

The Messenger ~ March 2015

Our Savior's Lutheran Church and School ▪ San Clemente, California

"Inspired to Love, Encouraged to Think, and Sent to Serve"

So we are Ambassadors for Christ.... 2 Corinthians 5.20

Being an Ambassador for Christ was the theme of our Ash Wednesday sermon here at Our Savior's Lutheran Church and School. But just what does it mean to be an Ambassador for Christ? In general Ambassadors represent their home country while working and living in the country to which they've been appointed. In the United States there is no formal guidelines for who can serve as an Ambassador but it is generally agreed upon that government experience and a familiarity with our country's policies are two of the most important requirements; ability to adapt to other cultures is also important.

So are you cut out to be an Ambassador for Christ? To be an Ambassador you have to ask yourself whether you see yourself first and foremost as a follower of Christ, or does your heart and allegiance reside somewhere else? I'll be honest, how I answer this question changes from day to day, from hour to hour. I am a follower of Christ, I profess this and even live this out in my particular vocation as pastor; but there are times each and every day when it seems that my allegiance lies elsewhere. If I am honest there are moments when my highest priority seems not to represent my Lord, but to represent myself.

I imagine I'm not alone in this. But here's the thing, to be an Ambassador I am called upon to remember where my allegiance and heart resided. When confronted with any number of situations I am called to represent something higher and better than myself, in fact I must be able to set aside my personal feelings and prejudices if I am going to serve faithfully. I think maybe this goes back to Jesus admonishment that a person can't serve two masters. Eventually the conflict becomes too great and you'll have to decide to whom it is that you serve. "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other."

Matthew 6.24a

Then of course one has to have experience and

familiarity with the government or in this case the Lord in whom we are called to represent. No spectators here, you have to roll up your sleeves and get into the trenches. We should have a basic understanding of the scriptures, how to read them and interpret them. We should know the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments and The Apostles' Creed and have a decent understanding of Baptism and Holy Communion. And your experience working on behalf of the church, teaching Sunday School, serving on committees, helping with worship all will be important as well as volunteering in the community and serving others as you live out your faith.

Hmmm...I wonder if there are any openings for half-time or perhaps ¼ time Ambassadors in the kingdom of God! Seriously, this Ambassador stuff seems like pretty hard work and I wonder what it is that I called us into this Lent? Maybe that's exactly the point. Sometimes we take our faith and our call to be disciples of Jesus as seriously as we do signing up for any number of good causes: We'll be interested, maybe even donate a little time or money, but that's about it. God desires more. (Let that last statement just soak in a bit). God desires more. Part of our Lenten discipline is to take seriously this call to be people of faith not just for an hour or so a week, but each and every day. As Ambassadors we are to reflect the love of Christ in our homes, businesses and recreations.

"So we are Ambassadors for Christ." This is a tall order, I know that. But I believe this is indeed what we are called to be. Start small, but be intentional. Pray for the strength and courage to live up to these words. But remember first and foremost that it is Christ's faithfulness that saves us, and that our duties as Ambassadors will come to an end, for one day we'll all be recalled home. Thank you for all that you do Mr. and Mrs. Ambassador.

Peace! Pastor Jeff



birthdays, anniversaries & more

~ Birthdays ~

John Cloninger	3/1
John Mulligan	3/1
Betsy Aasland	3/2
Rick Jensen	3/3
Oma Riebau	3/3
Nicholas Balaban	3/4
Tom Banks	3/5
Elise Berschauer	3/5
Ruth Martin	3/5
Colton Overin	3/5
Jerry Cloninger	3/6
Courtney Horvath	3/6
Dane Olbrich	3/7
Steve Scott	3/8
Elke Kelly	3/12
Kiana Breshears	3/14
Jolyon Olmstead	3/14
Colby Lindholm	3/15
Kalani Fitzhugh	3/16
Pablo Gonzalez	3/19
Jeff McClure	3/19
Brian Wakeman	3/19
Paul Skipper	3/20
Scott Cameron	3/22
Terrie Ayers	3/23
Carol Hoffmeister	3/24
Kathryn Ramm	3/24
Jill Baker	3/25
Deanna Hansen	3/25
Sofia Morielli	3/25
Barbara Murphy	3/25
Ron Schmiedeke	3/25
Daniel Lewis	3/26
Dalton Murphy/Lischalk	3/26
Kate Vainoris	3/26
Aaron Frohner	3/27
Piper Olmstead	3/27
Steven Schmall	3/28
Elizabeth Simon	3/28
Kincaid McClure	3/29
Mark Lorimer	3/30
Sylvia Sinclair	3/30
Betty Colby	3/31
Chuck Pridham	3/31

