

# THE PULSE



OUR SAVIOR'S  
Lutheran Church

## Our Savior's Lutheran Church March 19, 2025

### Our Savior's Lutheran Church Financial Summary For the Second Month of our Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Feb 2025 Actuals	YTD 2025 Actuals
Total Income	\$42,037	\$88,623
Total Expenses	\$48,878	\$97,137
Budgeted Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$6,841)	(\$8,514)
Pass Through (Income) Expense	\$10	\$384
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(6,831)	(8,130)

#### Treasurer's Report

*Statement of Operations - We have generated \$88.6k in YTD Total Income. Our YTD Expenses are \$97.1k. This puts us at -\$8.1k year to date. February contributed -\$6,8k to this YTD loss.*

*Balance Sheet & Cash Flow - The total of cash and accounts receivable is \$273.9k. Funds allocated to dedicated accounts is \$191.4k.*

## The Alzheimer's Journey: Navigating So Many Goodbyes

A workshop for those caring for  
someone living at home with memory  
loss



Karla Hult,  
of So Many Goodbyes



## The Alzheimer's Journey: Navigating So Many Goodbyes

Saturday, April 26 from 10–11:30 AM  
Lyngblomsten at Lino Lakes  
(*6070 Blanchard Blvd., Lino Lakes, MN 55014*)

Join journalist, advocate, and daughter Karla Hult for an engaging conversation pairing the latest news and research on Alzheimer's with a deeply compassionate look at the caregiving experience. As she aims to shift the perception of Alzheimer's as a single long goodbye to an understanding of the journey of so many goodbyes, Karla will share best practices and practical advice. The workshop will also provide resources and offer hope and encouragement that you are not alone on the caregiving journey.

**Fee:** FREE! This event is sponsored by Lyngblomsten in support of those caring for a loved one living at home with memory loss.

**RSVP:** Reservations required on/by Monday, April 21. Space is limited, so register early.

Please fill out the RSVP form at [www.Lyngblomsten.org/Journey](http://www.Lyngblomsten.org/Journey) or email [aquick@lyngblomsten.org](mailto:aquick@lyngblomsten.org)

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### Recruitment Sunday - April 27th

**Join us!**

**We Do What Friends Would Do**

Friendly Visits  
Transportation  
Meals  
Light Housekeeping

**We will be serving coffee  
after both services.**

Grab a 'cuppa' and chat.  
Pick up a flyer.



## **April 12th - OSLC Work Session**

Come join your fellow OSLC members in sharing your time, talent and treasure to beautify and maintain our building. On April 12th starting at 9:00 am and wrapping up around noon, we will be holding a work session.

### Tasks:

- 1) Deep cleaning of the sanctuary, Luther Hall, narthex, restrooms and other commons areas
  - a) Sanctuary
    - i) Vacuum carpet
    - ii) Clean floor vents
    - iii) Vacuum pew upholstery
    - iv) Clean wood on pews
    - v) Clean altar, pulpit and baptismal font (no polish)
  - b) Luther Hall
    - i) Vacuum carpet, including in chair and table storage area
    - ii) Clean tile floor
  - c) Narthex
    - i) Vacuum carpet
    - ii) Clean tile
    - iii) Clean benches
    - iv) Clean tables
- 2) Window washing
  - a) Sanctuary
  - b) Sliding doors between narthex and sanctuary
  - c) Narthex
  - d) Front entrance
  - e) Offices
  - f) Nursery, choir room and sacristy



- 3) Painting
  - a) Touch up areas – see Donna Juran for list the day of
- 4) Cleaning some interior lower level light fixtures
- 5) Relocate cleaning supplies so they are out of reach of children

Please come to help care for the building  
where so many good things happen!

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## SPAS Guatemala Friends Event

**Saturday, April 5 - 9:30-11 a.m. | King of Kings, Woodbury**

***Topic: Colegio Luterano Agustino de Guatemala (CLAG).***

Join us to learn about the elementary school—the successes and challenges of this 25-year-old ministry with children from a marginalized neighborhood. We will hear from Pastor Esther, the founder; Pastor Beatrice, the administrator; and one of the dynamic teachers. Opportunities for supporting the school will be shared. No registration is necessary.

