

The Sentinel

October 2026

*Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is a dynamic community,
centered in Christ, called, nurtured and sent-
to celebrate, serve and do justice.*





Blessing the Animals and Plants

- Sunday, October 4 at 9:30am worship

Pastor Martha

This Sunday, our children and youth will lead us in worship as we praise our Creator and bless the animals and plants that we love and tend. If you have a pet, bring them or bring a picture! If you have a favorite stuffed animal, bring it. If you have a plant – a houseplant or tree in your yard – bring a picture and we'll bless it. Blessing will abound as we remember that we are all connected as siblings in the holy, awesome web of life. We are connected in joy; we are connected in pain; we are connected in celebration and in devastation. In this fraught time in our world, may this Sunday root and ground us in the radical truth of our interconnectedness, the sheer gift of life and breath, the fragile beauty of our creaturely companions, and the persistent calling we all share as human beings to tend and keep the earth.

We will also honor two saints this Sunday: St. Hildegard of Bingen and St. Francis of Assisi. St. Hildegard was an abbess, naturalist, herbalist, composer, artist, and mystic who lived in the 12th century. Here are some of my favorite Hildegard quotes that I return to every year. Each is worthy of meditation. May they bless your journey of faith.

“Even in a world that’s being shipwrecked, remain brave and strong.”

”Holy Wisdom, Soaring Power, encompass us with wings unfurled, and carry us, encircling all, above, below, and through the world.“

“All living creatures are sparks from the radiation of God’s brilliance, emerging from God like the rays of the sun.“

“Like billowing clouds, like the incessant gurgle of the brook, the longing of the spirit can never be stilled.”

“The truly holy person welcomes all that is earthly.“

“We shall awaken from our dullness and rise vigorously toward justice. If we fall in love with creation deeper and deeper, we will respond to its endangerment with passion.“

Thanks be to God!





Adult Forums for October

Adult forums are in the Hospitality Center at 11am and available live on Zoom unless indicated otherwise. Gather and learn as we grow in our faith and relationships together.

October 4 – Intergenerational Manna & Mercy: Youth and Adults together

The OSLC SNACKS crew (aka, Our 6th – 10th graders who are on a faith journey together) will join adult forum once/month to lead a conversation about Manna and Mercy, an overview of the biblical narrative by Dan Erlander. Our youth will set the table for conversation, and youth will sit among adults so that we can share in conversation about our lives of faith. Together we will read a passage or chapter and wonder together around four central questions.

October 11 – Surfacing Commitments to Indigenous Protector Movement (IPM) and Capital Campaign Updates, Q and A

What values and hopes do we bring to this new chapter of having IPM as neighbors in the Green House? Later in October, we hope to find a time to gather again with IPM for food and ceremony, and during that gathering we hope to name some commitments out loud that capture how we want to be a neighbor to IPM. They will do the same for us.

During this forum, we will surface ideas for what we might share with them about how we intend to share this block with them. This relational process captures how this land transfer is about much more than signing a legal document. It is about continuing to heal relationships that have been broken by colonization. We will also share some big picture updates about the capital campaign. Come with your questions.

October 18 – El Salvador Trip – Sharing Stories

This summer, four OSLC members traveled to El Salvador to accompany the Lutheran Church in El Salvador – Kristie Hennig, Ralph Baumgartner, Renate Willer, and Joel Beard. They met students some of us are sponsoring, visited Hope House (one of our missions of the month), and shared many other meaningful experiences. Come and hear about their journey!

October 25 – Daily Work

Come learn about Daily Work, our mission of the month. Daily Work partners with immigrants, refugees, and others facing barriers to employment. Through one-to-one, relationship-based support, job seekers gain not only work, but also stability in housing, transportation, digital access, and more.

Our First Block Party!

Pastor Esther

What a joyful day it was! On August 26, 2026, more than 200 of our neighbors, partners, friends, and YOU gathered for our very first Block Party!

I have heard so many wonderful comments and encouraging words from our neighbors. It was especially heartwarming to see so many new faces from the neighborhood come, connect, and enjoy the afternoon together. Our Block Party truly felt

like a celebration of the vibrant and joyful community God has placed around us.

