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Our Saviour's Lutheran Church - NALC

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RAISE THE ROOF Capital Campaign

On May 1st Our Saviour's is kicking off it's capital fund drive to raise the money needed to fully fund our church's new roof! We need a sound building in able to ensure we are able to serve our Lord today and for years to come.

MAY 2022

MAY

	Ushers		Lector
May 1 8:30am	Jason Anderson	Eileen Anderson	Steve Faust
May 1 10:45am			Blanche Walimaa
May 8 8:30am	Jaeme Kaski	Sally Yuds	Tania Taff
May 8 10:45am	Geoff White	Caryl White	<i>Praise & Worship - No lector needed</i>
May 15 8:30am	Larry Nasi	Joy Nasi	Heidi Gareau
May 15 10:45am			Dodie Wagner
May 22 8:30am	Terry Reed	Lynne Reed	Chuck Vercoe
May 22 10:45am	Molly Gustafson	Doreen Olson	Doug Luoma
May 29 8:30am	Steve Faust	Kory Pontbriand	Jim Meier
May 29 10:45am			Jan Buckman

If you are unable to serve for any reason, please call (774-2733) or e-mail the church office(office@oslfamily.org)



Starting June 5th we will be returning to our Summer Worship Schedule, with just one service on Sunday mornings at 9am. Our Saturday 5pm service will continue as usual.



To all the wonderful volunteers who made our Soup Suppers so great.

- Carol Christesen & Joanne Reid for setting up each week.
- Molly Gustafson for picking up the groceries.
- For all that made delicious soup, sandwiches and desserts.
- To the Confirmation groups & guides who served and cleaned up each week.
- And to all who came and took part in the meals & time of fellowship.



**Sunday May, 22nd
10:45am**

Baccalaureate Sunday will be May 22nd at the 10:45am Worship Service.

We recognize the achievements of each of our high school seniors as they continue on with college or career plans. We wish God's blessings on each of them and pray that He will guide and direct them in the years ahead.

Please join us in wishing them well.

Hayley Buchcusi	Taylor Recla
Connor Erickson	Abbygayle Richer
Macy Holmes	Georjeana Swartout
Kalie Johnson	Alison Metras

If you have a senior we have missed, please contact the church office.



Campaign Kick Off!

Beginning May 1st we are asking the congregation to pray, listen to temple talks, and carefully con-

sider giving to the roof fund. Thanks to the very generous memorial gift from Arlene Flom, our down payment has been paid in full – but we still have \$163,000 to raise. Every amount, great or small, is a contribution towards the work of our church. And to do the work of the church, we need a sound building. This roof will likely outlast us all – it is a gift for the future.

Look for the Roof Capital Fund Drive display created by Joy Nasi in the Fireside Room to see how we are progressing.

An important component of a successful capital fund drive is PRAYER. A special prayer group for this campaign has been formed consisting of Tania Taff, John Reed, Toby Carlson, Jim Meier, or Pastor Paul. They invite all congregants to join them.

Whether it is in person or at home, we offer the following prayer to use during the coming weeks:

Gracious Jesus, bless our church and our congregation. Lord help each of us prayerfully consider your house where we gather to confess our sins, hear your word, sing your praise, listen to the message of your love, grace and forgiveness and receive holy communion. Bless each of us as we give to provide for the construction of a new roof. In your holy name we pray, Amen



Action Items

- To proceed with the recommendation from the building and maintenance committee to replace the roof and accept the proposal from Okler Roofing.
- To form a roof capital fund campaign committee to be comprised of the entire church council. The focus of the campaign will begin May 1, 2022 and run for six weeks.

Informational Items

- The fire alarm panel has been malfunctioning. Due to discontinuance of previous monitoring company, we will be looking into options for repair and monitoring. Council person in charge handbooks will be updated with more specific information on pull station locations and procedures when the alarm goes off.
- Stained glass windows were inspected, and they are in great shape. Mark repaired two small cracks.
- Pastor will be gone the weeks of June 12th and June 19th. Pulpit fill will be needed those weeks.

