

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.”**

**Minister’s Greeting**

Osakis Lutheran Church Friends and Family,

WELCOME to Ordinary Time

This is the season starting with Pentecost and ending with the day before the First Sunday in Advent.

It clings to the life and teachings of Christ and nurtures the Church with gifts for the Christian Living.

Every believer has received the Holy Spirit and is equipping us for the Christian Life.

He no longer comes and goes but rather remains permanently. He seals us in Christ, which is proof of the promise that we are forever in God’s presence.

We had a great Youth Service Sunday in May marking the end of Sunday School and Pathfinders. You can see it on YouTube under Osakis Lutheran Church.

We Welcome our new Secretary Lanay.

Keep your eyes open, we will be planning a Wednesday night campfire worship at the church in the parking lot in June.

Men’s Breakfast and Bible Study June 22 at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness! Matthew 25:23

Biblical Stewardship (in the book Church Finances for Missional Leaders)

Prayerfully explore the beliefs about generosity expressed by these biblical principles. Consider how they are expressed or embodied in your life and profession.

**Reflection: Everything is a Gift**

Briefly describe God’s gifts in your life.

Do you consider your income mine or God’s gift to you?

Do your mission’s financial leaders talk about our budget or God’s budget?

What difference does it make to shift from mine or ours to God’s?

Does this first tenet cause you to smile?

Why does this awareness of God as the giver need to occur first?

Blessings in Christ,

Minister George

**Other News:**

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

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

His email address is:  
gheid121212@gmail.com

Osakis Lutheran Church Council Minutes

May 7, 2024 at 6 p.m.

Present: Minister George Heideman, President Kristen Will, Stephanie Finnegan, Shelly Triebenbach, Mike Curtis, Nancy Exley, Lanay Asmus, Travis Redetzke, and Sarah Redetzke.

The meeting was called to order by President Kristen Will.

Minister George gave devotions.

Highs and lows were shared by all.

Approval of Agenda

Ice Cream Social and taking Lacey Sadlemeyer off of the check signing were added.

Stephanie Finnegan made a motion to approve the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Travis Redetzke.

Old Business

April Minutes were reviewed. Mike Curtis made a motion to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shelly Triebenbach.

Minutes approved.

Ice Cream Social will take place on July 13<sup>th</sup> from 11-3. Menu will consist of Ham sandwiches, Sloppy Joes, Pie, and Ice Cream.

New Business

Council decided to add President Kristen Will as a check signatory. Motion to approve made by Stephanie Finnegan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Curtis.

OLC will provide some bars and cookies for the Osakis Baccalaureate on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Woidyla family will be using the church for a baptism on May 18<sup>th</sup> 5-9.

Reports

Minister-Meryl Harth's funeral will take place on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Possible partnership with another church.

Treasurer- Income for April was \$15,809.00, which included an \$8,000 transfer from the Carillon Memorial. Expenses were \$17,197.33. Bills were paid.

Education- We are having another youth led service on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Summer movies will be on June 19<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, and August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Stewardship-Mike Curtis reported that there was nothing new.

Trustees-Travis Redetzke reported that he called Matt Kral to look at the HVAC system, will call another company for a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion. He will call Precision about the unlevel area where the tar and cement meet.

Worship- Shelly Triebenbach reported that not much was new.

Offer Our Prayers

Minister George led us in the Lord's Prayer

We Go Out In God's Name

Stephanie Finnegan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy Exley.

Next Council Meeting is Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by Sarah Redetzke, Council Secretary

## Education Committee

May 19, 2024

### Summer Movies

Free Popcorn!!! There will also be beverages and snacks to purchase with the proceeds going towards the youth fund

**June 19 – Inside Out**

**July 9 – Ferdinand**

**Aug 14 – Lady and the Tramp (live action)**

\*\*Those who are attending from Council or Education Committee: if you have an extra cooler to bring for beverages, it would be greatly appreciated!!

### VBS 6/8-6/1

Food

Sign up sheet in Narthex and info in bulletin & Action News

Housing for councilors

Kristen graciously volunteered to open her home

### Sunday School

Rally Day – 9/25

Materials for Sunday School and Confirmation – Table til fall

Bible Sunday – 10/20

Confirmation Sunday – 10/27

Christmas Program – table til fall

Last day of Sunday School – table til fall

Offering donation organization – table till fall

### Pathfinders

Start date – 9/11

Invite the 9<sup>th</sup> graders to attend until they are confirmed

Schedule – got a few dates but will update in fall

End date – table til fall

Missions trips

Discussed about doing something closer to home or a few hours from home

Habitat for Humanity, Soup kitchen, animal shelters, United Way coat drive

God's work our hands

Youth Services – table til fall

### Osakis Parade – 6/23 line up at 1 pm

Would we like to have a vehicle/float in the parade this year?

Pass out/toss icees

Any volunteers – please contact Nancy & Lanay to sign up!!

### Halloween – table til fall

Do we want to do a trunk or treat in our parking lot?

Thinking the older kids (pathfinders age) may want to participate?

Show a Halloween themed movie the weekend before?

### Next Meeting:

Oops, forgot to set one!!

Let's wait until school is out and I will send out an email and see how everyone's August is looking!!



