# Our Saviour's Lutheran

ORANGE, CALIFORNIA
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2020

Great Thanksgiving Community
Outdoor Gathering

Saturday, November 21, 2020 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Bring your own lunch, chair and face covering.

We would love to see you!



Missing us in worship?

All of our worship services have been placed on YouTube.

Here is the link: bit.ly/oursaviourslutheran

## November Birthdays

- Nov 1 Bernice Palmquist
- Nov 1 Matt Mead
- Nov 3 Shirley Fuller
- Nov 11 Ann Pool
- Nov 16 Ashlynn Vaughn
- Nov 27 Corky Grochow
- Nov 27 Steven Yoshizumi

#### **Anniversaries**

- Nov 11 Steven & Carol Yoshizumi
- Nov 11 Jim & Suzanne Bermingham

#### Living a Life of Discipleship

"Every faculty you have, your power of thinking or of moving your limbs from moment to moment, is given you by God. If you devoted every moment of your whole life exclusively to His service, you could not give Him anything that was not in a sense His own already."

-C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

Stewardship is about giving back to God what God has given to us. Stewardship is not just a month-long campaign to help us put together a budget for next year. Stewardship is an understanding that **everything** we have comes from God. It is a part of our faith journey; it becomes a part of our daily life. It is about the giving of our financial resources to further the mission of Our Saviour's and to spread the gospel of Christ in this world. Every individual in this world needs to hear the hope and love of Jesus Christ in their lives. This is made possible by the generous financial gifts that you give to our mission.

The mission of Our Savior's Lutheran Church is this: We are a community of faith called together to **SHINE** (**S**haring, **H**elping, **I**ncluding, **N**ourishing, **E**xalting) and share the light of Jesus Christ. It takes all of us stepping up to shine the light of Christ in this world. We cannot do it alone. It takes each of us looking at our financial resources and giving just a few more dollars to increase the ministry we are doing.

In the weeks to come you will be hearing more about how important your giving is to the church. You will also be receiving a pledge card by mail and asked to return it to the church office. This mailing will include resources to help you understand stewardship as a spiritual discipline.

In the Lutheran Book of Worship, the prayer of the congregation following the giving of the weekly offering reads:

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This prayer reminds that we are giving of one's self to God who loves us with an everlasting love, and we do it with joy and thanksgiving.

Blessings, Pastor Jennifer



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Follow these simple steps to raise money for Our Saviour's Lutheran Church:

- 1. Go to smile.amazon.com
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Next time you make a purchase on Amazon, be sure to use smile.amazon.com to login to your account.

# From Our Saviour's Children's Center

Our enrollment is holding relatively stable. We have enrolled another child part time in the two-year-old's classroom. On Thursday, October 29, we had our annual Halloween parade around the campus. It was much smaller this year but still just as cute. We are looking forward to celebrating Thanksgiving with our OSCC families this month.

Our infant/toddler yard has undergone a little upgrade. We removed the pads under the climbing structure and Ms. Liz and her family worked hard to get the area underneath prepped and seeds planted. We already have new grass growth! We can't wait to get our littlest ones back on their yard!

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!! Blessings, Jen Gates

#### Thanksgiving is on Thursday, November 26

We wish everyone the warmest of wishes on this day of thanks. 2020 has been a trying year and we give thanks to all the people that have helped us keep going. To our friends and families for their patience and understanding, grocery store workers that keep food on our table, doctors and nurses to keep us healthy, and teachers for reinventing a new way of teaching our kids. There are so many moreour firefighters who have been working nonstop, police and delivery services. There is much to be thankful for.

We may not be spending Thanksgiving with all our loved ones this year, but we can still send thoughts and prayers to those that are important to us. Send a note, card, call, or text. "Just thinking of you... I am thankful for you!"

#### Staff

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# Congregation Council & Committee they serve

Adult Fellowship: Melissa Pool Christian Ed: Kristin Tolentino &

Violet Yoshizumi

Finance: Bob Hunter

Men's Ministry: Lawton Miller

OSCC Board: Melissa Pool Personnel: Steven Yoshizumi

Property: Steve Vannier

**Stewardship:** Pastor Jennifer **Social Ministry:** Pastor Jennifer

Women's Ministry: Kristin Tolentino Worship & Music: Lorraine Lundquist

President: Steve Vannier

Vice President: Steven Yoshizumi

**Secretary**: Kristin Tolentino **Treasurer**: Bob Hunter

#### Social Concerns Committee

This month the Social Concerns Committee will be collecting funds for Lutheran Disaster Response. Lutheran Disaster Response brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, we stay to provide ongoing assistance to those in need. (https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response)

Here is how Lutheran Disaster Response works. We are a church that is a catalyst, convener and bridge builder. Lutheran Disaster Response collaborates with other disaster response organizations and religious entities in the United States and around the world. This enables the greatest stewardship of resources and maximum impact of response. We are a welcome partner because we respect the perspectives and strengths of others.

