



## *Our Saviour's Lutheran Church E-Bulletin*

*Week of February 2<sup>nd</sup> – February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025*

**Fourth 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 worshipping 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](mailto:pastor@arlingtonwachurch.org) or (360) 435-8921 to set up a visit.

**Texts: Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30**

**Join Pastor John Sundays at 9:00am** in the classroom for a book study on "Together By Grace". 1/26 – The Reformation and Art, 2/2 – Luther on Worship and Welfare, 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 2025!

**Celebration of 2024 Ministry & Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held this Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Gym following the morning service. The meeting will include a review of 2024 ministry at Our Saviour's and the election of leaders for 2025. There will also be a vote on amendments to our Constitution and By-Laws, provided by NW Synod and the churchwide assembly.

**Sno-King Youth Meeting - a regional youth group** in the Snohomish-King County region. All are invited to join - Join us here at Our Saviour's **February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Join us as we unpack the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus lays out what it means to live God's way, and the people he lifts up may be surprising. What can we learn from who Jesus calls out as blessed? We'll also enjoy a meal and some games in our host's gym! Come for some fun, active games!

**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!

**First Thursday's – Coffee, conversation & connections.** Join us Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the narthex for coffee and conversation. A good way to catch up with each other and to build community. Feel free to bring neighbors and friends.

**Mission Circle** - We will meet on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> & 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! Your 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](mailto:preschool@arlingtonwachurch.org).

**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.

**Christ in Our Home Daily Devotional** booklets for January - March are now available on the entryway table. Pick up your free copy today or contact the office.

**Year-End Giving Statements** for 2024 will be 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: [accounting@arlingtonwachurch.org](mailto:accounting@arlingtonwachurch.org)

**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](mailto:eileenb@josephinecc.com)) if you are interested in this volunteer opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

**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](mailto:ashleigh.ek@camplutherwood.org)



## Northwest Synod News



YouTube link <https://youtu.be/UNN2pIX7hog>

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 [globalrefuge.org](http://globalrefuge.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: <https://spiritinthedesert.org/events/play-ball-and-connect/>

## 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 in hospital 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)

Sally Shinstrom - "Thank you for all the support & prayers, it is well appreciated. I am doing better!"

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 3<sup>rd</sup> - February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Monday		
Tuesday	9:00am	Mission Circle
Wednesday	5:00pm 6:00pm	Choir Rehearsal Confirmation - Arlington
Thursday	10:00am 6:00pm	Coffee & Catch Up Basketball
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	9:00am 9:00am 10:00am 11:00am 4:00pm	<b>Adult Class "Together By Grace"</b> <b>OSYM Sundays for Kids</b> <b>Worship in-person and online via Facebook &amp; YouTube</b> Coffee & Conversation