

“APRIL BIRTHDAYS”

Madeline Elvrum	1	Sophie Kosmatka	18
Jeff Lovseth	2	Samantha Newland	19
KelSie Mertens	2	Brody Bracken	19
Kristen Almen	2	Megan Parrish	19
David Strand	2	Laurie Horton	20
Leigh Bieber	3	Andy Thompson	20
Stan Sigette	4	Rachel Hach	21
Preston Peterson	4	Jane Jabs	22
Ryan Hanson	4	Sybil Dannenberg	22
Brenda (Haux) Zinke	4	Rochelle McEvers	23
Grant Lonski	4	Alexis Fee	23
Teresa Desai	5	Randy Bracken	23
Emma Jo Franklin	5	Tim Boyeff	23
Amy Azure	6	Kim Nicholls	24
Paula Ramsey	7	Joshua White	24
Jeff Panzer	7	Donna Gutschmidt	25
Kim Shereck	8	Ryan Carlson	25
Jaksen Panzer	8	Connie Lien	25
Melissa Lourens	10	Mark Moen	25
Marnie Rosenheim	10	Meredith Ramsey	25
Barry Olson	10	Jeff Hintz	25
Chris Knutson	10	Mariah Fixen	26
Aubree Lonski	12	Wendy Palmer	26
Terry Thompson	12	Penny Rohrer	27
Brandon Wright	13	Kyann Schneider	27
Art Rice	13	Mark Gutschmidt	28
Melissa Hovern	14	Jaret Thompson	28
Rick Zinke	14	Gary Loken	28
Brianne Langton	16	Robyn Hach	28
Mindy Vose	17	Nik Desai	30

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 4pm Girl Scouts	2
3 Worship @ 8:30am & 11am 9:30am Fellowship 9:45am Sunday School	4	5 6:30 pm BASIC Experience	6 3:30pm Weds, School 5pm Supper 6:00pm Worship 7pm 10th Graders & Mentors 7pm 7 Wonders Study 'Sustains' 7pm Pink Flamingoes 8pm Element	7	8	9
10 Worship @ 8:30am & 11am 9:30am Fellowship 9:45am Sunday School 12pm Mission Trip Pres. 2pm Nothing But Net	11	12 7pm Church Council 6:30 pm BASIC Experience	13 3:30pm Weds, School 5pm Supper 6pm Worship 7pm 10th Graders & Mentors 7pm 5th Grade Confirmation 7pm 7 Wonders Study 'Shapes' 8pm Element	14 2pm Esther Circle	15	16
17 Palm Sunday Worship @ 8:30am & 11am 9:30am Fellowship 9:45am Sunday School	18	19 6:30 pm BASIC Experience	20 No Wednesday Activities or Worship	21 Maundy Thursday 7pm Worship & 1st Comm. 7pm 10th Graders & Mentors 7pm 7 Wonders Study 'Sends	22 Good Friday 7pm Worship	23
24 Easter Sunday 7am Sunrise Service Worship @ 8:30am & 11am w/communion 8am-10:30am Breakfast No Sunday School	25	26	27 3:30pm Weds, School 5pm Supper 6pm Worship 6:45pm Confirmation Practice 7pm Confirmation Banquet	28	29 Wednesdays 9am Quilting 5pm Choir	30
< 10th Grade Confirmation Students Interviews w/Pastor Jamie >						

SALT SHAKER

April 2011

- April 6** ~ 7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “*Sustains*”
7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors
7:00p.m. Pink Flamingoes
- April 10** ~12:00p.m Mission Trip Presentation
2:00p.m. Nothing But Net
- April 12** ~ 7:00p.m. Church Council
- April 13** ~ 7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “Shapes”
7:00p.m. 5th Grade Confirmation
7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors
8:00p.m. Element
- April 14** ~ 2:00p.m. Esther Circle
- April 17** ~ *Palm Sunday*
- April 20** ~ **No Wednesday School or Activities**
- April 21** ~ *Maundy Thursday*
7:00p.m. Worship & 1st Communion
7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors
7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “*Sends*”
- April 22** ~ 7:00p.m. *Good Friday* Worship
- April 24** ~ *Easter Sunday*
7:00a.m. Sunrise Service w/communion
8:30a.m. & 11:00a.m. Worship w/communion
8:00a.m.-10:30a.m. Easter Breakfast
No Sunday School

Sunday Morning Worship

8:30a.m. & 11:00a.m. Worship
9:30a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
9:45a.m. Sunday School

*Holy Communion is celebrated on
the **first** and **third** Sunday of the month.
No Holy Communion during Lent.*

Wednesday Schedule

4:00p.m. Wednesday School
5:00p.m. Supper
6:00p.m. Worship
Confirmation as scheduled

ALL ARE WELCOME---FRIEND AND STRANGER!!!