[Read More](#)

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## Easter Preparations

As we approach Easter loved ones come to mind. If you would like to honor the memory of (or celebrate) a loved one there will be forms available in the office starting today, Wednesday, March 12th. This year you also have the option of completing the form online, [the online form can be found by clicking this link](#).

All forms, (whether paper form or online form) need to be submitted/turned in by the end of the day on Sunday, April 6th - no later. If you have questions please reach out to [Sierra](#).

The flowers/plants you purchased can be picked up **AFTER** our second service, around 12:00PM on Easter Sunday, April 20th.

**\*\*Due to new information regarding allergies, we kindly request that the number of lilies in the sanctuary be limited. Please consider ordering flowers on our list that are not lilies. Thank you for your understanding!**

Paper Copy of Order Form

Flowers Available this year



## Coffee Break!

Our next Secret Prayer Sisters "Coffee Break" is Saturday April 5th from 9am to 11am in Luther Hall. We hope to see you all there!

Please RSVP by March 31st to Marg Otte @ 763-784-9033 or Donna Juran @ 612-618-5013 if you will be joining in on the FUN!



An update on the Tut family in Neuva Guatemala that experienced a house fire. OSLC has sent the maximum amount typically offered to individuals who utilize the deacons fund; however, we know that the costs of repairs and replacement of the family's belongings will exceed that amount. If anyone is willing and able to give a love offering to further assist the family it would be graciously accepted. Please indicate your gift should be applied to the Tut Family in the memo line of a check, by using the Guatemala giving tab for electronic gifts, or on an offering envelope. Thanks again for supporting our sisters and brothers in Nueva Guatemala, Gracias!

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## *Celebrate Our Savior's*

### **Celebrate Our Exciting Future!**

Our Savior's is a great community that is excited about our future. As Mayor Dave said a few Sundays back, "We are a community of possibilities!"

**To celebrate and welcome our new pastor, Rev. Leland Armbricht, there will be a celebration event on Thursday, April 10 in Luther Hall from 6-8pm.** All Our Savior's members are asked to come and bring a friend – especially anyone who has not been back since the pandemic.

We have much to celebrate! Join us for wine, food, fellowship and song. Pastor Leland will be there to give a short message and have plenty of time to meet and greet attendees. Hear about what we have to celebrate and receive a special all take-home gift.

Here is a personal way to invite your friends and neighbors to join us for this free social event. Invitations will be available to pick up between services and in the church office beginning Monday, March 10. A personal invitation whether delivered in person, via snail mail, email, or phone call is



always the best!

Click the button below to download a .pdf of the invitations for the event. You can print these invites at home or email a digital version to friends/family inviting them to the event. You are encouraged to add a hand written note under "Join Us" on the right side of the invitation as personal touches are always a positive.

\*If you are interested in volunteering at this event, a signup sheet is located in the office during the week.

PDF to print invites at home



## BINGO April 13th

Join us for a fun day of bingo for all ages with some fabulous prizes donated from congregate members and local businesses. Bingo will go from 12:00-2:00 PM. Each game will be \$1 for a 3-face sheet. There will be a final coverall round for \$3 per sheet at the end of the night for a chance to win some larger prizes. There will be food and beverages for sale as well. This is a **cash only event**. All proceeds go towards the High School Mission Trip to Albuquerque.

\*We are still looking for some more donations for our April 13<sup>th</sup> Bingo. We are looking for prizes for all ages ranging from about \$20-\$30 and some grand prizes ranging from about \$75+. Contact *Nick Gilbert* for more information.

A big thanks to all the business that donated already including: Dunn Brothers, Renaissance Festival, Waldoch farm, Shoreview Community Center, St. Paul Saints, Grand Slam, Panera, Conquer Ninja Gym, and Zero Gravity.





Before and after photos of the recently completed handicap accessible restrooms as part of the 75th Anniversary Legacy Fund Project. Thank you to all who supported this campaign.

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### **Young Adult Night - Saturday, March 29**

Calling all young adults (ages 18-30s)! Join us for a fun and meaningful evening of fellowship and service. We'll start by volunteering at *Feed My Starving Children*, followed by a relaxing time of bowling!

This event is open to everyone, so you don't have to be a member of OSLC to participate. If you'd like to carpool, we'll be meeting at the church around 5 PM, and we'll use the new van for transportation.