- COVID procedures (if discussion is needed)
- Visitation committee has met and all homebound members will be visited before Easter and then monthly.
- Barix Box – uses high speed internet to connect us to WZNL, has been ordered by the radio station. Still in transit to our church.
- Centennial Committee Meeting – Thursday, April 28th at 5:15pm
- Vacation Bible School 2022, put on by Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp – July 31st-August 4th
- Pastoral Acts for March 2022
Members Received – 2
Michael Mantie and Patti Roginski

***Come and Celebrate
with JOY!***

***Announcing our new Worship Center
JOY Lutheran Church
833 N Lincoln Road Escanaba***

Open House
Saturday May 14th
11:00-1:00
Ribbon Cutting
Refreshments

***Sharing the love of Jesus
with JOY
Jesus + Others + You***



Our Easter Ministry Fund raised \$835.00 for Fortune Lake Camper-ships. Thanks to all who supported this wonderful ministry.

Our Saviour's was thrilled to send nine youths to Fortune Lake's Jr/Sr High Retreat, "Disconnect to Reconnect" in April!



THANK YOU TO OUR
SUNDAY SCHOOL
TEACHERS

May 1st is the last day of Sunday School. A special thank you to Monica Chartier, our Sunday School Superintendant, and all the volunteers who make Sunday School happen for our children!



Fortune Lake is seeking volunteers to help us prepare our facilities for the quickly approaching summer! All people, skills sets, and abilities are welcome. We need our outdoor spaces raked, buildings deep cleaned, and wood moved and split.

We are not scheduling a formal work day; rather we are asking you to come at the time that works best for you! Call or email our office at 906-214-2267 or officemanager@fortunelake.org. Let us know when you'd like to come, what you'd like to do (we can suggest some things if you're not sure), and how many people you'll be bringing. We'd be happy to provide any necessary tools and a meal too.

Many hands make light work!



FORTUNE LAKE LUTHERAN CAMP

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

HELP US TO GET OUR
FACILITIES READY FOR
SUMMER!

MAY 2022
CHOOSE A DAY/TIME
THAT WORKS FOR YOU!

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MAY

Birthdays

May Birthdays

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|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Jennifer Holmes | Elijah Reed | 20 Sarah Wenzel |
| 2 Chris Hallenbeck | 14 Danielle Conery | Sarah Harris |
| Madison Jungles | Christina Englund | 21 Jaedyn Pratt |
| Adam LaFave | Glen Johnson | 22 Hayden Grunlund |
| Rachel Schroeder | Phyllis Laurila | Caryl White |
| Edward Theisen | Brandon Lindholm | 24 Clara Anderson |
| Dodie Wagner | Peggy Watt | Avery Baij |
| 3 Jeff Plonke | Katarina Hanson | John Giguere |
| Izabella Roell | 15 Anja Bradley | Daniella Kreh |
| Patti Roginski | 16 Ranee Monette | Alicia Taff |
| 4 Barb Hill | Abbey Ohlsen | 25 Kraig Daffron |
| Nolan LaVarnway | Shane Swanson | 26 Brandon Jump |
| 5 Eric Deyaert | Kathy Wilson | Danielle Dumais |
| Kristine Schroeder | 17 Wyatt Caylor | 27 Ila Calvi |
| 7 Jean Hill | Spencer Slade | Lois Chartier |
| Mckenzie Metras | Luke Theisen | Carsen LaFave |
| 8 Amber Miller | Luke Truscott | 28 Paul Johnson |
| Susan Edbauer | Olivia Truscott | Cheryl Smith |
| 9 Matthew Opolka | Ron Weide | Amber Theisen |
| 10 Milton Hill | T.J Pietrantonio | Sue Veale |
| 11 Bryce Conery | 18 Dr. Toby Carlson | 29 Peggy Pontti |
| Evan Kruppstadt | Robert Edgar | Patricia Rowell |
| Don Nurmela | Berta Rigoni | 30 Staci McNelis |
| Danielle Theisen | Michelle Savage | Cheryl Pietrantonio |
| Karen Usitalo | Kent Schroeder | 31 Leah Carlson |
| 12 Wyatt Jungles | 19 Elliette Cowen | Bryce Johnson |
| 13 James Chartier Jr. | Mike Fox | Sandy Lindholm |
| Alison Metras | Jamie Richer | Shelly Myllyla |
| | Lois Outcalt | |



