

OSL Announcements

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New Member Class

For those interested in becoming a member of OSL, we are having a New Member Class in the Music Room (located near the restrooms) that consists of three sessions:

Sunday, February, 5th, 9:45am-10:45am

Sunday, February 12th, 9:45am-10:45am and 12:00pm-1:30pm (lunch provided)

The class is open to everyone who would like more information about the Lutheran faith and OSL. If you would like to become a member of OSL, you must attend all three sessions. If you are transferring membership, you are welcome to attend all sessions but you must attend the February 12th, 9:45am session. Childcare is available upon request.

Please sign up in the church Office or email, office@oslmckinney.org.

Sunday Schedule

8:30am
Traditional Worship

9:45am
Kidtricity (B208)

Middle School Bible Study
(B206)

High School Bible Study (B204)

Sunday Bible Classes

11:00am
Contemporary Worship

5:00pm
Confirmation

6:30pm
High School Youth

New Our Savior Staff Member

Please welcome Randy Kieschnick to the Our Savior staff team. Randy will serve as the staff accountant. He comes to Our Savior with a career's worth of experience in accounting as well as extensive time serving the local church in the area of finances. Our current accountant, Jo Hinrichs, will be retiring in February.

You can contact Randy at randy.kieschnick@oslmckinney.org.



Serve with Us as an Usher or Reader

We are looking for a few good men and women to serve as Ushers. We have openings available during both worship services. We are also looking for volunteers to be Readers during the 11:00am worship service. No experience required.

For more information contact John Wasson, john.wasson@oslmckinney.org.

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

Galatians 5:13



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Stop by Kidtricity Today

Kids in grades K-5th will take part in a fun, interactive event during Kidtricity on **Sunday, January 29th at 9:45am**. Come explore, play games, and make friends. Start the New Year off celebrating the new life Jesus has given us! See you there!



January 22nd & 29th - Please stop by B208 during Kidtricity to write a message in your second grader's Bible.

February 5th - 2nd grade Bible presentation

Contact Faith Nimtzt, faith.nimtzt@oslmckinney.org, for more information.

Year End Contribution Statements

Please check your church mailboxes for your year end contribution statement. Statements will be mailed to those who do not have a mailbox. Please contact the church office if you have questions.

Senior Fellowship – January 24th

If you're retired or otherwise available on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, please plan to join your fellow OSL seniors from **1:00pm-4:00pm** in the **OSL Atrium** for food, fun, and fellowship. Bring your favorite beverage and a snack to share and plan to enjoy the afternoon playing dominoes or your favorite card/board game. You're also invited to join the group for an early dinner out following the fellowship. This is a fun group and a great way for members to get better acquainted with their fellow seniors. Call the church office if you have any questions or need additional information.



Thrivent News

If you are a Thrivent policyholder or if you have investments with Thrivent, you may have Thrivent Choice Dollars. Thrivent Choice Dollars are dollars that you can direct Thrivent to send to any Lutheran organization, such as Our Savior or Our Savior Preschool. If you have any questions, please contact David Noe, home 972-547-6632, cell 214-548-7766, or email dnoe@waymark.net.

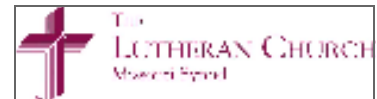


Breakfast with the Boards

Mark your calendar! The Board of Directors and the Board of Elders would like to invite you to breakfast on **Saturday, February 18th at 9:00am**. Both Boards will be giving updates. This is also a great opportunity to meet the new board members if you haven't already.

Me, a Pastor? Me a Deaconess?

If you have found yourself asking this question, now is the time to discuss your future! Rev. Neil Ray of Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana, is going to be in Texas January 30th through February 3rd. Come and explore the possibilities! Men of all ages are invited, as are their wives, fiancées, and parents. Women interested in the deaconess program are also invited, along with their families. Conferences are individual and informal. Reservations are not required; however, if you are able please phone Rev. Ray at 260-452-2278 or his cell at 260-452-0979 or feel free to email him at neil.ray@ctsfw.edu to make an appointment.



Church Calendar

Remember to check the online Our Savior calendar for upcoming events. The calendar is updated daily and all information is uploaded in "real time". If your ministry has an event they would like posted on the church calendar please email the church Office, office@oslmckinney.org.

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES, 9:45am-10:45am

Childcare available.

LifeLight - Conference Room

Strong biblical teaching, practical application, and the opportunity to build meaningful friendships. Great for growing in your understanding of the Bible, whether you are a Bible Class veteran or just starting out. Terry Zuehsow, terry.zuehsow@gmail.com, teaches this LifeLight study on the gospel of Matthew.