There was something for everyone: making pizzas and using our garden produce, enjoying delicious pico de gallo and tacos, grilling hot dogs, listening to young people perform, singing and drumming, making bubbles and balloon creations, creating lanterns from recycled materials, weaving strings, screen-printing T-shirts, chatting with elected officials, and enjoying wonderful music.

Most of all, I loved seeing children, families, neighbors, and people from different faith communities sharing laughter, conversation, creativity, and joy.

It was a beautiful reminder that community is built when we make space for one another and celebrate what we share. And thank you to everyone who showed up, volunteered, shared food and talents, welcomed our neighbors, and simply helped create a joyful space. This celebration would not have been possible without you!

I hope this is just the beginning and that, with God's help, we can gather again next year to welcome and connect with our neighbors!

Thank you for helping us celebrate, connect, and build community together!

Photos by Bruce Silcox



I will be away on October 8-12 to Riverside, CA

Pastor Esther

For the past three months, I have been part of the Core Team helping launch the first Asian Cohort on Theological Studies (A.C.T.S.) for Evangelism and Leadership for Indonesian lay leaders in the ELCA, in partnership with Asian and Pacific Islander Ministries.

This program seeks to equip Indonesian lay leaders to serve congregations and neighborhoods through mission leadership and evangelism, grounded in Asian and Asian American cultures and contexts. Classes will be offered in Bahasa Indonesia or English, with translation provided by Asian facilitators and lecturers.

Nearly 25 Indonesian evangelist leaders will participate in this 18–24-month program, which includes eight courses and a practicum. The Asian Theological Institute (ATI) of United Lutheran Seminary will provide a certificate upon completion. The program is also a partnership with the ELCA churchwide Evangelism Team and the Directors for Evangelical Mission of four synods, who have agreed that completing the program can support participants as they pursue becoming Synod Authorized Ministers (SAMs).

The program will launch October 8–11, 2026, at Getsemani Lutheran Church in Riverside, California. I will lead worship and preach during the gathering, and I am also helping develop the syllabus for the Justice and Interreligious Engagement course.

As part of the wider church, I am grateful and excited to accompany leaders of diverse cultures as they grow in leadership and become part of the ELCA's ministry and mission. I look forward to being back with you afterward!

Opportunities to share your gifts

Kent Goodroad

Sound Team Are you interested in helping with sound on Sunday morning? We are working to create a team to support Mike Libby (who is currently our team captain!). If yes, please reach out to either Kent (kent@oursavioursmpls.org) or Alyssa (alyssa@oursavioursmpls.org).

Special Music Would you like to share a special musical selection or prelude on a Sunday morning? Do you play an instrument or sing? If your answer to any of these questions is YES, please reach out to either Kent (kent@oursavioursmpls.org) or Alyssa (alyssa@oursavioursmpls.org).



Christ in Our Home Devotional Available

Nancy Nygaard Johnson

Pick up the Oct-Dec Christ in Our Home devotional at church in the Narthex. If you aren't able to pick one up at church, and would like one, contact Nancy at n2j2@comcast.net or contact the church office with your name.

God's Work. Our Hands. A joyful gathering!

Pastor Esther

On behalf of the Evangelism and Outreach and Ministry of Community and Faith Formation (MCFF) Tables, thank you to everyone who showed up and participated in God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday on September 13!

It was such a joyful and meaningful day of serving together. Our youth quickly assembled more than 40 hygiene kits for residents at the OSCS shelter. Many of us also signed up to get more involved in our ministries. We enjoyed more screen printing, and a great crew came together to clean up the Green House!

Thank you for bringing your time, energy, creativity, and willingness to serve. It was wonderful to see so many people working together and putting God's work into our hands!



Visit a local farm - Sunday October 11 - noon to 4 pm

Dan Swenson-Klatt

Through the lead of the Reparations Team, Our Saviour's has begun a relationship with a local farm led by four Kenyan sisters. The reparations team is supporting this farm with funds and our labor as a way to help farmers of color build wealth, moving into new reparations territory related to the harms of stolen agricultural land, land allocated to white settlers but not freed black slaves, and the inequity that is now part of the food distribution system in our state/country.



