

# OSL Weekly Messenger

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## Sunday May 3, 2026

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

"How can we know the way?" In the face of so much change and turmoil, and in light of Jesus' departure Thomas gives voice to the question on the heart of every disciple. Jesus' words, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life," are words of comfort and reassurance. The disciples do know the way, they've been walking the way, learning the truth and living the life with Jesus all this time. Keep on doing these things, Jesus says. This is the way forward.

This week at OSL, brings an end to the program year for our youth ministry. Be sure to join us in worship this week as we say thank-you and bless all those who have served in our youth ministry program. Our Sunday School students will share special music with us, sending us out in shalom. In the afternoon, we will celebrate with our 8 confirmands as they affirm their baptismal faith.

## God's Blessings on Our Confirmands

Today we celebrate with our confirmands as they affirm their baptismal faith. May the Spirit stir up in them a passion to use their faith and gifts for the sake of the world. Congratulations to Asher Barnhart, Bennett Beck, Yaretzi Cisneros, Miranda Creaser, Grace Nodolf, Vienna Paulson, Mason Quilling, and Rachel Sorensen.

## Our Savior's Lutheran Church

910 9th St E, Menomonie WI  
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### Sunday, May 3

- **Worship, 9am**
- **Coffee fellowship, 10:15am**
- **Sunday School (last day), 10:15am**
- **Confirmation, 2:00pm**

### Monday, May 4

- **Women in Action, 8:00 am**
- **Tom Olson Funeral, 11:00am**

### Tuesday, May 5

- **ADRC Meal Prep, 1:00pm**

### Wednesday, May 6

- **Choir rehearsal, 6:30pm**

### Thursday, May 7

- **AM'ers, 9:00am**

### Friday, May 8

### Saturday, May 9



**WELCOME  
NEW  
MEMBERS  
TO THE  
OSL  
FAMILY!**



- Troy and Julie Peterson
- Chris and Heidi Gutting
- Charlie Leonard
- RuthAnn Ledgerwood

Last Sunday, we joyfully welcomed our new members into the life and ministry of OSL. Please take a moment to greet them and help them feel at home in our church family.

## FAREWELL TRIBUTE FOR MICHAELA

We're creating a Tribute for Michaela and would love for you to be part of it! Please take a few minutes to record a video, upload a photo, share a favorite memory or a blessing for her future endeavors.

**["What do you appreciate most about Michaela?"](#)**

**[Click here for the link to the website](#)**

**We Are the Body of Christ - And We Need All Our Parts!** Every worship service is a beautiful team effort. If you feel called to serve as a reader, usher, communion assistant, or PowerPoint operator, we would be grateful to have you join us. ***Sign up under the sky light or contact the church office.***

***WE ARE SPECIFICALLY LOOKING FOR USHERS AND COMMUNION ASSISTANTS IN THE MONTH OF MAY!***

**[Communion Assistant Volunteer](#)**

**[Usher Volunteer](#)**

**[Reader Volunteer](#)**

**[PowerPoint Volunteer](#)**

## Help Us Support Our Virtual Worship Community This Summer

Do you enjoy technology, learning new skills, or simply being part of the behind-the-scenes team that helps worship happen each week? We are looking for **camera operators** to support our virtual Sunday viewers throughout June, July, and August.

Our current UW–Stout student operators will be away for the summer, so this is a wonderful opportunity for anyone interested to step in and serve. No experience is needed. We offer shadowing opportunities and full training, and you'll always have support as you learn.

If you're interested in giving it a try, please [click here to sign up](#), or contact the church office at office@oslme.com.

Your willingness helps us stay connected with those who worship from home, on the road, or from afar.

We'd love to have you on the team.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATES

**FINAL SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY** - Join us on May 3 as we celebrate our final Sunday School day of the year. Students will share special music, and we'll recognize all of our wonderful volunteers during the 9am worship service.

After worship, head down to the rec room for ice cream, treats, and a few games. Then we'll caravan together to the Dunn County Humane Society to present our offering check and the kitty blankets made with love by our kids.

## Hanging Flower Basket Fundraiser - \$40



12" Basket Gift  
Certificates from Farmstead Greenhouse in Knapp. All baskets include a slow-release fertilizer and

come in a large 12" pot to ensure they last all summer long. Available starting this Sunday. Proceeds support youth attending the National Youth Gathering.

Kwik Trip Gift Cards  
OSL Youth Ministry is selling gift and car wash cards this month!



**Parents of Graduates** - Our Graduation Blessing Service is scheduled for May 17th. If you have a graduate that would like to participate in this service, please submit the following by May 3rd :

- A baby picture
- A graduation photo
- What does your graduate plan after graduation?

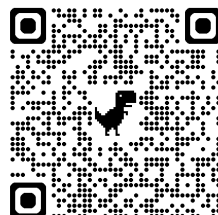


**UPCOMING  
SUMMER CANOE  
TRIP DOWN THE  
NAMEKAGON**

See Denise in the Friendship room this Sunday to register!  
\$100 reserves your spot!

**VACATION BIBLE**

**SCHOOL** is coming in June and we need your help. VBS is now Tuesday-Friday, June 9-12 at Christ Lutheran Church. We need adults and youth to assist by being



group guides or help in crafts/games/kitchen/openings and closings. [Sign up to volunteer here](#). It is a lot of fun and a great way to kick off the summer. Youth 6th grade and up are "adult" volunteers. Campers are PreK-5th grade. See the QR code or [click here to register](#).