Parenting in Faith - School Library, B109

Parents sharing the faith stretching journey of raising up the next generation. We seek to learn from God our Father how to more deeply love and wisely raise our kids. Veterans of parenting and parents to be are welcome to share questions and wisdom. David Thompson, david.thompson@oslmckinney.org, teaches this class.

Pastor's Class - Fellowship Hall

Peter and Paul - This dramatic presentation brings to life the precarious existence of early Christianity. The film follows Peter and Paul, together and separately, through their struggles to keep the faith alive. Join us to discuss the trials and tribulations that Peter and Paul had to endure to spread the word of Christ. Contact Pastor Houska, chuck.houska@oslmckinney.org, for more information.

A Walk Through the Bible - Church Library

A small discussion group made up primarily of couples. The focus this Spring is on the book of Ecclesiastes. Kent Kramer and Glen Edwards, kgedwards@sbcglobal.net, teach this class.

WEEKLY STUDIES, CONFERENCE ROOM

Childcare available upon request.

Tuesday Women - 9:30am-11:00am

Join us for fellowship and time in God's Word. This week we will look at Romans 15:1, led by Pastor Houska.

Wednesday Women - 9:30am-11:30am

Our Bible Study Class is currently studying The Patriarchs through the Book of Genesis. We will also explore with Beth Moore different concepts, such as blessing, covenant, and promise. For more information contact Debbie Lammert, Debbie@debbielammert.com.

Thursday Men - 9:30am-11:00am

Join us for fellowship and time in God's Word. This week we will look at Romans 15:1, led by Pastor Houska.

Prayers of the Church

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." Eph 6:18

-Pray for continued guidance for the congregation, leadership, and staff as we transition through the vacancy call process.

-Prayers of thanksgiving for the birth of Michaella Brookes Dublin born on January 14th, to Sean & LeeAnn Dublin of Ft. Leavenworth, KS (son of Ross & Carren Fasolino).

HEALTH & HEALING

Ongoing strength, endurance and peace to: Bill Bauer, Debra Storie, Guyla Armstrong, Dick Bagley, Edna Crow, Kelsey Hansen, Grant Henderson, Shirley Jensen, Jeanne Kirby, Bob Meason, Al Migon, Ron Mudd, Mark Singer, Jeff Smith, George Tanner, Bruce Walters, Mindy Zielinski, Sue Hixon, Mrs. Moblely and family, Gwen Poyner, and Lorraine Hurtt, Vera Burns and family, David Farguharson and family, Amy Gillen, Bill Gilmore, and Paul Rogers, Ruth Innes, Lorene Cook, Alex Clements, Karen Morrow, Alexandria Clements, Michael Soenkson, Susanna Medrano.

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

We lift up our Community & Nation:

-Wisdom and discernment to our leaders especially President Obama, Governor Perry, Mayor Loughmiller and all who serve on our behalf nationally and locally.

- Employment to the underemployed and unemployed Safety & Strength for those Serving in the Armed Forces and ministering to them as chaplains and specifically:

Tim Bahn (Navy)

Ernest Grossman, Jr. (Air Force)

Sean Dublin (Army)

Justin Kurtz (Army)

Matthew Salvatico (Marines)

Joseph Wooldridge (Air Force)

Clayton Spears (Marines)

Aaron Board (West Point, Army)

Nikki Kramer (Medic)

PRAYER FOR OUR SISTER CHURCH

Saint Matthew Lutheran Church in Nortonville, Kansas, and their Pastor, **Rev. Michael Van Velzer**.

PRAYER FOR THE GOSPEL OUTREACH

Today we pray for our LCMS missionary, **David Erber**, who works among the people of Nigeria to bring them the light of the gospel.

To request a specific prayer to be included in this prayer sheet and/or on the prayer chain, please fill out a blue card in the pew (**indicating your publication preferences**) and place it in the plate, fill out the prayer request form on the church website at oslmckinney.org, or contact the church office at 972-562-9944.

Other Events This Week

- Tuesday: 9:30am—Ladies Bible Study
 11:00am—Staff Planning
 1:00pm—Senior Fellowship
 7:00pm—Stephen Ministry
 7:00pm—Families Anonymous
- Wednesday: 9:30am—Women's Bible Study
 11:30am—Prayer Shawl Group
 7:00pm—Call Committee Meeting
 7:00pm—Ladies Book Club
- Thursday: 9:30am—Men's Bible Study
 6:00pm—Bells Rehearsal
 6:15pm—Cub Scouts
 7:00pm—Choir Rehearsal

Finances

Total Fiscal Income through December 2011	\$521,366
Total Fiscal Expenses through December 2011	\$436,019
Attendance Week of January 15	440
General Fund Giving Week of January 15	\$25,365

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*Altar flowers given in
 celebration by:*

The Weishaar family - memory of Papa (Paul Weishaar)

Emergency Contact

For emergencies requiring senior staff assistance when the office is closed, please call 972-559-4OSL (4675).

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