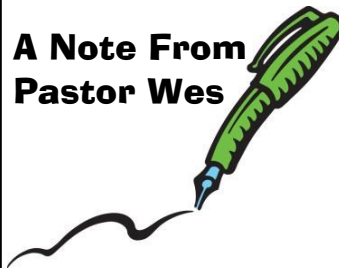
~ Anniversaries ~

Rick & Nanette Jensen	3/3
John & Kay Davidson	3/5
Terry & Janet Gillespie	3/9
Brent & Brandi Davies	3/21
Stan & Sheri Schrofer	3/22
Jim & Roberta Wall	3/22



*Did I miss your birthday,
anniversary or have a wrong
date? call or e-mail the
church office at ~ 492-6164 ~
~ OSLCsec@sbcglobal.net ~*

A Note From Pastor Wes



1-19-2015

Dear friends at Our Savior's,

I am humbled and grateful for your extravagant generosity to me in the gift of three gorgeous stoles! In addition to being beautiful and of the highest quality they are

also greatly needed and will be put to good use immediately!

Those stoles of course are icing on the cake to the years of generous support in my seminary journey. You are a blessing.

May God Bless you richly,

Pastor Wes



**Daylight Savings Begins
Sunday, March 8th**

**Don't forget to set your
clocks ahead one hour
Saturday night,
March 7th.**

WELCOME

New Members

*Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Welcomes these friends
into membership
Sunday ~ March 1, 2015*

Myrna Farell

Pablo Gonzalez & Nancy McKelvey

Janet Kilby

Mike & Peggy Heyes

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES

Join us for The Parables of Lent, a special series of midweek devotions for the season of Lent. Each service in this series focuses on a biblical parable that connects to our Lenten theme of receiving from God. Soup Supper begins at 6:00 pm; Worship starts promptly at 6:45pm.

- ◆ February 25: "Receive the Word: The Sower and the Seed" Matthew 13.1-8, 18-23
- ◆ March 4: "Receive the Treasure: The Hidden Treasure and the Priceless Pearl" Matthew 13.44-46
- ◆ March 11: "Receive Mercy: The Good Samaritan" Luke 10.25-37
- ◆ March 18: "Receive Grace: The Workers in the Vineyard" Matthew 20.1-16
- ◆ March 25: "Receive Forgiveness: The Prodigal Son" Luke 15.11-32



March 29 - Palm/Passion Sunday
8:30am • 10:30am • 6:00pm

April 2 - Maundy Thursday ~ 7:00pm Worship
(First Communion Celebration)

Our Traditional Maundy Thursday Worship where we remember the giving of the new commandment to love one another as Christ loves us. We also celebrate First Communion for many of our young people.

April 3 - Good Friday
7:00pm Worship
(Tenebrae Service of Darkness)

Our Tenebrae worship takes us to the foot of the cross as we hear the story of the crucifixion from the Gospel of John and reflect on its meaning for us in our lives. This is a powerful service to prepare us for the joy of Easter Sunday.



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Even if you are not in one of the ministries above you may bring your favorite pot of soup for all to enjoy.

Hope you will join us every Wednesday during Lent. Soup & Bread for All!

If you have any questions, please contact Mindy Goulding at (607) 624-1309 or mindy.goulding@gmail.com



APRIL 5
EASTER SUNDAY
Worship Hours

8:00am • 9:30am • 11:00am

The Celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! The most important day of the year for Christians to gather together and hear the Good News.

We are now well into the season of Lent. As Pastor Jeff has taught us, the meaning of “Lent” is literally “Spring”. It is a time to grow.

I often find myself very comfortable in my life. I have a job I love and am successful at. My children are nearly grown. I have good friends that I enjoy spending time with. It’s all good. But....
Am I growing???

