

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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2015

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Council Minutes – October 7, 2015

Present: Peg Hipsher, Howard Lehman, Kathy Rewalt, Lynette Kesler, Tammy Sipsas, Nan Olson, Cindy Knapp
Guest: Doug Thyberg

Meeting was called to order by President Howard Lehman at 5:15 pm. Lynette led us in opening devotions. Secretary's report was reviewed. Motion by Peg and seconded by Cindy to approve minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report was presented by Peg. We are finally staying in the black and bills are getting caught up. Doug and Peg presented an estimate of our expenses and income for the rest of the year. After all church and parsonage maintenance, heat, utilities, programs and staff obligations are met, using this year's numbers, they were able to come up with an estimated amount of \$3,000 per month (which equates to \$36,000 per year) that would be available for an interim pastor's salary next year. This amount will be sent to Liz at the synod office who will put together a salary package for an interim pastor. This package will tell us how many hours per week we can afford to have a pastor at Our Saviors. A motion was made by Cindy and second by Lynette to approve the treasurer's report and it will be filed for audit.

Doug also provided us with info concerning renting the parsonage. We will lose the tax exempt status for real estate taxes if we rent out the parsonage. This would result in us paying real estate taxes and we would have to file an IRS form 990T at the minimum. Thank you Doug for finding this info for us.

President's report

~ Howie had spoken to Lynette about possibly giving her a stipend for all the work she has been doing filling in when there was no pastor, or assisting a supply pastor. Lynette thanked the council for the consideration but declined any monetary compensation.

~ Evelyn has had a request to use our kitchen on Friday, November 7 from 9-5 to cook the food for the spaghetti dinner for the benefit for Jaydee Beede. They may use the kitchen as long as they realize that we are not a licensed kitchen, but a commercial kitchen. If they only need commercial, they may use it.

~ Howie has been in contact with Greg Kaufmann and they have an interim pastor for us. His name is John Peterson. They will come on October 21 at 4:30 pm to meet with the council. Details will be presented at that time.

~ We will have an informational meeting on Sunday, October 18, following the church service to explain what is happening now. We will let the congregation know we will have more information after our meeting with the synod.

~ Fall Fest next week. Everything seems to be falling into place and many have signed up to help or to donate items. Peg will get the change box for the dinner.

Committee Reports

- Education Committee – No report
- Finance/Stewardship/Memorial – Evelyn has been asked if she would consider cleaning again. She said yes and will work an extra 2 ½ to 3 hours per week on cleaning. She will add the hours to her time card and will be paid accordingly. She will only be expected to do the normal weekly cleaning and any added events will need to be handled by the sponsoring group. Cindy made a motion to approve and Nan seconded it. Motion passed. Stewardship drive is coming. We will set a Sunday in November for this purpose. More info very soon.
- Food Shelf Committee – No report.
- Mutual Ministry – No report
- Outreach & Evangelism – Community Thanksgiving dinner is being organized again this year and the nursery is being cleaned and updated.

- Property Committee – Parking lot looks wonderful after being sealed. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and also thanks to the members who made sure we had the correct shade of black for our additional buckets of sealant. You are all wonderful.
- Worship Committee – Howie has pastors lined up for the month of October. 11- Jim Kasperson, 18 – Don West, and 25 – Tom Wagner. Also some members came to church on God’s Work Our Hands Sunday and did not realize it was a special Sunday. Next year we will plan a short Service of the Word for those members as well as any of the workers who wish to participate.
- Executive Committee –No report.

Motion made by Lynette and seconded by Tammy to approve the committee reports. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

~ God’s Work Our Hands Sunday – We will add packing the school kits for Lutheran World Relief as one of the projects for members who are not physically able to go into the community.

~ Electrical problems are taken care of in the kitchen and sanctuary. Thank you Doug Thyberg and Ted Callahan for your work.

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

Motion made by Lynette to adjourn. We ended with the Lord’s Prayer.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 11 @ 5:30 pm at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church.

November devotions and communion assistant: Howie Lehman

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Rewalt, Secretary



Volunteer Schedule November 2015

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.