The four sisters - Maggie, Callin, Jane and Pam - of Mom's Organic Farms in Loretto grow vegetables on 5 acres of land for the Kingfield Farmers Market, the Minneapolis Public Schools as well as for CES's food pantry. Under the direction of a local contractor, Reynaldo, our volunteer effort has included helping construct high tunnel Hoop Houses to provide additional growing space and an extended growing season for four Kenyan sisters sharing 5 acres of land. We thank the Farm Buds program of Renewing the Countryside for seeding this relationship for us.

We are planning to gather after the educational hour Sunday October 11 to grab a light lunch (perhaps at the Kingfield Farmers Market?) then drive to Loretto to tour the farm, see the hoop houses, learn about the four sisters' story, build relationships, and perhaps help with a harvesting task or two. Children are welcome.

Contact Dan Swenson-Klatt or Pastor Martha if interested in participating, or for more information.





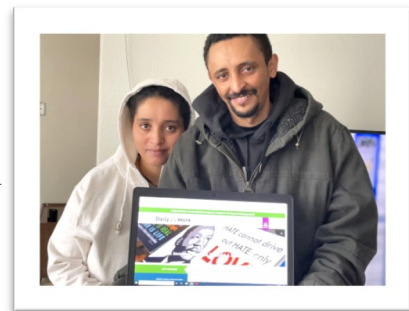
October Mission of the Month: Daily Work

More Than a Paycheck: A Conversation About Work, Welcome & Opportunity

Maryellen Skan, Daily Work volunteer

Founded in 2000 by a coalition of Lutheran congregations, including Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Daily Work has spent more than 25 years putting the call to "welcome the stranger" and care for our neighbors into action.

Today, that work feels as important as ever. This year has brought new fear and uncertainty for many immigrant families in our community, even as the everyday challenges of finding work, supporting a family, learning a new language, and building stability continue.



Daily Work partners with people to find quality employment through individualized, relationship-based support. That can include job-search coaching, resumes and interview preparation, technology help, transportation and driver's license support, and connections to housing, legal, benefits, and other community resources. Most of the people Daily Work serves are immigrants and refugees, and many are navigating several barriers at the same time.

In 2025, Daily Work partnered with 269 people through more than 1,800 appointments. More than 30% found employment, earning an average wage of \$19.26 per hour.

Join us on Sunday, October 25 at 11:00 a.m. for a conversation with Daily Work Executive Director Julie Hoff and Bishop Emeritus and Daily Work Board Member Peter Rogness. A Daily Work job seeker is also invited to share their own experience.

Together, we'll talk about what Daily Work is seeing in our community today, how recent events have affected immigrant job seekers and families, and why meaningful employment can change so much more than a paycheck.

Daily Work is also Our Saviour's October Mission of the Month, offering another opportunity to learn about and support this long-standing ministry partner.

To learn more about Daily Work visit daily-work.org. To support Daily Work, October Mission of the Month, you can donate online at OSLC or make your check out to OSLC and note Daily Work on the memo line.

Come for conversation, stories, questions, and a chance to learn more about what it means to walk alongside our neighbors as they build stability, opportunity, and a future for themselves and their families.



Property Transformation Updates

Pastor Martha

Dear church, THANK YOU for the many ways you showed up with Our Saviour's Community Services (OSCS) to help us transition the Green House (aka St. Stephen's Residence / SSR) so that it could be ready to hand over to Indigenous Protector Movement on October 1.

I loved seeing our youth wash walls as our eldest member cleaned cabinets. I enjoyed putting a fresh coat of white paint on with Dan Swenson-Klatt one evening. I marveled this last Sunday as a fresh crew of volunteers were doing a final round of cleaning – it was amazing to see how much progress we and OSCS made over these last weeks!