I looked up some synonyms for “grow” in the Thesaurus. Some that resonated with me were, *develop, nurture, extend, spread*. Maybe these should be “action” words for me during Lent.

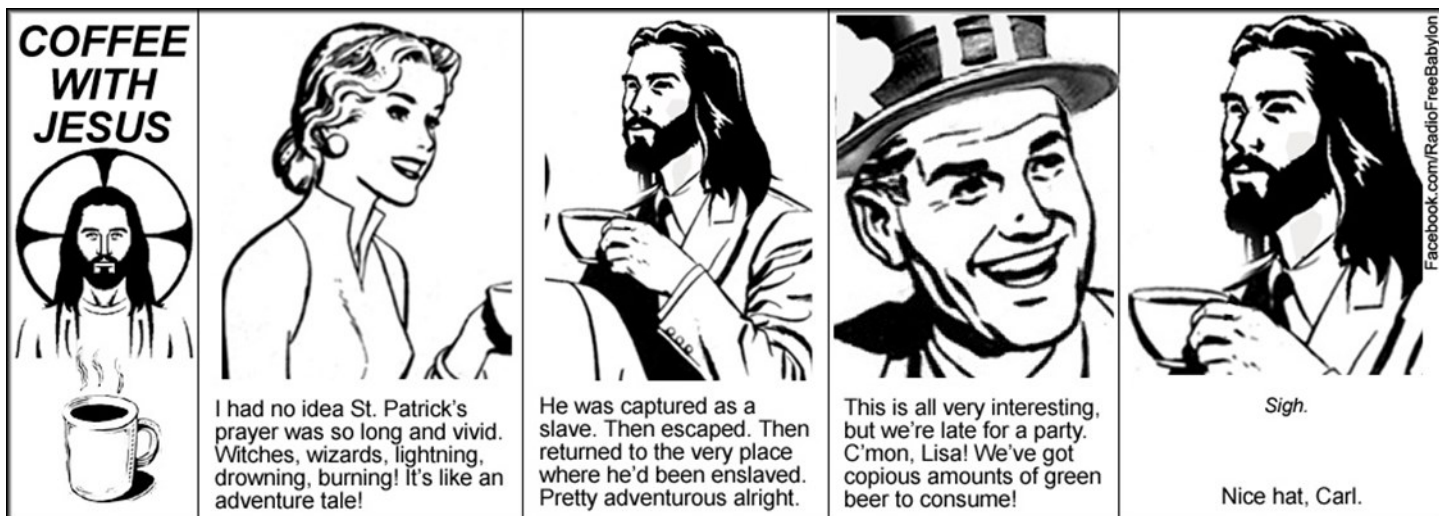
I also looked up antonyms for “grow”. Here are some of the words that came up, *destroy, demolish, fail, ruin*. These are places I do NOT want to go.

During this time of Lent, I can grow by meditating on the blogs that Pastor Jeff posts each day. I can grow by taking some extra time to be considerate and loving to another person. I can grow by ????
I have a choice – I can grow or can NOT grow. I choose to grow!

See you at church,

Karen Skipper ~
Director of Music

Since St. Patrick’s Day is coming up in a couple weeks,
here is a “Coffee with Jesus” cartoon to give you some food for thought.



Youth and Children's Page

by Bob Cooper - Director of Youth and Children's Ministries

Where is God?

As I write this we have just begun the season of Lent. As is the tradition in the liturgical church we are called to sacrifice, reflect, and prepare for the tragedy and triumph of Holy Week. This year instead of "giving up" something for Lent I have decided to embrace the 21st century way of doing things and have taken my Lenten journey to social media. Here's how it works; each day of Lent (remember Sundays don't count) I use my iPhone camera and take a picture where I see God, I call it "God Spotting". I then post those pictures along with a brief explanation to my social media accounts, namely Facebook and Instagram. I encourage the youth to "Like" and "Follow" me and join me in my Lenten journey.

I have found this to be a wonderful way of not only growing in my own "God Consciousness" but also it is a great way of displaying to the youth in my charge the abundant blessings poured out by our Lord to all of us each and every day! Honestly, one of the hardest parts of this is deciding which shot to use because the more you start looking for God the more it becomes apparent that he is all around us all the time.

