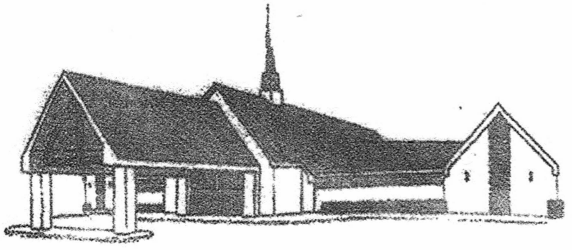

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OSLC Newsletter

October 17, 2021

Favorite Bible verse of the week: Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,
plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Welcome

We hope that this 21st Sunday after Pentecost finds you healthy. This newsletter is a way that we can connect with each other, whether in-person or socially distanced on Sundays. If you have an item that you would like to contribute to this newsletter, please contact the office at (708)599-4780 or email us at oursaviors@oursaviorschurch.org. The deadline for weekly articles is Tuesday morning.

Remember

Our new services times are 8:15 a.m. and **10:00 a.m.**!

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study will meet today**, October 17.** Class will be held in Library Hall between the services from approximately 9:15 to 9:45 a.m. Pastor John Freidheim will be leading this week's class.

Inclusion Awareness Day

Today, October 17th, we will be celebrating Inclusion Awareness Day. Inclusion Awareness Day reminds us to open our hearts to others and to recognize the gifts of every person. When we affirm one another's gifts and talents, we enrich our faith community.

Church Services – Assistance Needed

With the reopening of the church, we need help before and during service times. We could use a few people to help sign in people before entering church and hand out bulletins and communion sets. We need lay assistance help with the readings and prayers at each service. There is a sign-up sheet on the counter in the narthex. Your help in any way is appreciated. Thank you.

Food Pantry News

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. According to NCAVD 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner. We will be holding a personal care item drive during the month of October. Items collected will be donated to the Crisis Center for South Suburbia in Tinley Park.

Items needed-

Combs (wide tooth) , Body Wash, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo/Conditioner, Body lotion, Socks women/men, Baby wipes, Pull-ups/Diapers, Laundry pods/ dryer sheets

Donations can be dropped in the box in the Narthex.

Christian Education for Children

Classes for all children, ages 3 through 9th grade are on Sunday mornings from 9:15-9:45. We have classes for 3 yr. olds-1st grade, 2nd grade - 5th grade, and 6th grade - 9th grade. We are blessed to have 7 adults from Our Savior's who have volunteered to teach our children this year. We meet once again downstairs.

We are excited to be able to learn and grow in God's love with your children! Please spread the word and invite anyone you know who may be interested in attending.

We are looking for adults to serve as mentors to our youth who are preparing to affirm their baptism. A mentor would connect with our youth through phone calls, emails, texts, or any other way that may be convenient. If you are interested in taking on this important role, please contact the office at (708)599-4780.

Attendance

October 10, 2021	8:15 a.m. – 25	10:00 a.m. – 28	Total =53
	Facebook – 55	You Tube – 2	Total = 57

Food Pantry Update

Food Pantry is looking to expand our items to better serve the community. We are asking for baby diapers in sizes 2 and 3, and pull-ups. We are also asking for donations of toilet paper. Thank you for supporting the Food Pantry! Items may be left in the shopping cart in the narthex!

Updated guidelines from the ELCA regarding worship

At *Our Savior's*, masks are now recommended for all attending worship regardless of vaccination status. Social distancing will continue to be observed for everyone during worship services and while in the church building. We remind you to love the vulnerable, especially children and those who are immunocompromised along with their parents and caretakers. Thank-you for your cooperation!

Message from the Food Pantry

Our Savior's Food Pantry is open to anyone experiencing food insecurity. If you or anyone you know is experiencing food insecurity, you are welcome. Visit as often as needed. We serve residents from any community. Hours are Tues. 9-11 and Thurs. 1-3. Visit our church website for more information.

Please Pray for:
Please let us know if there is someone who needs prayers by contacting the church office by email at oursaviors@oursaviorschurch.org or by phone (708)599-4780.

Thank you to our Worship Team
For sharing their talents with us. A special thank you goes out to our supply pastor, Pr. John Freidheim. And as always, thank you to our audio/visual team for the beautiful screen images.

LSSI Christmas Giving Program Coming Soon
Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) is excited to announce its Christmas gift giving program, Project Room at the Inn. Project Room at the Inn will benefit LSSI's Children's Community Services statewide, including LSSI's Foster Care Program. More information will be available at LSSI.org in a few weeks. Contact Joy Medrano at Joy.Medrano@LSSI.org with questions.

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) Make a difference in the life of a child and become a traditional foster parent though Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI). Foster parents can be married or single, and once qualified, receive ongoing support and training, and a monthly stipend. Online informational meetings are held monthly via Zoom. To find an informational meeting with staff from your area, or attend a meeting that's convenient for you regardless of where you live, visit the LSSI Events page for specific times and dates this summer. Or, for more information call 888.322.5774, visit LSSI.org/FosterCare or email FosterAChild@LSSI.org.

Reminders:

How to stay in touch with our church family:

Church office: (708)599-4780 Church fax: (708)599-4782
WEBSITE: www.oursaviorschurch.org
FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/oursaviorsburbank
YOU TUBE: Our Savior's Lutheran Church Burbank, IL
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Please continue to support Our Savior's Lutheran Church at this critical time. The COVID-19 pandemic has posed many challenges, including the loss of offerings due to the cancelling of services and other events. Our Savior's relies on the generosity of our members to cover expenses related to ministry, maintenance, staffing, our Food Pantry and other pressing needs. Please continue to mail in your weekly collection envelopes, bring them to church on Sunday or drop them in the slot on the office door. **To help us in our mailings, please consider including a few stamps with your offering**. **Every little bit helps!** Our deepest gratitude goes out to those already doing so. God Bless you for your continued support of Our Saviors. May God watch over you, your families, friends and neighbors in this time of stress, anxiety and uncertainty.

Thank you for keeping your church, your church family, your local community and the world in your prayers. With God, all things are possible!