So first and foremost – thank you. Here are some other updates about ongoing property transformation work:

- **Solar – almost there:** Our final electrical inspection with Xcel should happen next week (week of October 5). If all goes well, the sidewalk will be restored behind the kitchen – the wood taken away and replaced with concrete. Then, by late-October to early November, Xcel should officially be connecting us to the grid and we will be generating energy! It has been a long process and wait. It will be fun to celebrate this milestone.
- **Grant from Minneapolis Foundation to pursue Geothermal:** We were just awarded \$25,000 from Minneapolis Foundation to help us pursue a thermal energy network (or TEN) in our neighborhood – which would include our building and help our neighbors benefit from a clean energy transition. This grant adds necessary capacity for us to actually pursue any possibility of geothermal. We will be able to hire a community engagement person to find other institutions in the neighborhood that could serve as 'anchor sites' for our project. This will be coordinated with Cooperative Energy Futures. Our green team is helping with this effort and we will share fuller updates with the congregation as this work continues to unfold.
- **Capital Campaign visits ramping up:** After a slow summer with many of our committee members enjoying vacation time, our capital campaign committee is busy scheduling visits with many OSLC households – and beyond. We have more OSLC members involved in making visits, beyond our core committee. We hope to share some updates in October and November as part of adult forums so everyone can feel enough 'in the loop' as we continue the quiet phase of our campaign.
- **Welcoming IPM to our campus, and sharing parking for now:** Indigenous Protector Movement (IPM) will own the Green House starting October 1 – and we get to live into this new reality of having new neighbors! The 5 men who will be renters there won't move in right away. For now, we will be able to share parking spots with IPM behind the Green House, but that will shift as the building becomes more utilized.
- **Kingian Nonviolence Center Discernment:** We welcomed 70 participants to our Kingian Nonviolence training September 18-20 – wow. We also welcomed four incredible Kingian Nonviolence practitioners on Sunday, September 27 during the adult forum and learned about the ways they are embodying Dr. King's call to "institutionalize and internationalize nonviolence." One dream I invite you to pray about is whether we might house a Twin Cities Kingian Nonviolence Center (to be named down the road) in our church building, once the ELC moves out in a few years. We have a history of incubating new non-profits, we will have space that needs a new purpose and new renters, and we continue to be driven to respond to the

question, “What does it mean to be church for the sake of the world today?” Council finds a KNV Center to be a compelling response to all of these realities and our call – and our training in September surfaced many potential partners as we continue this journey.

Survey on Sunday Morning Schedule – coming mid-October!

Pastor Martha

Dear church, we shifted our Sunday morning rhythm this summer and have carried that into the fall. I hope you have been noticing and wondering – how does this shift feel for you and for others in our community? What gifts or challenges come with our new rhythm?

OSLC staff are always here to listen to your feedback. And, to make this easy and simple for everyone, we are going to make an online survey (with paper copies available) in mid-October so that we can hear directly from you about the gifts and challenges. Council will take in your input and make a decision about how we continue to gather on Sundays as we move into 2027.

Nonviolent Power: Organizing with HOPE

Pastor Martha

Our panelist at the September 27 forum from On Earth Peace, Matt Guynn, shared this virtual training opportunity with us. For more information and to register, you can find the website using this QR Code:



On Earth Peace is proud to be part of the HOPE-PV (Harnessing Our Power to End Political Violence) network, an initiative equipping communities with practical tools to respond to rising political violence and repression. Are you fighting detention camps, immigration enforcement, data centers, or working on another issue?

Apply to join us for a series of sessions this fall and early winter that will ground participants in nonviolence and strategy, provide a space to reflect on your organizing, and offer an opportunity to connect with other organizers and community leaders.

Through dedicated funding, On Earth Peace is currently able to provide customized training, coaching, and strategic support at no cost to specific organizing groups responding to political violence and related challenges. To learn more and apply for the consultation program, use the QR Code below.

