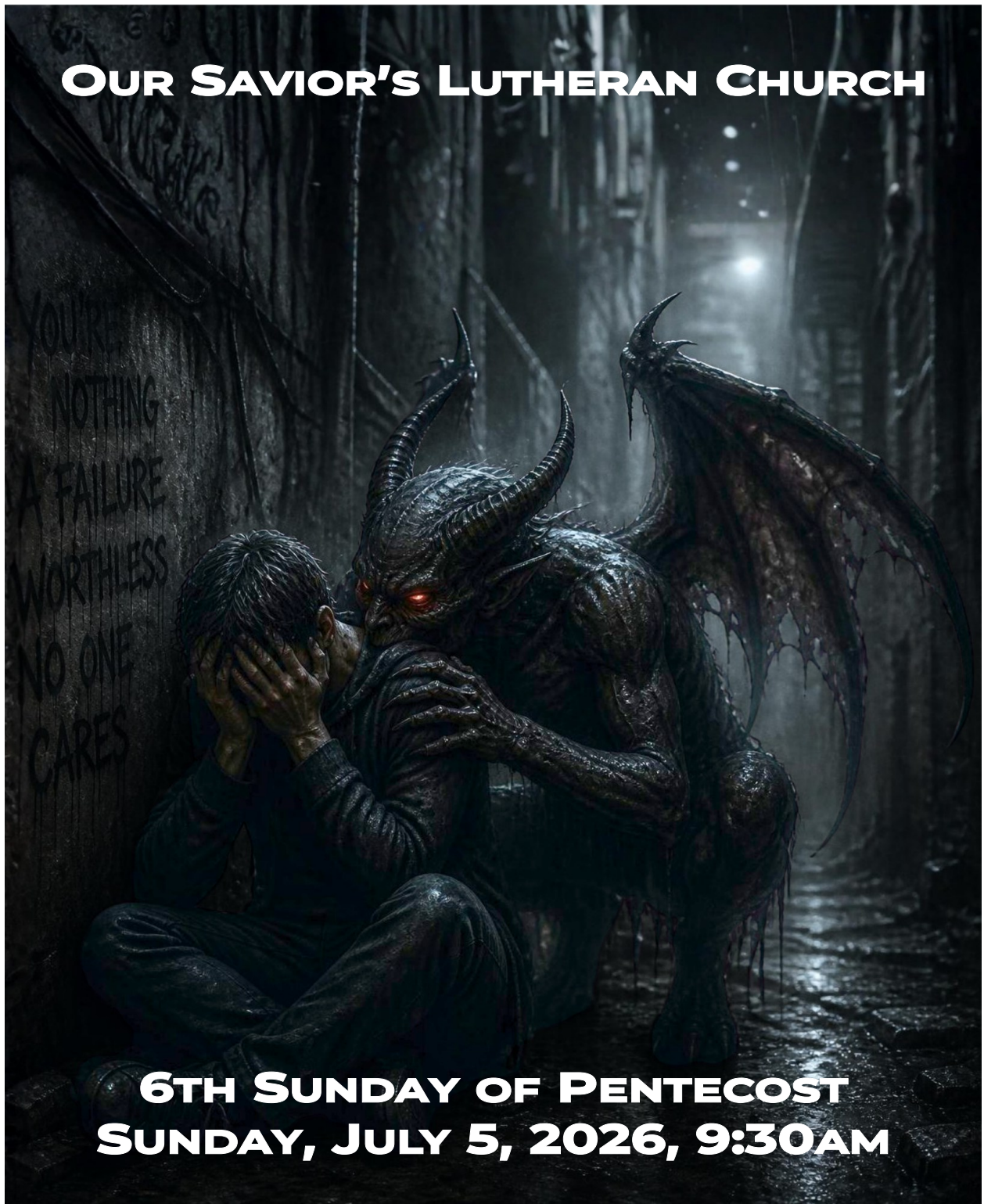


OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



**6TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2026, 9:30AM**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA
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***"Our mission is to make the love of Christ known
to all as we worship, serve and grow together."***

All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace
is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health,
race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression,
education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do,
have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God.
God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise,
prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work
for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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Liz Bahr, Cantor | Judi Winkler, Custodian

Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here! We are delighted you have
chosen to worship with us today. We will share holy Communion; you are
welcome to participate.

