


**Osakis Lutheran Church
Action News
October 2018**



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Youth

Our first youth group meeting will be on October 14th . We will be meeting the 2nd Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All youth in grades 4-12 are welcome to join! If you have any questions, please contact Jill Ramey at 320-766-3908 or jillramey2@gmail.com



October 7th, 2018

3rd grade students receiving Bibles:

Chloe Bjorstrom
Brooke Kleinschmidt
Blake Kleinschmidt
Annabelle Redetzke
Issac Schmidt

Jason Wiggins, a 10th grader at Osakis Public School and member of Osakis Lutheran Church youth group is working on becoming an Eagle Scout. His project is in the east entry-way of our Osakis Lutheran Church. It has water damage, and needs to have work done to the inside and outside of the entrance. He is asking for financial help to complete this project, with a \$5,000 goal.

If you would like to donate to this project, write checks out to Troop 426 for Jason's Eagle Project, and put in the offering plate, give to the church office, or give to Jill Ramey youth leader, or directly to Jason.

"I thank you for your support and prayers to get this project done. If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact me. Any extra funds that you contribute will also help get a new roof put on the church, it is getting in pretty bad shape.

Thank you all for your support."

Jason Wiggins

Thank you to everyone who participated on Sept. 9th in God's Work Our Hands. We sure got a lot accomplished in a short time and we enjoyed ourselves while we were helping our neighbors in society. What a feeling!

Also, we would like to thank everyone who donated supplies for the kits! The donations were used for this service project. Many quilts, bandages, stamps, and service projects were completed at this event! Good going to all!

Sincerely, Church in Society

Any men interested in learning to play Men's Dartball this fall and winter please contact Jason Mounsdon. Jason is the team captain for the Osakis Lutheran team. The team lost 3 members last year that went to college this year. There will be a informative meeting at Osakis Lutheran Church on Monday Oct.

8th at 7 p.m. All are invited to come check it out and ask any questions. You can also call Jason at 320-859-5930 or text/call Jason at 320-491-7151.



Sunday October 28th 10 a.m.

Blessings to the following confirmands:

Tia Dykema, Logan Grove, Cassie Halbur, Jacey Larson, Trey Morisch, Matthew Ramey, Kadya Triebenbach, Ty Werven, Jason Wiggins, and Anna Wolf.

Rich Reflections

STEWARDS OF GOD'S MISSION

As stewards, we are asked to make choices every day. A choice may be taking time to help a neighbor, or deciding what to buy or whether to buy. These may be relatively small decisions, but as people of God we are empowered to make choices. As members in the Body of Christ, we are called to choose to serve God's mission. What does this mean?

Luke tells us how Jesus went to the synagogue in Nazareth after the forty days in the wilderness. There, Jesus announced his mission by reading from Isaiah:

*“...He has anointed me to preach good news to the poor,
... to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind,
... to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
... to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”* Luke 4: 16 - 21

This prophecy, first recorded by Isaiah, provided the foundation for the ministry of Jesus Christ. Near the end of Jesus' ministry, he tells the eleven their mission:

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them
in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; ... “*
Matthew 28: 19

As members in the Body of Christ, we are called today to participate in this same mission. The members of our congregation have developed a vision for ministry,

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

Bread is an ongoing theme in Jesus' life, ministry and teaching; from “give us this day our daily bread,” to the feeding of the 5,000, to the last supper “this is my body.” Bread is not only a basic food for our bodies, but it is a symbol of the truth of Jesus life, death and resurrection which satisfies our deepest hungers and hopes. This year as we reflect on our response to God's complete forgiveness of our sins and the unconditional love for us, we consider what that means for us under the theme of “Share the Bread”.

We have a calling and a mission as God's chosen people. We can choose to accept God's gifts and blessings to do this ministry, relying on Jesus' promise,

“...and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.” Matthew 28:20

We are not alone! In this promise we can be encouraged and empowered to express our faith and fulfill our mission. For we are God's Stewards in this world.

Faith Reflection:

What is the vision and mission for my life as a follower of Jesus?

See you in church as we “Share the Bread,”

Pr. Rich Fitzer

October Birthdays

- 1 Stephanie Finnegan
- 2 Tracy Abraham
- 5 Jessica Thornbloom
- 7 Leah Chalmers, Tyson Lien
- 10 Scott Abraham
- 11 Richard Nelson, Ginger Foster, Hannah Szech, Riley Mounsdon
- 12 Linda Manders, Paul Christensen
- 13 Jace Nevala
- 14 Marvel Sandbakken
- 15 Jeffrey Ellefson
- 16 Tia Dykema
- 17 Jane Amdahl, Vicki Hinrichs
- 19 Dawn Juntunen
- 20 Dwayne Maus, Rosemary Lynch, Alan Larson
- 21 Altrude Daniels, David Pease, Jill Ramey, Sarah Miller
- 23 Stanley Paulson, Brandon Spanswick, Phoenix Kasmaker
- 24 Larry Werder
- 25 Mike Foster
- 26 Guy Steinbeisser
- 29 Carter Grove
- 31 Marie Larson, Linda Paulson, Riley Werven



Monday Quilters

September was an active, productive month. On the 4th, 10 quilts were completed with the help of 3 sets of “moms and daughters,” a first! 6 more quilts were added on the 17th.

