

SALT SHAKER

March 2011

March 8 ~ 7:00p.m. Church Council

March 9 ~ *Ash Wednesday*

6:00p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship

7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors

7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “Creates”

March 10 ~ 2:00p.m. Esther Circle

March 16 ~ 7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors

7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “Calls”

March 20 ~ 6:00p.m. Family Fun Night

March 23 ~ 7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors

7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “Commands”

8:00p.m. Element Youth Night

March 30 ~ 7:00p.m. 10th Graders & Mentors

7:00p.m. 7 Wonders Study “Saves”

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

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

The Salt Shaker
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
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Devils Lake, ND 58301-2808

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Our Savior's Lutheran Church

612 14th Avenue NE, Devils Lake, North Dakota ~ ~ March, 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.

Time certainly does fly. It is hard to believe it was six years ago that I first stepped foot in the little village of Yaaxal Mexico on the Yucatan Peninsula. I journeyed there with two pastors, a custodian, a bus driver, a teacher, three college students, one high school student and Sarah Raymond. All of us rookies, but one. The goal was to teach us "Gringos" how to welcome, work with, and befriend a small village of indigenous Mayan people. We brought two very different cultures together to see if they could accomplish something. And we did! We built a cement church, which hopefully will withstand many years of strong ocean winds. Yaaxal is a special place for me, even though I have not been back there since, my friends in Mexico tell me the people are doing fine and the church is filled with beautiful music each Sunday. And over the last six years there have been numerous baptisms, weddings, funerals and everything in between, in that little village church in Yaaxal.

On Thursday, March 10th, I will be returning to Mexico again for a fifth time. This time not with a group of ragtag rookies, but with some seasoned veterans, my family and a total of twenty-four missionaries ranging from ages twelve to sixty-five. (Is that right A!). Over the years we have built churches, houses, schools and community centers, but most of all, we have built relationships. Relationships with beautiful people whom we never would have known if it weren't for our common faith in Jesus. For He taught us that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ and that we all have a purpose and a mission to fulfill while we are here on this planet earth. For us Americans we enter a world devoid of luxuries and common necessities. When we first arrive we think we are the wealthy ones. But, it does not take long until we discover that when love is the only wealth you possesses, everything else pales in comparison.

I am requesting once again that you pray for our twenty-four brave souls who are going on this adventure anchored in Christ which they will remember for a life time. Please pray for our safety and for God to once again work His blessing in our lives and the lives of our newest friends in faith, the villagers of Mexli, Yucatan, Mexico.

God bless and have a wonderful March,

Pastor Jamie

WE SALUTE YOU.....

Outgoing and incoming church council members

SPECIAL MUSIC:

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

Date	Attendance	8:30a.m.	11:00a.m.	Offering
2/06	75	62		\$ 3,214.00
2/13	45	87		\$ 1,880.00
2/20	60	95		\$ 2,553.50
2/27	83	89		\$ 1,759.00
<u>Total</u>				\$ 9,406.50

February Simply Giving \$ 1,530.00

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

Mission Trip	\$ 9,030.00
Pews	\$ 200.00
Benevolence	\$ 50.00
Benevolence ELCA	\$ 500.00

Attendance at Wednesday Services

02/02	64
02/09	61
02/16	32
02/23	45

Ushers for March

<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Wayne Brandt	Jim Beatty
Ed Jager	

Circle

Esther Circle will meet on Thursday, March, 10^h at 2:00p.m.

Memorials:

Alvina Steinhaus

By: Dennis & Liz Nelson

Charlene Kamai

By: Paula & Gordy Schmid Family

By: Trent & Karen Tarvestad

ACOLYTES

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
03/06	Ushers	Cassie Pike
03/13	Ushers	Jordan Hanson
03/20	Ushers	Cassidy Shereck
03/27	Ushers	Mariah Fixen

Baptisms:

Carlee JoAnne Swinland-Morin ~~
Daughter of Carrie Swinland & Tyler Morin

Alex Michael Lawson ~~
Son of Rachael & David Lawson

Eric Ryan Lawson ~~
Son of Kristie & Douglas Lawson

Keely Joy Lawson ~~
Son of Rachael & David Lawson

Health Kits

Esther Circle has once again purchased hand towels for the Lutheran World Relief Health kit project. The towels with a list of items needed have been placed in baskets under the coat rack near the sanctuary. Esther Circle would appreciate your help filling them. Thank you for your support.