November 1

Doug & Nancy Thyberg
Tom & Donna Trautt
Dennis & Jeanette Better

November 8

Diane Walsh
Ken & Linda Watters
Terry & Shirley Welty

November 15

Karen Wicklund
Rich & Andrea Wiitala
Kari Williams

November 22

Karlan Williams
Kamie Wiss
Jim & Julie Anderson

November 29

Lorie Anderson
Nancy Anderson
Janelle Armbruster

Date	Coffee	Lector
November 1	Bonnie Rantala & Karen Wicklund	Tammy Sipsas
November 8	John Schrock & Mary Berube	John Schrock
November 15	Kent Getty & Jane Bragiel	Linda Hultman
November 22	Rodney & MaryAnn Lahti	Eileen Bentzen
November 29	Dick & Kathy Rewalt	Donna Kramolis



BIRTHDAYS this month

Gavin Olson -1st
Donna Kramolis -2nd
Luke Lindquist -3rd
Peggy Hipsher -5th
Kathy Rewalt -5th
Diane Walsh -6th
Marjorie Johnson -7th
Rick Forsythe -7th
Justina Forsythe -7th
Damon Walsh -10th

Sue Lindquist -13th
Tom Trautt -13th
Beverly Paterson -14th
Samuel Jensen -22nd
Nancy Thyberg -22nd
Linda Hultman -25th
Chelsea Hipsher -29th
Pirkko Olson -30th

Monthly
Ushers: Ted & Donna Callahan
Greeters: Reen Modeen & Family
Altar Guild:



Ken & Linda Watters—9th

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

November 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Cereal	2 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	3 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	4 9:30 Bible Study 1:00-3:00 Cantata Practice	5 Choir	6	7 Use of Church Kitchen 9-5 12:00 Yoga
8 9:00 a.m. Worship Vocation Sunday Food Shelf Item — Peanut Butter	9 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	10 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	11 9:30 Bible Study 1:00-3:00 Cantata Practice 5:30 Council	12 Choir	13	14 12:00 Yoga
15 9:00 a.m. Worship Commitment Sunday Food Shelf Item — Dried beans/ peas	16 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	17 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	18 9:30 Bible Study 1:00-3:00 Cantata Practice	19 Food Shelf Produce distribution WELCA Choir	20	21 Food Shelf 9:00-11:00 12:00 Yoga
22 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Canned fruit	23 Newsletter Deadline 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	24 Office Closed 9:00 TOPS 5:30 Yoga	25 9:30 Bible Study 1:00-3:00 Cantata Practice	26 Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving Thanksgiving Dinner @ Iron River Community Center 11:00-1:00	27 Office Closed	28 12:00 Yoga
29 9:00 a.m. Worship Food Shelf Item — Pork 'n beans	30 9:00-3:00 Community Quilters 7:00 Al-Anon	December 1	December 2	December 3	December 4	December 5 9:00 Cookie Walk, Lefse & Craft Sale

Thanksgiving Dinner

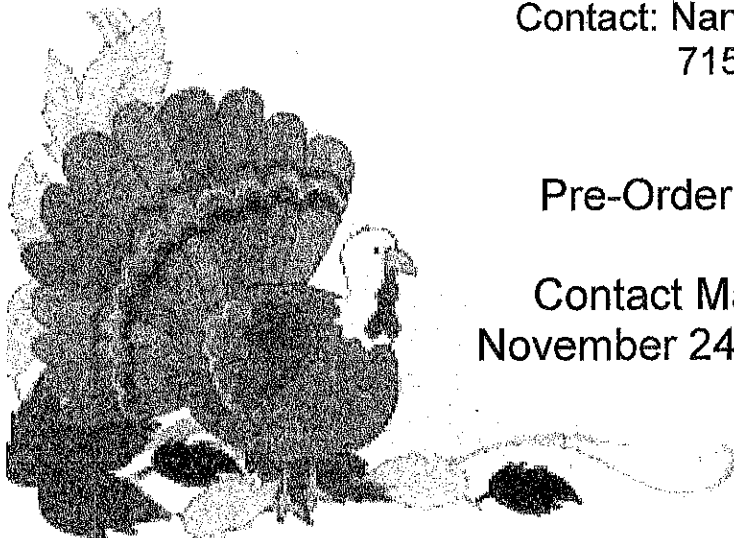
Thursday, November 26, 2015
Iron River Community Center
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

*To Enjoy a
FREE
Traditional Thanksgiving Meal*

Made Possible by the generous support and donations by area churches, individuals, and businesses.

