

# **SALT SHAKER**

## **February 2011**

**February 2** ~ 7:00pm 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
**February 8** ~ 7:00pm Church Council  
**February 9** ~ 7:00p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
**February 10** ~ 2:00p.m. Esther Circle  
**February 16** ~ 7:00p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
**February 21** ~ *President's Day ~ Office Closed*  
**Youth Ski Trip**

## **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.*

## **Wednesday Schedule**

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

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

The Salt Shaker  
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# The salt shaker

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

*612 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Devils Lake, North Dakota ~ February, 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.*

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## **40 Day Lenten Journey "Seven Wonders of the Word"**

Join us this Lenten season for a journey in the "Seven Wonders of the Word." This play on the Seven Wonders of the World helps us to imagine that we are like the ancient travelers who were awestruck at the sight of them. In the same way as the ancient travelers were awestruck, each week we will be struck by a different theme verb which will move us into a deeper relationship with God and God's Word.

Each *Wednesday at 6:00 pm* I will challenge you in worship to experience the power of God's Word in all the aspects of your life and the world. I will also encourage you to deepen your prayer life as you relate the power of God's Word to your own life experience.

There will be three stages in which you may join this journey into

*~~ The Seven Wonders of God's Word ~~*

- 1) Attend worship-where I will introduce you to each of the seven wonders of God's Word
- 2) Take home Guide-where you can take home a daily guide to explore God's word on your own daily.
- 3) Cohort study-after each worship we will have "guides" to lead you on a deeper exploration into each of the Seven Wonders of the Word.

***The Seven Wonders of the Word*** are:

March 9<sup>th</sup> *Creates* (Ash Wednesday)

March 16<sup>th</sup> *Calls*

March 23<sup>rd</sup> *Commands*

March 30<sup>th</sup> *Saves*

April 6<sup>th</sup> *Sustains*

April 13<sup>th</sup> *Shapes*

April 15<sup>th</sup> *Sends* (Good Friday)

\*If you are planning to join the Cohort, please fill out the slip in the bulletin or call the office to sign up and get your book.

The 40 days of reflection upon *The Seven Wonders of the Word* invites all of us to become more fluent in the first language of the faith, the language of scripture, in order that we might live into our calling as people renewed, enlivened, empowered and sent by God's Word.

Come join us for this 40 Day Lenten journey as we discover together *The Seven Wonders of the Word*.

God bless,  
Pastor Jamie

## ***FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS***

Curt Hofstad	1
Darcy Swinland	2
Brian Vose	2
Leroy Olsen	2
Diane Ehrlich	2
Genelle Olson	3
Dawn Johnson	3
Susan Lysne	4
Orpha Foreng	4
Carol Lien	5
Cassidy Saari	5
Curt Bracken	5
Jann Belanus	5
John Kuntz	6
Alexandria Palmer	6
LaWanda Dimmler	6
Curtis Hallaway	6
Tom Swinland	6
Gordy Schmid	7
Paula Hickel	8
Trent Tarvestad	8
Andrea Hawley	8
Chuck Erickson	9
Rick Senger	9
Kevin Reed	10
Rachel Lysne	10
Madden Palmer	10
Tim Brenno	12
Marcia Jager	12
Derek Wayman	12
Donna Estenson	13
Gary Gjevre	13
Dana Tarvestad Berg	13
Kevin Wolf	14
Brady Johnson	14
Ross Nelson	14
Bill Schuler	15
Joyce Mikkelsen	15
Noah Hendrickson	18
Curtis Steinhaus	19
Jim Krantz	20
Emily Dircks	20
Brenner Wayman	20

Deb Peterson	21
Debbie Kurtz	22
Jeanette Rosenheim	22
Bob Belanus	22
Kaelyn Teigen	23
Braydon Hanson	24
Gage Dahlten Olson	24
Becky Stave	25
Charlene Burthold	25
Joe Hickel	26
Donna Wolf	26
Zachary White	26
Jason Carlson	28
Maren Lysne	28
Matthew Besse	28
Ragen Bracken	28



# YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

## *Our Saviors Lutheran Church*

FEBRUARY 2011

**PINK FLAMINGOS** (Grades 5-8) Watch announcements in the worship bulletin  
**FISH CAFÉ** (Grades 9-12) Watch announcements in the worship bulletin

### **2012 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING**

The youth are selling calendars as a fundraiser for their trip, please see one of the youth if you are interested in an awesome calendar! See the enclosed insert if you are interested in the Guardian Angel Project!!

### **ADULT, FAMILY, & YOUTH BIBLE STUDIES COMING UP SOON!**

We will be organizing many bible studies after the holidays, and through the winter. Keep an eye on the bulletins and announcements!

### **ANNUAL FAMILY SKI TRIP!!**

Join us for a day of FUN at Frost Fire Ski Area! February 21st We will leave the Church parking lot at 7:30 AM and return by 6:00 PM. Please sign up with Mike so that we can make reservations!

