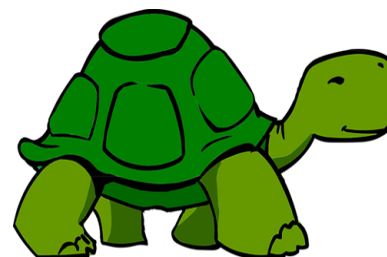


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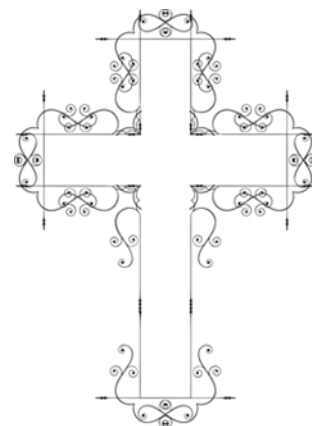
## Song of Solomon 2: 11 – 12 (King James)

“For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land”,



## Ephesians 3: 17 (King James)

“That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,”





# Our Saviour's Members in Nursing Homes



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**Pigeon Falls Nursing Care Center-P.O. Box 310-Pigeon Falls, WI 54760**  
**Patricia Giebel, Jeanette Gilbertson, Marian Miller**

**Assisted Living- Pigeon Falls - P.O. Box 310-Pigeon Falls, WI 54760**  
**Richard Eide**

**Sunrise Manor - 36024 Park Street - Whitehall - 54773**  
**Clinton Larson, & Ann Torrason**

**Trempealeau County Health Care Center-W20410 WI #121 Whitehall-54773**  
**James Windjue**

**Grandview Nursing Home - 620 Grandview Avenue - Blair - 54616**  
**Marilyn Speestra, Mavis Mitskogen & Donna Oates**

**Meadowbrook Care Center-1311 Tyler Street-Black River Falls - 54615**  
**Fern Moe**

**The Classic - Eau Claire**  
**Joanne (Selkurt) Martin**



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**Please keep the following in your prayers:**

**\*Mary Harnisch Johnson**

**\*Arline Stuve**

**\*Mavis Olson**

**\*Mary Lou Beck**

**\*Dawn Coburn**

**\*Lis James**

**Family and friends of Donna Fernholz**

# Church News



## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Council Minutes—April 4, 2023

**Members Present:** Dave Anderson, Pastor Jonas, Steve Lamberson, Kris Dubiel, Barb Mathson, Kay Nelson, Ellen Hauser, Jacob Paulson and Lori Paulson. Dave Anderson, council president called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### Preparation:

1. Opening Devotions: Meeting opened with devotions by Dave Anderson.
2. Prayer Requests/Homebound: Donna Fernholz; Lisa James
3. Communication from Congregation: None

### Communication/Action:

1. **Secretary's Report:** Kay Nelson made a motion to approve March 2023 minutes with a second by Steve Lamberson. Motion carried.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Steve Lamberson reported the following fund balances as of March 2023: General Fund: \$31,280; On Going: \$13,300; Improvement: \$34,000. Steve Lamberson made a motion to approve the treasurer's report with a second by Barb Mathson. Motion carried.
3. **Ministry Teams Updates:**
  - a) Life & Growth: Life & Growth will be sponsoring a diaper drive in April and May.
  - b) WELCA: WELCA will be sponsoring a birthday box drive. The Dairyland Conference of WELCA will have a morning of renewal on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at Peace Lutheran in Pigeon Falls.
  - c) Men's Brotherhood: \$1,465 will go to World Hunger.
  - d) Worship & Music: Noisy offering for April will go to WELCA to help with the cost of shipping Mission Kits. May and June offerings will go to Relay for Life. There will be a concert to benefit the food pantry on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Blair Lutheran Church.
4. **Sharing from Pastor:** Pastor Jonas will meet with those interested in serving communion to the homebound on April 19<sup>th</sup> in afternoon and evening. Pastor Jonas will meet with Ellen Hauser to pick out hymns for services through the second week in July.

### Celebration/Affirmation:

- a) The next council meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.
- b) Four confirmands will be confirmed on the Sunday after Easter.
- c) Letters need to be mailed out to families of new, upcoming confirmands and/or place a notice in the newsletter.
- d) There is one participant for First Communion.
- e) \$260 collected for Easter flowers

**Business Items:** Ads will continue for church secretary position. Maintenance continues to work on water leak in balcony.

### Adjournment and Lord's Prayer:

Steve Lamberson made a motion to adjourn with a second by Barb Mathson. Motion carried.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Paulson, Council Secretary

# More Church News



## Seniors Recognition

The Senior Recognition is scheduled for Sunday in **May 21st.** We will recognize and honor the Whitehall High School Seniors of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church during Sunday Worship Service. We would like to display photos of our senior during the service through a slideshow presentation. We are asking parents of all seniors to email a senior and baby photo of their son or daughter to the church office as soon as possible [osluthwh@gmail.com](mailto:osluthwh@gmail.com). We will also publish pictures of each senior in the next issue of the Messenger.



## Confirmation Sunday

On Sunday, April 16th Cash Kulig, Colton Smith, Jack Waldera and Riley Herman affirmed their faith and were confirmed as members of the church.



## Sunday School



Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, will be the final day of Sunday School Classes for the 2022/2023 school year. Have a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing everyone in the fall!



## Quilters

The talented ladies of "Stitches of Love" Quilting group, will give their nimble fingers a rest thru the summer months. Their last get together this spring will be Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. See you all the first Tuesday in September!