I invite you to share my happy trip too, simply "Like" me on Facebook (It's just Bob Cooper) and/or Follow me on Instagram, my name is: osleyouthdoc or look for the hashtag #godspottingforlent.

It's like I tell the kids all the time 'The problem is not that God is so far away that we cannot see him, it's that he is so close that we often overlook him'

I look forward to a meaningful and rich Lenten season and wish you the same.

See you online,

Bob Cooper,
Youth and Children's Ministry



Miss Cindy preparing a "Welcome Home" banner for Marines returning from deployment



March 1 - Sunday

- ◆ HSYG, 6:00pm/YR

March 3 - Tuesday

- ◆ Kids Club, 3:00pm/YR

March 4 - Wednesday

- ◆ 5th Grade Confirmation, 3:00pm/YR
- ◆ MSYG, 6:30pm/YR

March 6-8 (Friday to Sunday)

- ◆ MSYG Winter Retreat @ El Camino Pines

March 8 - Sunday

- ◆ HSYG, 6:00pm/YR

March 10 - Tuesday

- ◆ Gilchrist House, 6:00pm

March 11 - Wednesday

- ◆ 5th Grade Confirmation, 3:00pm/YR
- ◆ MSYG, 6:30pm/YR

March 15 - Sunday

- ◆ HSYG 6:00pm/YR

March 18 - Wednesday

- ◆ 5th Grade Confirmation, 3:00pm/YR
- ◆ MSYG, 6:30pm/YR

March 22 - Sunday

- ◆ HSYG, 6:00pm/YR

March 25 - Wednesday

- ◆ 5th Grade Confirmation, 3:00pm/YR
- ◆ MSYG, 6:30pm/YR

March 29 - Sunday

- ◆ HSYG, 6:00pm/YR

Looking Ahead

July 15-19

ELCA National Youth Gathering in Detroit, MI

July 27-31

Vacation Bible Camp, 9:00am-3:00pm (K thru 6th)

August 10 - 14

Extreme Week



Christian Education March 2015



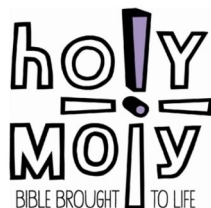
March Fireside Study:
Thursday ~ March 12
6:30pm
Hosted by Karen Coffee
2141 Camino Laurel
San Clemente, CA 92673

Ladies please join us for March Fireside Study. Our guide being **Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not rely on your own insight.

In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make straight your paths.

*Please RSVP to Kat Yeakel at
maycoffee777@aol.com or (949) 292-7910*

Sunday School Lessons! **Follow along with us...**



March Stories:

03/01: Mary and Martha (Luke 10:38-42)
03/08: The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-31)
03/15: Ten Outcasts (Luke 17:11-19)
03/22: Lazarus (John 11:1-45)
03/29: PALM SUNDAY Celebration

See the Holy Moly video at:

<http://www.oursaviorsonline.net/our-ministries/christian-education-ministry>

March Family Devotion:

Take a Nature Scavenger hunt and collect items that remind you of the life of Jesus.

The story of the cross can be a tricky one for our younger friends-here is a simple way to start a conversation at your child's own pace and your own comfort level! While on a Nature Scavenger Hunt,

finds items that remind you of the life of Jesus! Two sticks could be used to form a cross, a stone could represent the stone across the tomb, a thorn could represent the crown on Jesus' head, an acorn shell to represent the cup at the Last Supper, long branch to represent a whip, something black (for sin), something red (blood), something white (a clean heart), something green (growing in Christ). Older children can go on a digital scavenger hunt, taking photographs of items that remind them of Easter. Print the pictures and hang them in your home to remind your whole family that the story of Jesus is one we should talk about, pray about, and think about!

Easter Sunday ~ April 5, 2015

Join us for our EGG-Stravagant Easter Celebration hosted by Our Savior's! Easter activities will include Easter Egg hunt, family fun lawn games, crafts and more! Celebration will be held between all Easter services.