Certainly, you have seen folks wearing Thrivent's **LIVE GENEROUSLY** t-shirts over the years! What's the deal? Well, for several years, now, Thrivent has made it possible for its members to make a difference in their community by forming **ACTION TEAMS** to carry out wide and varied acts of kindness. Here are several examples, showing just some of the projects completed here at Our Saviour's...

- Quilting Projects
- Children's Christmas Bags
- Food Boxes
- Personal Care Supplies for Schools
- Stuffed Animals for Local Police/Hospital
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- Adult Bibs for Nursing Homes
- Pillowcase Dresses
- LATI Activity Kits
- Tables for Quilters
- Cheer Bags
- And many, many more...

Supporting your community is easy with Thrivent Action Teams. Each Thrivent member is allowed 2 projects per calendar year. Apply to lead a group in a fundraiser, educational event, or service activity. Then, gather a team of volunteers to make an impact together.

Thrivent provides a customized kit of resources to get you started, including up to \$250 in "seed money." Your team provides the passion to bring it to life.

Applying to lead a Thrivent Action Team requires logging into your member account. From there you will be led through the application process. If you are interested in taking advantage of this excellent opportunity to be a blessing, and would like a little guidance, we have folks here at the church who would be happy to walk you through the process.

You are encouraged to visit the Thrivent Action Teams Hub for ideas, information and more at...

<https://thrivent.cotribute.co/community/thrivent-action-teams/detail>



**UP Regional
Blood Drive
Our Saviour's
Monday, May 9th
2:30 - 6:00pm**

To schedule an appointment call 906-449-1450. Walk-ins welcome. Bring photo ID. Your blood circulates through the Upper Peninsula, serving 13 local hospitals!

may anniversaries

Chris & Steve Harris-May 2nd, 1997
25 years

Dan & Terri Ohlsen-May 2nd, 1992
30 years

Richard & Susan Cecconi-May 8th, 1982
40 years



Sympathy to Terry Grippen & family on the death of her husband, Kerry Grippen.

Sympathy to Lois Chartier & family on the death of her husband, Dennis "Sam" Chartier.



Mennonite Disaster Service

LAMP

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry

Light at the Inn

Wycliffe Bible Translators

Bay Cliff Health Camp

Word of Life Lutheran Church

Financial Report

Attendance

March Receipts	\$ 34,493.69
March Expenditures	\$ 282,312.01*
Net Income (Loss)	\$(247,818.32)

April 3	121
Palm Sunday	170
Easter	310

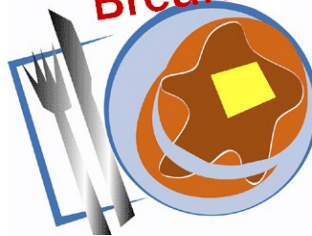
*\$223,640.00 was used for the down payment on our new roof.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



A warm welcome to Pat Church. Pat is involved in Washington Court Activities. She has more than forty years of experience as a baker! She enjoys holidays and activities with friends and family, including a Christmas exchange with homemade gifts. She also enjoys making greeting cards, writing creative poetry and doing crafts. She has nine siblings, numerous nieces and nephews, and great nieces & nephews. She first visited the church because her friend described the friendliness and prayer time.

Pancake Breakfast



Special thanks to Al Westman & Ted Sparapani for heading up our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and all those that helped cook, serve and cleanup.