# More Church News

## Members in Service:

Alter Guild - Carol Byington and Karen Witte

Ushers - ?????? Volunteers Needed

Alter Flowers - Sharon Foss and Sharon Pederson

# MAY



Celebrate our Mothers on Sunday, May 14th

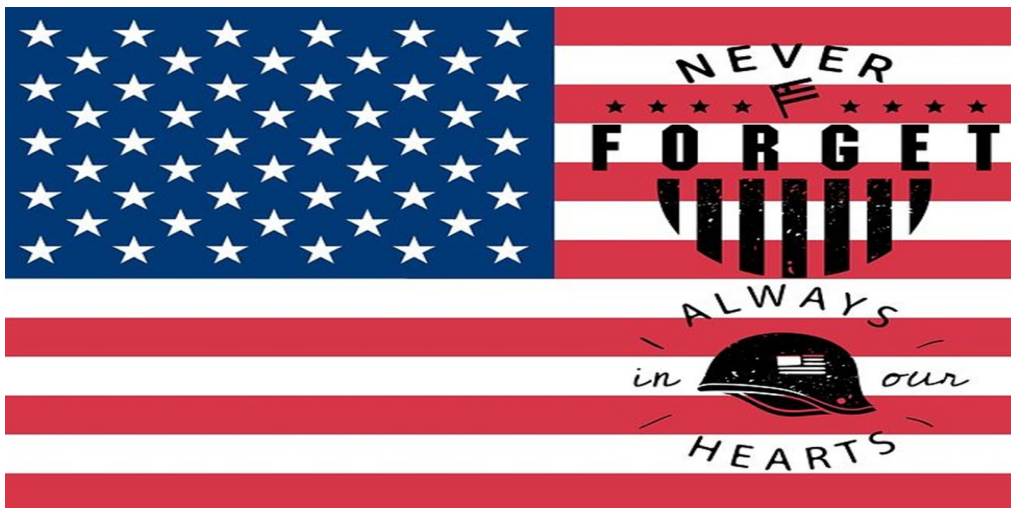
*Happy  
Mother's Day*



*I love you Mom!*



Monday, May 29th



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## May Birthdays

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- 2 - Gary Pampuch, Kermit Pederson
- 3 - William Youngbauer
- 4 - Delaine Stendahl
- 5 - Mavis Olson
- 6 - Lance Giebel
- 7 - Mark Carlson
- 8 - Marian Miller
- 11 - Daniel Koxlien
- 15 - Sherri Warner
- 16 - Richard Eide, Mark Granlund
- 17 - Diane Carlson
- 19 - Susan Kampa
- 20 - Rodney Paulson
- 24 - Kristina Dubiel, Sonja Lyngen
- 25 - Robert Rutschow, Layla Woychik
- 26 - Andrea Hanson
- 27 - Lori Kampa
- 28 - Juli Nordby
- 29 - Wesley Herried, Emily Herness, Jillian Schaefer



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### NOISY OFFERING FOR APRIL



Our Noisy Offering for May and June will go to the Relay for Life through the parish team.  
“United in the Fight”!



# Our Saviour's

# faith and finances

## DISBURSEMENT & GIVING RECEIPTS-April 1st, 2023 THRU April 26th, 2023

Disbursements:			Account Balances as of 4/26/23 are below:  General Fund = \$ 33,346.38 On-Going Fund = \$ 12,129.85 Improvement Fund = \$ 34,261.77	
Administration	\$1,297.61			
Physical Plant	\$1,961.80			
Salaries & Benefits	\$10,888.31			
Benevolence	\$0.00			
Parish Expense	\$0.00			
Dues and Fees	\$0.00			
Harvest Dinner	\$0.00			
Total Disbursements =		\$14,147.72		
Giving Receipts				
Simply Giving Total =	\$3,961.30		General Fund Total =	\$9,802.07
On-Going Total =	\$200.00		Improvement Fund - Total =	\$245.00
April, 2023 Giving Grand Total =			\$14,208.37	

## In Christian Sympathy

**We pray for the family and friends of:**

Donna Lynn Fernholz—April 12th, 2023



## Here is the schedule of supply preachers at Our Saviour's and Grace

### May 7th-June 25:

May 7. Pastor Barbara Birkeland  
May 21 Pastor Barbara Birkeland. (Graduate Recognition)

May 14 Scott Brown (Mothers Day)  
May 28 Pastor Barbara Birkeland

June 4. Pastor James Jim Gordon  
June 18 Pastor Jim Gordon (Fathers Day)

June 11 Scott Brown  
June 24. Scott Brown

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# May 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> Quilters 8:30 - Noon Our Saviour's Council 6:30 pm	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> WELCA at Grace—1:30 pm	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>7</u> Sunday Worship 9:30 am Sunday School Class at 10:30	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>
<u>14</u> Sunday Worship 9:30 am Final Sunday School Class at 10:30 am Happy Mothers Day 	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u> Quilters 8:30 - Noon	<u>17</u> Grace Council—7:00 pm	<u>18</u> Ascension Day	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>21</u> Sunday Worship 9:30 am Senior Recognition	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>28</u> Sunday Worship 9:30 am	<u>29</u> 	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> Food Pantry-11:00 to 1:00 pm			

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Check us out on Facebook at: [Our Saviour's Lutheran Church of Whitehall, WI](#) and [United in Faith Parish](#) and [OS Sunday-School](#) and [OSLC Youth](#).



**Dear Friends;**

Just a reminder we are in need of a chairperson(s) to organize the annual Fall Harvest Dinner. Interested persons should reach out to a Council member. This is Our Saviour's main fund raising event, as well as a very tasty meal of delicious meatballs, creamy mashed potatoes covered in savory gravy, plus all the fixings!!! Yum!  
Thank you!