All sessions, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Eastern

Session 1: HOPE-PV and Backfire Methodology - Thursday, October 1st

Session 2: Kingian Nonviolence - Thursday, November 12th

Session 3: Nonviolent Escalation and Response- Thursday, December 3rd



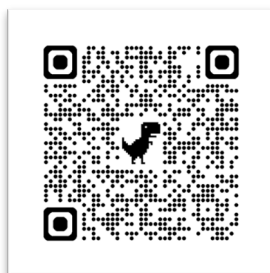
Stories from the **Green Team** Part 3: Emergency Preparedness

Sharon Delcambre

Hello from the Green Team! We have been hard at work over the past year in support of OSLC's strategic goal to care for creation and support climate justice. This is the third in a series of articles sharing what we have been up to and inviting you to join the conversation. -Sharon, Ethan, Amy, Joel, Seth, and Pastor Martha.

On September 15th, Amy and Sharon got to visit the Hennepin County Emergency Management Headquarters to discuss how communities of faith can support their members and neighbors during emergencies. We learned that people most impacted in an emergency are those who are 1) surprised, 2) unprepared, or 3) vulnerable.

As part of our commitment to our faith community and the Phillips neighborhood, we are hosting an event to help our households prepare for emergencies. Please join us and invite a neighbor to come with you. Use the qr Code to sign up.



Ready Camp: Learn How to Prepare for Emergencies and Disasters

Free Event includes Emergency Kit Supplies and other materials

We will learn how to:

- Build an emergency kit
- Develop a communication plan
- Notice signs & prepare for severe weather
- Recover from an emergency or disaster
- Learn about homeowner's and renter's insurance

Monday October 26, 2026

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

2315 Chicago Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55404

Snacks and Kid-friendly activities available during the event



**SIGN UP
by Oct. 19!**



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You can help a Salvadoran child attend school:

Seeds of Hope and Our Saviour's

Kristie Hennig

A dozen elementary students are attending school because families from Our Saviour's stepped up to invest in them. Those kids, their families, and their pastors are so grateful!

The school year in El Salvador begins after the Christmas holidays, making fall in Minnesota the time for renewing sponsorships and starting new relationships with students who might not be able to attend school without that support. Public school through 9th grade is officially "free" in El Salvador, but students whose families do not have cash to buy all the required uniforms, shoes, and school supplies struggle to afford to send their kids to schools. The adults in many of these families are subsistence farmers working hard each day to put tortillas, beans, and rice on the table. Other adults live couch-to-couch with their kids in urban San Salvador, selling bags of drinking water or Chiclets on the city buses to sustain their families. School for these children is a pipe dream, even though education is highly prized by older generations who were denied school during the long civil war of the 1980s.



Families at Our Saviour's and other congregations are making a vital difference for these low-resourced families.

Seeds of Hope has worked in El Salvador for 25 years through the Lutheran Church of El Salvador to build capacity in the today's children and youth. During this time, hundreds of students in the rural department of Guazapa and urban San Salvador who were denied school due to poverty, have attended school. Many have finished high school and are working to support their families. Many have continued their educations to complete trade school and university programs, and are now professionals in the fields of medicine, education, tourism, architecture, social work, law, business, and computer technology. Seeds of Hope sponsorships – and the students' hard work! – have made dreams come true.



During the month of October, information about Seeds of Hope and our recent accompaniment trip to El Salvador will be available. On Sunday, October 18, Joel Beard, Renate Willer, Ralph Baumgartner, and Kristie Hennig will present on our August trip at the forum following worship. A table will be set up in the narthex with information on individual students who are still waiting for sponsors to help them get to school. Maybe you are ready to invest in a child who just wants a chance to learn.

Questions? Call Kristie Hennig (651-235-2451).

Special Helping Hands Request: Supporting the !Khabeb Family

Pastor Martha

Dear church, I am reaching out with a special request for help. Angela !Khabeb suffered a massive seizure on Saturday, September 26. She has been hospitalized ever since, and thankfully she is making steady but slow progress to regaining basic abilities. It's clear that the healing and recovery journey is going to be a long one.

We asked Benhi how we could support him and their kids, Khonam, Khenna and Khonni during this stressful and difficult time. Benhi said it would be very helpful to have gift cards donated that they could use to buy meals.

If you are able, please consider contributing money to support the !Khabeb family. You may make a donation online to the Helping Hands Fund, or bring cash or Visa gift cards to church and give them to the pastors in an envelope that says "Khabeb family." Pastor Esther and I will make sure the funds are directly given to the family. I'm so grateful for all the ways we can support one another with care. Thank you, church.

