



# EyeOpener

## Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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### From your Church President

When someone says 2020, what is the first thing that comes to mind? Is it what is considered perfect vision? Or, is it the year that started out great and ended poorly? Do you think of the year that brought disease and discord? Or, can you find some positives for the year 2020.

How about the Hudson Transfer Stations, or the “dump” as most people call it? This must have been the busiest year in its history. Many folks, out of work, busied themselves by cleaning up. Unburdening themselves of what looked to be years and years of trash. It feels good to finally get that type of task completed. Hopefully improving the looks of homes and community.

How about the news that came later this year that a grocery store was coming to town? One, coming to the central business district, to occupy a building, that had not yet fallen into disrepair. Hopefully, if supported, will help breathe new life and hope into our community. It must be almost twenty years since LTV ceased production.

How about families doing family things. Camping was through the roof this summer. More families were out for walks and bike rides. Great to get outside to enjoy the recreational amenities in the area. A chance to be in a public space without a mask.

How about the fact that even during the period of no “in person” worship, our contributions have only fallen by ten percent? Only down by about \$6500 from last year at this point. Our membership continues to support our missions and our church. The church has paid all of its bill and obligations. It has maintained giving to the ELCA, VLM, LSS, and Interchurch.

And how about, after being without a pastor for over two years, we finally have a contract with Pr. Greg Anderson. We've just met him, but we have learned this about him. He is not afraid to talk to and pray with his congregation. We look forward to a fuller relationship with Pr. Anderson as we return to “in person” worship

In hind sight 2020 was not all bad. Yes, we did have to change the way that we did some things. We were forced out of our rut.

Looking forward to 2021 and being together “in person” again.

# Love One Another

The Coronavirus Pandemic is taking a toll on everyone world wide. As Christians God has commanded us to LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.

Our challenge to our self is to show love for one another. People are stuck at home lonely and afraid to go out they are cut off from human contact. Please everyone pick up our church directory from the church or at home and call a member or a non resident member of our church for a simple chat to just say hi, how are you, I've been thinking of you!

**SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER  
MAKE SOMEONE'S DAY HAPPY  
IT WILL MAKE YOU HAPPIER TOO!!!**

## **Attention all Members and Friends of Our Savior's**

Please call the church office and update your contact information.

It is extremely important we have your current

Home phone #'s

Cell Phone #'s

Email Addresses

Home Address

In the Corona Virus Pandemic time we want to provide you with our weekly Bulletins and Eye Openers

CALL THE OFFICE AND LEAVE A MESSAGE

218-229-3214

OR

SEND AN EMAIL [oslc1@frontiernet.net](mailto:oslc1@frontiernet.net)

## 2021 Snow Shoveling List

1-1	Chad Skelton
1-8	Kent Dickinson
1-15	Kim Norman
1-22	Doug Shuck
1-29	Jack Jeffery
2-5	Jeff Weddel
2-12	John Nelson
2-19	Barrett Honkola
2-26	Erik Olson
3-5	Don Berrington
3-12	Jason Groves
3-19	Kim Norman
3-26	Tim Salo
4-2	Duane Undeland
4-9	Ron Lundquist

Thank you to those who come and shovel the sidewalks. You are very much appreciated.

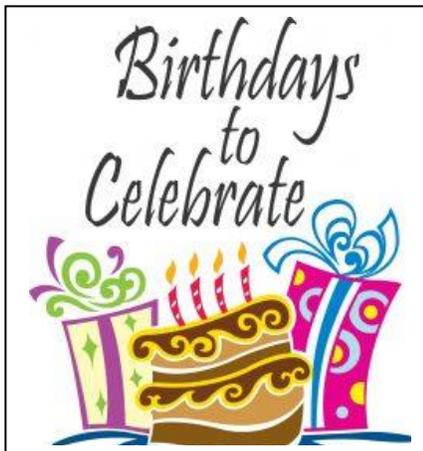


## Readings for January 2021

January 10	Genesis 1:1-5, Psalm 29, Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11
January 17	1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-21], Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, 1 Corinthians 16:12-20, John 1:43-51
January 24	Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Psalm 62:5-12, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20
January 31	Deuteronomy 18:15-20, Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Mark 1:21-28

## January Birthdays

Jan 1	Michael Lesar
Jan 2	Colt Long
Jan 8	Lori Berrigan
Jan 12	Leah Undeland
Jan 15	Benjamin Shain
Jan 17	Mitchell Hanson
Jan 21	John Samuelson
Jan 26	Susan Hanson
Jan 27	Jacob Baxter
Jan 28	Olivia Prazak
Jan 31	Arla Storbeck



### Happy Birthday Everyone!

May God bless you on this special day and for many days & years to come.

### If we have inadvertently omitted

anyone, or have an incorrect date, please contact the church office at 229-3214 so we may update our records.



### CHRIST IN OUR HOME

Our Savior's provides a daily devotional titled "Christ in Our Home" that can keep your focus on God on a daily basis. I find it really helpful to keep my life calm. It is especially useful right now. You can find them on the table in the Narthex.

## Calendar and Church Happenings

Until the determination has been made to return to "in person" worship and resuming church activities in our building, there is really nothing to put on the church calendar. But as things hopefully change and decisions are made, we will send out updated calendars.

The Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>, but at this point, I'm not sure how or when that meeting will be taking place. We will keep you updated as decisions are made. Thank you ~ Kelly, OSLC Secretary.