

Osakis Lutheran Church

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***Osakis Lutheran Church
2024 Church Council***

President— Kristen Will

President Elect - Stephanie Finnegan

Past President—

Secretary— Sarah Redetzke

Treasurer— Nancy Exley

Financial Secretary— Cindy Christensen

Worship— Shelly Engfer-Triebebach

Education/Youth— Jessie Thornbloom

Trustees— Travis Redetzke

Stewardship/Deacons— Mike Curtis

Church Office Hours:

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Church phone: 320-859-2350

The deadline for the bulletin is
Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Action News deadline is the
20th of the month.

Committees and the congrega-
tion are welcome to contribute
news!!!

Osakis Lutheran exists to: “Honor Christ, Strengthen believers and Serve others.”

Hello OLC friends.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

I think there is a little Irish in all of us somewhere. There is a bar in Padua that the family is Irish. So, they have a St Pat's Parade even thou it is small. But then the amazing St. Pat's meal with the green beer.

As look toward holy week thirsty for the completion of Gods astonishing work.

As it gets closer to Easter, we get ready for the rising of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Maundy Thursday we remember Christ's last meal with his disciples and the Washing of the Feet with Jesus Christ with his disciples It is the day that Jesus partook in his final Passover meal with his disciples. **Service is at 7:00 p.m.**

Good Friday is life and death stand side by side. Jesus is put on trial and sentenced to death. Christ's death offers life to all. We gather in solemn devotion but always with the promise that the tree around which we assemble is indeed the tree of life. John 18 1-19:42 **Service is at 7:00 p.m.**

EASTER Sunday Service 10 a.m.

Christ is risen!!

Jesus is alive. and God has swallowed up death forever. For us all!

We celebrate God's unending love and depart to share this good news with all the world Alleluia!!

Happy Easter

Minister George

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit equips the church with a rich variety of gifts. Grant that we may use them to bear witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and loves. Make us ready to live the gospel and eager to do your will, so that we may share with all your church in the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Our Savior and Lord.

Other News:

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Minister George Heideman is available
24/7 by phone 763-843-6720.

His email address is:
gheid121212@gmail.com

Osakis Lutheran Church Council Minutes

February 5th, 2024

Present: President Elect Stephanie Finnegan, Minister George Heidemann, Karen Quistorff, Mike Curtis, Nancy Exley, Mary Redetzke, Travis Redetzke, and Sarah Redetzke.

President-Elect Stephanie Finnegan ran the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President-Elect Stephanie Finnegan.

Minister George gave devotions.

The council shared their highs and lows.

Approval of Agenda

Church fees were taken off the agenda and an increase in Pathfinder's budget was added.

Mike Curtis made a motion to approve the agenda, Nancy Exley 2nd, motion approved.

Old Business

Minutes were reviewed. Mike Curtis made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting, Shelly Treibenbach 2nd, motion approved.

The council discussed using a local company for a diagnosis on the Carrilon. AlexTronics and Carlson Music were suggested.

New Business

There was a recap of the annual meeting. There was discussion of the Endowment and some members of the congregation thought that the meeting was focused on money too much.

Travis Redetzke spoke on what needs to be fixed at the parsonage. The radon level was high and will need mitigation. The furnace also makes noise and needs to be looked at. Travis will contact Ellingson about it. He will also contact a realtor to move forward on listing the parsonage. A market analysis was done and the realtor thought it could be listed for \$250,000.

Proceeds from the sale of the parsonage can be put in the Mission Investment Fund and to put better acoustics in the fellowship hall and do some painting in the fellowship hall.

Mitch Pease had previously asked to use a portion of the kitchen for his freeze dry business. Council voted to not allow him to use the kitchen. Sarah Redetzke made a motion to approve the decision, Mike Curtis 2nd, motion approved.

Lent begins on February 14th. The Education Committee will provide supper for that Wednesday. There will be a sign-up sheet for meals. The next week's meal will be posted in Sunday's bulletin.

Easter Sunday will only have one service at 10:00. Coffee and rolls will be provided at around 9:15-9:30, prior to the service.

Good Friday service will be at 7:00.

Reports

Minister- Minister George reported that he had made some visits. An ad will be put in the paper looking for a secretary and a technician.

Treasurer- Nancy reported that there was \$6,698.00 income to date and \$8,560 in expenses to date.