The Lutheran – We have had many members ask how they can receive the magazine. If you are interested, **please fill out the bulletin insert form.** We can subscribe two ways, as a Bulk Church rate, or Individual Member Subscriptions at a reduced rate.
2011 World Day of Prayer

Women of the Church, you are cordially invited to the annual World Day of Prayer on **Friday, March 4th at 2:00p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Devils Lake, ND.** The women of Chile invite us to join them for World Day of Prayer 2011. In the opening procession, they will carry a 'panera', the name Chileans give to their everyday bread basket. Bread is central to Chilean's daily life; sharing it is a universal sign of hospitality.

Love & Logic

Becoming a love and logic parent - Tuesday evenings March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th and April 5th & 12th from 7:00-9:00p.m. at Sweetwater School Library, 1304 2nd Avenue NE, Devils Lake. Free daycare is available. To register please call Bonnie or Mary at Lake Region Special Education 662-7690. There is no cost to attend.

Our Saviors Lutheran Church Family Fun Night is on **Sunday March 20th.**

There will be a taco in a bag supper starting at **6 pm** and bingo will start around **7 pm**. It was a lot of fun last year and we hope a lot of people can make it again. Raffle tickets again will be sold in conjunction with The Family Fun Night with gift cards being given away as prizes. All proceeds will go towards THE PEW FUND!!! The raffle tickets will be drawn on March 20th after bingo and winners need not be present to win. Thank you for your generosity in advance and again show up and have a taco in a bag or two and then play some bingo. It will be lots of fun!

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.**

Planning ahead.....

Lenten Worship Schedule:

Wednesday, March 9th ~ 6:00p.m.
Wednesday, March 16th ~ 6:00p.m.
Wednesday, March 23rd ~ 6:00p.m.
Wednesday, March 30th ~ 6:00p.m.
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

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.

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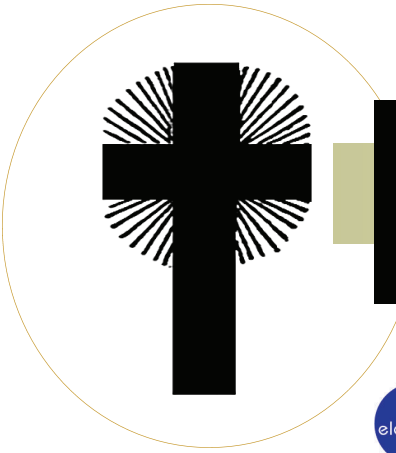
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Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

(combined AAL and Lutheran Brotherhood) has a program in which the organization gives you Choice Dollars based on your investment dollars through Thrivent. These Choice Dollars can be given to any Lutheran organization, including your congregation. Based on Thrivent Choice Dollars available for Ramsey County, there are close to \$19,000 of Choice Dollars awaiting designation. If you feel that those dollars would help your congregation in any way, there are two ways to get your Choice Dollars allocated. One, go online at www.Thrivent.com and set up a User ID and Password. It's not that hard to do. The second is to call 1-800-847-4836 and state "Thrivent Choice". Expect to give some information that confirms your accounts. Thrivent has a deadline of March 31, 2011 to get this done for the 2010 Choice Dollars. If you have any questions you can call Jason Hanson at 395-4317 or email at jhanson@gondtc.com Any Choice Dollars not used by the end of March date go back to Thrivent, so put your money to work for your congregation or Lutheran organization.