Please RSVP to Nick by March 22 so we can plan accordingly. We can't wait to see you there!

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OSLC  
AFFIRMATIONS

### **Thank you to:**

Dan Foreman and Eric Peterson for computer and phone work - so appreciative of these members that give their time to fulfill key functions for us. Dwight for maintaining the building! Cornerstone for sharing their time



and talents creating beautiful music for us! Thanks to all that were involved in the bathroom remodel. We are so glad Doreen has joined us as Interim Choir and Bell Conductor. Thanks to Peter for filling in as we were looking to fill this role! Thanks to Ellie and others for all of the work arranging the concert here that brought so many in to enjoy the Centennial Community Band!

Holy Hammers™



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**2025 build:**

**The Heights at Larpenteur &  
McKnight, St. Paul**

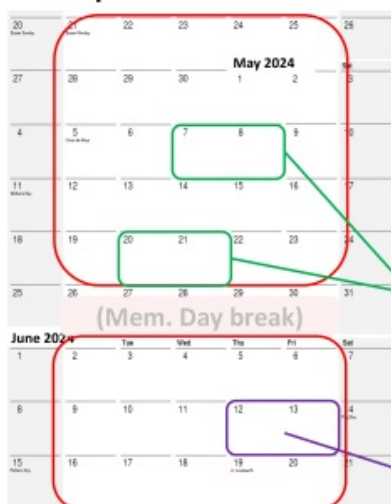


(Sample illustrations of outside and floor plans)



**Build dates:**

**April 21 – June 20**



**TCHFH encourages  
volunteers to carpool!**

- OS assigned days are May 7-8, 20-21 (but)
- you can sign up for any day in Apr-May-June
- OS will supply food on May 7-8.

**Potential tasks:**

- Sheet rock
- Painting
- Flooring
- Trim/ finish work
- Kitchen cabinets

**Sign up here:**

<http://holyhammers.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com>



**Holy Hammers Recruitment**

Sign up is open enrollment so please sign up as soon as possible to



fill the slots available for OSLC members. I am also looking for people to donate/purchase food for the 17 volunteers who will be working on 7 and 8 May.

Sign up: [holyhammers.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com](https://holyhammers.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com)

Contact: [rue1477carp@q.com](mailto:rue1477carp@q.com) (763.360.8829) for more information.

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# Lent: Broken and Beloved

Stories of God's Steadfast Love

## Wednesdays

6:15 pm Soup Supper (except 3/12)

7:00 pm Worship

## Lent/Holy Week Schedule:

3/5 Ash Wednesday at 7 pm

4/13 Palm Sunday at 8:45 & 10:45 am

4/17 Maundy Thursday at 7 pm

4/18 Good Friday at 7 pm

4/20 Easter worship at 8:45 & 10:45 am



## **EcoFaith Summit 2025 | EcoFaith**

Saturday, April 5, 9:30am - 5:00pm, First Lutheran Church in Duluth and Online. St. Paul Area Synod's Care of Creation Work Group in collaboration with the EcoFaith Network invites you to participate. The day includes impactful speakers, action-oriented



engagement sessions, vibrant worship, inspiring art, table exhibits, and networking time to equip disciples in congregations, camps, campuses and communities to respond to God's call in the cries of Creation. To register and for more information including a carpool discount, free registration under age 30 and free childcare provided. Click "read more" below for more info.

Read More



## CCBP

The Centennial Community Backpack Program: We need your help to reach our goal of 250 backpacks adopted and financial support to purchase backpacks and supplies for 230 middle and high school students. We need your help now, more than ever, as the need for support continues to grow.

### 4 ways you can support the Centennial Community Backpack Program:

- 1.) Adopt a backpack for student(s), go to our website, [centennialbackpack.org](http://centennialbackpack.org) or click on [this link](#) for the registration form.
- 2.) Make a monetary donation that will be used to purchase backpacks and supplies for Middle and High School students, as well as extra supplies for the schools.
  - a. Go to <https://www.oursaviorsonline.org/give> to make a monetary donation (select Backpack/School Supplies in the first drop down).
  - b. Write a check to OSLC with **Backpack** written in the memo line.
- 3.) Donate your empty ink cartridges—there's a box in the Narthex. We receive \$1 in merchandise for every cartridge we recycle.
- 4.) Spread the word by sharing our website [centennialbackpack.org](http://centennialbackpack.org) or Facebook page [Centennial Community Backpack Program](#) with your friends, family, neighbors, businesses, co-workers, clubs, etc. If you know of a family in the Centennial School District that could benefit from this program, inform the family to contact their school office.



