

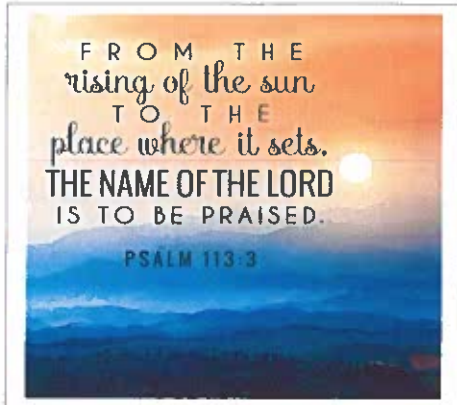
## August 2025 Newsletter

# Our Savior Lutheran Church

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### Our Mission...

...is to equip and encourage followers of Christ to share the love of Jesus with people in our community and in the world so that all may have eternal life.



### August Memory Verse

From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!  
*Psalm 113:3*

### Church Staff:

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### Upcoming Events:

Summer Worship Schedule  
Saturdays at 7:00 pm & Sundays at 9:00 am

VBS - "Wonder Junction"  
August 4-7, 9 am - Noon

VBS Closing & Lunch  
August 7<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am

September 7<sup>th</sup> - 8:45 am  
Sunday School Rally Day

## God Calls Us to be His Workers

In spite of our foolish and sinful ways, God calls us to be His workers. Scripture tells us that Jesus did not pick people from society's elite when He chose his workers. Jesus' disciples were peasants, fishermen, and even a tax collector. Paul wrote, "*Brothers, think of what you when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things . . .*" (1 Corinthians 1:26-28). The majority of God's work was done and continues to be done by the lowly and oppressed people.

Certainly, God can use celebrities and very successful people in His work. However, we need to remember that, even though we may not have accomplished anything of worldly significance, broken any records, or won any awards, God can use and transform us into effective workers in His kingdom. "*I can do everything through Him Who gives me strength*" (Philippians 4:13). Society gives many accolades to those who succeed, but there is no greater honor or privilege than to be chosen as God's vehicle to spread the Gospel. As John states in his Gospel, it is Jesus Who does the choosing. "*You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit*" (John 15:16).

So why does God elevate the foolish and the lowly to be His workers? A reason may be found in 1 Corinthians 1:29: "*so that no one may boast before Him.*" It is only by God's grace that we are saved, called, and equipped to be in His service. If we come into God's work with impressive credentials, we risk taking the glory and credit for ourselves. God desires the weak and the lowly. As Paul said, "*Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong*" (2 Corinthians 12:9-10). God uses ordinary people to do extra-ordinary things. Are you ready for duty?

# ***Martha Society News***

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August 2025

To me, August means summer is winding down and it's time to get ready for Fall and school. We've all been busy with yard work, traveling, enjoying the summer, and visiting family and friends. We've also been counting our blessings-it's been a particularly active weather season for many around the country. And we've seen the struggles and tragedies others are dealing with. Pastor's message in July about Jesus's parable of the Good Samaritan really 'hit the mark' for me-there are so many in need of help-and there are so many ways we can help: with our time, our talents and our treasures. Hoping you can find the ways that are meaningful to you.

Our next Martha meeting is August 13th. Devotions will be by Pastor Kufahl, beginning at 11:30, followed by lunch which will be provided by our hostesses, Karla Lokker and Tammy Joslin. Christian Life will be given by Diana Sell.

All women of Our Savior Lutheran Church or any Lutheran church are welcome to attend the Martha meeting and become members. Or just come as a guest and learn more about us.

We will be talking about our fall fundraisers (and how they can help our community) and hear reports from the ladies who attended the national convention in Omaha, Nebraska in late June. Remember to bring your ideas for activities in the future or share them with a Martha member to present at the meeting.

Thank you.

Dawn Lauber

President

Remembering the parable of the Good Samaritan: Luke 10:25-37

# August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> 9am Sunday Worship/Communion	<b>28</b> 9:30am VBS Volunteer Meeting	<b>29</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> Office Closed	<b>2</b> 7am Men's Bible Study 7pm Saturday Evening/Communion
<b>3</b> 9am Sunday Worship	<b>4</b> 9am VBS	<b>5</b> 9am VBS	<b>6</b> 9am VBS	<b>7</b> 9am VBS 11:30am VBS Closing & Lunch	<b>8</b> Office Closed	<b>9</b> 7am Men's Bible Study 7pm Saturday Evening
<b>10</b> 9am Sunday Worship/Communion	<b>11</b> 5:30pm HCPA Meeting	<b>12</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting	<b>13</b> 10:30am Martha Board 11:30am Martha 7pm Elders Meeting	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Office Closed	<b>16</b> 7am Men's Bible Study 7pm Saturday Evening/Communion
<b>17</b> 9am Sunday Worship	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting	<b>20</b> 7pm Council Meeting 7:15pm HS Youth Group	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Office Closed	<b>23</b> 7am Men's Bible Study 7pm Saturday Evening
<b>24</b> 9am Sunday Worship/Communion	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Office Closed	<b>30</b> 7am Men's Bible Study 7pm Saturday Evening/Communion
<b>31</b> 9am Sunday Worship/Communion	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 9am Bible Study 9:30am Quilting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Office Closed	<b>6</b> 7am Men's Bible Study

<u>Date/Service</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Media Operators</u>
August 2 7:00 PM Communion	Art Granat	Debbie Holewinski Jim Harper	Debbie Holewinski Kris Secord	Bonnie Jozwowski	
August 3 9:00 AM	Ron Hagen	Karl Guenther Sarah Guenther	Dawn Shantz	Sarah Guenther	Camera:
August 9 7:00 PM	Keith Kentala	Dave Warfel	Kris Secord	Pat Crum	Camera:
August 10 9:00 AM Communion	Bob Olson	Brian Kube Tom Carlstedt	Dawn Shantz	Priscilla Ellenberger	Vicki Holewinski
August 16 7:00 PM Communion	Pat Crum	Chuck Healy Karla Healy	Lynn Parker	Kris Secord	
August 17 9:00 AM	Rick Campbell	Gerald Yetter Alan Geoffroy	Priscilla Ellenberger	Sue Kurth	Camera:
August 23 7:00 PM	Jim Bonson	Bob Arndt Rhonda Arndt	Bob Arndt Rhonda Arndt	Mary Malinsky	Camera:
August 24 9:00 AM Communion	Tim Forss	Karl Guenther Sarah Guenther	Hilda Rozga	Rick Behrens	Vicki Holewinski
<b>IF YOU CANNOT BE THERE WHEN SCHEDULED, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO GET A REPLACEMENT!!</b>					

August 30	7:00 PM	Art Granat	Bob Arndt Rhonda Arndt	Phil Hartman	Pat Crum	Camera:
August 31	9:00 AM	Ron Hagen	Jennifer Kasmarek Paul Kurth	Dawn Shantz	Kristin Bentley	