We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors—please use the Live Stream
'Attendance Info Form (www.allarewelcome.org under the Live Stream tab)
today. **Members**—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive
Holy Communion. **In addition**, use the form for prayer requests, hymn
requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any
communication with the office or pastor.

If you need **hearing assistance**, ask in the church office for our special
devices. If you need **assistance with the live stream**, please call 608.782.3468
or join us on the phone live stream at 1.877.552.3468 (toll-free).

+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+

Presiding Pastor: Joanne Richmond

AV Ministry Team: Asa and Fox Zinniel

Cantor: Liz Bahr

Communion Assistant: Sue Staples

Pianist: Dr. Eddie Kim

Prayer Reader: Sue Staples

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Shall We Gather at the River

Robert Lowry

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ELW p. 94

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess

that we have turned from you

and given ourselves

into the power of sin.

We are truly sorry

and humbly repent.

In your compassion

forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things we have done

and things we have failed to do.

Turn us again to you,

and uphold us by your Spirit,

so that we may live and serve you

in newness of life

through Jesus Christ,

our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us
even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive
together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ,
your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God
strengthen you with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in your hearts
through faith.

Amen.

Oh, Sing to God Above

Cantemos al Señor



1 Can - te - mos al Se - ñor un him - no de a - le - grí - a,
 2 Can - te - mos al Se - ñor un him - no de a - la - ban - za
 1 Oh, sing to God a - bove a hymn of joy - ful greet-ing,
 2 Oh, sing to God a - bove a hymn of praise and bless-ing,



un cán - ti - co de a - mor al na - cer el nue - vo dí - a.
 que ex - pre - se nues - tro a - mor, nues - tra fe y nues - tra es - pe - ran - za.
 a song of grate - ful love in the new day's light re - peat - ing:
 a song of grate - ful love, hope and faith our hearts ex - press - ing:



El hi - zo el cie - lo, el mar, el sol y las es - tre - llas
 En to - da la crea - ción pre - go - na su gran - de - za,
 you made the sea and sky, the sun and stars in splen - dor;
 cre - a - tion lifts its voice to tell your might and glo - ry,



y vio en e - llos bon - dad, pues sus o - bras e - ran be - llas.
 a - sí nues - tro can - tar va a - nun - cian - do su be - lle - za.
 de - light shone in your eye— all your works were filled with won - der.
 and we, too, will re - joice to pro - claim the sav - ing sto - ry.

Refrain / Estribillo

¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya! Can - te - mos al Se -
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Oh, sing to God a -

ñor: ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu - ya! ¡A - le - lu -
 bove: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu -

ya! Can - te - mos al Se - ñor: ¡A - le - lu - ya!
 ia! Oh, sing to God a - bove: Al - le - lu - ia!

Last time

Can - te - mos al Se - ñor: ¡A - le - lu - ya!
 Oh, sing to God a - bove: Al - le - lu - ia!

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GREETING

ELW p. 98

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

God our Creator in heaven,

have mercy upon us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

have mercy upon us.

God the Holy Spirit, true comforter,

have mercy upon us.

Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator



1 Hal - le - lu - jah! Sing praise to your Cre - a - tor, sun, moon, and
2 Praise the Lord, all moun - tains and o - ceans, roll - ing thun - der and
3 Give to God all glo - ry and hon - or. From the depths to the



stars and an - gels a - bove. Praise the Lord, whose word es -
wind and storm clouds on high. Praise the Lord, your Mak - er,
heights let prais - es re - sound to the Lord, the source of



tab - lished the heav - ens, who up - holds all the earth in pow - er and
all liv - ing crea - tures, all the beasts in the fields and birds in the
strength and sal - va - tion for all peo - ple on whom God's fa - vor is



love. God reigns on high, let the heav - ens re - jice! (Oh,
sky. Both young and old, come and join in the song! (Oh,
found. Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own! (Oh,)



God reigns on high, let the heav - ens re - jice!
Both young and old, come and join in the song!
Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own!

