

Please Lift in Prayer

- ✝ Gordon Sorensen
- ✝ Barb Larsen
- ✝ Gary Busse (family friend of Pastor Max)
- ✝ Larry Larsen
- ✝ Family & Friends of Craig Jensen
- ✝ Jerry Pike
- ✝ Ron Fystro
- ✝ Autumn Grace Beaner
- ✝ Karen Voeg Johnson
- ✝ Marin Bultena
- ✝ Beverly Andersen
- ✝ Art Wirth
- ✝ Kobee Sherman
- ✝ Gayle Westergaard
- ✝ Pastor Carol Marohl

Welcome Visitors

We're so glad you're here!

If you'd like to become a new member, please talk to Pastor Max by calling 507.227.4787 (or scan the QR Code below) to talk about what it takes to become a member and to discuss potential dates.

We sincerely hope to see you again very soon!



Announcements

VCIS Parents' Meeting

7:00PM • Parish Hall August 30, 2023



It's a new year. Time to look forward to what the future will bring. If you have children in the 7-12th grade age group that might be interested in Youth Group, come to the meeting!



Beginning September 03, 2023
Worship Service will be at 9:00AM for SVLC & 10:30AM for OSLC

SVLC WORSHIP HELPERS: AUGUST 27

Reader..... Faydra Christensen
 Acolyte Summer Hiatus
 Live Stream..... Janet Munkvold
 Organist/Pianist Praise Band

OSLC WORSHIP HELPERS: AUGUST 27

Reader..... Kayla Mehlhaf
 Acolyte Volunteer
 Live Stream..... Maxx
 Organist/Pianist Praise Band

LOOKING AHEAD: SEPT 3 @ 9:00AM

Reader..... Kellie Zimmerman
 Acolyte NA
 Communion Asst. Carston Mellem
 Live Stream..... Janet Munkvold
 Organist/Pianist Annet Kropuenske

LOOKING AHEAD: SEPT 3 @ 10:30AM

Reader..... Cath Peterson
 Acolyte /Communion Asst. TBD
 Live Stream..... Maxx
 Organist/Pianist Melanie Parsons

SEPTEMBER 3 - Exodus 3:1-15, Psalm 26:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-2

SEPTEMBER USHERS

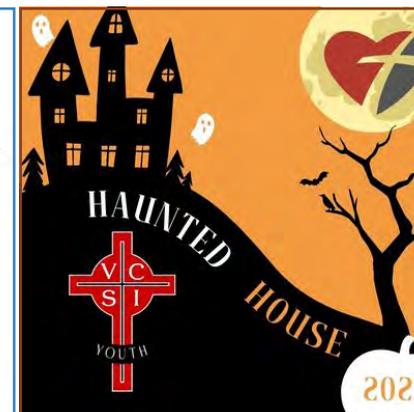
- ✝ Bud and Tammy Zimmerman,
- ✝ Justin and Tonya Rudd,
- ✝ Brandon and Kelli Zimmerman

SEPTEMBER COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH

- ✝ Chad & Belinda Holm
- ✝ Loren & Michelle Johnson
- ✝ James Christofferson
- ✝ Lydell & Cath Peterson
- ✝ Nancy Severson

CHURCH CLEANING: AUGUST 20 - SEPTEMBER 6

Elaine Lee, Brenda Lee, Kaye Lee, Katie Smit



Two Thrivent Projects!

We have just two projects for which we are seeking funding assistance:

1. The VCIS Haunted House Fundraiser
2. Parsonage Touch-ups

To learn how you can help, please scan the QR code or visit:

<https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams>

Sermon Pastor Max Whitehead

Sermon Song "Blessed Assurance" Insert Song 3.

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Passing of the Peace

Offering

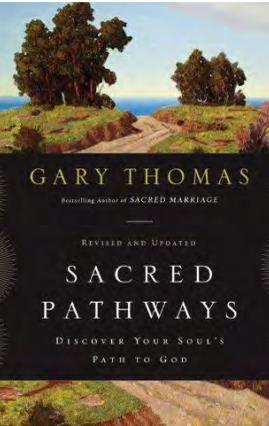
Offertory Prayer

Merciful Father, We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Closing Song "My Lighthouse" Insert Song 4.



Sacred Pathways Book Study with Ellie

Starting August 27 at 6:00PM, Ellie will be starting a study over the book "Sacred Pathways" by Gary Thomas.

All are welcome! Please direct your questions to Ellie 605-216-1159.

We'll be meeting at 200 N Kemper (Whitehead Residence)



Confirmation Parents' Meeting

**6:00PM • August 30, 2023
Parish Hall**

It's that time again! We will discuss plans and expectations and what confirmation is all about.



Parents, bring your kids to church and hang around after for a fun activity and meal - hot dogs, taverns, and chips will be provided but feel free to bring a treat or salad to share. We sincerely hope to see everyone there! All are welcome! (OSLC)



Our Savior's & Spring Valley
Partner Congregations in Lutheran Worship
August 27, 2023 • 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Song “Blessed Be Your Name”Insert Song 1.

Invocation/Confession/Kyrie/Absolutionpg 1-4 Chosen People

Song of the Day “Blessed Assurance”. Insert Song 2.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given great and precious promises to those who believe. Grant us perfect faith which overcomes all doubts, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading. Exodus 1:8-2:10

⁸ Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ And he said to his people, “Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses. ¹² But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel. ¹³ So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves ¹⁴ and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they ruthlessly made them work as slaves.

¹⁵ Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶ “When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live.” ¹⁷ But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. ¹⁸ So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and let the male children live?” ¹⁹ The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” ²⁰ So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²² Then Pharaoh

commanded all his people, “Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live.”

² Now a man from the house of Levi went and took as his wife a Levite woman. ² The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him three months. ³ When she could hide him no longer, she took for him a basket made of bulrushes and daubed it with bitumen and pitch. She put the child in it and placed it among the reeds by the river bank. ⁴ And his sister stood at a distance to know what would be done to him. ⁵ Now the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her young women walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her servant woman, and she took it. ⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child, and behold, the baby was crying. She took pity on him and said, “This is one of the Hebrews’ children.” ⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and call you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” ⁸ And Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Go.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. ⁹ And Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child away and nurse him for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed him. ¹⁰ When the child grew older, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, “Because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

² I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

³ On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

⁴ All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth,

⁵ and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

Second Reading Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia”The Traditional Acclamation

Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this

⁶ For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.

⁸ The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

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rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.