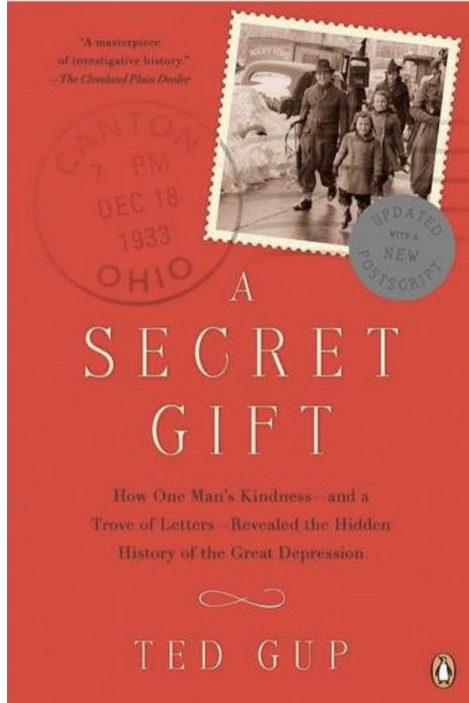
LEAH CIRCLE

Leah Circle will meet at Barb Slattenow's on Thursday, December 13 at 6 p.m. for a Christmas Potluck and Devotional "Fear not. God's message to the shepherds is also for us, lighting our way to Christ."

OSLC LIBRARY - ADDITIONS & REVIEWS

A Secret Gift: How an Act of Kindness Revealed Hidden Lives of the Great Depression

by Ted Gup



OSLC Location: 977.162/Gup

An inspiring account of America at its worst - and Americans at their best - woven from the stories of Depression-era families who were helped by gifts from the author's generous and secretive grandfather. Shortly before Christmas 1933, in Depression-scarred Canton, Ohio, a small newspaper ad offered \$10, no strings attached, to 75 families in distress. Interested readers were asked to submit letters describing their hardships to a benefactor calling himself Mr. B. Virdot. The author's grandfather, Sam Stone, was inspired to place this ad and assist his fellow

Cantonians as they prepared for the cruelest Christmas most of them would ever witness.

But as he uncovered the suffering and triumphs of dozens of strangers, Gup also learned that Sam Stone was far more complex than the lovable retiree persona he'd always shown his grandson. Gup unearths deeply buried details about Sam's life - from his impoverished, abusive upbringing to felonious efforts to hide his immigrant origins from U.S. officials - that help explain why he felt such a strong affinity to strangers in need.

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.

**THEOLOGY PUB WILL NOT MEET FOR
DECEMBER. PLEASE JOIN US IN JANUARY!**

Next Date: January 24th

HOLY LAND TRIP 2019



HOLY LAND

November
19-29, 2019

Pastor. Michael Stadtmueller

\$3490.00 From Denver, CO
Package Price Includes:
All-inclusive accommodations.
Round-trip airfare.
3-Day Jordan Extension \$650

For more info:
OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
2000 South Lemay Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80525
(970) 484-3133

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OSLC BOOK CLUB

All are welcome at the OSLC Book Club. Read some new books, make connections with interesting people, and enjoy lively discussions.


We meet the first Monday of each month, 7-8:30 pm.
If you have a good book to recommend, would like to host a meeting, or have any questions please contact Anita Bleem or Sue Sumner.

Upcoming Schedule:

January 7 - Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again by Rachel Held Evans
Hosted by Pastor Leta

CHILDREN, FAMILY, & YOUTH

HIGH SCHOOL EL PASO TRIP



GREETINGS from EL PASO TEXAS

JUNE 16-JUNE 22

SUMMER 2019 YOUTH SERVICE TRIP

Open to Youth who have completed the 8th grade and older !

Leading Vacation Bible School at Peace Lutheran
Border Education with Cristo Rey:


- Time with a Family in a colonia
- Meals & Activities with Local Children & Families
- Learning from Border Control, Immigration Lawyers, and other local agencies

Time in El Paso and Juarez

Total Trip Cost: \$350 per person and fundraising participation

REGISTER at www.our-saviours.org/learn/high-school-youth/

**Contact Pastor Leta at leta@our-saviours.org/
970-484-3133**

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DEADLINE FOR FORM AND PAYMENT IS FEBRUARY 1ST

MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENTS!

CAROLING THIS WEDNESDAY! On December 12th we will go caroling! Come from 5:30-7:30. Families welcome!

Middle School Christmas Party with FoCoLu--
Saturday December 15th from 7pm-10pm at SOJ!
RSVP to Leslie Olsen leslie@our-saviours.org



FoCoLu Middle School Christmas Party!

**Join us for a fun evening
of cookie-decorating and
movie-watching.**

Where: Spirit of Joy

**When: Sat., December 15th
7-10pm**

**Questions? Email Kyra!
kyrajensen110@gmail.com**

HABITAT HOME DEDICATION

OSLC/FOCOLU Sponsored Habitat Homes will be Dedicated on Sunday, December 16. Aaron and Andi Taylor's home will be dedicated at 1 pm and at 2 pm (across the street) Munawar and Rebecca Masih's home will be dedicated. OSLC has been important in financially supporting these two home builds, and volunteer crews from our church have helped physically to build both homes. Parking is available either at Harmony Cottages (SE corner of Harmony and Taft Hill Roads) or at the ReStore (4001 S Taft Hill Rd). If you would like to bring a non-perishable food item, we will use it to stock the food pantries of each home. Please join us in these home celebrations.