Interested in helping? Contact Kat Yeakel at maycoffee777@aol.com

Donations needed: Please bring plastic eggs and treats to stuff them with to the church Narthex by Sunday, March 29th.



SAVE THE DATE!

Thursday, May 7, 2015
A 24 hour prayer event for the
National Day of Prayer

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OUR SAVIOR'S



Sunday Morning Bible Study
9:45am ▪ Sanctuary

The Parables of Jesus: The Kingdom Parables, The Grace Parables and the Parables of Judgment! 9:50 am in the Founders Room. We'll explore how Jesus uses parables to explain God and the realities of living within God's kingdom.

Wednesday Manna Bible Study
Founders Room
11:00am to 12:15pm every Wednesday

Join us each week as we look ahead to Sunday's lessons. There is no better way to prepare for worship.

***THERE IS NO ADULT EVENING EDUCATION
DURING THE SEASON OF LENT.***



First (Early) Communion
Sign-up in the Narthex
Sunday, March 8th and 15th

First Classes will be held on Sunday March 8th and 15th at 3:00pm here at Our Savior's. The classes are for parent/s and child alike and both sessions are a required component. While geared toward the 3rd/4th graders, younger and older children may attend as long as the parents and Pastor Jeff have had a chance to discuss prior to the first meeting. Classes will last approximately 1.5 hours.

*Please Sign up in the Narthex while at worship, or
call the church office at (949) 492-6164.*

First Communion will be celebrated on
April 2nd at 7:00pm
Maundy Thursday Worship



Saturday ~ March 14, 2015
7:00am - 8:30am

Calling all men.....

You are invited to join us for a
men's breakfast at OSLC.

RSVP: John Mulligan at multi63@gmail.com



Final Standings for this year's OSLC NFL Pro-Pick'um. Congratulations to Ron Cadler (The Toledo Flash) who ended up on top for the second year and a row.

Rank	Pick Set Name	Total Pts	W-L
1	Toledo Flash	141	141-122
2	Dustin RED HEADED	137	137-126
3	STEP CHILD	135	135-128
4	Waterboy's Prognostications	134	134-129
5	Paul	133	133-130
6	#whydoidothis?	132	132-131
7	Sparkle 17	131	131-132
8	MTBCmom	126	126-137
9	Eliminator	125	125-138
10	TOPSZN	122	122-141
11	Trojan Mustang	121	121-142
12	raiderfitz	103	103-160
13	Dancin on thin ice.	53	53-210
14	Lil Frohns	52	52-211
15	Peter D	21	21-242

OSLC FELLOWSHIP



Lenten Soup Suppers

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Ladies...

Please check your e-mail for the next Bunco date.

**Mindy Goulding,
Fellowship Ministry**



Our Savior's will be offering Easter Lilies to adorn the sanctuary and altar area for Easter Sunday Worship. You may buy an Easter Lily in honor or memory of a loved one or dedicate to family and friends. An insert will be included in the Easter Sunday Worship folder remembering those who have had Easter Lilies bought on their behalf. The Lilies may be taken home after Easter.

Easter Lilies are \$15.00 each and you may order more than one. Please fill out the order form below with all the information and return it to the offering plate with your check or you may mail your form and check to the church office.

Order form available online at
www.oursaviorsonline.net

**All orders & payment are due no later than
Monday - March 30
Check Memo: "Easter Lilies"**

Order Name _____

Phone # _____

Qty _____

Please circle below In Memory of or In Honor of and print clearly.

In memory of/honor of _____

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OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT JANUARY 2015

Average January Attendance: 195 people
Average Weekly Offering: \$ 8,396/wk
Budget Requirement: \$ 10,860/wk

	Current Month	YTD
Unrestricted Gifts:	\$33,586	\$276,313
Budget:	\$43,440	\$304,080

These are your gifts to the church through general envelopes and plate offerings; they are used for operating budget expenses.