For Opportunity to Volunteer or More Information
Contact: Nancy or Doug Thyberg
715-372-5249



Pre-Orders are available for homebound individuals.

Contact Marie Mattson 715-372-8347 by November 24th to order and schedule delivery.



Please pray for the following in need of God's care: Olivia Mieritz and the passing of her brother.

The Stewardship/Finance Committee would like to thank everyone who has been a steward of God's love. This was evident when the children from OSL and the community shared their musical talent at the Community Center in July during the Blueberry Festival. We also see this every month when we give of our resources for the Mission of the Month and serve a hot breakfast meal for Food Shelf recipients. It was evident when we donated time and supplies for WELCA to make school kits and beautiful baskets for Luther Park. We also purchase items from Fair Trade to help others in various countries to be treated fairly. In the future, our talents will be seen by those who will perform in the Christmas Cantata and both time, and resources will be given by those helping at the upcoming Thanksgiving Dinner as was also seen at our annual Harvest Dinner. We saw time/talent during God's Work our Hands Sunday. We are serving God in many ways. Now we will have the opportunity to serve God with our time/talent and resources as we prepare for Vocation Sunday on November 8th with a special service. On November 15th we will have Commitment Sunday where we will turn in our time/talent sheets and our pledge cards. We continue to be stewards of God's love as we remember our mission statement, "Called to worship....Sent forth to serve!"

More information to come!

In God's Love,
Cindy Knapp

Yeah for Fall Fest- Thank you, thank you to the many members who made this year's dinner a success. A total of 32 different members donated items for the dinner (some donated more than one item) and 40 members helped with the set-up, serving, and clean up. Wow, what a group effort! We served 219 adults (which included 44 take outs) 6 children, and 5 youngsters were free. We cleared over \$1600 which will be divided between Northlakes Clinic and next year's VBS program. A special thanks to our Thrivent Action Teams for the monetary support of this dinner. Thanks for being such good stewards.

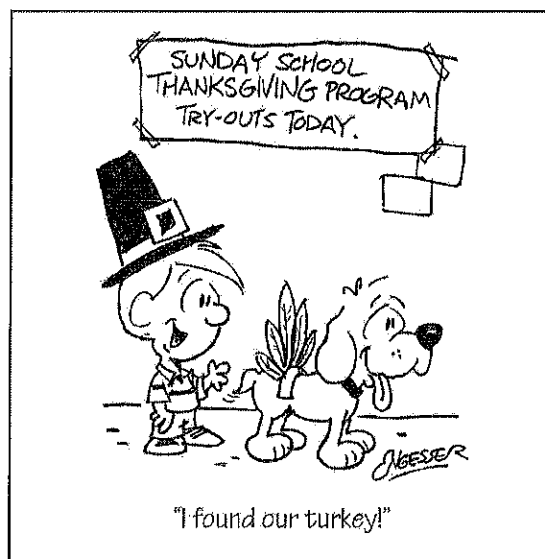
Craft and Cookie Sale! Can you believe it?

Cookies, Cookies, Who Likes Cookies? It is time to start planning what cookies you want to bake. Along with the lefse we will have for sale, it is our chance to shine with many favorite family recipes. The sign-up sheets will be up on the bulletin board the first of November. Please check them and see where you can help. We are still in need of craft items and we will have our white elephant table. Thanks for supporting WELCA.

THANKSGIVING! Our Savior's is once again contributing Stuffing for the Food Shelf Thanksgiving bags which will be given out November 19th. We need 75 boxes/bags of stuffing. We will have a box out in the Narthex for your generous donation. Thanks!

Put It On Your Calendar- The Christmas Cantata will be at 2:00pm on December 12th at St. Michael's Catholic Church. Practice starts on Wednesday, October 7th from 1:00-3:00 here at OSLC.

Traditional Thanksgiving Meal- Everyone is welcome to enjoy a free traditional Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 26 at the Iron River community Center from 11:00-1:00.



