

## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church E-Bulletin Week of February 9<sup>th</sup> – February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Our Purpose: Celebrate, cultivate and share God's love. Our Values: Welcoming, Compassion, Serving, Respect.

Please Join Us for Worship: We will be worshiping in-person and via live-stream on both Facebook and YouTube. On Sunday at 10:00am tune in to:

https://www.facebook.com/oursavioursarlington

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkurr6FCzoyHjmcdQmHOlqw.

If you worship online and would like to receive communion, please contact Pastor John at pastor@arlingtonwachurch.org or (360) 435-8921 to set up a visit.

Texts: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13], Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11

**Join Pastor John Sundays at 9:00am** in the classroom for a book study on "Together By Grace". 2/9 – Lutherans and *Diakonia*, 2/16 – Organizing to Serve: Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, Lutheran World Relief and Lutheran Services in America.

New Members - Interested? Connect with Pastor John for February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025!

Phoebe Circle is a bible study group for women that meets on the third Thursday of the month. This month, Phoebe Circle will meet on Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the classroom at OSLC. Bring your bible and copy of "Gather" if you have it. If not, we share! The theme for the Winter/Spring 2025: "Faithfulness" by Denise Rector Session two: Faith in the depths: Psalm 22. Phoebe Circle is always welcoming to new people. If you have any questions, contact Sally Shinstrom at (360) 435-9392.

SKY Game Night, Wednesday, Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Gloria Dei Lynnwood, Join us for an evening of games, snacks, and friends. From 6pm to 8pm we'll play board games and card games together. Bring a snack to share, and any games you would want to play with the group. There are a lot to choose from already, so invite a friend and join the fun!

The 2024 Annual Report, for Our Saviour's, is available for those who did not attend the Biannual Congregational meeting on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. You can pick one up from the table in the entryway and learn about all of the ministries from 2024.

Mission Circle - We will meet on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. until noon, or whenever we finish for the day. Hope to see everyone there! Mission Circle makes quilts that are sent to Lutheran World Relief. For more information contact Donna DeWard: (360) 435-4350.

**OSYM** (Our Saviour's Youth Ministry) **Sundays** meet weekly on Sundays at 9:00a.m. Children are invited to come enjoy Bible lessons, fun games and service projects. OSYM Sundays is open to all children ages Preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Questions, contact Ellen Winter at 360-435-8463.

**Preschool Request** – We are looking for tall oatmeal containers for a Valentine's Day project! If you have any around please drop them off at the preschool or in the office. Thank you for helping us out!

Our Saviour's Preschool currently has 1 space available in our 3 OR 5 day program! You child needs to have turned 4 before September 1st, 2024 to enroll. Make sure your child is ready to start Kindergarten this fall! We'd love to have you join our program – tours are available if you'd like to see our space and learn more about our preschool. Contact us at preschool@arlingtonwachurch.org.