2nd Annual Harvest Party

Marcin Cienski

Celebrate local growers at the 2nd Annual Harvest Party, hosted by TCALT and Farm Buds!

Join the community to help build a healthy, just food system while enjoying a live DJ, local food, a raffle, and fermentation demos.

Event Details:

When: Sunday, October 11, from 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Where: Mid City Gardens (2412 Valentine Ave, St Paul, MN 55108)

Highlights:

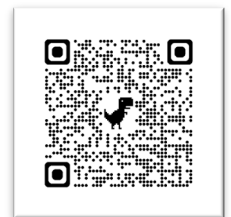
3:00 PM: Networking, organizational tables, and demos (arrive before 4:00 PM for a free raffle ticket!).

5:00 PM: Pay-what-you-can dinner & dessert potluck.

5:30 PM: Community program on supporting emerging regional farmers.

This event is family-friendly and open to all!

RSVP USING QR CODE TO ATTEND



Books and Containers

Nancy Nygaard Johnson

Our little library is in need of both children and adult books. You can drop them off in the bins in the Narthex. The kitchen is in need of containers for leftovers. Please drop them off in the kitchen next to the ovens. There are two crates you can put them in. Please make sure they have matching lids.

CO and Nuclear War

By Deacon Dr. Amy Blumenshine

We have a responsibility as Christians to call out the evil of modern war. The US/Israeli War on Iran continues to spiral out of control and out of the US public eye. Massive amounts of public treasure and future debt have been expended on defense industries.

The CEO of one of those industries, Alex Karp of Palantir Technologies, a data-mining and defense software company, has called for the US to re-instate the draft. He has also predicted that his current wealth, estimated at \$20B, will increase 20-fold due to the increased use of Artificial Intelligence. Who will be forced to kill and die as he profits?

We must prepare our congregants for a potential draft, to give them discernment if forced into military killing. This article is the second in a series to propose conscientious objection.

While some amass great wealth from war, those who fight wars, including their countries, typically incur lasting scars. Larry Winters, a Marine in Vietnam, reflects: “I wondered where morality was the minute I landed in Vietnam.” In treating his own suffering upon return, he became a therapist to other veterans. “In my studies of PTSD, I began seeing it as a viral illness, which helped to describe what appears to happen when PTSD-diagnosed veterans bring the War home to their families. I then realized PTSD symptoms of rage, lack of trust, confusion, self-loathing, and moral injury was viral because our society stopped listening to victims of all kinds.”

Our ELCA in 1995 decided to support a Just War concept. In that framework for a war to be just (and not contrary to Christianity,) it must have a just cause, be a last resort, be declared by a proper authority, possess right intention, have a reasonable chance of success, and have the end being proportional to the means used. Civilians and their necessary infrastructure must not be targeted. None of those precepts are met by the current US propelled killing and destruction in the Iran region. Pope Leo XIV has continued the trend of recent popes in questioning the appropriateness of the Just War theory-- which originated in ancient Catholic doctrine --to modern warfare.

That modernity includes the potential of AI triggering the horrendous, indiscriminate death and suffering caused by nuclear weapons. Appallingly, the US appears to be threatening to use nuclear weapons with each threat of the president to “annihilate” Iran. No Christian should be forced to participate.

Some Lutherans during the Vietnam draft argued for selective Conscientious Objection, that is objection to a particular war. US draft boards at the time were commonly requiring the applicant to refuse killing in all circumstances, even to save a loved one. Selective Conscientious Objection is recognized by the UN office on human rights.

September 26 was the UN Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, a promise made at the founding of the UN. Criminally, nuclear nations, including the US, rather than working to fulfill the promise to eliminate are currently racing to expand their nuclear weaponry, along with plans to use them “tactically.” Since even more massively destructive bombs have been built, the Hiroshima size bomb is now rated as “tactical,” (i.e. something to use to fight a war, instead of a deterrent against use by others.) Many fear that the president may “push the button” in frustration over electoral and military losses. Simply “rattling spears” raises the threat of accidental launch when the spears are nuclear.