### **BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES TO CELEBRATE** (within the past 5 years)

Jenae Elaine Martinson - 02/15/09  
Trysten Joseph Parrish - 02/04/07  
Parker Thomas Lonski - 02/18/07

### **THE ROCK & WORSHIP ROADSHOW**

February 17th! Come with us to the Ralph Engelstad Arena to watch FIVE different bands, and worship with them! Starts at 7 PM and is only \$10 at the door. Contact Mike if you are interested in going. This is a great opportunity to worship as a family to some of today's most popular music artists.

### **A BLESSING TO GIVE TO OTHERS**

May the Spirit of God live in you. May the Spirit fill you with God's love and God's wisdom. Amen

### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

Christian adults sometimes worry about the spiritual futures of children. Will they remain in the faith? Are we doing enough to share with them the message of God's love and claim upon all our lives?

Make a habit of reflecting on these "worry busters."

- God cares for your children even more than you do and is already taking care of tomorrow.
- Instead of worrying about the future, focus on your own spiritual life in the here and now. You can't control a child's future choices, but you can strive to be a good example of faith and love in the present. You can't be perfect, but you can be faithful, and God can and will use that in the lives of the children in your life.
- Let your concern for the children lead you into prayer for them.

Contact: Office 662-5112  
Mike Orness 351.3281  
youth@oursaviorsdevilslake.org

#### Sunday Schedule

8:30 AM Worship  
9:30 AM Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship

#### Wednesday Schedule

5:00 Supper  
6:00 Worship  
7:00 6th-9th Confirmation Class

HELP!! If you or someone you know are interested in helping teach Sunday/Wednesday School... please contact Mike Orness. Also looking for someone to lead Music!

JOIN THE CHURCH ON **FACEBOOK** to get the latest details of events, and share information!!!

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#### **This Months Scripture**

"Your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."

*Matthew 6:32-33 (NLT)*



# February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 3:30pm Weds. School 5pm Supper 6pm Worship 7pm 6th & 9th Grade Confirmation	3	4 4pm Girl Scouts	5
6 Worship @ 8:30am & 11am w/communion 9:30am Fellowship 9:45am Sunday School	7	8 7pm Church Council	9 3:30pm Weds. School 5pm Supper 6pm Worship 7pm 6th & 9th Grade Confirmation	10 2pm Esther Circle	11	12
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20 Worship @ 8:30am & 11am w/communion 9:30am Fellowship 9:45am Sunday School	21 <b>President's Day Office Closed  Youth Ski Trip</b>	22	23 3:30pm Weds, School 5pm Supper 6pm Worship	24	25	26
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Our Saviors Lutheran Church Council Minutes  
December 21, 2010

President Darlene Brown called the meeting to order.  
Pastor Jamie led the opening prayer.

**Those in attendance:** Darlene Brown, Pastor Jamie Desai, Char Burthold, John Martin, Jason Fee, Luke Wavra, Joe Hickel, Mike Orness, and Barb Wahl.

**Those absent:** Allan Knutt.

**Visitor Input:** A letter from Wilma and Glenn Girodat was read regarding a refund for a marriage compatibility test for their daughter and her fiancée, which was paid for, however the results were not received. This occurred during Jamie's disability leave. John Martin made a motion to give them the \$35 refund, Char Burthold seconded, motion carried.

**Correspondence from Berta Soper:** Berta Shared an idea the Council could use to contact members who are not currently attending services at Our Saviors Lutheran Church and welcome them back. This will be addressed as the new Council members take over their positions.

**Mission Trip Report:** An update was received from Julie Schuler Trip Coordinator.

- The 25 participants have been meeting regularly to train for their roles and responsibilities on the mission trip.

- They will be traveling to the village of Mexil, which is located between Merida and Cancun.

- The next meeting is scheduled for January 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Secretary's Report:** Char Burthold made a motion to accept the secretary's report, John Martin seconded, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** John Martin presented the monthly revenue and expenses report. Joe Hickel made a motion to pay the monthly bills, it was seconded by Luke Wavra, motion carried.

**Care and Concern:** Lisa Sigette.

Lisa has sent flower arrangements to shut-ins.

**Adult Education:** Allan Knutt. No report.

**Faith and Fellowship:** Char Burthold.

December duties are complete, and the January sign-up is nearly complete.

**Long Range Planning :** Luke Wavra.

A family fun night is being planned for March 20<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will be designated for renovations.

A Pinochle and Prayer tourney is an idea that may possibly be held in the month of February. More details are to follow.

**Property:** Jason Fee.

- Jason has received an estimate of \$1030 to replace the parsonage living room carpet. The estimate to replace the stairway carpet is \$995. There will be a deduction of \$60 for each area if the old carpet is removed prior to installers arriving.