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The salt shaker

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

612 14th Avenue NE, Devils Lake, North Dakota ~ April, 2011

We are a caring family of God's children growing in faith, spreading His word, and doing His work in the community and beyond.

I feel like Noah these days waiting for the water to rise. Every year at this time we hold our breath to see the damage the lake will unfold upon us. And as it seems like an old subject, it is very much a current issue for those whose homes, land and livelihoods are affected.

As people of God, how do we continue to stay positive, work for good solutions and provide hope and inspiration for those who feel like they are up a creek without a paddle?

After the Great Flood, the waters began to recede and Noah found dry land. And it was then that God said to Noah, *"This is the promise I make between Me and you and every living thing...that the waters shall never flood again and destroy all humankind."* (Genesis 9:12-15) Whenever there is suffering or struggle in the Bible, God does three things. First, God recognizes and acknowledges that struggle. Secondly, God takes action and does something about our problems. Third, God makes a promise that life will get better and that He will be there with us to help us through to the other side of the rainbow.

Water is just one of our struggles here in Devils Lake. We all have our personal battles to fight. Some bigger than others, some lasting only for a short time, while others linger on for years. But God's acknowledgment, action and promises are consistent with His character.

Though the water may rise and the wind blow, there is a promise that there will come a calm to the storm. Whatever storm you may be weathering today, I hope you will be able to feel God's presence by your side, not taking away your struggle, but with you, side by side, battling with you until the calm arrives.

Spring is almost here and who knows what it might bring. But through it all, whether it be water, illness or even death, God's promises will never change. As the Apostle Paul wrote in his letter to the Hebrews, *"Jesus the Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."*

God bless you this April and Happy 104th birthday Art!

Pastor Jamie

WE SALUTE YOU.....

Mission trip participants

SPECIAL MUSIC:

	<u>8:30a.m.</u>	<u>11:00a.m.</u>
04/03		Donovan Foughty

If there is anyone who would like to provide special music for a worship service, you are encouraged to call Lisa Crandall @ 665-2240 or call the church office @ 662-5112. Thank You.

FINANCIAL GIVING

	<u>Attendance</u>		
<u>Date</u>	<u>8:30a.m.</u>	<u>11:00a.m.</u>	<u>Offering</u>
03/06	57	81	\$ 1,912.00
03/13	29	55	\$ 2,102.00
03/20	55	84	\$ 2,387.87
03/27	56	97	\$ 2,462.38
Total			\$ 8,864.25

Mission	\$ 1,125.00
Lent	\$ 795.00
Pews	\$ 450.00
Family Fun Night	\$ 2,972.00

Memorials may be designated to the following funds: Memorials may be designated to the following funds: pews, youth, benevolence, or the general fund.

Attendance at Wednesday Services

03/02	47
03/09	190
03/16	51
03/23	78

Kiddie Kampus is now accepting pre-registrations for next fall. If you would like to apply for one of the scholarships offered to church members, see Paula in the office or Tracy at Kiddie Kampus. The deadline for this is May 1, 2011.

The last days of Kiddie Kampus will be Thursday, May 19th and Friday, May 20th. The programs will be held at 11:00a.m.

ACOLYTES

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
04/03	Ushers	Ty Ploium
04/10	Ushers	Cassie Pike
04/17	Ushers	Jordan Hanson
04/24	Mariah Fixen	Cassidy Shereck

Ushers for April

<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Mike Frykman	Zella Hoffart

Planning ahead.....

Lenten Worship Schedule:

Wednesday, April 6th ~ 6:00p.m.
Wednesday, April 13th ~ 6:00p.m.
Sunday, April 17th ~ **Palm Sunday**
Wednesday, April 20th ~ **No Services**
Thursday, April 21st ~ **Maundy**
Thursday ~7:00p.m. Worship & 1st Communion
Friday, April 22nd ~ **Good Friday**
 7:00pm Worship
Sunday, April 24th ~ **Easter Sunday**
 Worship at 7:00a.m.(Sunrise Service)
 ~ 8:30a.m. & 11:00a.m.w/communion
 8:00a.m.-10:30a.m. - Easter Breakfast
No Sunday School

Circle

Esther Circle will meet on Thursday, April 14th at 2:00p.m.