**Annual member contributions are currently 9.13%
BELOW the Congregation approved budget needs.**

Designated Gifts:	\$ 922	\$ 5,883
World Hunger	\$ 471	\$ 3,030
Habitat for Humanity	\$ 451	\$ 2,853

Church Mortgage Balance: \$ 658,078.54*

**monthly mortgage payment for the classroom
building is paid from the school funds*

**Thank You For Your Stewardship!
Blessings! Karen Coffee, Treasurer**



February 2015 Highlights

- Linda Howard reported on changes in Thrivent's charitable giving. Thrivent has developed two programs, "Thrivent Choice" and "Thrivent Action Teams" through which Thrivent members can participate. If you are a Thrivent member see Linda Howard to get details on the programs and help direct charitable dollars towards OSLC projects.
- Donations have been received to cover paraments for all of the liturgical colors of the church year. Thank you to everyone who donated.
- Our Savior's will host a WIFT (Walking Into the Future Together) event for the Synod. It will be a time to discuss what we like about things happening in the Synod and changes we might like. Everyone is welcome to attend. Watch for more information on this event.
- There are new blinds and valances up in the Sanctuary.

**Respectfully submitted by
Liz Derdzinske, Congregation Council Secretary**

*Next council meeting
Tuesday ~ March 10, 2015 at 6:30pm*

**Come and join me for a walking tour of
LA Union Station
Saturday March 28th
10:30am - 1:00pm ~ 2 ½ hours**



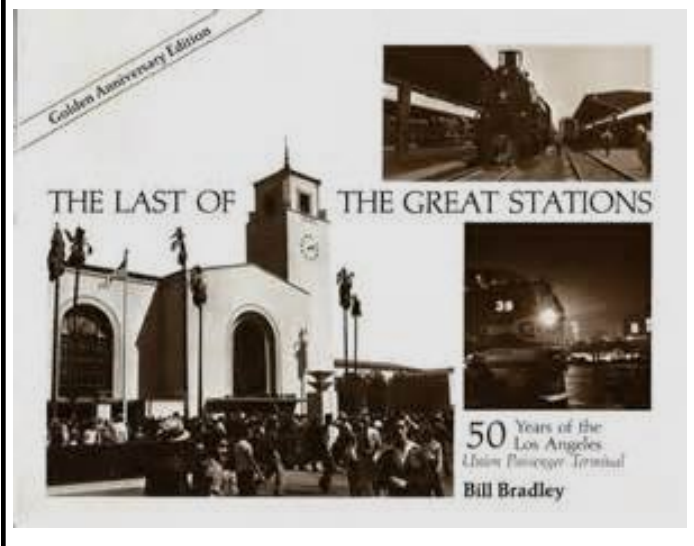
The grand opening of Union Station was celebrated with a three-day extravaganza attended by nearly half a million people. The station's monumental architecture, a unique combination of Spanish Colonial Revival and Art Deco styles, assured that it would be one of the most identifiable landmarks in the city.

It also turned out to be the last great railway station built in America, constructed as it was near the end of the heyday of rail travel. The vast and extraordinary spaces now serve as station to the city's Metro Rail lines, and once again tens of thousands of people course through the building every day.

The price is \$10 per person and I plan on taking the Metro train which leaves San Clemente that morning. The round trip train fare is \$10. You may also drive or take alternate means to get there.

Questions call Steve Kos at 949-492-5368 or skos@griotgroup.com

**Space is limited to 15 people.
See you on the train.**



YOUR CHURCH AT WORK IN THE WORLD! EBOLA CRISIS



Because of the faithful partnership of Lutheran congregations, Lutheran Disaster Relief was able to provide the following support in the midst of the EBOLA crisis.

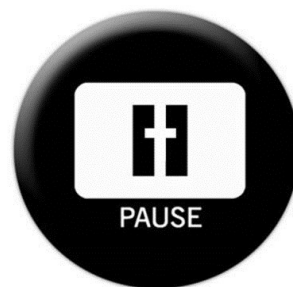
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has responded in the following areas:

