

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Council Minutes – July 14, 2015

Present: Peg Hipsher, Howard Lehman, Cindy Knapp, Kathy Rewalt, Lynette Kesler, Tammy Sipsas
Excused: Tammy Sipsas, Nan Olson Guest: Ken Watters

Meeting was called to order by President Howard Lehman at 5:30 pm. Opening devotions by Kathy.

Secretary's report was reviewed. Motion by Lynette and seconded by Cindy to approve minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report was presented by Peg. Nothing has changed this month in the giving department, but the overall Pastoral obligations are less, so we should begin to recover. Following discussion, a motion was made by Cindy and seconded by Lynette to approve the report and it will be filed for audit.

Ken Watters presented a report on Thrivent. The Board will be dissolved and Action Teams will replace the Board. Each Thrivent member may put together an action team twice a year and receive \$250 in seed money to purchase supplies for a fundraising activity. Thrivent needs at least 21 days to approve the monies and there is some paper work before and after the event that the Thrivent member must complete. There are some specifics as to what the monies may be used for, but most of our events at OSLC would qualify. We will try to get our first seed money for the Fall Festival with Ken being the Thrivent member to request the \$250. More information concerning Choice Dollars coming. Thank you Ken for the information and instruction.

President's report

- ~ Informational meetings on August 2 and 9 were well attended and Howard was able to answer questions that were raised. We will continue to do these meetings over the next couple of months.
- ~ Good Bye for Pastor Kristina on August 5 was well attended and many had the chance to say farewell to her.
- ~ Howard will contact Greg Kaufman at the synod to set up a time for him to come and talk about getting an interim pastor. Howard will also get clarification on how long we are able to keep Pastor Tom.
- ~ Following our meeting with Greg Kaufman, we need to set a congregational meeting to determine our members' desire for full/part/half/shared-time pastor.

Committee Reports

- Education Committee – VBS had 28 kids this year and they did a wonderful job singing at the Blueberry Fest.
- Finance/Stewardship/Memorial – No report
- Food Shelf Committee – No report.
- Mutual Ministry – We will contact the Bridge Builders Team and ask them to facilitate continuing activities and projects from their submitted Action Plan.
- Outreach & Evangelism – Malawi project is still on hold. September project will be Northlakes. Community Thanksgiving dinner is being organized again this year. Watch for more info.
- Property Committee – Parking lot needs to be resealed. A motion by Peg and 2nd by Tammy to spend up to \$700 to complete the project. Monies will be for supplies only & work will be done by volunteers. Money to be taken from church property maintenance fund. New LED lights will be put into the sanctuary.
- Worship Committee – God's Work our Hands Sunday will be Sept 13. We will have a short service at the church, send members out for our three projects and return to church around 11:00 for a pot luck picnic. We have received an application letter from Howard Lehman to be our choir director. Letter was accepted and Howard will be our new choir director beginning in September.
- Executive Committee –No report.

OLD BUSINESS

~ Shut-In Visitations – We have about 5 people who need to be visited and Kathy will get names of people who have been trained to give communion. We will strive to have them visited on a regular basis.

NEW BUSINESS

~ Fall Fest date is Wednesday, October 14. Howard and Kathy will work on organizing and will be asking everyone for help. Watch for sign-up sheets. Fall Fest monies will go to Northlakes and VBS.

~ Air conditioner in sanctuary is not working. Peg will call for repair.

~ WELCA would like to do a silent auction of the two baskets that we had left from the theft. We will send the money to Luther Park. Council approved.

~ Change the key code on the front door. After discussion it was decided to have the combo changed. We will ask property committee to do this.

~ Prayer chain info – Lynette will be in charge of the prayer chain. She will work on getting an updated email list. Please let Lynette know if you need the prayer chain.

Motion made by Lynette and seconded by Peg to adjourn. We ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 9 @ 5:30 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Rewalt, Secretary



Prayer for Families

We will continue this year to include three families or individuals in our Sunday morning prayers. I know there are many of you that pray for individuals and the needs that we know of, but there are many times we don't know when someone is in need of a prayer. This is one more way for us to care for each other placing them in God's hands.

September 6

Eric & Tracy Olson
Jim & Nan Olson
Beverly Patterson

September 13

Bill & Linda Pepping
Jerry & Julie Peck
Charles & Beverly Patterson

September 20

Bruce & Judy Pohjonen
Ken & Bonnie Rantala
Jim & Sandy Rau

September 27

Dick & Kathy Rewalt
Bob & Roberta Ruef
Shirley Saker



BIRTHDAYS this month

Eric Olson - 1st
Tammy Sipsas - 4th
JoAnn Forsythe - 5th
Donna Trautt - 6th
Beau Sipsas - 8th
Beverly Patterson - 8th
Nan Olson - 9th
Linda Pepping - 10th
Bob Ruef - 10th

Jim Rau - 11th
Jane Joseph - 12th
Patty Lehman - 14th
Jim Anderson - 16th
Chloe Sipsas - 18th
Wayne Smith - 24th
Chuck Buran - 26th
Fred Baue - 28th
Tracy Olson - 30th

Volunteer Schedule September 2015

Date	Coffee	Lector
September 6	John & Jeanne Joseph	Kent Getty
September 13	Picnic at 11:00 @ OSLC	Linda Hultman
September 20	Karen Wicklund w/ Tammy Sipsas	Donna Callahan
September 27	Dick & Kathy Rewalt	John Schrock

Monthly
Ushers: Nan & Jim Olson
Greeters: Shirley Saker & Eileen Bentzen
Altar Guild: Sandy Rau