Education- Stephanie requested to increase the Pathfinder budget to \$2,000. Mike Curtis made a motion to approve the request, Shelly Treibenbach 2nd the motion. Stephanie announced that she will be taking on the position of President-Elect and Jessie Thornbloom will take over the Education position. Shelly Treibenbach made a motion to accept, Mike Curtis 2nd the motion.

Trustees-Travis reported that DustBusters cleaned the vents at the parsonage, which totaled \$650.00.

Worship- Mary reported that the paraments would need to be changed for the Easter season.

Stewardship- Mike reported that he had nothing new to report.

Minister George led us in the Lord's Prayer concluding the meeting. Nancy Exley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Travis Redetzke 2nd the motion. Meeting adjourned.

The next council meeting is Monday, March 4, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Follow-up of last meeting/upcoming dates:

• Upcoming Dates

- Movie event: 4/7 at 1 pm - we will provide: popcorn - free and Pop and Candy to purchase to go towards the youth group (will pick out a movie at next meeting)
- Spring Youth Service 5/5: 4/17 - planning, 4/24 run through, 5/5 meet at 9 am to practice. Pathfinders will practice a song along with Sunday School kids. Also, birthday Sunday!!
- Last day of Pathfinders 5/8/24
- Last day of Sunday School 5/12/24

First Communion

5 students: Riley Steinart, Owen Riley, Kylar Gadbaw, Josiah Kaupan. Skyler Larson and Thomas Finnegan. (I apologize for any misspelling of names)

Seder Meal on Maundy Thursday?

3/24 after church to meet with the students

Sub sandwiches and chips

1. Nancy please send out letter to the families

Lent

a. Who is volunteering for meals

i. Nancy please put a sign up sheet in the Narthex

b. Dinner at 5:30 and Service at 6:15?

i. 2/14 Education committee will be providing dinner

Luther Crest

a. Enrollment for camp

July 8th - 11th from 8:45 am - 3 pm

\$25/youth with \$50 max/family

May Registration

Invite Temple talk to our youth service on 5/5 to get kids excited about Summer Camp (K-6)

Msg in bulletin regarding summer camp registration
(closer to spring/summer)

b. Hosting VBS kids

i. Usually have 4 councilors and provide 2 separate living areas. Open up to see if anyone would be interested in hosting

Date for Graduation Sunday

Chase, Bree, Drew, Ben and Jayden S (I apologize of any misspelling of names)

5/12 service

Slide show, flowers, cake and quilt

Contact in April

Pathfinders

Charge for next year. Keep at \$40?

Keep at \$40

Provide a list of items parents/guardians could provide from (ex: chips, cookies, string cheese, plates) Ask if they would provide 2 items from the list

Potentially ask again after Christmas to replenish.

Scholarships

How do we inform students about scholarship opportunities?

Put in the bulletin in April.

\$300 scholarship

Application needs to be turned in by Aug 1st.

Next Meeting:

3/10 after church



Prayer Concerns

Please call 320-859-2350 for your special prayer requests!

Shelly Engfer-Triebebach, Lil Ortendahl,
Grace Johnson and Axel Vik, Don Jensen

Community Memorial Home: Elaine Mattson,
Don Jensen, Mike (Myron) Barber

Terrace Heights: Alice Sanders

Westview Assisted Living: Madlyn Manders

Please remember to include those who are our friends, neighbors, and members of Osakis Lutheran with a prayer, greeting, or a card!

January 28, 2024 Attendance 61
 Envelopes \$ 685.00
 Loose 20.00
 Anchor Ad 120.00
 Online 1/29/24 595.00
Total: \$1,420.00

February 4, 2024 Attendance
 Envelopes \$1,325.00
 Loose 62.00
 World Hunger 30.00
 Online 2/5/24 120.00
Total: \$ 1,537.00

February 11, 2024 Attendance 19
 Envelopes \$ 319.00
 Church rent 100.00
 World Hunger 4.00
 Online 2/12/24 215.00
Total: \$ 638.00

February 18, 2024 Attendance 38
Ash Wednesday 37
 Envelopes \$ 890.00
 Loose 160.00
 Lent 5.00
 Ash Wednesday 245.00
 Dedicated 240.00
 Online 2/20/24 445.00
Total \$1,985.00

February 25, 2024 36
Lenten service 2/28 25
 Envelopes \$590.00
 Loose 20.00
 Lent 104.00
 Dedicated 205.00
 Online 2/26/24 545.00
Total \$1,464.00

You can now give your offering online!
 Go to: www.osakislutheranelca.com and
 click on the "Donate" button to enroll.
 The website is safe and secure.