Please contact us at [centennialbackpack@gmail.com](mailto:centennialbackpack@gmail.com) with any questions.

Thank you for your continued support!

*The Centennial Community Backpack Team*

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**ELEANOR  
SQUAD**



**Adult Forum:  
Sunday, March 30th  
9:45-10:45am**

Our Saviors member, Worknesh Begi, will update us on her work directing Tarkanfi mission projects, Ethiopia.

She will also tell us about her recent experience participating in the 69<sup>th</sup> session of the UN Women's, Commission on the Status of Women, New York City.

*\*sponsored by Our Savior's Eleanor Squad*

### **HAND OUTS FROM MAYOR DAVE'S TALK !**

Dave Bartholomay's talk last Sunday at Adult Forum was packed with tips and wisdom on servant leadership and building community. So much to think about!

We don't have a recording of the talk, but you can click here to view Dave's handouts: Reflecting on 20 Years as a Mayor (slide presentation), The Optimist Creed, Arthur Brooks' 5 Rules – Love Your Enemy, and Welcome to Being an Elected Official in Local Government.

Thanks so much, Dave, for your thoughtful presentation!



[Elected Official Handout](#)

[Dave's Presentation](#)



# Thrivent Choice®

Ready to give back? Make a personal donation or direct some of Thrivent's charitable funds to a favorite nonprofit organization or cause. The choice is yours.

## Thrivent Choice

The support we receive through Thrivent's Charitable Funds program **Thrivent Choice** has been nothing short of a blessing. In 2024, our organization received **\$2,064.00** through Thrivent Choice Dollars. This generosity of unrestricted funds fund projects beyond our regular budget. We kindly ask for your continued support by directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Our Saviors. **You can allocate any remaining 2024 Choice Dollars until March 31, 2025, or begin assigning your 2025 Choice Dollars now.** For further details, kindly refer to **Thrivent Choice** at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) or call 1.800.847.4836 and indicate Thrivent Choice when prompted.

Thank you for your incredible generosity and support; we rejoice, pray, and give thanks to you for your consideration.

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## Support & Resources

Lyngblomsten Community Services offers a wide range of resources such as various classes, activities, and gatherings.

- Connections Chorus meets every Thursday.
- Caregiver Support Group - Virtual/Zoom  
([caregiving@lyngblomsten.org](mailto:caregiving@lyngblomsten.org))
- Memory Loss Zoom.
- Dementia Friendly Worship services.
- The Gathering offered at various locations from 10AM - 2PM weekly  
([mjagolino@lyngblomsten.org](mailto:mjagolino@lyngblomsten.org))



Resources for the above listed groups, classes, activities and more can be found via clicking the buttons below or by visiting [Lyngblomsten's website](#).

The Gathering

Memory Loss Zoom

Tools for Caregivers

Wellness Education Classes

Memory Collective

Dementia Friendly Worship



## Registration Now Open!

Our Savior's has a block reserved for June 15-20 for kids completing grades 4-12. You can register at <https://lwlbc.com/os-cp>

Our spots are held until Feb 15th, so register today. Do you have friends that want to go with you but don't go to our church? That is encouraged and they should use the same link to register so you are placed together!!

Are you in 2nd or 3rd grade and want to try camp out for the weekend? Our church has a block of spots for this too. It is June 20-22. Use the link above to register for the SEEDS weekend.

### Wapo One- Day

Are you interested in going to Camp Wapo, but you aren't old enough or you're not sure what it is all about? You can go to Wapo for just one day to test it out! Join Pastor Susie for a fun filled day at Wapo on June 18 from 7:30am-4:30pm. It is a day packed with all camp activities but then you will be back home in time for dinner. You can register at the link above!





## 4th Grade First Communion

4<sup>th</sup> Grade First Communion Class will be on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 9:15am - 10:45am in Luther Hall. Then you will go into church at 10:45am to take your first communion. Please email Danielle at [ddraheim@oursaviorsonline.org](mailto:ddraheim@oursaviorsonline.org) to register. This is a class for the 4<sup>th</sup> grader and at least one parent or guardian to attend together. If you have a child that is older than 4<sup>th</sup> grade that hasn't taken this class yet, we encourage you to join us! If you have any questions, please contact Danielle Draheim.

