



# OCTOBER, 2020

## Living Savior Lutheran Church

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### The Great Commandment

<sup>34</sup> But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together.

<sup>35</sup> And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him.

<sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”

<sup>37</sup> And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

<sup>38</sup> This is the great and first commandment.

<sup>39</sup> And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. <sup>40</sup> On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

*Matthew 22:34-40*

### OCTOBER SCRIPTURES

October 4      Isaiah 5:1-7  
                    Philippians 3:4b-14  
                    Matthew 21:33-46

October 11     Isaiah 25:6-9  
                    Philippians 4:4-13  
                    Matthew 22:1-14

October 18     Isaiah 45:1-7  
                    1 Thessalonians 1  
                    Matthew 22:15-22

October 25     Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18  
                    1 Thessalonians 2:1-13  
                    Matthew 22:34-46

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## MUSICAL NOTES FROM JUDY



This Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of October is LWML Sunday, so celebrate this wonderful organization and wear PURPLE! Be sure and listen to Cheryl's Children' Message (link on Pastor's email earlier this week).

Some of you might remember the slogan "Reach Out and Touch Someone." My first thought was it was "SW Ma Bell", and the more I thought about it, maybe it was Hallmark cards. Anyway, the key word for us in this pandemic is TOUCH.

We are finding out that air hugs just don't cut it, especially with children, grandchildren, family and friends. It is so frustrating, leaving us unsettled in a way.

So many of us are so grateful that we don't have loved ones confined to care facilities all alone, possibly confused why everything in their world has changed so drastically. Yet we all probably know someone who is in that difficult situation, and our hearts go out to both parties. We give thanks to God for the loving care givers who stand in for their families.

As a contrast for being alone, we have our loving Savior who is constantly present and by our side, in good times and bad times. What a blessed actual TOUCH we have when we pick up the wafer and the personal cup of wine that we experience in Holy Communion. Seems to make everything right and in balance once again, being reminded of what God gave us in His Son!

There's an old Gospel song phrase "and He walks with me and He talks with me and He tells me I am His own." It doesn't get much better than that! Thanks be to God!

OCTOBER IS CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH! The prayer calendar for Pastor, Cheryl, and family has been delivered, and it is always so meaningful when it fills up so quickly. We are including Elena, Miguel, David', and Megan. What wonderful gifts God has blessed us with in Pastor and Cheryl!

The week of the 11<sup>th</sup> will be greeting cards. You can put them in the office workroom mailboxes if you choose.

The week of the 18<sup>th</sup> will be personal notes.

On Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Reformation and will honor Pastor and Cheryl with a PAPER SHOWER! Feel free to bring items to table in fellowship hall. Due to guess what (Covid), we will not have cake. Just another adjustment.

Living Savior has been so blessed to not have any instances of Covid in our immediate church family. Besides God's protection, it is a testament to diligent decisions and directions and protocol being followed, so thanks to all for loving one another in compliance.

*Blessed are those who dwell in your house, Lord; they are ever praising you. Psalm 84:4*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**LUTHERAN WITNESS 2021** – It is now time to get signed up for your monthly subscription for the 2021 Lutheran Witness. The fee is \$14.25 for the year and the deadline is October 11<sup>th</sup>. You can sign up through the church website online (located under the Member tab) or by picking up a slip in the Sanctuary lobby. Please remember, if you sign up online, you will need to put your payment in the collection plate and label it “Lutheran Witness”. For any questions please call or email the office.

**MISSING GROUP BIBLE STUDY?** – With three services currently taking place on Sunday morning, we are migrating our Adult Bible Class to two times on Wednesdays: 9:30-10:30am and 6:30-7:30pm in the Sanctuary. We are studying the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> John. If you missed the first few weeks, you can watch them on the website. Just click on the link at the bottom of the home page. No registration needed to attend.

**EVERY ONE HIS WITNESS LUTHERAN EVANGELISM CLASS.** Would you like to become more confident regarding your ability to tell others about Jesus? Learn this low-pressure, natural evangelism approach. Jack Heintschel is facilitating this workshop-style Bible class on Sunday afternoons at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. The first class was held Sunday, September 13th, but it's not too late to join. The course includes approximately 8 sessions and coincides with our Sunday afternoon Sunday School schedule will conclude on Dec. 20th. If interested, just show up in the Fellowship Hall at 1:00pm this afternoon. Bring your mask and expect social distancing to be observed. If questions or need for more information, call or text Jack at (281)221-0699.

**MITE SUNDAY** - Oct.4 is Mite Sunday. Don't forget to put your mites in the big mite box. If you are still sheltering in place at home, please continue to feed your mite box. If you don't have a mite box, you can still help support LWML mission projects by putting money aside for mites and dropping it in the big mite box on the first Sunday of the month. Don't forget to put ten dimes in your dime stocking or container.

**P6 FARMS** - Our children up through sixth grade and their parents are invited to P6 Farms on Saturday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Please let Cheryl know if you plan on attending. The cost is \$20 a person which includes entrance into the farm and access to: U-Pick Pumpkin Patch, U-Pick Flower Patch, corn maze, pig races (times posted at the farm), photo-ops, kiddie whip, rock'n willys, farm animals, cow train, wheel barrow races, tire mountain,

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apple blasters, the cyclone, hay ride, ol'tin wheel, jumping pillow, hay maze, roller slide, tether ball, poole's peak, duck races, tug 'o war, pumpkin house, and glass funhouse!