Thanks, too, to all those that came and enjoyed supper. \$485.00 was raised for putting together NALC disaster relief flood buckets!

An extra special thanks to John Haigh for delighting the kids with his character pancakes!



Memorial



Monday, May 30th is Memorial Day.

The church office will be closed Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day and Tuesday, May 31st for an all day staff training.



LYDIA



What a fine gathering we had in April, on a nice spring day, with another 20 in attendance! What a blessing! Now we've got to make room for more snowbirds to return! All women are invited to join us in the Gathering Room at **1:00 PM** on Tuesday, **May 17th** for Bible Study, fellowship, prayer, dessert, and a short business meeting. Verna Hower will be our hostess, while Tracy Husing will lead us in **Session 7** of our Proverbs 31 Woman study, **Faithfulness: The Story of Mary, Mother of Jesus.** We would love to have you join us!



Pastor's Corner

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too. If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer. Our hope for you is unshaken, for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort."
2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Have you felt in need of comfort? I know I have. The burdens of living in this sin-filled, cursed world continuously wear upon us. The attacks of Satan are relentless, as he seeks to rob us of our faith and joy in Jesus Christ. The world is growing in its assaults against faithful Christianity, and are we witnessing the increase of the world calling evil good, and good evil. Whether you hurt either physically or emotionally, your suffering will find its meaning in Christ's suffering. Of course, our affliction doesn't pay for anyone's sins, much less our own. That's already over and done on the cross: "For our sake God made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God" 2 Corinthians 5:21.

Our private pain finds meaning in the collective experience of all of Christ's beloved. Paul, in writing about the suffering he encountered in his ministry, saw affliction as the norm for all Christians. He saw his personal problems as mysteriously linked with the whole church—and the afflictions of Jesus Christ: *"Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, that is, the church"* Colossians 1:24. That's the secret to finding persistent hope in the midst of our own suffering; seeing our affliction as our personal link to Jesus. Because Jesus is *"a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief"*, we can be sure that we are not alone in our suffering. Jesus is there with us. Because He bore our misery ahead of us and experienced it in a human body just like ours, our pain is sanctified in His. Emotional or physical distress can be endured, not because we have sufficient grit and determination to push through it on our own, but because He is alongside of us. We have a Savior who was made of flesh and blood just like ours. He knows what He's saying when he invites you to come to Him with your worries and burdens: *"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."* Matt 11:28-30. Jesus truly knows what you are going through, He was fully human and this included feeling fear and anxiousness of what awaited Him on the cross. Yet He suffered with complete trust, also praying to the Father; *"Not as I will, but as You will"*. He

would suffer all in our place that we may be saved from the true eternal suffering that justly awaited us. His payment has been made your payment, and by it you are forgiven all, and by trusting in that saving work, you are saved from suffering we cannot begin to imagine. Jesus knows *YOUR* suffering and sorrow. And He is with you as you endure it, and not without sympathy.

Christians don't need to pretend that tragedies never happen or suffering isn't miserable or pain doesn't hurt. We can afford to be honest with God, because He knows the depth of human suffering. We can confidently cry out to Him from the bottom of our fearful and anxious hearts, knowing we have a Father in heaven who shows compassion to his children. We have a Savior who wept at the grave of His dear friend Lazarus. And when we are at a loss for words, the Holy Spirit takes over, "interceding for us in sighs too deep for words." Romans 8:26. God tenderly invites our prayers, promising His attentive ear: "Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me." Psalm 50:15. Indeed, we are NOT alone. Cry out unto our Lord in times of fear or anxiousness, in times of worry find a quiet place and open up your Bible. Read out loud to yourself from the Word of Life. Chew on it, and digest that Word! And use that Word to move you to prayer. Cry out to Him and know that He hears you, is with you, and will uphold you. The Holy Spirit Comforter will comfort you and give you His Peace.

In Jesus Name, Amen.

Pastor Paul

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