We recognize that every disaster is local. Because of this, we believe every response needs to be rooted in the community; we work to accompany that community from immediate relief through long-term recovery. In our international work we partner closely with companion churches and other Lutheran and ecumenical relief agencies to make sure local needs are being addressed and met. In the United States, we work through our extensive affiliate network and other partners to address these same concerns.

Lutheran Disaster Response strives to help the church continue to be church in the midst of disaster — following Christ's call to bring hope and healing to our neighbor in need. Some key areas of work include:

- Providing emotional and spiritual care for people who have been affected by a disaster and for leaders who respond to a disaster
- Coordinating volunteers through our local affiliates
- Assisting refugees in a holistic way by meeting the varied needs of the community
- Promoting disaster risk-reduction by helping communities build their assets thereby reducing the effects of likely disasters
- Providing long-term recovery efforts by addressing the unmet needs months or even years after a disaster strikes (https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/How-We-Work)

Donations can be sent in with your offering or dropped off during our gathering on November 21, 2020

#### Report from the President

Gosh, here it is November already and it has now been eight months that we have been sheltering in place. Not sure what to say. I keep thinking they will find a cure and we can get back to normal life, but it seems to continue. "When will this be over?" is the million dollar question and nobody seems to know. I continue to hope and pray it will be sooner rather than later. In the meantime, OSLC continues worshipping on Facebook, "Our Saviour's Lutheran Church-Orange," every Sunday morning at 10 AM. Hopefully you all are able to tune in and watch or watch it later on the church's website," <a href="www.orangeoslc.org">www.orangeoslc.org</a>", or even later on the Facebook page. I know that God is with us as we traverse this COVID-19 virus and will be with us always!

There was another nice gathering of members on Saturday, October 17. The group was around 14. It is always great seeing everyone that participates. Because of the time change, we fall back an hour on November 1. It will then be getting dark at 4:30 PM. So, for the November gathering, we will have a Great Thanksgiving luncheon on Saturday, November 21, from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. I am thinking turkey sandwich ©. In past years when we have our Great Thanksgiving feast, the Social Ministry Committee always takes up an offering for a worthy cause. At this year's Great Thanksgiving luncheon, they will be taking an offering for Lutheran Disaster Response. Hope many of you can participate, but only if you feel comfortable doing so.

The Paycheck Protection loan with the Small Business Administration (SBA) that we received has all been used. Bob is in the process of completing the necessary paperwork to have it forgiven.

OSLC's Children's Center is going strong. Their enrollment is at 28. We owe a big thank you to Liz Guerra, one of the Children's Center teachers, her husband José, and sons José and Isaac, as they prepped the space under the covering for the children's fenced play area between the church and the school and planted grass seed. The grass is now sprouting and looking good. Previously the area under the covering was mats, but the mats were falling apart, plus under the mats there was mold from lots of moisture. It was determined that grass was a better option. Next time when at church take a look at the new grass.

Our church parking lot is in need of repair and recoating. Bids from asphalt companies have been obtained. The lowest bid we received was \$12,500 and the council has unanimously approved the repair be completed. This includes patching cracks, grinding out areas with bad breakage and filling in, along with doing two slur coats of oil and then repainting and replacing several broken wheel stops. Last year we had budgeted \$5,000 for this effort, which, as you see, is short \$7,500. As this additional \$7,500 needed was not in the church budget it was decided that a funding drive is appropriate. If you can give to this, please make your check out to the church and mark it "parking lot repair." Thank you!

Continue to keep OSLC members in your prayers that we will all make it through this COVID-19 pandemic and that we will be getting together sooner rather than later to make a joyful noise to our God. Again, thank you for your continued mailings of contributions and/or your contributions on the church website.

As always, blessings to you all and continue to stay safe. Steve

### Resources for Worshipping at Home during a pandemic.

#### THE MORNING BLESSING

In the morning, as soon as you get out of bed, you are to make the sign of the holy cross and say: "God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit watch over me. Amen."

Then, kneeling or standing, say the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer. If you wish, you may in addition recite this little prayer as well: "I give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected me through the night from all harm and danger. I ask that you would also protect me today from sin and all evil, so that my life and actions may please you. Into your hands I commend myself: my body, my soul, and all that is mine. Let your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen."

After singing a hymn or whatever else may serve your devotion or you may read from the daily devotion list, you are to go to your work joyfully.

#### THE EVENING BLESSING

In the evening, when you go to bed, you are to make the sign of the holy cross and say: "God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit watch over me. Amen."

Then, kneeling or standing, say the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer. If you wish, you may in addition recite this little prayer as well:

"I give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected me today. I ask you to forgive me all my sins, where I have done wrong, and graciously to protect me tonight. Into your hands I commend myself: my body, my soul, and all that is mine. Let your holy angel be with me, so that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen."

Then you are to go to sleep quickly and cheerfully.

#### TABLE BLESSINGS

The children and the members of the household are to come devoutly to the table, fold their hands, and recite: "The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature."