- ♦ \$10,000 helped cover air-freight costs for Global Health Ministries to ship personal protective equipment to Monrovia. This was at the request of the Lutheran Church in Liberia. Global Health Ministries provides medical supplies and funding for health care programs in Lutheran churches in 20 countries.
- ♦ \$85,000 to the Lutheran Church in Liberia provided food assistance of oil, rice and fish to nearly 3,000 households in six territorial areas. Food supplies were necessary because many areas were under quarantine in an effort to contain the spread of the Ebola virus.
- ♦ \$50,000 to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Sierra Leone provided oil, rice and fish to 4,750 individuals who were under quarantine.
- ♦ \$50,000 to Lutheran Development Service in Liberia to help raise awareness and share messages about Ebola symptoms and prevention methods to 4,500 individuals in Liberia. The funds also provided for a contractor to ensure that the construction of an isolation center at Phebe Hospital and the School of Nursing meets WHO standards. Phebe Hospital is a Lutheran hospital and is the largest public health institution in Liberia.
- ♦ \$80,000 to the Council of Churches in Sierra Leone to support the prevention of the Ebola

virus in two districts and 180 communities through various activities, including awareness and distribution of bleach and water containers.

The ELCA will provide \$146,500 to support the following programs:

- ♦ Strengthening health systems in Liberia and Sierra Leone as an essential component of an ELCA long-term strategy
- ♦ Support to orphans and youth affected by Ebola in Liberia
- ♦ Promotion of proper hygiene and safe drinking water in Sierra Leone
- ♦ Income generation and job creation in Liberia and Sierra Leone - See more at: <http://www.elca.org/News-and-Events/7720#sthash.1jckyAbl.dpuf>



Sunday Evening Worship ~ 6:00pm

Have you had a chance to come and experience our Sunday Evening Worship—The Pause? It is a contemporary informal worship experience that revolves around a time of worship and praise, hearing the Word and sharing Holy Communion.

Come and See!

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY TEAM—Opportunities to serve this month

There are so many ways to touch someone's life. We invite you to be a part of our current projects. Every contribution, large or small, makes a difference to someone!

PENNIES & PEANUT BUTTER DRIVE for SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK March 1-29



Please donate non-perishable food and cash.
Collection boxes are in the narthex and classrooms.
Make checks payable to OSLC, memo: Food Drive.



Food items most needed:

(We encourage donations of items that are low sodium/fat/sugar & high protein/fiber)

Peanut Butter & Jelly

Hot & Cold Cereals

Canned Fruit, Veggies & Juice

Chili

Canned Meat & Tuna

Mac & Cheese

Pasta, Rice & Beans

Beef Stew

NO GLASS PLEASE!



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



470 member charities, including FAM, rely on Second Harvest to supplement local donations. Cash donations help supply perishable foods and fund meal programs that target those at most risk for hunger: children and senior citizens. In fact, 21% of Orange County's children and 15% of OC seniors are at risk for hunger at any given time. So, the need is real... your gifts are appreciated.

Join the Hunger Challenge! Donate at least one item each week.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Camp Pendleton San Onofre School

We are participating in San Clemente Military Family Outreach's annual school supplies drive for San Onofre K-8 school on Camp Pendleton. We would greatly appreciate your donations of any quantity of the following new items:

Kleenex & wipes
Dry erase markers
White board cleaner
Copy paper
Glue sticks & Adhesive tape
Sticky notes of all sizes



All donations must be received by Sunday, March 22. Please leave in the narthex. Thank you!

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

8AM—2PM



Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. It could be you or a loved one or a stranger.

Your blood would be greatly appreciated! You may sign up online, on the patio between services, or by contacting Heidi Works, hsworks7@cox.net or 361-5179.

Helpful Hint:

Load up on iron-rich foods in the 2 weeks before the blood drive to ensure that your blood will be accepted.

Thrivent Action Teams

If you are a Thrivent Financial member and would like to know how you can use the new Thrivent Action Team program to benefit Our Savior's church and school (or your own favorite charity), please contact Linda Howard, howard.ljh55@gmail.com or 422-5258. Our school, social concerns ministry, youth programs, buildings & grounds, and more could all benefit from your and Thrivent's generosity. Contact me to learn more!