Text: Tilly Lubis, 1925–2002, based on Psalm 148; tr. David Diephouse, b. 1947

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

You are great, God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

READING: Romans 7:15-25a

¹⁵ I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me.

²¹ So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³ but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

SERMON

Pastor Joanne Richmond

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain

watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847–1909

Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

CREED

ELW p. 105

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

God our unity, your church flourishes in different languages, cultures, and movements. Grant us wisdom to discern when our yokes are too heavy, that we may live and serve in the freedom of your rest.

God our life-giver, we grieve the pains placed upon our common home through war and neglect. What you have lovingly crafted, guide us to lovingly tend.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**O God, we call, O God, we call,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn for you.**

God our freedom, you are no tyrant but bring peace. As this nation marks its declaration of independence, teach us our part in announcing peace for future generations.

God our comfort, liberate all in our community who are captive to fear, who have become isolated or ill, or who are in any need, including those who are named on our prayer list...

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**O God, we call, O God, we call,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn for you.**

God our guide, we do not always have the strength to do the good we wish to do. Free us from the cycles of violence that bind us, that all know your liberation.

God our home, you model freedom through the love shared across communities of trust and goodwill. As we remember those now gone to eternal rest, we thank you for the gifts of life together.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**O God, we call, O God, we call,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn for you.**

Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

NOISY OFFERING

DIALOGUE

ELW p. 107

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ELW p. 112

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ELW p. 114

God of abundance,
with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ,
making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love
to the world and continue forever
in the risen life of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Is My Song

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king - doms,

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give you; let your will be done.

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Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God .

POSTLUDE *God, Whose Almighty Word* John Marriott, Felice de Giardini

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OSLC GOES TO THE LOGGERS: SUPPORTING MUSIC EDUCATION

Join us for a fun evening at the La Crosse Loggers while supporting music education in our community!

 **Friday, July 10**  **Game Time: 6:35pm | Gate Open: 5:30pm**

 Rochester Honkers vs. La Crosse Loggers  **Copeland Park, La Crosse**

 Tickets: \$12 per person or \$18 (includes a hot dog & fountain beverage). A portion of each ticket sold will be donated to support music education and scholarship opportunities for local students. Please **register with the church office by Tuesday, July 7**, so we can arrange group ticket purchases, and ***invite your family and friends. We hope to see you there!***

SUNDAY FUNDAYS—July 5, 12, and 26, 2026, Fellowship Hall

Join us after worship this summer for some fun! It's all things Arts & Crafts on July 5, the Lego and Duplo blocks will be out July 12, Potato Heads will be the activity of the day on July 26. Looking ahead: come play BINGO on Sunday, August 2, 2026. ***All ages and stages welcome!***

BACK TO SCHOOL SALES—July is a great time to take advantage of Back-to-School sales—and to support Lutheran World Relief's School Kits at the same time! As you shop the sales, consider picking up items like notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, and erasers. These simple supplies help put together school kits that support students and families around the world. ***Thank you for helping turn summer shopping into meaningful care and support for others.***

JULY DONATION DRIVE – DISHING OUT KINDNESS

As we enjoy the sunshine and slower pace of summer, let's come together to help meet a practical need in our community by collecting an everyday household essential: **dish soap**.

While dish soap may seem like a small item, it plays an important role in keeping kitchens clean and healthy. All brands and sizes are welcome. Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity and support as we ***make a difference, one bottle at a time.***

DINNER AND A SHOW—Friday, July 24, 5:30 – 7:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Join us for a cozy family movie night fun for all ages and stages! Enjoy a light dinner and snacks while we relax and watch a great film together.

FRUITS & VEGGIES POTLUCK—Sun., July 26, 2023, 10:15am, Fellowship Hall

Celebrate the flavors of summer with us at our Fruits & Veggies Potluck! Bring a dish featuring fruits or vegetables to share and stay for a delicious meal and great fellowship.

OSLC HIKING GROUP—Sunday, July 26, 1:30pm, Lower Hixon Trailhead

Hikers of all levels are welcome to join us for a relaxed afternoon hike as we explore the beautiful Lower Hixon Trails! Whether you enjoy a casual walk or simply want to spend time outdoors with others, all are welcome. We'll wind through wooded trails, enjoy the peaceful surroundings, and take in the natural beauty of Hixon Forest while sharing conversation and fellowship along the way. Come walk with us and enjoy an afternoon in nature!