Chuck & Betsy Buran - 4th
Jim and Sandy Rau - 8th
Chris & Alice Sand - 18th
Rick and Jody Forsythe - 29th

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September 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	2 9:30 Bible Study 3:15 Fig Leaf Board Meeting	3 6:30 Choir	4	5 12:00 Yoga
6 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Cereal	7 Labor Day Office Closed 7:00 Al-Anon	8 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	9 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 Council	10 6:30 Choir	11	12 12:00 Yoga
13 9:00 a.m. Worship God's Hand, Our Work Sunday 11:00 Picnic @ OSLC 6:00 WELCA Bible Study Food Shelf Item — Cans Of Veggies	14 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	15 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	16 9:30 Bible Study 5:00 Fig Leaf Dinner	17 5:00 WELCA 6:30 Choir	18 Secretary leaving early	19 Food Shelf 9:00-11:00 12:00 Yoga
20 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Dried Peas or Beans	21 Newsletter Deadline 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	22 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	23 9:30 Bible Study	24 10:30 Food Shelf Produce Distribution 6:30 Choir	25	26 12:00 Yoga
27 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Cans of Fruit	28 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	29 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	30 9:30 Bible Study			

"God's Work. Our hands"- On September 13, Our Saviors will participate with the Synod's "God's Work. Our Hands" Sunday. The worship committee will coordinate the service with the Evangelism committee. The projects with year will be:

1. Singing at Willow Manor
2. House at Riverview fix-up
3. Social gathering at Columbia Manor

More details to follow about times and T-shirts will be available for purchase if desired.

UPDATE: At 11:00 there will be a picnic at OSLC following the "God's Work, Our Hands" projects.

SAVE THE DATE:



**Our Savior's
Lutheran Church
Iron River, WI**

Annual Fall Fest



**Wednesday,
October 14, 2015**

Sign-Ups Will Be Posted Soon

September Mission of the Month



Caring for the whole person

NorthLakes Community Clinic provides integrated health care services for all members of the community. They provide medical, dental, behavioral health counseling, chiropractic, patient pharmacy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and patient support services. This integrated care model reflects a commitment to the wellness of the whole person.

Phone: 888-834-4551 or 715-372-5001.

The Fig Leaf Needs Our Help-Our Savior's members volunteer at the Fig Leaf every Friday and every 5th Saturday (Aug. 22, Sept. 26th). We are very short handed right now and need help. Please check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to see if you have time to help on a Friday (even a few hours will help) or Saturday. Any help will be greatly appreciated. No experience is necessary!!



Not receiving a newsletter? Either by email or regular mailings? Let the church secretary know that you would like to be added to either the email list or the regular mailing list and one will be sent right to you. You can also access our newsletters and other church information on our website ironriverlutherans.org



STAY NOURISHED

Eating nutritious foods such as apples helps keep our bodies healthy. But Proverbs tells us about other important sources of "nourishment."

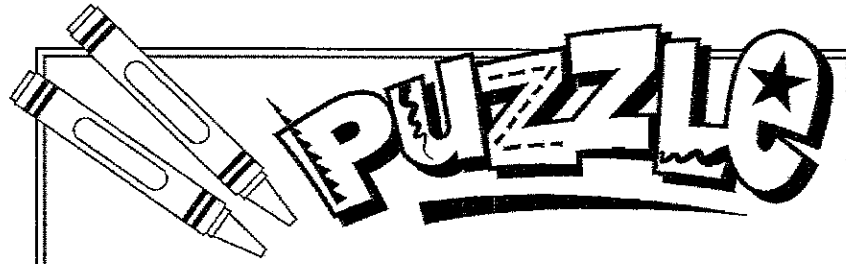
Directions: Use the words in the apples to complete Proverbs 3:7-9, NIV.



Do not be in your own ;
 the and shun .
 This will bring to your
 and nourishment to bones.
 the LORD your wealth,
 with the firstfruits of your .

PROVERBS 3:7-9, NIV

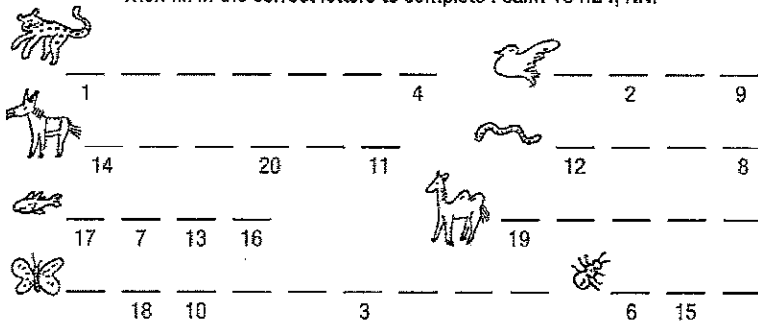
Answer: Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.



AMAZING ANIMALS

God created a rich variety of animals to live on the earth.

Directions: Write the name of each animal next to its picture. Then fill in the correct letters to complete Psalm 104:24, NIV.



"How 8 6 15 11 are your 12 2 3 20 13,"
 O 1 2 3 4 ! In 12 7 13 14 2 8
 you 8 6 14 9 them 6 1 1 ;
 the 9 6 3 10 16 is 17 18 1 1
 of your 19 3 9 6 10 18 3 9 13."

Answers: leopard, dove, donkey, worm, fish, camel, butterfly, ant
 "How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all: the earth is full of your creatures." (Psalm 104:24, NIV)