

Christ Our Savior 1860 Wisconsin St Oshkosh, 54901 www.coslcoshkosh.com

> OFFICE HOURS Monday-Friday 9:00 am-1:00 pm

SUNDAYS 9:00 am Worship In-Person Service Livestream on YouTube Worship Video on Cable 2

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A Newsletter for Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

"Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul."

3 John 1:2



A while ago I was having a conversation with someone who holds a pilot's license. We were talking about being tired. He shared some wise advice I had heard before. But this time I heard it in a different light. He said that he was taught that when met with a problem during the flight it is always best to put on your oxygen mask before you help another with theirs. For without me taking in that life-giving oxygen, I would not be very helpful in my care for others. Yes, you could say, I got the point.

Many of you know that I will be on sabbatical for the months of June and July. I continue to be passionate about my ministry. But what is that they say? The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak.

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church has so much to be excited about! I don't have to list the many ways you have stepped up as God's church. After we consolidated, we were able to look back and really understand how active God has been with us. As disciples, we did the hard work. I am so thankful for your faithfulness and ministry. I cannot wait to rejoin you as we continue to live out God's mission. But first, I need to put on my own oxygen mask.

Friends, we were not only meant to be good stewards of God's creation but we also were meant to take care of ourselves. For those early faithful followers, they were being reminded that they needed to stay in good health in order to live their lives as has God intended.

When I return on August 1st, I pray to have renewed energy and inspiration to continue to serve this beloved congregation and our awesome God. I also look forward to sharing ways that this time of rest can be shared with you. In the meantime, know that I will be praying for you each and every day.

Yours in Christ, Pastor Course



Pastor Connie on Sabbatical June 1st - July 31st For pastoral care requests, contact the church office

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Synod Assembly Recognizes Our Congregation

The Assembly of the East Central Synod of Wisconsin of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gathered on May 20, 2023 at First English Lutheran Church in downtown Appleton. Representing Christ Our Savior were delegates Barb Schneider and Cathi Nimmer along with Pastor Connie. They were called forward to the baptismal font to be recognized as a brand new congregation. Bishop Anne Edison-Albright bestowed a blessing. Our congregation and its work of consolidation received a thunderous applause by those in attendance.



Cathi Nimmer, Barb Schneider and Pastor Connie Weiss proudly stand with a plaque presented at this year's Synod Assembly

The one day assembly featured singing accompanied by organ, warm hospitality, and the first time our assembly was held in a congregation of this synod. The assembly saw a nearly 20% increase in attendance with 276 voting members (187 lay persons, 77 rostered ministers, and 12 retired rostered ministers), 11 ministry partner tables, and 22 visitors to the assembly. The theme, "To Hear the Word of God and Share in the Lord's Supper" centered us as we heard from the Churchwide Representative, the Rev. Keith Fry, and from leaders of our regional ecumenical partners.

Business of the Assembly included:

- Approval of 2024 Compensation Guidelines
- Adoption of the 2024 Budget
- Ratification of our Synod Constitution
- Adoption of Revised Endowment Protocols
- Election of synod council members
- The passing of three resolutions: Resolution to Encourage Land Acknowledgements, Educate Members to Become Hunger Advocates, and Action to End Racism.

Next year's synod assembly will gather under the theme of our next baptismal promise, "To Proclaim the Good News of God in Christ through Word and Deed" at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Hotel & Convention Center in Oshkosh, May 17th and 18th, 2024.



EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR CHURCH YOUTH GRADES 8-12TH!

With the help of a generous benefactor, we have the opportunity to send youth and chaperones to the 2024 National Youth Gathering. The gathering will take place July 16-20 next year in New Orleans. The theme for the 2024 Gathering is "Created to Be," centered on Psalm 139:14.

When Pastor Connie returns from her sabbatical, she would like to meet with youth and parents to discuss interest in attending this exciting event. Pastor has attended two gatherings that were held in 2009 and 2012 and has had great experience with the event and its impact!

