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RESERVATION CALENDAR

If you'd like to reserve a room here at OSL for an occasion, please contact Amanda in the office. You must be a member to reserve a room and must be present at the event.

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A Message from Pastor Daniel Provost

Dear fellow redeemed in Christ, **What's so special about Lent?** I mean, we all know that we're supposed to be in a time of **restrained celebration**, waiting for the Day of Easter to be upon us. I've even been asked when Lent is going to start from the *unlikeliest of people* – the waiter at a local restaurant – not because he knew about special preparations for Easter in the church, but because he knew that then the restaurant would be serving fish fry on Fridays for the folks! Additionally, February 25th concludes the celebration of Mardi Gras, both in Paris and in the French Quarter of New Orleans; after that day, people were forced to be grave, serious, and not have the revelry that they would ordinarily enjoy.

Easter is the highest festival in the church year – in the grand scheme of things, it's the highest of the Sundays. However, every Sunday is a mini-Easter, because of the Sacrament that is distributed and the Gospel that is proclaimed. The difference between the preparation for a typical Sunday, which we should all participate in, and getting ready for Easter is one of degree, not of substance. We prepare for both by confessing our many sins, receiving God's holy absolution, and receiving His Word and Sacraments for the forgiveness of our sins. We accelerate this during the Lenten season by coming to the House of the Lord more often, immersing ourselves more than we usually do in the Word of God and the reception of the Sacraments, and delving deeply into the events of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection **FOR US!** While we hear the Good News of Jesus' paying the price for our sins every week, the fact remains that it's only when we **more fully comprehend what He has done** that we can be thankful, grateful, and have peace with God and with one another.

The world around us doesn't get this, however. Much like the Christmas season that grows more secular every year, the Lententide and Eastertide grow more and more superficial. I'm not just talking about the Easter Bunny here, al-

though that's part of the problem. The more serious problem is the concept of sin is becoming warped here! It's not just the good we do and the evil that we avoid – even if we kept every Law of God perfectly our whole life, it wouldn't be enough! Even if we "give something up for Lent," refrain from eating meat on Fridays until we die, and love our neighbor as ourselves every minute of every day, the heart in our chest is still that of a sinner. We LOVE sin! Our deeds, words and even our thoughts are sinful...to the core. The only solution to the sin problem has to come from outside of us – through the Holy Spirit working in our hearts.

Please plan to join us this Lenten season for the special **Wednesday services**, as well as the Sunday Divine Services. On Wednesdays at 6:00 we will be having congregational dinners, so that you don't have to worry about getting supper together and making it to church by 7:00. Our Lenten services this year tie together the days of Creation from Genesis with the events in the Passion of Jesus. The Bible makes a habit of this – using one set of events to point ahead to another. We call this prophesy, and when Jesus talks of fulfilling the Law and the Prophets, that means that every major aspect of His life, His earthly ministry, the circumstances of His Passion, Death, and Resurrection was foretold from of old. The Bible only makes sense in light of Christ – without Him, it doesn't tie together at all.

I hope to see you in church, in Bible study, and around the community... especially during this increasingly busy season. And, just like when you were in school and had a substitute teacher, be nice to the other pastors in the round-robin rotation – it's a pleasure to have them on board, and be able to do this!

In Christ's Service,
Pastor Daniel M.
Provost



QUILTING

The dates have been set for March quilting. Please plan on joining us for a fun day of sewing, tying quilts, ironing or whatever else your talent may be. We start at **9:00am** and most of us bring a sack lunch so we can work thru the day. Our dates are: **March 3rd, 5th, 10th & 12th.** We hope you can join us and feel free to bring a friend. We have been blessed to have several ladies from other congregations join us for this productive mission work.

Sunday, March 29th will be a special day - the church will be filled with lots of colorful quilts, pillowcase dresses, t-shirt shorts and World relief kits. Before these items are packed up for their mission destination (via either Lutheran World Relief or Orphan Grain Train), we'll offer a loving blessing upon these means of comfort. God has blessed our congregation with wonderful talents, treasures, and opportunities to spread His love through these gifts. Join us in prayer on that Sunday.

FAITH SOCIETY

LWML Faith Society will meet on Monday, **March 16, at 6:30 pm.** All the women of Our Savior Lutheran are always welcome to attend this business and bible study meeting. We try hard to keep our time to one hour(ish) 😊

HOMeward BOUND

Homeward Bound will meet Sunday, **March 1st, 1:00 P.M.,** at the church. We will be studying the book of Hosea. Please note we will be meeting at the church. This will give you the opportunity to go from Bible Study to TRIVIA.

TRIVIA 2020

Join us Sunday, **March 1st at 3:00pm** for an afternoon of trivia fun! Questions, answers and pizza! All ages are welcome. This is a family activity. We hope to see you there!



Amanda joining the fun!