Sunday the 9th, designated as an ELCA “God’s Work, Our Hands” Day, organized by the Church in Society committee was a great success! 13 hospice/AIDS kits were assembled, plus 8 newborn kits and 19 personal care kits. Also 6 more quilts (a total of 22 for the month). A busy crew of cutters, rippers, strippers, and rollers converted white cotton sheets into 150 bandages to be sent to Global Health Ministries.

All used stamps were trimmed. Please note: NO MORE STAMPS WILL BE COLLECTED until a recipient is located.

There will be only 3 more sewing days until we ship out on October 31. Please consider helping out on the 1st, 15th, or 29th.

More good news: We sold 6 quilts in September!

Rebekah Circle Minutes 9/11/18

Members present:

Ruby Maus, LaRayne Johnson, Sharon Kummrow, Janice Frank, Madlyn Manders, and Marlys Benson

LaRayne opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer and reading Luther's Sixth Petition, "And lead us not into temptation".

A "Thinking of You" card was sent to Dorene Mielke. Get well soon, Dorene!

Marlys gave a short summary of this year's Operation Bootstrap emphasis: books for the MaaSAE Lutheran Girl's School. We are trying to buy enough books so that only two girls will have to share one book. At this point four to five girls share a book. Rebekah Circle collected \$58.00 for OBA. Great job, ladies!

Action News for September was assembled by Madlyn Manders, Mary Hunter, Loretta Becker, Ruby Maus, LaRayne Johnson, and mailed by Pastor Rich.

The dessert today was "Lemon Angle Cooler Divine." Cake provided by Marlys, the "Divine" was provided by Sharon and LaRayne. This was really good! Our October server is Madlyn.

Our lesson for October is from A Purpose Driven Life days 28, 29, and 30.

Our next meeting will be on October 9th at 2:00 p.m. at Terrace Heights in the lunchroom. Please come if you can.

Treasurer's Report...

Our offering today was \$13.00. We had a balance in the bank of \$61.00. With the \$13.00 added we had a total of \$74.00. Check #779 was written to OLCW for \$44.00 so our balance is now \$30.00.

**Saturday October 6th
20th Annual Lakes Area
Walk for Operation
Bootstrap Africa**

Beginning and ending at First Lutheran Church in Alexandria. Registration is at 10:30 a.m. and the walk begins at 11 a.m.

***October is Global
Mission Support Month***



October 2018

Sun

Mon



Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	<p>1</p> <p>Sewing 8 a.m.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Pathfinders Service/ fellowship 5:45 p.m.</p> <p>Church Council 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Bible Study @ Ter- race Heights 1 p.m.</p> <p>Church in Society 2 p.m.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Praise Team Practice 8:45 a.m. Worship w/Communion & Sun- day School 10 a.m. 3rd Grade Bible Day Coffee & Fellowship 11 a.m.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Informational Dart- ball Meeting look- ing for new play- ers!!!! 7 p.m.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Miriam Circle 9:30 a.m. Rebekah Circle @ Terrace Heights 2 p.m. Trustees Meeting 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Pathfinders Learning 5:45 p.m.</p> <p>Rachel Circle 7 p.m.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Bible Study @ Ter- race Heights 1 p.m.</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Worship & Sunday School 10 a.m.</p> <p>Coffee & Fellowship 11 a.m.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Sewing 8 a.m.</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>No Pathfinders</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Bible Study @ Ter- race Heights 1 p.m.</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Zimmel/ Greenwood Wedding</p>
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<p>28</p> <p>Worship w/communion & Sun- day School 10 a.m. Affirmation of Baptism 10th grade Coffee & Fellowship 11 a.m.</p> <p><u>Action News deadline</u></p>	<p>29</p> <p>Sewing 8 a.m.</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Monday Quilters Shipping Day</p> <p>Pathfinders 5:45 p.m. Trick or Treat for Foodshelf???</p>			

Month

Osakis Lutheran Church Council Meeting, Wednesday, September 5, 2018 6:30 p.m.

Present: Paul Christensen, Diane Zimmel, Nancy Exley, Jill Ramey, Kathy Ryan, Brent Werven, Pastor Rich, Melanie Stier, Jerry Wiggins, Lil Ortendahl and Mike Curtis.