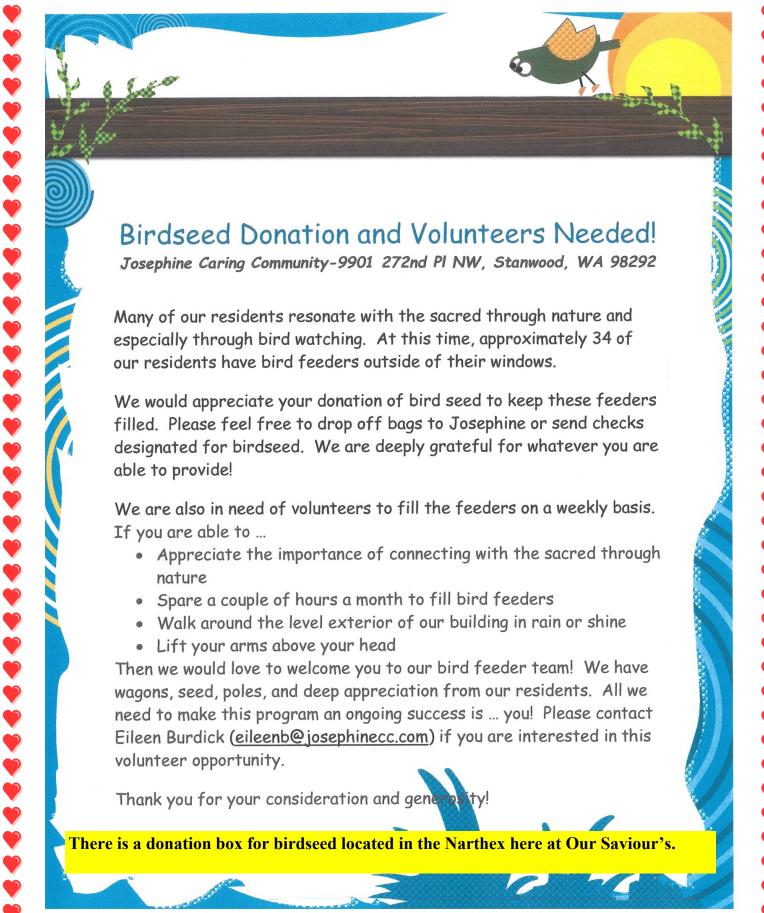
Fellowship Team is a small group of people who will create fellowship activities providing chances for us to get to know each other in social settings outside of Sunday mornings. Through these activities friendships - not just acquaintances - can be developed within our church family to provide support, encouragement. We need members to join our Team. Please contact Tammy DeWard (360) 631-8037 if you are interested.

**Roof Campaign-** The Maintenance Reserve Fund now has \$68,478. The bid for the roof is \$66,700. The contributions that have come in specifically for the roof (held in the maintenance reserve fund) are \$53,793. We have enough to get on the schedule of the contractor but pray more comes in, so our maintenance reserve fund does not run dry.

Outreach To The Vulnerable Team: How can we help with those who need shelter, warmth and food? By providing food items such as canned meat, peanut butter, energy bars, or other non-perishable items that take little or no preparation. As winter approaches warm clothing such as gently used blankets, winter coats, gloves, knit hats, beanies, etc. will be needed. You can drop off these items at church from 9am to 2pm Monday to Thursday and I will take them to the Arlington Community Resource Center. For questions or more suggestions on how you can help please call me: Bob Zerbel (425) 239-1785. Thank you.

Year-End Giving Statements for 2024 were delivered by email instead of paper copies. Please be sure that the church office has your correct email address. For questions, please contact Sharon Knoepfle and add to your address book: <a href="mailto:accounting@arlingtonwachurch.org">accounting@arlingtonwachurch.org</a>

**Peace Lutheran Church:** Men's Breakfast Study meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of each month at 8am except for July and August. They prepare a home-cooked meal in the church kitchen. Then they enjoy their meal and fellowship. Their study follows the Gospel lesson for the next Sunday's service. There are often men from many local congregations that attend.



# Birdseed Donation and Volunteers Needed!

Josephine Caring Community-9901 272nd Pl NW, Stanwood, WA 98292

Many of our residents resonate with the sacred through nature and especially through bird watching. At this time, approximately 34 of our residents have bird feeders outside of their windows.

We would appreciate your donation of bird seed to keep these feeders filled. Please feel free to drop off bags to Josephine or send checks designated for birdseed. We are deeply grateful for whatever you are able to provide!

We are also in need of volunteers to fill the feeders on a weekly basis. If you are able to ...

- Appreciate the importance of connecting with the sacred through nature
- Spare a couple of hours a month to fill bird feeders
- Walk around the level exterior of our building in rain or shine
- Lift your arms above your head

Then we would love to welcome you to our bird feeder team! We have wagons, seed, poles, and deep appreciation from our residents. All we need to make this program an ongoing success is ... you! Please contact Eileen Burdick (eileenb@josephinecc.com) if you are interested in this volunteer opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration and generation

There is a donation box for birdseed located in the Narthex here at Our Saviour's.