March Birthdays

Don Sowatzki	1	Bev Sager	20
Max Langton	2	Nancy Taylor	20
Sophia Nordstrom	3	Jon Besse	20
Bernie Pollestad III	5	Alicia Parrish	20
Emberly Holtz	5	Trent Stromme	20
Sawyer Diseth	5	Janet Hanson	21
Jeff Brusven	6	Chad Hunt	21
Elija Person	6	Neslie Christofferson	22
Shelby Ness	7	Sam Desai	22
Jerry Seibel	7	Pat Sigette	23
Stephanie Lien	8	Aaron Sigette	23
Bev Westphal	11	Molly Johnson	23
Taylor Shereck	11	Agnes Toso	24
Sylvia Conlon	11	Mandy Worner	24
Jake Wateland	11	Arika Johnson	24
Jeremy Nichols	12	Christopher Horton	25
Ashley Bracken	12	Dale Dinger	25
Shayna Ystaas	14	Rachel Besse	26
Lisa Crandall	15	Weslie Langton	26
Max Schuh	15	Jessica Hagen	28
Deb Follman	15	Kim Ness	28
Casie Stein	16	Madelyn Hickel	29
Kari Jo Taylor	16	Haley Larson	29
Cheryl Sandager	16	Haleigh Hanson	29
Todd Thompson	17	Helen Foughty	30
Rebekah Widmer	18	Braden Fee	30
Jeremy Steinhaus	19	Amanda Sigette	30
Donna Johnson	19	Carrie Swinland	30
Tristen Shelton	19	Jim Kienast	31
		Hanna Pike	31



YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

Our Saviors Lutheran Church

MARCH 2011

PINK FLAMINGOS (Grades 5-8) Watch announcements in the worship bulletin



ELEMENT (Grades 9-12) Meet at 8:00 PM March 23rd

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 10th Grade & Mentors
7:00 Seven Wonders of the Word - Lenten Journey

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

But no one who drinks the water I give will ever be thirsty again. The water I give is like a flowing fountain that gives eternal life.”
~ John 4:14 (CEV)



2012 NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING FUNDRAISER'S

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, along with FRESH Donuts being sold on March 20th!!

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

BASIC - Who is God? This is a seven part series that we will show in the upcoming month. Watch the bulletin for details about the times and dates. This three video series includes; Fear God, Follow Jesus, & Holy Spirit.

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES TO CELEBRATE (within the past 5 years)

Alivia Lexus Hager - 3/2/08
Hobey James Langton - 3/14/10
Torri Rachal Fee - 3/19/06
Sierra Ann Davidson - 3/21/10
Mattie Kay Miller - 3/21/10
Trevin Ryan Toso - 3/21/09
Vincent Hilary Hettwer - 3/22/08
Madison Lynn Elyse Hettwer - 3/22/08

A BLESSING TO GIVE TO OTHERS

May Jesus pour his love into your heart. May you be filled to the brim with his living water, a spring gushing up to eternal life. Amen.

SERVICE

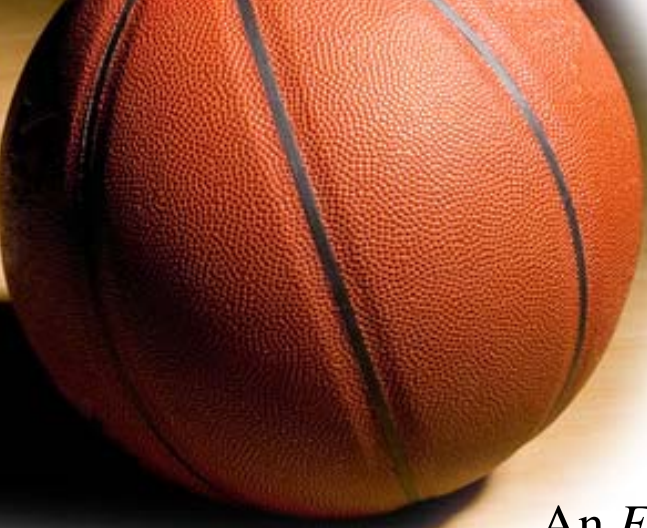
Lent is a season for getting back to basics, centering our focus on the most important things and stripping back some of what is excessive or unnecessary. Consider one or more of these ways of simplifying your household's lifestyle in Lent:

- Designate one day a week as “media free day” – turn off TVs, computers, stereos etc. Go for a walk or play a game together.
- Cut back on desserts or meal trimmings. Eat soup and bread at least once a week.
- Sort through your household items and set aside what you no longer use. Donate items still in good condition to a local charity store.
- Try to cut back on your usage of water and electricity. Agree to shorten showers and to turn off unnecessary lights.