Then they are to recite the Lord's Prayer and the following prayer:

"Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Similarly, after eating they should in the same manner fold their hands and recite devoutly:

"Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, for God's mercy endures forever. God provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they cry. God is not impressed by the might of a horse, and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner, but finds pleasure in those who fear the Lord, in those who await God's steadfast love."

Then recite the Lord's Prayer and the following prayer:

"We give thanks to you, Lord God our Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord for all your benefits, you who live and reign forever. Amen."

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## FOR HOME WORSHIP DURING PANDEMIC

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01	02	03	04	05	06	07
Micah 3:5-12	Psalm 5	Psalm 5	Psalm 5	Psalm 70	Psalm 70	Psalm 70
Psalm 43	Jeremiah	Lamentations	Proverbs	Amos 1:1-2:5	Amos 3:1-12	Amos 4:6-13
2 Thessalonians	5:18-31	2:13-17	16:21-33	Revelation	Revelation	Matthew
2:9-13	1 Thessalonians	Acts 13:1-12	Matthew 15:1-9	8:6-9:12	9:13-21	24:1-14
Matthew 23:1-12	2:13-20					
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Amos 5:18-24	Psalm 63	Psalm 63	Psalm 63	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm
Psalm 70	Amos 8:7-14	Joel 1:1-14	Joel 3:9-21	90:1-8 [9-11] 12	90:1-8 [9-11] 12	90:1-8 [9-11] 12
1 Thessalonians	1 Corinthians	1 Thessalonians	Matthew	Ezekiel 6:1-14	Ezekiel 7:1-9	Ezekiel 7:10-27
4:13-18	14:20-25	3:6-13	24:29-35	Revelation	Revelation	Matthew
Matthew 25:1-13				16:1-7	16:8-21	12:43-45
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Zephaniah	Psalm 9:1-14	Psalm 9:1-14	Psalm 9:1-14	Psalm 95:1-7a	Psalm 95:1-7a	Psalm 95:1-7a
1:7, 12-18	Zechariah	Zechariah	Job 16:1-21	1 Kings	1 Chronicles	Isaiah 44:21-28
Psalm	1:7-17	2:1-5; 5:1-4	Matthew	22:13-23	17:1-15	Matthew
90:1-8 [9-11] 12	Romans 2:1-11	1 Thessalonians	24:45-51	Revelation	Revelation	12:46-50
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Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	Psalm 7 Esther 2:1-18	Psalm 7 Esther 8:3-17	Psalm 7 Ezekiel 33:7-20	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 95:1-7a	Psalm 7 Esther 2:1-18 2 Timothy	Psalm 7 Esther 8:3-17 Revelation	Psalm 7 Ezekiel 33:7-20	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 Zechariah	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 Zechariah	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 Micah 2:1-13

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Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm
80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37

Psalm 79 Micah 4:1-5 Revelation 15:1-8

"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever, his faithfulness continues through all generations." - Psalm 100

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message or send an email and Pastor or Melissa will get back to you as soon as possible. office is only open if you have a scheduled time to meet with Pastor Jennifer. Feel free to leave a Due to the coronavirus, Our Saviour's has cancelled all onsite services and activities. The church

Videos are also uploaded to our website - orangeosic Live Streaming on Facebook: Our Saviour's Lutheran Church-Orange Live streaming of our worship service. Join us Sunday Mornings at 10am for



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#### Remember in Prayer

Marge Boelman as she recovers from knee surgery, Wes Hayes (next-door neighbor of Janice Bosecke), Lance Thompson-Hailstone, Bryan Rivers (friend of Michelle Johnson), Kristin Maxwell, Rebekah Simmet, Greg Peck, Gerry Tolentino, Evelyn Heine, Joyce Denzin, Bob & Dorothy Daw, Bishops Elizabeth Eaton & Andrew Taylor. All who have been affected by COVID-19, fires and storms. Police officers, firefighters, medical professionals and all who are serving on the front lines during these uncertain times. All military chaplains and all others serving in the military.

# Happy Thanksgiving!

#### <u>Bible Study via Zoom</u> Wednesday, November 4, 11, 18 and 25

Two Bible study opportunities, 9:30 am and 6:30 pm Each study will be one hour in length.

Each film is about 10 to 14 minutes of Christian teaching related to real-life situations. Each short story covers a specific topic, usually by relating various experiences from a Christian perspective. Each NOOMA video features the teaching of former Mars Hill Bible Church teaching pastor Rob Bell.

November 4 theme: Sunday: "Why do we do the things we do?" November 11 theme: Noise: "Why is silence so hard to deal with?"

November 18 theme: Kickball: "Why can't we always have what we want?"

November 25 theme: Luggage: "It isn't always easy to forgive."

Zoom link for the 9:30 am study is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3481348730

Zoom link for the 6:30 pm study is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83959432344

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Worlds will be horizontal, vertical, and diagonal