For more information on NYG visit: www.elca.church/gathering

PULPIT SUPPLY FOR JUNE & JULY

- June 4 Rev. Barb Girod
- June 11 Rev. Barb Girod
- June 18 Lay Member Ron Kuehl Rev. Glenn Chase—Communion
- June 25 Rev. Kim Krogstad
- July 2 Rev. Barb Girod
- July 9 Rev. Jeff Tarras
- July 16 Lay Member Barb Schneider Rev. Glenn Chase—Communion
- July 23 Rev. Kim Krogstad
- July 30 Rev. Kim Krogstad



Join us on Sunday June 11th, weather permitting, for our outdoor worship service under the canopy.





World Refugee Sunday

June 18th



- Readers
- **Communion Assistants**
- **Flower Donations** •
- Ushers/Greeters
- **Power Point Operators**
- Musicians
- Worship & Music Team Members
- Alter Guild Members
- **Offering Counters**



On Sunday July 16th, we will be singing some of our favorite hymns during worship. If you have a favorite hymn, please clearly write the hymn number on a piece of paper and give to Barb, or email her at worship.coslc@gmail.com

We will do our best to include as many hymns as possible in the worship service.

One-on-One Ministry and You?



Would you have time once per month to visit our homebound shut-ins? If you are interested in learning

more, please contact Linda Tedlie at 920-410 -0745.

Deaths:

Linda Fischer

Fern Kargus



World Relief kits.

We made approximately \$740 in our rummage sale in May. Some of the proceeds will go to Birdie's Box and some will go to purchase supplies for Lutheran



No meetings are scheduled for June or July. Our next meeting will be on August 20



If you would like to help the quilters during the

summer, they need help cutting squares and sewing strips to make quilt tops to use in the fall. If you have a sewing machine, please talk to Audrey Reichow or any of the quilters.





Join us every for our revamped Bible Study on Mondays at 1pm! June and July we will be focusing on the Book Finding Hope in the Psalms. We would love for you to join

FELLOWSHIP FACE LIFT & MORE!!

The council has approved a team to move forward in giving the Fellowship area a face lift. In July, we will begin painting. Watch for more information coming soon.

The Library has been cleaned, painted and organized. Thank you to those that helped.



A COLORFUL MINISTRY **OPPORTUNITY!**

Consider signing up to sponsor the flowers for a Sunday. The sign

up sheet is located in the narthex. The cost is \$20.00. If you are interested in a special flower, or if you have questions, see Christine Esselman. Flowers come from Festival Foods.



Location TBD

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Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

	Month	Year-to-Date	2023 Budget
Offerings	\$ 29,478.74	\$ 94,859.82	\$ 325,00.00
Other Income	\$ 2,609.24	\$ 5,882.24	\$ 0.00
Expenses	\$ 22,525.34	\$ 93,720.94	\$ 323,414.58
Net Profit/	\$ 9,562.64	\$ 7,021.12	\$ 1,585.42

ENVELOPES ARE HERE

If you would like a box of giving envelopes they are in the narthex or contact the office.

REMEMBER

Our children collect during the offering-

2nd Sunday—Birdies Box

4th Sunday—Noisy Offering for Youth

and Church Life Funds



RISE AGAINST HUNGER

SAVE THE DATE: September 10

GODS WORK OUR HANDS

More details to follow.

See Mary Backus for more details.

WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRY

- Mail in a Check
- Shelby Mobile GIVE App
- COSLC Website
- AHC Bank Payment

You can give online!

Check out this easy way to give through our website at:





We have switched our online giving to Shelby Systems. For those of you who are currently giving through Vanco, we will assist you in switching over. See how easy it is to begin giving through this new, easy software system.

BUILDING USE REMINDER

If you are using the church building, before you leave, please make sure that the following are done:

- All lights are turned off
- All doors are locked and shut tight.
 Please ensure this by checking from the outside.

Thank you for helping us be good stewards of our building.