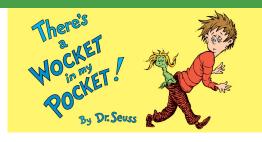


August 20, 2019

WEEKLY eNEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS



Listen to the Past Sermons Here:

God's Love for All Creatures
New Things in God's Grace
Living in the Impossible

THIS WEEKEND!
The Gospel According to
Dr. Seuss: The Friends We
Have Near and Far

Our El Paso Youth will be speaking!

Download the Devotional HERE!

WORSHIP THIS WEEK SATURDAY 5:30 PM SUNDAY 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

FELLOWSHIP HOUR 9:30 AM KIDS OUTSIDE PLAYTIME 9:30 AM EL PASO Q&A 9:30 AM

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm Friday 9 am - 12 pm

The church office will be closed Thursday, August 22nd for a staff retreat.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE We are in the 3rd year of our Capital Campaign.

Total pledged amount still outstanding as of July 31st: **\$152,513**

Every dollar you contribute to the capital campaign lowers our mortgage payment and enables more ministry!

WEEKLY SYNOD NEWSLETTER: http://rmselca.org/email-newsletter-archive

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

FAITH FAMILY HOSPITALITY WEEK STARTS SUNDAY

FFH VOLUNTEERS our week has arrived and we are still in need of help!! Please see the following link to help with roles (we still need a few of each-especially overnight, cleaning, point person and tear down) that still need to be filled starting the week of AUGUST 25: https://tinyurl.com/oslcffh-aug2019. You can also contact Angie Asmus (970)646-2134 or Jodi Loecke (970)371-5345. Thank you so much for trying to fit this in amidst busy schedules.

We would like to celebrate YOU- please save the evening of Friday, September 13 for an FFH Volunteer Celebration of all our faith communities. Look for more details to follow in the next few weeks.

BACKPACK BLESSING

People of all ages who are heading back to school in the fall, bring your backpacks in for a blessing on Sunday, August 25th.

DEVOTIONAL YOGA

Join us in the East Meeting Room on Thursdays. There is no cost to attend!

4:30 pm - Restorative & Flowing (Gentle & Slow Movement)

5:30 pm - Powerflow (Faster Pace)

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!

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We have a great opportunity for being with OSLC kids on Sunday mornings! There are options to volunteer one time, once a month, or more often. All the information is on the sign up link. We currently do not have any teachers so please consider spending time with our kids so we can have a wonderful community for them!

We will begin another great year of Sunday School this fall! We are looking for service project leaders, event leaders, preschool teachers, K/1st teachers, 2nd/3rd teachers, 4th/5th teachers. Yes, older youth can teach too! Classroom teachers will be in teams and sign up for the dates that work for you. Lessons and materials are provided.

Contact Pastor Leta for more details! Here is the link to sign up! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/oslcsundayschool

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER HELP NEEDED!

Do you love to cook? Are you willing to help host our Wednesday night dinners?

Please let the office know at office@our-saviours.org

FOOD TRUCK RALLY NIGHT

August 29th 6:00 pm

Join us for a fun night of food and fellowship.

Meet at Fossil Creek Park

Contact Jana Kraich or Pastor Leta for more info.

DAY TIME CONNECTIONS

Thursday September 5th - Aspen Viewing at Sky Ranch -

Join us for a day trip up to the Mountains. Lunch is \$10. We carpool up from the church at 9:30 AM. Sign up to join us and let us know if you can drive others as their are many who would appreciate a ride.

Sign up here: https://forms.gle/wAnxA4R8gZfzK1pbA

Tuesday September 24th - Pie Potluck at Church 2PM - You bring a dessert, we will bring the Ice Cream

Contact Pastor Michael for more information.

SMALL GROUP LEADERS NEEDED!

Small Group Leaders needed! We need small group leaders for Middle School youth on Wednesday

evenings from 6:30-7:45 pm. Pastor Leta and Intern Pastor Jon will teach the main lessons and then give you fun ways to engage with the youth in small group! Fall semester starts Sept 11 and ends

Nov 20th! Email leta@our-saviours.org to volunteer or learn more!

RALLY DAY



If you would like to host a half or full table please email natalie@our-saviours.org

ARE THESE YOUR DISHES?



We have some dishes left over from memorial service receptions this summer. Please claim yours! You can pick it up in the office.

LEARNING

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday-Thursday Bible Study
This fall's bible study is on Isaiah - Join us in the North Meeting Room
Adult Bible Study Wednesday 5:45-7:00 pm and
Thursday 9:30 - 10:35 am

Group begins on Wednesday, September 11th.

BOOK CLUB

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, 7:00-8:30 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.

September 2: Black Water Rising by Attica Locke hosted by Anita Bleem

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY, Tuesday, August 27, 7am at The Charcoal Broiler. Jason Morgan, Larimer County Director of an organization known as A LITTLE HELP will be our guest presenter. A LITTLE HELP pairs volunteers with seniors who need "a little help" to stay in their home.

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
Next Date: August 22 at Hop Grenade Taproom
Topic: Bullying

FALL SERIES - ADULT EDUCATION



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East Meeting Room off Fellowship Hall 9:45 am

September 15

Churchless Christians

Can you be a devout, faithful, fulfilled Christian without belonging to an organized church?

Peter Jacobs, Leader

September 29

What Must a Christian Believe?

How much can Christians of today mentally chip away at their acceptance of basic Christian doctrines and still remain Christian?

Bill Brown, Leader

October 13
Spirituality

Restful, Restive, or Both?

Beth DeHaven, Leader

September 22

Relevance

Tradition, Faith, and the Role of Church in a complex & changing world.