- The parsonage dishwasher has been replaced.

- Parsonage landscaping

- A verbal quote of \$600 was received from Mike Nelson to complete this project.

- Church East entrance cement issue.

- Lance and Chuck from Target Roofing came over to investigate our water and heaving cement issues. Their suggestion was moving the downspouts would be very difficult. It would be better to pour concrete at the bottom of the downspout to move the runoff water elsewhere.

**Stewardship:** Darlene Brown. No report.

**Worship:** Joe Hickel.

- Don Britnell is assisting with ushering in December.
- Jackie Bernacchi is assisting Jamie by visiting with shut-ins, as well as hospital, and nursing home visits. Jackie has been doing this for about two months. We will continue this arrangement for the first quarter of 2011.

**Youth Education:** Barb Wahl. No report.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Jamie.

- 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade have completed an 8 week session of confirmation, 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup> grade begin in January.
- 10<sup>th</sup> graders are meeting with mentors one on one.
- Mexico Mission Trip there are 25 people signed up to travel to the Yucatan January 10<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>.
- New Members. We have 8 families come in as new members this month. There are two other families considering transferring their memberships from another congregation.
- Services are set for 4:00 & 6:00 Christmas Eve, and a 10:00 service on Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Radio announcements will be made by Pastor Jamie, inviting people to Christmas services.
- Pastor Jamie will be on vacation Dec. 26-31<sup>st</sup>.  
Jackie Bernacchi will be on call these days.
- Pastor Support Committee-  
Pastor Jamie is requesting the council actively pursue forming a pastor support committee as outlined in our constitution.

**Director of Youth and Family Ministries:** Mike Orness.

- Christmas programs were held on Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday December 19<sup>th</sup>.  
The second semester of Sunday and Wednesday school will begin in January.
- Youth have begun selling cards and calendars for the National Youth Gathering slated for July 18-22<sup>nd</sup> 2012 in New Orleans.
- Allan Knutt and Mike are working on a 6 week series, "Down and Out: Where Grace Takes You." Dates and times are yet to be determined.
- Activities:
  - o Operation Christmas Child – we sent of just over a dozen packages.
  - o Thanksgiving Baskets- 22 baskets were assembled and delivered in conjunction with St. Olaf students.
  - o Annual Family Ski Trip is planned for February 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - o 31 Days with Jesus Devotional- is a challenge from Mike to our online Facebook followers throughout the month of December.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- The 2011 Nominating Committee members: Donna Gutshmidt, Char Burthold, Paul Thompson, Dave Heisler, Eric Lysne, and Sharon Etemad have completed their search for positions needed to be filled.
  - o Carson Byrum- Care and Concern
  - o Rick Senger- Worship
  - o Wayne Brandt- Faith and Fellowship
  - o Julie Schuler- Red Willow Bible Camp
  - o Rubie Britnell and Dolores Stenseth- Heartland Care
- Social Statement- A Congregational Council Statement needs to be written.
- A fund has been started to recover the church pews. Lisa Sigette is getting bids from several individuals.
- Paula Schmid will be out of the office. Sharon Orness and Molly Johnson will cover her duties while she is gone.

- Direction and Future of Our Saviors Church
  - o We need to make reaching out to others a priority, possibly through our youth activities.
  - o Mailing postcards inviting individuals.
  - o The postcard reminders for the Christmas services were a nice touch.

**New Business:**

- John Martin provided the 2011 Budget for the annual meeting.
- Lisa Sigette made a motion to give Mike Orness, Paula Schmid, and Ed Jager a monetary thank you for all the extra things these individuals did while Pastor Jamie was on disability leave. Upon discussion, it was decided to give them each \$500 in a thank you card. John Martin seconded, the motion carried.
- **Annual Meeting** is scheduled for January 23, 2011 @ 11:00 AM with a potluck to follow.
  - There will be one service at 10:00 AM.
  - Notice of the meeting will be included in the Salt Shaker, weekly bulletins, and post cards.
  - Reports for the Annual Meeting Booklet need to be to Paula by December 31, 2010.
- A letter was received from Lutheran Social Services requesting donations.
- A letter was received from Red Willow Ministries seeking contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Wahl

# Guardian Angel Project



Sponsored by:  
Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
New Orleans Youth Group  
National Youth Gathering

**Details:** You can have an Angel delivered to someone to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, birth of a child, or other special event; to honor someone's memory; to encourage someone, or to let a friend know you are thinking of them.

The cost is \$10.00 for two days

## What to Do

Fill out the form below or Call Ahna Fixen at 662-4216 or Mike Orness at 662-5112 or sign up at the church office to arrange for the youth to deliver an angel greeting to someone's house or place of work. The Angel will stay there for two days and the youth will pick it up to deliver to someone else.

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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates Reserved for placement \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Angel Recipient \_\_\_\_\_  
Address and Directions: \_\_\_\_\_