HEY, CHECK THESE OUT

BOOK: “*Crazy Love*” by Francis Chan The God of the universe is crazy about you! His love is the most powerful thing in the world and He wants to give it to you, so you can live for Him. Let the love you have received from God impact your life like never before. crazylovebook.com

MUSIC CD: “*Church Music*” by The David Crowder Band davidcrowderband.com



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An *ELCA Malaria Campaign*
to educate and help stop the spread of Malaria.

3 on 3 Coed Basketball Tournament

At 2 PM on April 10th, at the Devils Lake Sports Center

OSLC will have some teams participating in this tournament,
please consider sponsoring one of our teams & attending the event.



MMMMM... GOOD

NEW ORLEANS
YOUTH GROUP

FRESH DONUT SALES

Pre-Order your donuts by filling out the form below and drop it off at the church office. The Youth Group will also serve donuts every Third Sunday of the month during Fellowship. Starting March 20th

All Pre-Orders will be ready on March 19th and 20th.

Donuts will be \$4.00 \ Dozen

Name: _____

Phone: _____

How many Dozen? (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) Other? _____

Amount \$\$ _____

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.

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

March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	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 Ash Wednesday 3:30pm Weds, School 5pm Supper 6pm Worship 7pm 10th Graders & Mentors 7pm 7 Wonders Study 'Creates'	10 2pm Esther Circle	11	12
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Dear Members of **Our Savior's Lutheran Church**,

God's grace, peace and joy be yours!

I'd like to ask you to consider participating in a program we are offering our members that simplifies and extends our regular giving option.

The **Simply Giving**[®] Program endorsed by Thrivent Financial Bank enables every household or individual to give church offerings through electronic funds transfer (EFT). You may already be using EFT to have your mortgage, car payment or insurance premium automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account. Now your financial gift to our congregation's ministry can be regular and "off the top," just like these other commitments.

There is no cost to you. Just think—you won't have to write 52 checks a year. And you won't have to wonder where you put your church offering envelopes. Please consider whether your stewardship would be enhanced by this convenient, consistent way of giving. It will be especially handy when your summer or winter travels begin!

If you would like to participate through your checking account, complete and return the enrollment form along with a voided check. To participate through a savings account, include a savings deposit slip.

Please note that if you elect to give weekly, you need to check whether you want the transfer made on Mondays or Fridays. If you elect to give monthly, check either the 1st or the 15th. Semi-monthly payments will be transferred on the 1st **and** 15th of each month.

Please indicate the fund(s) and the amount you wish to donate to each category. Then, total your gift at the bottom. Forms should be turned in to the church office. We suggest that you use an effective date of three weeks from now. That will allow time for the paperwork to go through. Use your regular offering envelope until that time. It's that simple! If you have questions, please contact the church office.

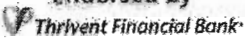
Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this new giving opportunity.

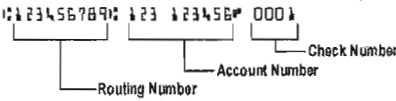
*Darlene Brown,
Stewardship*

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AUTHORIZATION FORM

The **Simply Giving** Program
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	DONOR #: _____	DATE: _____						
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Please debit my donation from my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Checking Account (attach a voided check below) <input type="checkbox"/> Savings Account (contact your financial institution for Routing #)		Routing Number: _____ <i>Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3</i> Account Number: _____ 						
AGREEMENT I authorize the above church and Vanco Services, LLC to process debit entries to my account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.								
Authorized Signature: _____		Date: _____						

Please staple voided check here.