Our Savior's Financial Picture

2011 Budget	\$ 181,000.00
Needed Monthly	\$ 15,083.00
Given Month of February	\$ 10,690.00
Needed by February 28 th	\$ 30,166.00
Given by February 28 th	\$ 23,271.10
Under Budget	\$ 6,894.90

Our Lutheran World Relief committee will be preparing Baby Care Kits to be sent in May. We need help with the items requested. Gently used, clean (no stains) baby clothes (up to 24 months) can be used.

Each baby kit should include:

Two lightweight cotton T-shirts

Two long or short sleeved gowns or sleepers

Two receiving blankets

Four diapers

One jacket or sweater

Two pairs of socks (this a new request)

One hand towel

Two bath size bars of soap

Two diaper pins

Please help us out and bring your donations to the church as soon as possible. God bless !

Call Helen Foughty (662-4606) for more information.

The Church Council would like to thank everybody who contributed for Our 2nd Annual Family Fun Night. For the second straight year we had about 50 people show up to eat taco in a bag which again was a real treat, listen to music, and it looked like the kids and adults really enjoyed playing a few games of bingo! Pastor Jamie drew for the raffle prizes and congratulations to Lorraine Christensen for winning the \$200, Lisa Ginther for winning the \$100 Leever's card and Amelia Brusven the \$50 gift card to The Ranch. The raffle drawing netted \$2,972 after expenses which will be put towards the Pew Fund. We have great members at OSLC and thank you again for your generosity and support.

Our Savior's "Casual Choir"

If you are interested in singing with the church choir during the Easter Season, they practice every Wednesday at 5:15p.m. **All are welcome.**

Our Saviors Council Minutes
February 8, 2011

Those in Attendance: Joe Hickel, Jason Fee, Luke Wavra, Sandi Christofferson, Carson Byram, Darlene Brown, Pastor Jamie, Wayne Brandt, Lisa Sigette, Mike Orness, Char Burthold, and Barb Wahl.

Those Absent: Allan Knutt, John Martin and Rick Senger.

President Darlene Brown called the meeting to order.

Pastor Jamie led an opening prayer.

Sandi Christofferson informed us as to what she will be doing as the volunteer coordinator. If anyone needs assistance recruiting help, we are just let her know, and she will help with the calling.

Darlene thanked those members going off the council for all their work during the terms they served, as well as extended a thank you to the individuals who have stepped and agreed to hold a position on the church council.

Secretary's Report: Joe Hickel made a motion to approve the January minutes as presented, Char Burthold seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: John Martin.

Darlene reported that John was out of town and was not able to attend the meeting. He will get the reports sent out for the council members to review when he gets back to town. The January 2011 bills were available for council members to review.

Joe Hickel made a motion to pay the bills, Char Burthold seconded, motion carried.

John Martin noted that the church received a bill for approximately \$8000 from the board of pensions regarding Pastor Jamie's disability. Payments to the board of pensions had been sent in regularly on a monthly basis, however those payments had been returned. John Martin reassured Darlene Brown that he would provide a payment plan and explanation for the council.

Adult Education: Allan Knutt

*During Lent there will be a bible study following the Wednesday Lenten Service. A facilitator will be present, along with confirmation students and their mentors. Everyone is encouraged to attend. The books that will be used for this class are \$10 each and can be purchased in the church office.

Care and Concern: Lisa Sigette.

Lisa Welcomed Carson Byram to the council, and informed everyone that if anyone has prayer requests Carson Byrum should now receive them. Carson will also be added to the prayer chain.

Faith and Fellowship: Char Burthold.

*Char welcomed Wayne Brandt to the council. Char will assist Wayne as he becomes familiar with his duties as the March Faith and Fellowship duties are completed.

Long Range Planning: Luke Wavra.

- Family Fun Night will be held March 20th. Supper at 6:00pm with Bingo at 7:00pm.
- Taco in a bag will be served
- Our Savior Church member families will receive a packet of 5 tickets worth \$25 to sell.
- Prizes are \$200 Visa Card, \$50 Ranch Gift Certificate, \$100 Leavers Gift Card
- If anyone needs more tickets they should contact Paula in the church office.
- Plans for the event will be similar to last year.
- All proceeds will go to the Pew Fund.

Property: Jason Fee.

* The carpet has been installed in the parsonage living room and stairs.

* The thermostat at the church for the offices needs some attention. On real cold days the furnace doesn't kick in.

* There are seven separate furnaces to heat all the areas within the church. Jason is going to check on a service plan that is available for \$13.95 a month for one furnace and one water heater. It includes free service calls, and cleaning once a year. There is \$6.95 additional fee per furnace.