## OUR SAVIOR'S THRIFT SALE MAY 14&15

Donation drop off will be May 10-13. No TVs, mattresses, or large furniture without prior approval.

[Sign up HERE](#) to help prep on Monday - Wednesday, work Thursday and/or Friday (8am-6pm Thursday; 8am-2pm Friday), or box up and clean up Friday (12-2pm)

Have a truck and are willing to drive leftover items to local charities? Sign up for that, too!

## Thrift Sale Donations

### Drop off times:

**Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> – Wed. May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 9am – 11am**

**Monday 9am-6pm**

**Tuesday 9am – 6pm**

**Wednesday 9am – 3pm**

**No Mattresses**

**No Large furniture** (without prior approval)

**No Older Model TV's**

All electronics/small appliances must be in working order.

Email [Denise@oslme.com](mailto:Denise@oslme.com) with questions or requests.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

# THRIFT SALE



**MAY 14-15**


THURS 8AM-6PM  
FRI 8AM - NOON

910 9<sup>th</sup> Street East  
Menomonie

## Service Opportunities

**LITTLE CHURCH**

During the month of May, offerings collected for Ministry Outside Our Walls go to The **Chippewa Valley Habitat for Humanity.**



**ADRC Meal Preparation**  
Tuesday, May 5 from 1-3 pm.

Support a Great Cause — Volunteer with ADRC Meal Prep! OSL is looking for helping hands to prepare nutritious meals for older adults in our community. This is a simple, meaningful way to brighten

someone's day and ensure our neighbors receive the care they deserve. Whether you love to chop, stir, organize, or simply show up with a willing heart, your time makes a real difference. Come join the team and share a little love through good food and good company!

Please sign up by clicking on the [ADRC Meal Prep](#) link if you are able to help!

Contact Denise Vick for additional information.

#### Little Free Pantry

This summer marks the 5<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of our Little Free Pantry and we'll be celebrating throughout the summer! Be on the lookout for ways to participate in and support this important ministry!

#### **KICKING OFF OUR RAMEN DRIVE IN MAY!**

A little packet. A big difference. Bring five for five years.  
Celebrating five faithful years.

**A little pantry.  
A big God.  
Five faithful years.**

**[Sign up with this Link to replenish the Little Free Pantry.](#)**



April 22, 2026

Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
910 9th St E  
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Dear Our Savior's Lutheran Church,

On behalf of the entire University of Wisconsin-Stout community, I am writing to express our appreciation for your gift of \$1,130.00 to the Fostering Success Program. Your commitment to supporting education and fostering academic excellence is truly commendable, and we are honored to count you among our valued supporters.

Your contribution plays a pivotal role in advancing our mission to provide a transformative educational experience for our students. With your support, we can remove financial barriers to education, provide robust support to our students, invest in cutting-edge research and hands-on learning through dynamic living and learning spaces, and create a vibrant polytechnic campus environment. Your philanthropy has direct impact on the success of our students and campus community, empowering them to excel in their academic pursuits and prepare them for meaningful and impactful careers.

At the University of Wisconsin-Stout, we take great pride in the achievements of our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and supporters. Your philanthropy not only strengthens our present endeavors but also lays the foundation for future successes. Your investment in our polytechnic education is an investment in the future leaders, innovators, and contributors to society.

Once again, thank you for your support of the University of Wisconsin-Stout. Your belief in the power of education is instrumental in shaping the future, and we are truly grateful for your partnership in our shared commitment to excellence.

All my best,

Nicholas Katona  
Vice Chancellor & Executive Director  
UW-Stout Foundation & Alumni Association

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Food Pantry • Emergency Shelters • Community Connections Program

April 17, 2026

Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
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Dear Our Savior's Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$10,000.00 towards the renovation of our Broadway shelter. Your support means the world to us and plays a crucial role in our mission to provide food and shelter to those in our community who need it most. With your contribution, our programs will be able to continue their vital work, making a real and lasting difference in the lives of our neighbors.

- **Food Pantry Program** - Main pantry distributions, rural pop-up pantries, SAM weekend kids' meals, Farmers Feed Dunn County, and Whole Community Foods programs
- **Emergency Shelter** - Cairn House Shelter, five shelter apartments, life skills classes, case management, housing and benefits application assistance, and referrals to other services
- **Community Connections Program** - Food deliveries and wellness checks, homelessness prevention program, direct assistance, and referrals and collaboration with partner agencies

To put it simply, your kindness and generosity are truly making an impact.

Once again, thank you for your support, and for being a valuable partner to our organization, and the communities we serve. We look forward to continuing to work together and furthering our mutual commitment to making a positive difference in Dunn County.

Sincerely,



Dustyn Dubuque  
Development & Communications Manager

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## TUESDAY'S TABLE

Our next Tuesday's Table is scheduled for June 16th. Please [sign up](#) to help cook, serve and/or clean up.

### Opportunities

- Online viewing: YouTube: go to Our Savior's Lutheran Menomonie
- Listen-to-Church, 9am, 715-430-2720
- [Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 3, 2026](#)



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