OSL WEBSITE

Please remember that if you'd like to see our bulletins and chroniclers in color, you can visit our website, navigate to the Resources tab and select the Bulletin or Chronicler.

www.oursavlutheran.com

ZONE RALLY

All the women are invited to join the OSL carpool headed to the LWML Marshalltown Zone Rally, **Sat April 4th.** The rally is hosted by the ladies of Trinity Lutheran Church of Dillon (just south of Marshalltown). The theme is from Col 2:14 *"He forgave us...having cancelled the...legal demands that were against us...by nailing them to the cross."* The rally speaker will be Rev Dr James Lamb, who always proves to be inspiring and uplifting. Registration is at 9am, there will be lunch (\$5) and Pastor Berry will lead us in bible study. We'll be taking a head count at the March 26 meeting, or contact Julie Dlouhy to be included in the carpool plans. 641-792-2152.

Thank you for volunteering this month!

ELDER

Doug Woebbecking

ALTAR GUILD

Julie Dlouhy

LAY READER

Ron Dlouhy

GREETERS

Deanna Ihde & Jan Tolson

USHERS

Gary Gerdts & Ron Dlouhy

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Julie Dlouhy & Amanda

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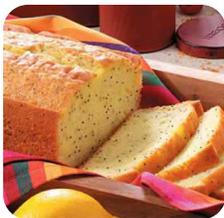
THE RECIPE BOX

POPPY SEED BREAD

From Marilyn Jessen

Ingredients

- 1 yellow or lemon cake mix
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 C. corn, vegetable or canola oil
- 1 pkg. Instant vanilla or lemon pudding
- 1 C. hot water
- 1/4 C. poppy seeds



Directions

1. Combine and beat for 4 minutes.
 2. Pour into greased pans (*I use little loaf pans*) and bake at 350° for 30-40 minutes. (*Makes 5 little loaves*)
- TIP: For easier slicing, freeze and slice while frozen.

BLUEBERRY PEACH COBLER

From www.afamilyfeast.com

Ingredients

- 2 lb. fresh peaches, peeled and sliced, OR
2 lb. frozen peach slices (*frozen is actually easier!*)
- 1 lb. fresh OR frozen blueberries (*if using frozen, buy cultivated not wild. Large blueberries, not small*)
- 1 C. granulated sugar
- 2 Tsp. lemon zest, about half a lemon
- 2 Tsp. lemon juice, about half a lemon
- 2 Tsp. corn starch



Ingredients

- 2 C. all-purpose flour
- 1 Tsp. baking soda
- 1/2 Tsp. salt
- 10 Tbsp. butter, melted and divided
- 1 1/2 Tsp. baking powder
- 2 Tbsp. sugar, divided
- 1 C. buttermilk, room temp.
- Vanilla ice cream

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°
2. In a large bowl, place peach slices and blueberries (*if using frozen, no need to thaw*). Add sugar, zest, juice & corn starch and toss to coat. Pour into 9x13 pan.
5. Bake for 25 minutes. Remove & cool for 20 minutes.
6. Mix flour, baking powder, baking soda, 1 Tbsp. of sugar and salt in a large bowl.
7. Place buttermilk & 8 Tbsp. of melted butter in bowl and whisk.
8. Add the buttermilk mixture to the flour mixture and stir with a wooden spoon.
9. Using 2 Tbsp. or soup spoons, drop 12 spoonfuls of batter over the fruit mixture, using all of the batter. Sprinkle on the remaining tablespoon of sugar.
10. Place in the oven for 20-25 minutes. After 20 min., insert a knife tip between two biscuits to see if they are fully cooked and no raw batter comes out on the knife, ad startig to turn brown.
11. As soon as they come out of the oven, brush the tops with the remaining 2 Tbsp. of melted butter.
12. Let set up 5 minutes then serve with vanilla ice-cream.

Upcoming Events in March

MARCH 1ST

1:00PM HOMEWARD BOUND @ OSL

3:00PM TRIVIA 2020 @ OSL

MITEBOX SUNDAY



MARCH 3RD, 5TH, 10TH & 12TH

9:00AM QUILTING

MARCH 8TH

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

MARCH 10TH

6:30PM TRUSTEES MEETING

MARCH 16TH

6:30PM LWML FAITH SOCIETY

MARCH 17TH

6:30PM COUNCIL MEETING
ST. PATRICK'S DAY 



MARCH 19TH

SPRING BEGINS

MARCH 29TH

9:00AM QUILT BLESSING

MARCH 20TH

Chronicler Deadline



SUNDAY'S IN MARCH

9:00AM WORSHIP

10:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS

TUESDAY'S IN MARCH

BULLETIN DEADLINE - AM 

WEDNESDAY'S IN MARCH

1:00PM FAITH 101

4:00PM CONFIRMATION CLASS

6:00PM OSL DINNER

7:00PM LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP



LIBRARY NEWS

Please see if any of these titles are something you might want to check out. Put your name on the check out card with month and year in the date area. Put the card in the card box. Please try to bring the book/dvd back within a month or so.

ADULT NON-FICTION

Title and call number

Four pillars of man's heart	248.8 Web
Steer clear	248.8 Win
Where is God when it hurts	248.8 Yan
Cries of the heart	248.8 Zac
Wild at heart field manual	248.843 Eld
Walking through shadows	248.86 Ham
Hope again	248.86 Swi
When families pray	249 Full
Let's hide the word	249 Gai
Family faith walks	249 Has
Little visits for families	249 Joh
I wonder: answers to religious questions children ask	249 Joh
52 fun family devotions	249 Nap
Teaching your child how to pray	249 Osb
Prepare your child for the future	250 Geo

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