GOOD GIFTS TREE



This is the last weekend for you to purchase animals from the ELCA Good Gifts Global Barnyard tree! There are chicks, pigs, honeybees and goats available and with your donation you will be helping a family become self-sustaining. If you wish to write a check, please make it to OSLC with ELCA Good Gifts on the memo line. The Outside Our Walls committee thanks you for your continued generosity.

OSLC/FOCOLU Habitat Build Trip to Jordan

Next year from November 8-16, 2019, please consider helping a poor family in Jordan obtain a decent and secure place to live. We are now organizing a team of volunteers from OSLC and the other FOCOLU churches to participate in this adventure. Jordan, located next to Israel, is an ancient country

considered to be an important part of the cradle of Western civilization. In addition to helping a family in need, this trip will provide opportunities to learn first-hand more about Islam and what daily life is like for people living in a Muslim country. Cultural opportunities are planned to help us to better understand Middle Eastern life. In terms of food, the Jordanian cuisine is considered one of the best in the region. **The timing of this trip is designed to come just before the FOCOLU Holy Land Tour that is currently being planned, so that those building a home in Jordan can join the Holy Land Tour and extend their educational and cultural opportunities.** An informational meeting on the Jordan Build will be held on Monday, January 14. Please let Jerry Freier or Melanie Reed know if you are interested in participating in this adventure (970-482-6163 or freierreed@msn.com).

FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY



Faith Family Hospitality is getting ready to gear up after a year hiatus. Our first host week will begin Sunday, January 27 and the link to volunteer is <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/70a0a4da4a82da4fd0-faith/4469378>. If you would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities please call coordinators, Angie Asmus, at (970)646-2134, or Jodi Loecke at (970)371-5345. We will also host an FFH Overnight Program Training at OSLC on January 13 from 1-2:30.

In the weeks approaching Christmas, please grab an ornament off the FFH Gift Card Tree in the Narthex. Bring back a gift card for King Soopers or Safeway, where our families will be able to go to get gas or groceries. THANK YOU!!!

ONE VILLAGE ONE FAMILY

OTHER NEWS

FURNITURE UPDATE

The furniture and interior team is working to update spaces that need it! New furniture for the lounge area near the nursery will arrive in January. The youth are working on their needs for the youth room and the north classroom got new tables and chairs!

REMINDER: 'TIS THE SEASON

Flu and Cold Season is approaching fast. Please remember the best defense against them, is good hand-washing with soap and water. Our Pastors and Worship Assistants always wash their hands prior to serving communion. The sanitizer is a temporary stop-gap, but not a replacement. (Coughing and sneezing into your elbow is also helpful in keeping your hands clean.) And don't forget your flu shots as well.

Stay well!
Peg & Marlys
Your Faith Community Nurses

BELLS CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Come watch our Office Administrator, Natalie, perform with the auditioned community handbell ensemble, Bells of the Rockies!

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HAVE
YOURSELF A
merry
little
Christmas

with

Bells of the Rockies
as they perform

Ring We Now of Christmas

Let your heart be light
as you surround yourself
with the delightful sights
and sounds handbells
bring to this season.
We hope you find joy and
peace as you join us for
our Concerts:



Sunday, December 16
at 4 p.m.

Faith United Church of Christ
1020 Walnut St.
Windsor, CO 80550
www.belloftherockies.org

Friday, December 21
at 7 p.m.

Rialto Theatre
228 E. 4th St.
Loveland, CO 80537
Questions? 970-215-2377

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Below are options to volunteer:

1. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094ba8ab2daa8-fall>
2. Our Saviour's Website: Click **HERE**
3. Call the office: 970-484-3133

12/15/2018 (Sat.)	5:30pm	<p>Usher/Greeter (2) Sign Up </p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>Sidney Thompson</p> <p>Worship Assistant</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>Sign Up </p> <p>Sound Board</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early. Contact: Jonathan Marston</p> <p>Ricky Pietras</p> <p>Acolyte</p> <p>Middle School Students are acolytes through the confirmation program. Arrive 15 minutes early. Contact: Linda Bury</p>
12/16/2018 (Sun.)	8:30am	<p>Greeter Diane Frye</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>All slots filled</p> <p>Usher (2) John Rowland (2)</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>Brad Frye</p> <p>Worship Assistant</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>Sign Up </p> <p>Sound Board</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early. Contact: Jonathan Marston</p> <p>christine Butler</p> <p>Coffee Host</p> <p>Coffee hosts are needed to make coffee, set up, serve, and clean up. Preparation time takes 45-60 minutes.</p> <p>All slots filled</p> <p>Acolyte (2) Ben Freeman</p> <p>Middle School Students are acolytes through the confirmation program. Arrive 15 minutes early. Contact: Linda Bury</p> <p>Avery Peters</p>
	10:30am	<p>Usher/Greeter (2) Sign Up </p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>Chris Marston</p> <p>Worship Assistant</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early</p> <p>Jonathan Marston</p> <p>Sound Board</p> <p>Arrive 30 minutes early. Contact: Jonathan Marston</p> <p>All slots filled</p> <p>Acolyte (2) Adam Bajcsi</p> <p>Middle School Students are acolytes through the confirmation program. Arrive 15 minutes early. Contact: Linda Bury</p> <p>Ingrid Marston</p>



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