Our Savior's Lutheran School News

March 2015

Lutheran Schools Week

Theme: "Our Children...A Future with HOPE"

During Lutheran Schools Week (3/2-3/6), ELEA schools and early childhood education centers celebrate almost 500 years of Lutheran Schools educating students within the framework of the Gospel. Our Preschool and Elementary students will be enjoying this special week with many fun activities. On Friday, March 6th, the Preschool will be closed* and Elementary School will hold its annual **Grandparents Day**

* Preschool Grandparents Day will be held in the Fall

grandparents day

Friday, March 6, 2015

A Very Special Day to Honor Those We Cherish

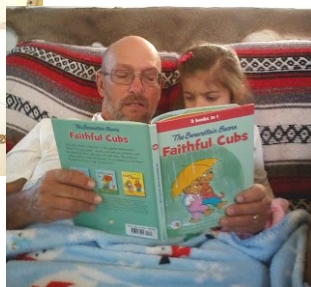
Schedule of Events

9:30am - Doors open for Chapel Program

10:00am-10:45am - Chapel Program

10:45am-11:00am - Reception in the Courtyard

11:15am - Visit Classrooms



Pennies and Peanut Butter... Our annual Pennies & Peanut Butter drive takes place this month. Our Savior's church and school families will join together to collect coins, currency and canned goods (along with peanut butter) for **Second Harvest FoodBank.**



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Meet the Masters



Our young artists (grades 1st-5th) will be studying French artist, *Edgar Degas* (1834-1917). Degas' drawing secrets will be investigated in a variety of masterpieces. His works beautifully exemplified techniques of perspective and composition. Degas is most famous for his painting of ballet and horse racing scenes.



The Kindergarten artists will be studying another French artist, *Henri Matisse* (1869-1954). The bold colors and shapes of Matisse's abstract cutouts will inspire our young artists to explore shape and color relationships. The French artist created cheerful compositions by "drawing" with his scissors instead of a pencil.





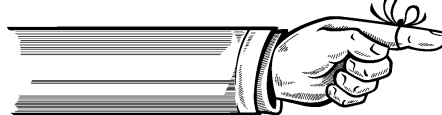
Hear Now/Abramson Audiology and Speechnet will be on campus 3/10 and 3/13 to provide a **Speech and Hearing Screening** for students who have registered in advance. The screening includes an evaluation of hearing abilities and middle ear function in both ears. Also, speech; language; voice; and fluency will be evaluated. Parents will receive a written explanation of the results after the test.



March Kid's Column

PRAYER

REMINDER



Use this fun family activity to remember to pray for other people.

What you need:

- White index cards (at least six)
- Markers or colored pencils (red, orange, yellow, green, blue and brown)
- M&M's candies



What you do:

1. On each card, write a group of people to pray for (family members, friends, teachers, sick people, etc.). Use a different color of writing utensil for each card.
2. While sitting at a table, divide the M&M's among family members.
3. Spread out the cards and explain that each color represents a group of people to pray for. Have each family member choose one candy and consider who they'll pray for.
4. Designate one person to start praying aloud. Go around the circle, and have the last person close.
5. At the end of that round, eat those M&M's.
6. Continue until you've prayed for all the cards. (Make more, if you'd like!)

History Day

Our fifth graders will have the opportunity to showcase their History Day projects at the Orange County History Day competition in Costa Mesa on Saturday, March 14th. This year's theme is *Leadership and Legacy in History*. Representing Our Savior's in the Group Division are partners Kayla Scopaz and Jessika Ephraim with their project on Jane Adams: The Hull House. Competing in the Individual Division 2-D Boards are Jack Hagen with Vince Lombardi: Game to Business; Liam Hallinan with Nelson Mandela: South Africa's First Black President; and Zane Pert with John Muir: Father of Our National Parks. During the competition, public and private schools from across the county compete for the chance to represent Orange County at the state level in May.

Please join us in congratulating all of our students for their extraordinary work and join in on wishing those students who are advancing to the county level, "good luck!"

Our Savior's Lutheran School is preparing for its annual **Trike-A-Thon** to be held on March 19th and 20th. During this 2-day event, all OSLS preschoolers and Pre-K students are encouraged to bring their own trike, bike, or non-motorized scooter to ride around a designated course for a 15-minute period. Funds will be raised through pledges collected by the riders. The funds raised will be used to purchase "wish list" items needed in preschool.



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8:30am ~ Bold Worship, Sunday School

9:30am ~ Adult Education

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6:00pm ~ Evening Worship

Nursery Care available all at all services for children 4 and under!

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