President Jerry Wiggins called the meeting to order.

Pastor Rich gave devotions.

Highs and Lows

Lil Ortendahl motioned to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Diane Zimmel 2nd. Approved.

Committee Reports:

1. Treasurer's report: Bills and benevolences were paid for August. 1517 Media bills and Pastor Rich expenses yet to pay. Regarding the Ella Nomeland Scholarship, we do have two applications approved by Ivy Nomeland. Mike Curtis made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Paul Christensen 2nd. Approved.
2. Trustees' report: Committee is trying to schedule a meeting with the lawn service regarding what needs to be done to get the lawn looking healthy. The new window for the Fellowship Hall will be ordered from Builders First Source as soon as our credit paperwork goes through. The automatic door opener into the Fellowship Hall doesn't work. May just be a battery.
3. Pastor report: August - 1 wedding and 3 baptisms. September – Pathfinders starting (6th – 9th grade; til March) next Wednesday, September 12. Pathfinders will be doing Back Pack Attack on the 19th. Fall Theological event at Fair Hills Sept. 16th – 18th. 3rd Grader will get their bibles Sept. 23-Oct 7th. 10th Grade Faith Stat. Projects Sept 16th – Oct. 1st. Roof Task Force is meeting Tuesday, September 11th.
4. CIS: "Gods Work, Our Hand" September 9th. Operation Bootstrap Africa – Walk is October 6.
5. Youth: October 14th is their first meeting 2:00-4:00 p.m. Paul Christensen brought up the idea of a special fund for the Youth Group; something for the congregation to give to. Lil Ortendahl suggested a line item in the budget as well.
6. Education: 2 scholarships application to the Ella Nomeland Fund were approved. Rally Day for Sunday School – September 16th October 28th Confirmation Sunday. December 16th – Christmas Program.
7. Worship: Will be meeting this month.
8. Stewardship: "Bread of Life" 3 Sundays, September 30, October 7 and October 14. Guest speakers. Looking at implementing electronic giving (auto or manual).

New Business: Lil Ortendahl asked Melanie Stier to ask someone from the school to give us a refresher course on us of the AED. Paul Christensen said he would give a fire safety refresher course, possibly during fire safety week at the school – second Sunday in October.

Nancy Exley brought up the Addie Finseth Trust Account. Asked on any background of this fund. It was set up years ago. Would like to change the funds from Addie Finseth Trust to Osakis Lutheran Church. Will check at bank on what needs to be done to do this.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 3 @ 7:30 p.m. (NOTE CHANGE IN TIME)

Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Kathy Ryan, Council Secretary





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Offering

8/26/18 80

Undesignated \$1,214.00

World Hunger \$369.23

9/2/18 57

Undesignated \$2,030.02

9/9/18 86

Undesignated \$2,563.00

Sunday School \$150

9/16/18 113

Undesignated \$3,370

Sunday School \$2.00

Church Use \$300

Addie Finseth Interest \$34.42

Stoeckel Campership \$120

World Hunger Penny Jar \$34

August Income \$13,176.28

August Expenses \$12,997.28

YTD Income \$94,131.58

YTD Expenses \$91,746.56

Prayer Concerns

Stella Bender, Helen Bruder, Ray Gabler, Lil Ortendahl, Dorene Mielke

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

Shut-in and Health Concerns: Doug Sherman

Those Residing in Care Centers and Rehab:

Community Memorial Home: Nancy Muehlenhardt, Elaine Mattson, Marie Larson, Russ Hevern

Terrace Heights: LaRayne Johnson, Ruby Maus, Lorraine (Ivy) Nomeland, Bud & Madlyn Manders

Westview Assisted Living: Stella Bender, Virginia Chapman, Joyce Rossi

Out of Town

Alexandria:

Alex Assisted Living: Roy Juntunen

Knute Nelson: Altrude Daniels

Windmill Ponds: Delores Stephens

Harding, MN: David Jorgensen

Long Prairie: Ray Gabler, Ruth Sherman, Helen Bruder

Sauk Centre: Diane Maloney

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



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***Osakis Lutheran Church
2018 Church Council***

President—Jerry Wiggins

Past President— Brent Werven

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Education—Melanie Stier

Trustee— Lil Ortendahl

Worship—Pat Converse and Shelly Triebenbach

Youth— Jill Ramey

Stewardship—Mike Curtis

Ex Officio—Pastor Richard Fitzer

Church Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

Closed Friday

The deadline for the bulletin is
Thursday at 9 a.m.

Church phone number 859-2350

To contact Pastor Rich:

Pastor Rich will typically be
working Monday—Thursday
with Friday as his day off. His
phone number is 859-3816.