🔥 **SUMMER CAMPFIRE** 🔥 **Saturday, August 1, 6—8pm, Courtyard**

You are invited (all ages) to join us from 6 – 8pm in the church's courtyard by the fire pit. These events will be filled with community, yard games, and s'mores of course! Watch our social media pages for weather-related announcements: [@oursaviorslacrosse](#)

OUR'S SAVIOR'S RUMMAGE BAG SALE

Friday, August 14, 9am—4pm and **Saturday, August 15, 9am—**

Come shop for great bargains and support Our Savior's Lutheran Church!

Bag Sale Pricing

Friday, August 14: \$5 per bag

Saturday, August 15: Fill \$5 1–2 bags for just \$5

Jewelry and selected items will be individually priced.)

Donations Needed

We need donations of clean, gently used items in good, working condition, including clothing and shoes, linens, jewelry, books, tools, and household items. Please donate items that you would feel comfortable using yourself or giving to a friend.

Donation Drop-Off

Monday, August 3 – Saturday, August 9, 9am–1pm only

Please note:

- No donations will be accepted during setup week.

- We cannot accept car seats, electronics (including TVs and stereos), large appliances, or baby furniture.
- Furniture donations are accepted by prior approval only.

Volunteers Needed

Many helping hands make this event a success!

Setup—Sunday, August 9 (following worship) and Monday, August 10 – Thursday, August 13

Sale Days—Friday, August 14 and Saturday, August 15

Cleanup—Sunday, August 16

Whether you can help for an hour or several days, your time and talents are greatly appreciated.

Questions? Please contact Pastor Joanne.

Thank you for supporting this event through your donations, shopping, and volunteer service!

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 5, 2026

8:30—10:30am Office Open
9:30am Worship
10:15am Coffee Fellowship
10:15am Sun. Funday Art & Crafts
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Monday

9am—1pm Office Open
10am—12 noon Gas Voucher

Tuesday

**Deadline to register for the
 Logger's Game (07./10/26)**

9am—1pm Office Open
1—5pm WCC Open
4pm CFS Doors Open
4:05—5:15pm CFS Meal Served
5:15—5:30pm CFS Carry Outs

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

8:30am St. Clare's Health Mission
 Mobile Medical Unit—Parking Lot
9am—1pm Office Open
12 noon Worship
1pm Priscilla Circle

Thursday

9am—1pm Office Open
6pm Transition Task Force

Friday

Pastor/Staff Sabbath

5:30pm Gates Open
6:35pm Logger's Game Time

Saturday

9am—1pm WCC Open

Sunday, July 12, 2026

8:30—10:30am Office Open
9:30am Worship
10:15am Coffee Fellowship
10:15am Sun. Fun. Lego & Duplo's
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion
 CFS—Come For Supper
 WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Art Olson, **Athena** Burg, **Barb** Jarrett, **Bev** Hanson,
Casey Kanter, **Cassie**, **Cathy** Ofte, **Cindy** Moe,
Dan Odenbach, **Danielle** Sorenson, **Dave** Kjos,
Dean Geier, **Erik** Rudrud, **Esther** Harman,
Eugene Herold, **Gabe** Centanni, **Gale**, **George**,
Jane & Michael Speer, **Jean** Koll, **Jeannie** White,
Jeff Kent, **Jeremy** R., **Pastor Joanne**, **Jon** Zinniel,
Joshua, **Jim** Radatz, **Juliana** Andrews,
Karen Geoglein, **Katie** White, **Lane** C., **Lois** Horne,
Kelly Olson, **Mary** Covey, **Monica & Jack** D.,
Pamela Mathis, **Peggy** Kneifl, **Rick**, **Roger** Loing,
Rose Sabotta, **Roxanne** North, **Sandy** Kjos, **Sonja**
 Simonson-Schrag, and **Tom** Cade

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

Ricky Macon, and **Tom** Rudrud

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Amy Thorton	July 7
Jane Speer	July 8
Torynn Wells	July 9
Sylvia Attleson	July 10
Jessie Brobeck	July 12
Rayno May	July 12