Here’s a 1962 example of a near accident from Duluth <https://www.facebook.com/reel/1849387172888331>

Actions

1. Contact your Representative and Senators to urge them to speak out about the increased priority the Trump administration is giving to tactical (Hiroshima size) nuclear weapons. They need to raise the alarm about our monarch's nuclear signaling and the possibility that out of desperation with Iran and the possible loss of control of one or both houses of Congress, he might initiate a nuclear attack.
2. For extra motivation, watch the 10-minute video by the Campaign for Peace, Disarmament and Common Security Humans and Nuclear Weapons Can Not Co-Exist! – Campaign for Peace, Disarmament and Common Security
3. Save this article to be available for someone subject to conscription

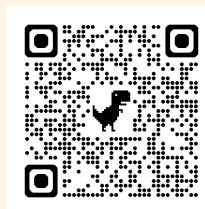
"Nothing will end war unless the people themselves refuse to go to war," Albert Einstein.

October Hospitality and Ushering Volunteers

Jeanne Heer

Hospitality will be at 10:30AM after worship.

This month's volunteers are members whose last name begins with A through B. If this includes you, please sign up for a couple slots on the QR Code.



If you have questions please contact the Team Leaders:

October Team	Team Leaders
Last names A-B	Joel Beard beard.joel@gmail.com Elaine Johnson ejohnson1775@gmail.com



Lectionary Text for Home Devotions

October 4

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:7-15
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46

October 11

Isaiah 25:1-9
Psalm 23
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-14

October 18

Isaiah 45:1-7
Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

October 25

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
Psalm 1
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46

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PRAYER LIST

Angela !Khabeb is now in stable condition with a long journey of healing and recovery ahead. She continues to be hospitalized. Please continue to pray for her strength, and for Benhi, Khonam, Khenna and Khonni.

Garrick Starns, Debra Richardson's son, has been discharged from the hospital. Please pray for his recovery and rehabilitation.

Give thanks to God for our new nursery minister, Michelle Kulah! Prayers for a smooth, welcoming transition as Michelle gets to know our community.

Pam Wurster's surgery has been rescheduled to October 8. Please pray for Pam and Sandy in this waiting time.

Marie Svang is home and continues to do physical therapy. Please pray for strength and endurance.

Karen Winans is experiencing pain all over her body. She has limited movements. Please pray for her strength and comfort.

Mary Thurow is in the end stages of liver disease. Please pray for strength, healing, and hope as she faces this difficult illness. Also pray for her husband, John Thurow, and caregiver, that he may have strength, endurance, and peace as he supports her through this challenging time.

Pray for the safety of our immigrant neighbors as ICE continues to detain innocent people with legal status or pending status. Pray for those who are in detention, that they are safe and soon released.

Lawrence Johnson, Hawah Borbor's grandson, was deported to Liberia. Pray for Lawrence's family here - his 2-year-old, his mom Kema, Hawah, and all who miss him so. And pray for Lawrence experiencing stress of this new beginning of his life away from his family. May God protect, strengthen and guide him.

Martha and Fayez Farchat, Cindy Devereaux's cousins, living in southern Beirut, Lebanon. Pray for safety as they live in the center where attacks are occurring.

Marilyn Preus, Mary Preus's mother, is in hospice. Pray for peace, joy, and loving support during this tender time.

Pray for our city—its leaders, pastors, lay leaders, medical teams, educators, families, and children—for healing and resilience.

Paul Hnath, for strength and endurance.

Pray for an end to gun violence and all kinds of violence in our neighborhood and globally, and for the safety and well-being of young children and youth during this difficult and divided political world.

Our unhoused neighbors, who are spread out, seek shelter, mental health and stable housing.

Bruce Bakke is undergoing treatment for prostate cancer - pray for healing and strength

Pray for our LGBTQIA2S+ siblings that they find the restoration of a community, justice and equity in this divided world.

Peace and justice in Venezuela, Israel and Palestine, Iran, Lebanon, Ukraine, Sudan, the United States, and around the world. May the global economy and conflict be reconciled with the needs of people.