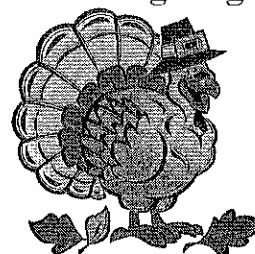
Not receiving a newsletter? Either by email or regular mailings? Let the church secretary know that you would like to be added to either the email list or the regular mailing list and one will be sent right to you. You can also access our newsletters and other church information on our website ironriverlutherans.org



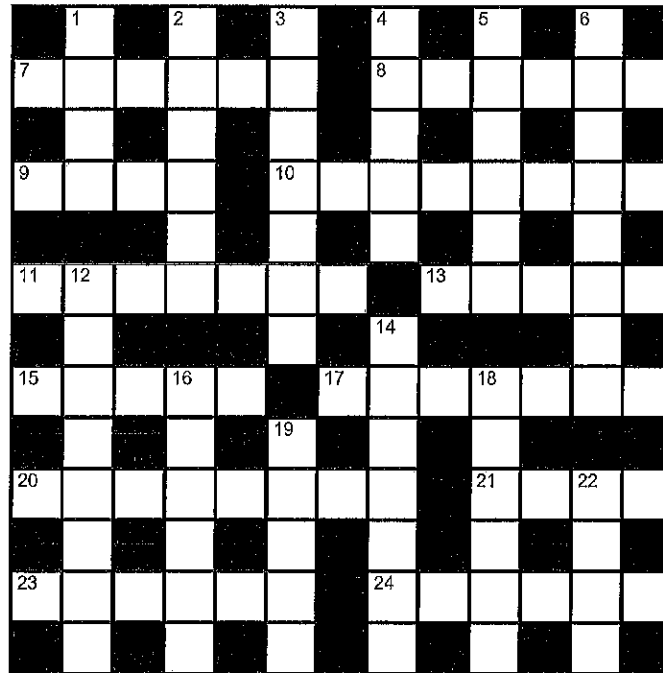
November 1st

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Happy Thanksgiving



1 Samuel



Across

- 7 The mountain that the men of Israel fled to when fighting against the Philistines. 1 Sam 31:1 (6)
- 8 Samuel wanted to do this with the people when he instructed them to obey the LORD. 1 Sam 12:7 (6)
- 9 David said, "Who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should _____ the armies of the living God?" 1 Sam 17:26 (4)
- 10 The Kenites showed this to the children of Israel. 1 Sam 15:6 (8)
- 11 This is who was drawing water. 1 Sam 9:11 (7)
- 13 Eli "fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck _____." 1 Sam 4:18 (5)
- 15 Joel and Abiah "turned _____ after lucre" and were perverted in judgment. 1 Sam 8:3 (5)
- 17 Saul looked for a _____ player of the harp to comfort him when he was afflicted. 1 Sam 16:16 (7)

- 20 Saul told his son and these people to kill David. 1 Sam 19:1 (8)
- 21 The place where the rulers of the Philistines sent the ark of the Lord. 1 Sam 5:8 (4)
- 23 "The LORD _____ to every man his righteousness and his faithfulness." 1 Sam 26:23 (6)
- 24 "They were spread abroad upon all the earth, _____ and drinking, and dancing ... " 1 Sam 30:16 (6)

Down

- 1 One of the musical instruments the prophets had. 1 Sam 10:5 (4)
- 2 "And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have _____ the voice of the LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me." 1 Sam 15:20 (6)
- 3 David recovered all and there was nothing _____. 1 Sam 30:19 (7)

- 4 Hannah said, "I will _____ him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide for ever." 1 Sam 1:22 (5)
- 5 Samuel warned the people about the _____ of the king that they asked to reign over them. 1 Sam 8:9 (6)
- 6 "We have sinned, because we have _____ the LORD, and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth." 1 Sam 12:10 (8)
- 12 "That the LORD called Samuel: and he _____, Here am I." 1 Sam 3:4 (8)
- 14 Saul did this to David in the wilderness of Maon. 1 Sam 23:25 (7)
- 16 "Saul became _____ enemy continually." 1 Sam 18:29 (6)
- 18 David "had eaten no bread, nor drunk any water, three days and three _____." 1 Sam 30:12 (6)
- 19 Saul gave his daughter, Michal, to David to marry "that she may be a _____ to him." 1 Sam 18:21 (5)
- 22 A dwelling place. 1 Sam 4:10 (4)