Dick Yahnke, Leader

October 6

Faith as a Life Changing Force

Living in Constant Awareness of God's Faithfulness to us.

Robin Ferree, Leader

October 20
Leadership for the

Future

Servant Leadership Larry Dunn, Leader

OSLC LIBRARY

Hillbilly Elegy: a memoir of a family and culture in crisis

by Vance, J.D.

OSLC Location: 305.5/Van

Hillbilly Elegy is a passionate and personal analysis of a culture in crisis—that of white working-class Americans. The disintegration of this group, a process that has been slowly occurring now for more than forty years, has been reported with growing frequency and alarm, but has never before been written about as searingly from the inside. J. D. Vance tells the true story of what a social, regional, and class decline feels like when you were born with it hung around your neck.

A deeply moving memoir, with its share of humor and vividly colorful figures, Hillbilly Elegy is the story of how upward mobility really feels. And it is an urgent and troubling meditation on the loss of the American dream for a large segment of this country.

"You will not read a more important book about America this year."

The Economist

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WITH A NEW AFTERWORD

OSLC Book Club Selection

CHILDREN, FAMILY, & YOUTH

ACOLYTE BOOT CAMP

August 25th 11:30-1:30!

Calling all 6th graders who are new to acolyting and all 7th and 8th graders who need a refresher or want to help train! Join us for lunch, some fun games and activities and a good time learning how to acolyte!

Use the link below to RSVP or contact Pastor Leta at leta@our-saviours.org



https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094AAEA72EA3FE3-acolyte

YOUTH SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Family Resource Fair - September 14 9-11:30am

Murphy Center for Hope (242 Conifer St. Fort Collins, CO 80524)

We will be meeting at the Murphy Center to lead games and activities for kids of all ages. We are partnering with other FOCOLU churches to host yard games and camp games for families as they collect resources to head Back to School. Email jonfry@our-saviours.org if you are interested or have any questions.

There are also a limited number of "Personal Shopper" slots available for high school students (or middle school students with a parent) to work directly with families as they shop for supplies. Please register at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e4ba8a82fa0f49-family to be a personal shopper.

SERVICE & GIVING HELP WITH WORSHIP - TRAININGS!

There will be worship volunteer training on August 25th & September 8th from 9:45 am - 10:15 am.

We will be holding training for those interested in becoming (and those that already graciously volunteer but would like a refresher) worship assistants, ushers, greeters, sound board volunteers & coffee hosts!

FOCOLU HABITAT DAY

Builders and Cooks needed for September 7. The next FOCOLU Habitat build day is Saturday, September 7. We need 6 volunteers from OSLC to help with nailing, caulking, and painting, as we make progress building homes for the families of Iman and Natasha. In addition, September is OSLC's month to provide lunch to the construction volunteers and to help share in the noontime fellowship. Therefore, we need 4 volunteers to help prepare and serve lunch at the build site. All food costs are covered by a grant. If you are available to join in the fun of helping to build affordable homes in our community, or in helping to feed a hungry crew of volunteers, please let me know as soon as you can – Jerry Freier (freierreed@msn.com or 970-482-6163).

PUTNAM ELEMENTARY

Thank you OSLC for the generous donation to Putnam Elementary 5th graders for their **Eco Week** experience. Your contributions made a "Huge" difference for children in need of additional financial assistance.

Last year, we also helped families with King Soopers "gas cards." Unfortunately, King Soopers is NO LONGER giving out blank cards. Needless to say, some families still need KS cards for gas.

The only way to work with this problem is for "**YOU**" to go to King Soopers and ask for King Soopers cards and have cash to put the amount you wish to have directed to the card. Sorry for the inconvenience, but this is the only way to work with this challenge. Put only \$10 or \$20 on the cards. Again, these gas cards will be collected at OSLC and taken to Deb Gillan at Putnam Elementary.

Outside Our Walls Outreach

PROTEIN FOR THE MURPHY CENTER

The Food Pantry at the Murphy Center has a particular need for protein sources near the end of each month when clients' resources are low. Beef jerky, cans of Vienna sausages, packets of tuna, soup, or mac 'n cheese cups are good choices. Any contributions can be put in the Homeward Alliance bin under the OOW table. If you have questions, contact Carol Bisbee.

ONE VILLAGE ONE FAMILY GIFTING

Great news!! We have gifted kitchen goods to thirteen families since January who have moved into permanent housing!!

Our supply closets are in need of:

Gently used 9 x 13 glass baking dishes (ARC and Goodwill often have these)

Questions? Contact Robin Castor or Wanda Knauer



Michelle Roby has been a member of OSLC her whole life! Now, she is embarking on a mission through the ELCA called Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM). Michelle will be serving in Mexico as a YAGM volunteer starting in August. She will be one of more than 70 young adults serving on



behalf of the ELCA in 9 different country programs around the world! Michelle will be working with an organization in southern Mexico that works on environmental sanitation and water systems and technology.

Check out her blog here!

You can support Michell in one of two ways:

- 1. Visit this link
- 2. Visit the table in the narthex and fill out a form and write a check

Through your donation, you join Michelle on her journey as she grows in her faith and walk in partnership with our global companions.

BEWARE OF GIFT CARD SCHEMES

The bishop's office in Denver received two phone calls alerting us that individuals got TEXT MESSAGES from someone posing as their pastor and then asking them to purchase gift cards. Your pastor is NOT going to text or email and ask anyone to purchase gift cards! Recently a staff member of a Colorado ELCA congregation was duped and purchased \$300 worth of gift cards.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Worship volunteers help make worship services meaningful for all! Thank you for your gracious shared gifts!

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

Thank you!



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