Those who have lost their jobs or are looking for jobs may they find strength, hope, and confidence as they seek new opportunities.

For our members working in government during these challenging times: Deb Swenson-Klatt, Tal Anderson, Nate Blumenshine, Ken Lewis (in county government), those working in city governments, and our teachers and school administrators.

Those experiencing mental illness, isolation, and anxiety especially for Mateo Baumgartner, son of Ralph, and our loved ones struggling with mental illness.

Carolyn Green is recovering from chemotherapy and prays to remain cancer-free.

Noah, son of Bruce Pederson, is experiencing vasculitis and is responding well to cancer treatment.

Erica Larson, a dear friend of Tal Anderson and a colleague of Pastors Martha and Esther in the synod, undergoing treatment for stage 4 breast cancer.

Julia Klatt Singer, sister of Dan Swenson-Klatt, is still recovering after a hit-and-run accident. She is back at work, but her heel has not fully recovered. Please also pray for the driver involved.

October at OSLC

Sunday, October 4	9am	Choir (Sanctuary)
	9:30am	Worship in Sanctuary and Online
	10:30am	Hospitality (HC)
	11am	Faith Formation all ages
	12pm-2pm	Property Work Day (with pizza!)
Tuesday, October 6	12:45pm-2pm	Staff Meeting
	4pm-6pm	GMCC: Caring Community Weekly Dinner (1100 East Lake Street)
Wednesday, October 7	8:30am-9:30am	Donuts at the Bus Stop (DABS)
	10:15am-12pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
	5:30pm	Community Meal (HC)
	6:15pm	Gospel of Mark Lab
	7:15pm	Choir (Sanctuary)
Saturday, October 10	8am-10:30am	Breakfast Club
	9am-noon	Quilting (HC)
Sunday, October 11	9am	Choir (Sanctuary)
	9:30am	Worship in Sanctuary and Online
	10:30am	Hospitality (HC)
	11am	Faith Formation all ages
Monday, October 12		Office Closed
Tuesday, October 13	12:45pm-2pm	Staff Meeting (CR)
	4pm-6pm	GMCC: Caring Community Weekly Dinner (1100 East Lake Street)
Wednesday, October 14	8:30am-9:30am	Donuts at the Bus Stop (DABS)
	10:15am-12pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
	5:30pm	Community Meal (HC)
	6:15pm	Gospel of Mark Lab
	7:15pm	Choir (Sanctuary)
Sunday, October 18	9am	Choir (Sanctuary)
	9:30am	Worship in Sanctuary and Online
	10:30am	Hospitality (HC)
	11am	Faith Formation all ages
Tuesday, October 20	12:45pm-2pm	Staff Meeting
	4pm-6pm	GMCC: Caring Community Weekly Dinner (1100 East Lake Street)

Wednesday, October 21	8:30am-9:30am	Donuts at the Bus Stop (DABS)
	10:15am-12pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
	5:30pm	Community Meal (HC)
	6:15pm	Gospel of Mark Lab
	7:15pm	Choir (Sanctuary)
Friday, October 23	Sentinel Deadline	
Saturday, October 24	9am-noon	Quilting (HC)
		Rebekah Fergus and Lee Howard's Wedding
		4:30pm Service
		5:30pm Reception
Sunday, October 25	9am	Choir (Sanctuary)
	9:30am	Worship in Sanctuary and Online
	10:30am	Hospitality (HC)
	11am	Faith Formation all ages
	12pm-12:45pm	Synod Youth Choir (HC and Sanctuary)
Monday, October 26	5pm-7pm	Ready Camp
Tuesday, October 27	12:45pm-2pm	Staff Meeting
	4pm-6pm	GMCC: Caring Community Weekly Dinner (1100 East Lake Street)
Wednesday, October 28	8:30am-9:30am	Donuts at the Bus Stop (DABS)
	10:15am-12pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
	5:30pm	Community Meal (HC)
	6:15pm	Gospel of Mark Lab
	7:15pm	Choir (Sanctuary)