*Giving to God*  
Tithes and Offerings

<b><u>April 28, 2024</u></b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>39</b>
Envelopes	\$	1490.00
Loose		27.00
World Hunger		5.00
Online 4-29 -24		415.00
<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,937.00</b>
<b><u>May 5, 2024</u></b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>59</b>
Envelopes	\$	1440.00
Loose		51.00
World Hunger		5.00
Dedicated Funds		11.00
Online 5- 6 -24		220.00
<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1727.00</b>
<b><u>May 12, 2024</u></b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>24</b>
Envelopes	\$	735.00
Loose		22.00
World Hunger		2.00
Dedicated Funds		390.00
Online 5-13-24		70.00
<b><u>Total:</u></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1217.00</b>
<b><u>May 19, 2024</u></b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>23</b>
Envelopes	\$	960.00
Loose		30.00
Church Rent income		525.00
Online 4-22-24		220.00
Dedicated Funds		120.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1635.00</b>
<b>Offering thru April 28, 2024</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6516.00</b>

Thank you all for your continued support of  
Osakis Lutheran Church



**Prayer Concerns**

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

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

A funeral for Merle Harth was held on May 15th  
Lloyd Withers passed away May 6th and a  
funeral will be held here on June 1st.

**Community Memorial Home:** Elaine Mattson,

**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!***

**Financial Update for the Congregation**

Offering given in April	\$6,639.00
Online offering	865.00
Thrivent receipts	305.00
April bills paid	\$11,469.00
April payroll	5,727.91

Thank you for your continued support!

Nancy Exley, Treasurer

## 'June Birthdays'



### Birthdays:

<b>06/01</b>	Marlys Benson Blake Kleinschmidt Brooke Kleinschmidt
<b>06/05</b>	Mackenzie Staloch
<b>06/06</b>	Madison Stier Marcus Wolf
<b>06/07</b>	Michael Gilbert
<b>06/11</b>	Michael Steinbeisser
<b>06/12</b>	Abby Kleinschmidt
<b>06/15</b>	Seth Staloch Shelly Triebenbach
<b>06/17</b>	Travis Redetzke
<b>06/18</b>	Karlee Hoffarth
<b>06/22</b>	Brad Hoffarth Josiah Kapaun
<b>06/23</b>	Hillary Bjorstrom
<b>06/24</b>	Judy Reinke
<b>06/25</b>	Trent Redetzke
<b>06/29</b>	Lee VanNyhuis



"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-Triebenbach if interested.

shellyet163@gmail.com 320.296.1973."

### News from the Endowment Committee:

We will have two CDs recently come due and will add that to the savings account and will be investing \$25,000 in the ELCA Ministry Growth Fund the end of June. There is no penalties to withdraw or to deposit.

The Endowment Committee has funds available for our churches projects. Look for a NEW form in the narthex soon!

## Osakis Lutheran Church

### Council President News

Dear Friends,

Happy Spring! (I think it might be safer to say that, now?!) )

As a council, we've been making many moves! We have planned a "Church rummage sale" to clean out our clutter. It's amazing how much "stuff" we've accumulated over the years. We hope to see lots of people on the 4th helping us clear everything out. Travis and Mary Redetzke have really been amazing at transforming our spaces to make them more usable and beautiful! Thank you to both of them for all of their hard work! If you haven't been in the basement, lately, the old stage is now visible again, and the temporary walls have been taken down so that the space is completely opened up again. I have personally never seen this space looking so good, so I am extremely impressed!

We also have accepted an offer on the parsonage, with the contingency that the buyers will be able to sell their current home. We will keep you all informed as things move along.

Some members of the Call Committee have had an orientation, and we will be meeting regularly from now on until we have our Ministry Site Profile complete! After that, it is a waiting game to see if we can attract a good fit for our congregation. It's like the dating game, as we will be "woo-ing" each other (our future pastor and us as a congregation)! If anyone would like to join our committee, the more the merrier! If you have thoughts, concerns, or questions, please contact a committee member, or leave an "anonymous note" for us.

We are looking for people to share their hopes and expectations of our next worship leader. We also ask for your prayers during this process.

As always, we are constantly looking for help with lectors, communion helpers, ushers, and treat-bringers/coffee makers for fellowship after services. Please consider joining us for one of these acts of service! It's so nice to see new faces helping out.

I hope that you are all enjoying the new life springing forth around us as the trees are budding, the ice has melted (at least twice, now, haha!), the grasses turn green, and the fields are turned over and planted. Fresh, new life surrounds us, just as God's promise of new life has been celebrated by Jesus rising from the tomb! May your spirits lift with the warming temperatures and longer days full of sunshine!

Kristin Will

Council President



### **Trustees Update**

The Trustees and a host of volunteers had the rummage sale totaling a profit of \$1,331.50.

Thank you to everyone in their help with getting our “rummage sale” item up from the basement, brought down from the highest corners in the church and every other nook and cranny we could clean.

Our new and updated Carillon has been installed.

Thanks

Travis Redetzke

### **Ice Cream Social**

We're planning to have an Ice Cream Social July, 13th  
11 A.M. through 3 P.M.

### **Synod Assembly**

Attended by George, Karen, Stephanie, Dan, & Makayla Finnegan on  
5/17-5/18 in Moorehead.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Luther Crest Vacation Bible School at Osakis Lutheran Church is July 8<sup>th</sup> through July 11<sup>th</sup>. **Help with Vacation Bible School**- Sign up to help supply food for the kids. Sign up sheet located in the Narthex.

Registration Forms have been sent out to families. Extra forms are available in the churches Narthex. Please complete and return ASAP.

### **SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS**

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