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## VBS Registration Now Open!

VBS will be June 23-26, 2025 from 9am-12pm.  
Come and dive into a friendship with God. Here is the link to register!  
<https://oslcp.breezechms.com/form/ebcb9c511719>

Are you in 7<sup>th</sup> grade or older and would like to volunteer at VBS?  
Here is the link to sign up to sign up to help!  
<https://oslcp.breezechms.com/form/f1d790775515>

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## Hello High School Families!

The registration for our 2025 High School Mission trip to Albuquerque, NM, is now open! The dates for the trip are July 11-20 and the cost is \$580 if you fundraise and \$780 without fundraising. See the information packet below for more details. I will also be looking for 3 adults who would be interested in joining us for this trip. Adult leaders do not have to pay for the trip. The final page of the packet has some information on what it takes to be an adult leader on a mission trip. Registration can only be completed online this year. Please let [Nick Gilbert](#) know if you have any questions!

Information Packet

Registration



Register now for  
Noah's Ark Preschool  
&  
Before/After  
School Childcare

Noah's Ark Website

NOAH'S ARK is now accepting registrations for the:

- 2025-2026 school year
- 2025 SUMMER ADVENTURE PROGRAM

(preschool classes and school age classes)

Note: There is NO summer registration fee for currently enrolled students.



Go to [www.oslcnahsark.com](http://www.oslcnahsark.com) and click on the ENROLLMENT tab to register!



# PRAYER

## **PRAYER CONCERNS** **Please remember in your prayers:**

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Cori Sendle, Carol Shook, Jack DeWalt,  
Pat K, Jacque Capistrant, Garnet Ellertson,  
Ethan O'Brien, Darlene Hults, Dona Paulsen  
Rick Carlson, Dave Hults, Galen, Richard Rossiter,  
Sharon Dornfeld, Theresa Cullen, Tori Appelhof,  
Sandy Ellendwood, Jeff Weiss, Jim Rauner & Marnie Mackey

Shana, daughter of Russ and Cindy Ellenwood  
Denny and Sharon's friend, Larry  
Annie, grand-daughter of Roy & Pat Feine  
Shannon, wife of Terry Kirberger  
Family & Friends of Lisa Cherry Vojtech  
Hudson James, great-great nephew of Janice Kluck

First Responders, Military & their families  
San Isidro Labrador in Guatemala  
Tarkanfi in Ethiopia  
Sudan & Ukraine  
Relationships

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Shut-Ins unable to worship with us include:

Marnie Mackey  
Marlys Gamm  
Eunice Banta  
Cindy Durand

Marlena McClanahan  
Elaine Thielke  
Garnet Ellertson  
Katie Stormo

To join the prayer chain or to add your concerns, please email  
[prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org](mailto:prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org) or call Jeanne Zaske at 651.398.2414

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## LIVESTREAMING

[Click here for our live streams](#)

Click the video below to watch this past Sundays 8:45AM worship service





Click the video below to watch this past Sundays 10:45AM worship service



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## Attendance Totals for March 16th, 2025

### 8:45 AM

In-Person = 53  
Online\* = 88

### 10:45 AM

In-Person = 62  
Online\* = 96

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## Attendance Totals for March 12th, 2025

### 7:00 PM

In-Person = 15  
Online\* = 38

*\*The ELCA's online worship reporting guidelines multiply online views by 2 to account for individuals within a household.*

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Our Services (Sundays):  
8:45AM - Traditional  
10:45AM - Contemporary



Our Pastors:  
Lead - Leland Armbright  
CYF - Susie Modrow

Maintenance Request

Staff Assistance  
Request

Staff Directory

serve at worship



## Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in receiving emails regarding opportunities to serve at worship please click the button below and complete the form it brings you to. The physical sign up sheets can still be found in the Narthex.

For questions specific to volunteering contact:  
[office@oursaviorsonline.org](mailto:office@oursaviorsonline.org)

Email Form Sign-Up

Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
[www.oursaviorsonline.org](http://www.oursaviorsonline.org)

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