

# NEWSLETTER UPDATE

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## PRAYER SERVICE TONIGHT

**Wednesday, April 28, 2021—6:30pm**

Join us tonight online or in-person for our evening prayer service. This brief (15-20 minute) service will be a Service of the Word with Communion.

We invite you, if you wish to commune at your **home**, to **have wine/juice and bread prepared** for those who are receiving.

If you are preregistered for **in-person** worship tonight and are in need of gluten free bread please remember to **bring your own gluten free bread**.

Space is limited to 50 people for in-person worship tonight, reservations are required: **sign up by clicking here**.

**Masks are required. Seating will be distanced. Entry and exit will be controlled.** If you are not feeling well, please stay home and worship with us online.

### Live Stream

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## CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN-UP

**Saturday, May 1, 2021, 9am—12pm**

In preparation for our Memorial Day weekend outdoor service, we are rallying the troops to work on cleaning up the front church lawn and Peace Garden.

Everyone (all ages and stages) is welcome to come out and help! Please bring rakes and work gloves.

A reminder for those in AB-Yes!, helping is an easy way to get you service learning points.

## WINNER, WINNER, CHICKEN DINNER! DRIVE THROUGH CHICKEN Q FUNDRAISER

**Saturday, May 1, 2021, 12—6pm,**

**English Lutheran Church Parking Lot (1509 King Street, La Crosse, WI)**

Help Habitat Restore La Crosse to raise funds for our local Faith Build Home for the Olson Family.

Please note the Drive Through Chicken Q is in the English Lutheran Church Parking Lot (1509 King St., La Crosse, WI). The cost is \$10 in advance, \$12 day-of and will be catered by Pogy's and Linda's Bakery.

**CLICK HERE** for more information, to purchase tickets, or to learn more about the Faith Build Home for the Olson Family.

## LOOKING AHEAD: WORSHIP

**Beginning Mother's Day (Sun., May 9), on Sundays we will have two services.**

The **first service** will be as it is now, at 9am, live streamed. People will not attend this service in person.

The **second service** will be at 10:30am, open for up to 50 people to attend. Masks covering mouth and nose will be required. There will be music (limited). We will social distance. You will need to sign up to attend. For the first month or so, this service will not include communion. We expect the service to take 30-40 minutes.

If you do not feel comfortable worshipping indoors, please continue to join us online **here** or via the telephone at 1.877.552.3468.

## 2020 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

**Sunday, May 23, 2021, 11:15am—Sanctuary**

Come hear leadership reports, discuss the ministry of OSLC, vote on funding our plan of action (Budget), and the ballot of individuals to serve on Church Council for 2021.

Annual reports will be available for pick up Sunday, May 9, 2021. Please plan to pick up a copy (and bring back for the meeting) so you can look it over before the meeting.

## BABY CARE KITS

May means Mother's Day and the start of Baby Care Kits at Our Savior's. The basic baby care supplies and items you collect help a baby get off to a good start in life.

Bringing a baby into the world can be a difficult and scary thing for a mother living in poverty. She worries about her baby's health and well-being when there is a lack of money to buy the things every mother wants for her newborn.

The items included in a baby care kit provide the things a mother needs to care for her baby the way she hopes to – soft blankets to give warmth and comfort, soap to keep the germs away. Lack of something to dress her baby in often keeps a mother isolated from her community, but the clothes in a baby care kit welcome both mother and baby out into the world.

### EACH BABY CARE KIT SHOULD INCLUDE:

- TWO** lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies @)
- TWO** long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- TWO** receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, between 36" and 52" square
- FOUR** cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- ONE** jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- TWO** pairs of socks
- ONE** hand towel, dark color recommended
- TWO** or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; please no mini or hotel size bars
- TWO** diaper pins or large safety pins

### SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER

There are a few handmade baby sweaters at church to help complete your Baby Care Kit. Gently used, clean items (no stains or tears) can be substituted for new ones. Please wrap the items in one of the receiving blankets, secure with the diaper pins, and return to church for shipping.

### LOOKING FOR MORE INFORMATION?

Please contact the church office at [osloffice@oursaviorlutheranchurch.net](mailto:osloffice@oursaviorlutheranchurch.net) or 608.782.3468 or with questions or concerns.

## UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

**Thursday, April 29, 2021**

**Catherine of Siena, theologian, died 1380**

This theologian was the first woman among Roman Catholics to receive the title "Doctor [teacher] of the Church." Catherine was a Dominican sister known for her mystical visions as well as her work on behalf of people who were poor and imprisoned.

**Saturday, May 1, 2021**

**Philip and James, Apostles**

Philip was one of the first disciples of Jesus, and called Nathanael to "come and see." He later responded to an Ethiopian official's request for teaching and baptism. Little is known of James, the son of Alphaeus, called "the Less" to distinguish him from another apostle named James.

**Sunday, May 2, 2021**

**Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, died 373**

Best remembered for defending the teaching that Christ was fully God against those who taught otherwise, Athanasius was an influential church leader around the time of the Council of Nicea. He was banished from Alexandria five times for his forthright views.

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

**Monica, mother of Augustine, died 387**

Monica was married to a pagan husband who was ill-tempered and unfaithful, but whom she helped bring into the Christian faith. She repeated the influence on her son Augustine, who went on to become one of the greatest church teachers.

## COVID-19 UPDATE FOR THE BUILDING AND ACTIVITIES

Our Co-vid Committee met the week of Sunday, April 11, 2021 and as a group made the following decisions in response to current conditions in the Coulee Region.

**The Co-vid Committee decided that small groups (10 or less) can meet in the church building with pastoral permission.** Groups can call the church office for more information. You will be required to mask (covering nose and mouth), social distance, and we ask that you keep your meetings brief.

**Worship continues online and will now also be in-person.** We will continue to live stream our Sunday morning 9am services and our Wednesday evening 6:30pm services. Join us online **HERE** or call **1.877.552.3468** to access the phone live stream. Wednesday evenings will also be in-person (limit 50 people) and online as local conditions allow and with precautions in place.

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Space is limited for in-person worship, so reservations are required: sign up by clicking **HERE**. *Trouble with SignupGenius?* Please contact the church office and we can take care of it for you: 608.782.3468 or [osloffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net](mailto:osloffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net).

The church office is staffed, but building access is still restricted. Please call (608.782.3468) or email ([osloffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net](mailto:osloffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net)).

**Come for Supper** will continue serving carry-outs meals every Tuesday from about 4:15—5:15pm.

**The Women's Clothes Closet** is by appointment only for shopping and donating. You can schedule an appointment **HERE**.

**Our "church" is not our building! It's the people!** We thank you for all the ways you continue to follow Jesus as a member of Our Savior's and know that we miss you!

## KEEP UP WITH CANCELLATIONS

**Our Savior's continues to remain closed to most activities.**

For an up-to-date list of cancellations please visit **Our Savior's website**.

Please make sure the office has your current contact information, including current address, phone number(s), and email(s). To update your contact information contact Lois at [osloffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net](mailto:osloffice@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net) or 608.782.3468. Thanks!

## Stay social while we are distancing:



## SHARE YOUR OSLC EXPERIENCE WITH OTHERS!

Reviews on sites like Google and Yelp help invite in those looking for a church home! Consider writing a quick review of Our Savior's today by clicking the icons below.



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### Our Savior's new mailing address is:

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