Stewardship: Darlene Brown.

- * A Simply Giving presentation will occur in the near future.

Worship: Joe Hickel.

- * Sandi Christofferson and Ed Jager line up ushers for the month of February.
- * Joe would like to see the Time and Talent surveys included in the Salt Shaker again, in hopes of recruiting more people to help out with the various duties that occur within the church.
- * Joe thanked the council for the opportunity to serve the congregation for the past 4 years.

Education/Youth: Barb Wahl.

- * "We missed you cards." Upon discussion, it was decided that these cards would be sent out when students miss two consecutive weeks of church school.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Jamie

- * Pastor Jamie has had a good time getting to know the confirmation kids this year.
- * Kathy Martin helped Mike out with his group of 18 boys 5 girls.
- * Mission Trip – there are a couple students still getting money in. They will be leaving midnight Ash Wednesday/Thursday, flying out of Minot.
- * Pastor Jamie is encouraging people to read bible
- * March 13th Sara Raymond will be filling in while Pastor Jamie and missionaries will be on the Mexico Mission Trip. He suggested to payment should go towards her seminary bill.
- * Sandi Christofferson will be helping on Wednesday night.
- * Devils Lake Basin Church Pastors met recently. If the lake goes up three more feet, there are some churches in our area that will be out of commission due to roads inundated, or the church buildings would be directly affected. The pastors are getting together to decide what can be done to help these people.
- * Mexico Mission Trip Pastor Jamie will be presenting to the students at CMS during Cultural Awareness Day, February 18th.
- * Installation of officers will be at the 8:30 and 11:00 services on Sunday, February 27, 2011.
- * Council Retreat/Orientation is scheduled at 12:00 following the 11:00 service.

Director of Youth and Family Ministry: Mike Orness

- * We continue to use the Sparks Curriculum for Sunday and Wednesday school.
- * Fish Café and Pink Flamingo Youth Groups will have a planning night on Feb. 23rd to organize activities for the middle school and high school students in the months ahead.
 - * Summer camp
 - * Volunteering at the Northland Mission in Grand Forks
 - * Set a Lock-in date for youth
- * Ski Trip- February 21st. Approximately 25-30 individuals have signed up for this trip.
- * New Orleans Youth Trip -Ahna Fixen, Chairperson, has been meeting with participants between Sunday services.
- * Feb. 17th Rock and Roll Worship Concert in Grand Forks-
- * Daily scripture-ongoing on facebook
- * KLOVE challenge—listen for 30 days, see if it makes a difference in your life.
- * "Nothing But Net"- working with St. Olaf ELCA malaria campaign 3 on 3 basketball tourney We need 3-4 families to work concessions for this event at the sports center on April 10th.
- * Visitor information cards are now available at entrance of sanctuary and at the ends of each pew.
- * Feb. 27th Community Fair – Lake Region State College. Mission Trip participants will have an informational booth along with an informational brochure to hand out at this event.
- * We have been having students from other congregations attending Wednesday school!

OLD BUSINESS

- The council is attempting to organize a Pastor Support Committee, which would be made up of

outgoing council members. This committee would meet quarterly or as needed with Pastor Jamie, and would act as a liaison between Pastor Jamie and the current council members.

-The Altar Guild is still looking for people who would be willing to sign up to change the paraments on a month-by-month basis. Anyone interested may contact Rita Olson.

-Volunteers to help Jackie pack –Mission Trip Participants will help Jackie Bernacchi pack and load boxes to move to South Dakota.

NEW BUSINESS

* Joyce Peterson brought to the attention of the council that the date discussed as the 50th anniversary of Our Saviors Lutheran Church at the annual meeting was incorrect. The church was established in 1967. We have some time before planning for this event needs to begin.

*Sandi Christofferson gave an update as to ways she will be able to be of assistance.

*We Salute You - goes to the outgoing and incoming council members.

*Election of officers tabled until February 27th with orientation.

*Ash Wednesday is March 9, 2011.

*March 9th Church council members will serve the first Wednesday Soup and Bread Supper of Lent.

Next Council Meeting will be March 8, 2011 at 7:00pm

Meeting Adjourned

Lords Prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

Barb Wahl

Mexico Mission Trip Presentation

You are all invited to our Mexico Mission Trip Presentation on Sunday, April 10th at 12:00p.m. We will begin with lunch followed by a power point presentation along with stories from all those who were on the mission trip. Please come and join us for this *'special event'*!