#### Lutherwood News

#### **Summer 2025 Camp Registration is NOW OPEN! Questions:**

Contact Ashleigh Ellsworth-Keller, Program Director at:

ashleigh.ek@camplutherwood.org



#### **Northwest Synod News**

Global Refuge
Lutheran Immigration

YouTube link <a href="https://youtu.be/UNN2pIX7hog">https://youtu.be/UNN2pIX7hog</a>

& Refugee Service Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service is now Global Refuge, a faith-based nonprofit serving newcomers seeking safety. For 85 years, we have welcomed more than 750,000 immigrants and refugees from around the globe, upholding a legacy of compassion and grace for people in crisis. At Global Refuge, welcoming newcomers isn't just our duty -it's an inherent part of our identity, rooted in our Lutheran heritage and serving as a testament to our unwavering commitment to those in search of refuge. Visit global refuge.org to learn more!

Play Ball and Connect: A Desert Sojourn Retreat March 16-20 in Arizona!

Join us for an inspiring Spring Training experience in Arizona, where baseball enthusiasts and faith-driven individuals unite to explore the connection between sport and spirituality.

This unique retreat, led by Pastor Dave Ellingson, combines fellowship, worship, and the excitement of baseball with opportunities to attend MLB Cactus League games in the vibrant Arizona desert.

Learn more and register here: <a href="https://spiritinthedesert.org/events/play-ball-and-connect/">https://spiritinthedesert.org/events/play-ball-and-connect/</a>

### Prayers of Concern and Thanks

Loving God, we remember that you are our source of life and hope: Remind us daily of who we are - and whose we are - your beloved children. Instill in us that each neighbor we meet is your beloved child as well: someone to learn from, someone to be cherished, someone to be treated with honor and respect, someone to be lifted up. Lead us to be your joy, grace, and love in your world. We pray for all the world's refugees and for peace in Ukraine & Gaza.

For our Childcare Center, Those serving in uniform, Adult caregivers caring for loved ones, For those in leadership positions that they don't burn out and that they get the rest and breaks they deserve, For those in abusive relationships that they find the strength to leave and that they feel sure leaving, Residents and caregivers of Josephine, blessing and protecting them from pain and suffering, supporting each one with God's Love and Grace, Prayers for those struggling that they find peace. Those struggling with seasonal depression this winter that they will be comforted by loved ones and feel better.

Allison Melton – health challenges (close friend of Ivy Ewing)

Aura James - prayers for husband w/pneumonia (Preschool Teacher)

Dennis Heaton - health challenges

Diana Breon - health challenges

Elaine Orlando - healing for broken lumbar vertebrae

Ellen Winter - health challenges

Judy Hassing - she is now at home, continuing to recover from her broken ankle. (sister of Robin Barker)

Karen Schraan - prayers for an easy move as she moves into her new home and meets new neighbors (family member of Schraan family)

Keith - receiving heart medical procedures (family friend of Toni Forsman)

Leslie Faxon -pray for Leslie's ongoing treatment and health. (friend of Ruth Gonzales)

Margaret Larson - health challenges

Mike Gonzales - recovering from infection and under going chemo therapy for cancer in lungs (brother of Frank Gonzales)

Ryan Blacker - health issues (nephew of Toni Forsman)

Ryder Lewis - 4yr old w/cerebral palsy & epilepsy having acute health concerns, prayers for him & family (friends of Judy & Burke Phillips)

Schraan Family - healing for our family

Steve Montag - prayers for treatment of AML Leukemia (friend of Ruth & Frank Gonzales)



#### Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Childcare and Preschool

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Our Saviour's
Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 2:30pm

Friday
Office Closed

**Ministers:** All the baptized. We live out our ministry in our daily lives and in the Church.

Pastor	John Schraan	Email: pastor@arlingtonwachurch.org Office Hours: Tue & Thu 12pm-1pm
Office Manager	Tammy DeWard	Email: office@arlingtonwachurch.org

This Week at Our Saviour's			
February 10 <sup>th</sup> - February 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2025			
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday	5:00pm	Choir Rehearsal	
	6:00pm	Confirmation - Arlington	
Thursday	6:00pm	Basketball	
Friday			
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Saturday			
Sunday	9:00am	Adult Class "Together By Grace"	
	9:00am	OSYM Sundays for Kids	
	10:00am	Worship in-person and online via Facebook & YouTube	
	11:00am	Coffee & Conversation	
	4:00pm		