

# OSL Weekly Messenger

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP - January 25 Third Sunday after Epiphany

The kingdom of heaven has come near. As Jesus leaves behind his hometown of Nazareth, we are invited to leave behind our old ways and follow Jesus in the direction of the kingdom of heaven. This week in worship, we'll learn a little bit about the Fostering Success program at UW-Stout during a Ministry Matters Moment with Jessica Brooks-Consolatti and the OSI Choir will share a gift of special music.

### Our Savior's Lutheran Church

910 9th St E, Menomonie WI  
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Sunday, January 25

- Worship, 9am
- Fellowship, 10:15am
- Sunday School, 10:15
- Faithful Fiber Friends, 10:15

Monday, January 26

- Women in Action, 9am

Tuesday, January 27

- Personnel Committee, 1:00pm
- Neighbors of Dunn County, 3:30

Wednesday, January 28

- High School Ministry, 5:30pm
- Confirmation, 6:00pm
- Choir rehearsal, 6:30pm

Thursday, January 29

- Vibrant Voices, 1:00pm
- OSL Bells rehearsal, 6:30

Friday, January 30

Saturday, January 31

## Youth Ministry

Sunday School resumes on January 25th!

Sunday School Families and Congregation delivered donations to the Dunn County Humane Society on

Sunday, January 18th. They were guided through a tour of the entire building, in addition to the kitty wing. The kitties received lots of attention.





**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**OSL Canoe Trip Down the Namekagon River**

July 16-18, 2026  
 Informational meeting; Wednesday, March 11 7:00-10:00pm

**Luther Park is open for Summer Camp Reservations. Click the link below:**

[Register for Luther Park Camp Reservations](#)

**Proposed Constitutional Changes**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Council has recommended and approved the proposed changes to the OSL Constitution and Bylaws at its meeting on November 11, 2025. The council has approved three kinds of changes:

1. Required changes from the two most recent ELCA Churchwide Assemblies;
2. Non-required but recommended changes from the ELCA Churchwide Assemblies;
3. Non-required changes that have not come the ELCA Churchwide Assemblies but are recommended by the ELCA Model Constitution that is given to congregations.

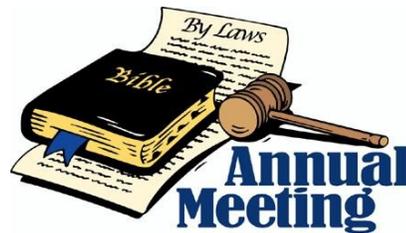
These changes will be voted on at the OSL Annual Meeting on Sunday February 15, 2026.

The proposed constitution can be accessed through the link below. In addition, printed copies are available in the church office. If you have any questions regarding the changes, please feel free to contact Pr. Sarah. [OSL Constitution Proposed Updates](#)

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**OSL ANNUAL MEETING**

Sunday,  
 February 15th  
 at 10:15A.M.



**UPCOMING HANDBELL SCHEDULE**

- Thursday, January 29th at 6:30pm
- Thursday, February 5th at 6:30pm
- Thursday, February 12th at 6:30pm
- Sunday, February 15th - rehearsal at 8:00am
- Performance at 9:00am



## OSL Nominating Committee Seeking Candidates

OSL's Nominating Committee is currently gathering names for several important leadership and representative roles within our congregation and wider ministry partners. We invite you to prayerfully consider whether you—or someone you know—might be called to serve in one of the following capacities:

### Open Positions

- **OSL Council Member**, Monthly meeting; serve on a committee, Need: 1
- **Nominating Committee**, Help identify members willing to serve in various roles, Need: 3
- **Synod Assembly Representatives**, Represent OSL at the NSW Assembly, **Date: April 25, 2026**, Location: Rice Lake, Need: 4
- **American Lutheran Home Annual Meeting Delegates**, Need: 2
- **Luther Park Annual Meeting Delegates**, Need: 3
- **Lutheran Campus Ministry Board Representative**, Need: 1

All candidates will be up for election at OSL's Annual Meeting on February 15.

If you are interested in serving—or if you would like to recommend someone—please contact Marni Waznik at 715-309-9684 or [mwaznik@gmail.com](mailto:mwaznik@gmail.com).