Financial Update for the Congregation

Offering given in February	\$5,933.00
Transfers to operating - February	
Savings from Jung for VBS	\$ 500.00
Savings from Mission Investment	\$6,500.00
Bills/payroll February	\$15,026.08

Nancy Exley, Treasurer

'March Birthday'



Birthdays:

03/01 Remington Nevala

03/03 Nash Vik

03/08 Larisa Hoffarth

03/13 Hunter Infanger

Jacqueline Ramey

03/15 Anna Wolf

03/16 Donald Watschke

03/22 Coraline Floer

03/23 Sarah Maddock

03/27 Kimberly Floer

03/28 Bria Hoffarth

Matthew Staloch

Judy Traulich

03/29 Kristine Nevala

03/31 Jacob Finnegan

Travis Redetzke has taken the lead for the Trustees Committee. He is looking to include church members to assist in the care of the church building. If you are interested contact Travis at 320-491-0766 or talk to him at church. Thank you.



"Make a joyful sound to the Lord! The praise team is looking for new participation. We rehearse 9 am before the 1st and 3rd Sundays when leading worship. Please contact Shelly Engfer-Triebebach if interested.

shellyet163@gmail.com 320.296.1973."

Osakis Lutheran Church is ISO:

P/T Secretary Position

20-24 hours/week @ \$15.00/hour.

Knowledge of the church calendar is a plus.

Miscrosoft Office, Power Point, and Publisher necessary. Technology background helpful.

Attention to detail, a self starter and communication skills are needed.

Please send resume to:

Osakis Lutheran Church

P.O. Box 427

Osakis, MN 56360

**Direct any questions to Nancy Exley @
320-859-2350**

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Council President News

We just finished our March council meeting, and I feel like I should write these after the meeting every month. However, that would mean that your Action News would be late every month as well! (Sorry for being so tardy with my report!) This winter has been so non-existent that George's sermon about clutter last weekend has us all in the spring-cleaning mood! So much so, we are planning to have a Rummage Sale to get rid of the church's clutter that we have sitting around. It is planned for May 4th from 8am-2pm. We will be looking for help cleaning out the cobwebs, if you are into that! Watch the bulletins to see when we will be working on the cleanup.

Travis Redetzke has continued to work hard on the sale of the parsonage. The radon mitigation is almost complete, then we will need to wait for another test to see if it worked. The house should be ready for sale within a few weeks. Thank you so much to Travis! Also, you may have heard the Carillon bells ringing sometimes during the day. Upon investigation, we thought it was "fixed" after switching a simple plug in, however, it is not ringing all of the times it is supposed to. We have discovered that, due to age and inability to update it, we will need to replace most of the components and bring it back into the 21st century! Travis is ordering the new digital components and will be installing them for free! Many more thanks to him for all of the work he is taking care of! With our bake sale and generous donation, we have enough to cover the replacement costs, so this is great! Great things are happening around here, thanks to all of you.

Education committee has some exciting things planned, such as another youth-led service and a matinee movie, so watch for those upcoming events.

We have the secretary's position now ready to be sent to the papers, it will be put on our website and on Facebook. If you or anyone you know would be interested in this position, please send a resume to the church. If you have questions, please ask Nancy-she knows the most about the position!!!

I hope you are all able to enjoy this Easter season! We have had some enjoyable Lenten services and meals on Wednesday nights. Please join us for the last few Lenten services and Holy week services. Such a beautiful season we are in celebrating Jesus' life and sacrifice for our sins.

Kristen Will



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Luther Crest Vacation Bible School at Osakis Lutheran Church is July 8th through July 11th.

Notices have been mailed

Registration Forms will be available in May.



Easter Flowers



Our Worship Committee will be decorating our Sanctuary for Easter Sunday. You are welcome to bring Easter Lilies or a spring flowers for our altar!

PALM SUNDAY - MARCH 24 - 10:00 A.M. SERVICE

MAUNDY THURSDAY - FIRST COMMUNION - MARCH 28 - 7:00 P.M. SERVICE

GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29 - 7:00 P.M. SERVICE

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31 - 10:00 A.M. SERVICE

COME CELEBRATE THE RISEN CHRIST!!!

**We will serve doughnuts and coffee in the Fellowship Hall before service Easter Sunday!!
Join us!!**