## Service Opportunities

**TUESDAY'S TABLE -  
FEBRUARY 17, 2026**  
*Still Looking for servers  
and clean-up for  
February 17th*

In 2026, OSL will serve at Tuesday's Table in February, April, June, August, October and December. We

are currently recruiting for cooks, servers and clean up.

**If you are available on Tuesday, February 17th, please consider signing up to help. You can either click on the link below or call the church office.**

- **we need 2 servers**
- **we need 3 clean-up**

**[Sign Up Sheet for Tuesday's Table](#)**

**Blanket Drive**

Winter has arrived in full and that means cold days and even colder nights. To help our neighbors in need stay warm throughout this season, we will be collecting NEW blankets of any size. Blankets will be collected during January and distributed in February. They can be dropped off in the designated tote in the Friendship Room. In addition to collecting new blankets, we will also be collecting funds in our Little Church that will be used to purchase blankets for the drive.

**LITTLE CHURCH**

Offerings collected for Ministry Outside Our Walls during January go to **the blanket drive.**

**Little Free Pantry**

As you're able, please consider donating boxes of cereal (any size) and new or gently used hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves. Donations may be placed on the shelf in the Friendship Room. Thank you for helping us care for our neighbors.

**DONATION DRIVE FOR OUR CHIPPEWA VALLEY NEIGHBORS**

# DONATION DRIVE

## FOR OUR CHIPPEWA VALLEY NEIGHBORS

- canned tuna/chicken
- canned or dry beans (black, pinto, red, garbanzo)
- bags of rice (jasmine + long grain)
- rice noodles
- cans of bamboo
- sandwich bread
- cooking oil
- pasta
- oats
- cereal/granola bars
- snacks/crackers
- mac n' cheese
- condiments (mayo, ketchup, peanut butter)
- canned veggies
- tortillas (corn + flour)
- toastadas
- canned tomatoes, chipotle chillies, tomatillos, tomato paste
- atole



**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT**

CHIPPEWA VALLEY FOLKS AND FAMILIES DO NOT FEEL SAFE LEAVING THEIR HOMES. IF YOU WANT TO HELP TAKE CARE OF YOUR NEIGHBORS, PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING ONLY ITEMS FROM THIS LIST.

- canned menuo
- flour + sugar
- pudding + jello
- mexican chocolate bars
- dried peppers
- bottled water
- paper towels/toilet paper
- wipes + diapers/pull ups
- feminine hygiene products
- dish soap

**MONETARY DONATIONS CAN GO TO:**

**CVRR Mutual Aid Fund**



**Drop Site Location + Hours:**

SHIFT  
615 GRAHAM AVE  
EAU CLAIRE, 54701  
TUESDAY-SUNDAY 7:30AM-3PM



January 2, 2026

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*Thank You*

Dear Our Saviors Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$1,020.00 to ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) through ELCA Good Gifts.

*"From [Christ's] fullness we have all received, grace upon grace."  
-John 1:16*

As a church, we are empowered to love and serve our neighbors as Christ first loved us. Your gifts to the ministries of the ELCA help people around the world feel the power and hope that flow from God's full, boundless love. Drawn together and guided by the Holy Spirit, we accomplish together what none of us could do alone, grace upon grace.

Your Good Gift is a very good gift indeed! Through resources such as seedlings and seminary courses, vaccinations and vegetable gardens, Bibles and blankets, you equip God's people — around the world and around the corner — with what they need to live abundant lives.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. You make God's love real.

With gratitude,

*Rachel Wind*

Rachel Wind  
Executive for Development

*P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for your official receipt.*

### Lutheran Campus Ministry Monday Night Meals

Come be a part of something great! You are invited to share your love of cooking with our young adults on Monday nights! We are looking to fill seven more Monday night dinners for the spring semester. Could you prepare a meal on February 9, 23, March 2, 9, April 6, 13, or 27? Please email Sara McCullough at [lcmstoutdirector@gmail.com](mailto:lcmstoutdirector@gmail.com) if interested!

### Worship Opportunities

- Online viewing: YouTube: go to Our Savior's Lutheran Menomonie
- Listen-to-Church, 9am, 715-430-2720
- [Order of Worship for Sunday, January 25, 2026](#)



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