\*Some attractions do require additional purchase: apple blaster, and IF you decide to pick a pumpkin or flowers.

\*Flowers are dependent upon crop availability

**YOUTH MEETING** -There will be a Youth meeting on Sunday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> at noon then we will head over to Longview Greens to play miniature golf. Please RSVP to Cheryl by Wed. Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> if you plan on attending so she can plan accordingly for food.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** -If your child or grandchild would like to be apart of this year's Christmas Program please contact Cheryl or Jennifer Steen. The rehearsals are every other Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm. The actual program will be on Christmas Eve at 4:00pm. Attendance registration to the program will be opened up to family of the children first, then any additional spots will be available to members as well as the fellowship hall for viewing via the live stream. This way more people can visit with the children afterwards outside in the parking lot.

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** - The Thursday Morning Ladies' Bible study will meet this Thursday, October 8 at 10:00. Sandy Smith will finish the current study entitled Unveiled Faces. On Thursday, October 15, we will resume our study of the Lord's Prayer that was interrupted when the world shut down. We will continue with the third in the series, the Second and Third Petitions. Handouts will be available on October 8. For more information about the Ladies' Bible study, contact Annet Riley at [asriley@ymail.com](mailto:asriley@ymail.com) or (713) 598-2556.

**CHILD BEYOND INTERNATIONAL** - Child Beyond International is a nonprofit organization based in Hood River, OR. They own and operate a children's home outside San Cristobol, Guatemala. If you took the Virtual Mission Trip this summer, you would have seen the children and the home. The mission trip that was scheduled for last June has been rescheduled for next summer.

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The Ladies of the LWML have voted to support a Child Beyond International child. The cost to sponsor a child is \$40 a month. If you would like to help sponsor a child, there is a small box for Child Beyond International donations on the table near the large Mite box. All donations will be appreciated.

**ALTAR GUILD** - is looking for new members to help with setting up the Communion Table. You are never on your own, there is always someone to assist you as long as you need, and 3rd Service, you will always team up with a partner because of the cleanup after the service. Please call or text Dawn Dunagan on her cell at 316-644-8290 or email her at [artisticemb@yahoo.com](mailto:artisticemb@yahoo.com).

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## **October Mite Mission Grant: Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln LCMS Nebraska District (\$50,000)**



God has used the ministries of the University Lutheran Chapel (ULC) to reach students with the Good News of Jesus Christ. The connection between ULC, international students, and young adults in the downtown community is an important one which will provide those in need with Christian counseling services in a comfortable, easily accessible space. Research shows young adults are especially susceptible to depression leading to suicide making it the second most common cause of death among college students. ULC sits on the very edge of the University of Nebraska campus in the heart of Lincoln. It is the hope of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Nebraska District to use this building and its location as a hub of hope and healing for the students and young adults in the downtown community. It is our prayer that the students and community members who use this Hope and Healing Hub might be drawn into a relationship with Jesus, leading to faithful participation in the Word and Sacrament ministry offered there. This grant will make the building more inviting while offering Christian counseling services through GracePoint Institute for Relational Health.

WHEREAS, statistics show that suicide rates among young adults have tripled since the 1950's and 12 people aged 15-24 commit suicide each day; and

WHEREAS, salvation through Jesus Christ is the greatest hope the Church can give a hurting world; and

WHEREAS, partnerships between The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Nebraska District, GracePoint Institute for Relational Health, Concordia University Nebraska, and local LCMS congregations will provide staff and opportunities to share the love and hope of Jesus with the hurting people in the community; and

WHEREAS, renovations at the University Lutheran Chapel adjacent to the campus of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln are needed to make space for the ministry of the Hope and Healing Hub for the 32,000+ students and young adults in the area; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the delegates gathered at the 2019 Lutheran Women's Missionary League

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Convention in Mobile, Alabama, vote the sum of \$50,000 to help fund Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln.

Recent research shows young adults are especially susceptible to depression leading to suicide, making it the second most common cause of death among college students. The University Lutheran Chapel sits on the very edge of the University of Nebraska campus in the heart of downtown Lincoln. It is the hope of the Nebraska District to use this building and its location as a hub of hope and healing for the students and young adults in the downtown community who are suffering with hopelessness, depression, and thoughts of suicide. It is the prayer that the students and community members who use this Hope and Healing Hub might be drawn into a relationship with the Body of Christ and Jesus as its head, leading to faithful participation in the Word and Sacrament ministry offered there.



Dedicated conversation partners, both UNL students and members from local LCMS congregations, meet regularly with international students to help them learn English and build meaningful, Christ-centered relationships with them. The Chapel building provides the space to gather, and creating a more open and welcoming space for these and other gatherings will increase the use of the Chapel and its ministry impact.



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The ministry of the University Lutheran Chapel in Lincoln, Nebraska, serves students and the surrounding community through worship, Bible study, and service opportunities. The students involved at the Chapel are a great connection point for others to enter the Chapel community. A renovated space will encourage fellowship and new relationships to form and grow, while offering Christian counseling services to those who need to hear of God's love for them. The Hope and Healing Hub will

be a place where anyone can come to be loved, to be healed through the work of Christian counselors, and to receive hope through the body and blood of our Savior.



The space at the University Lutheran Chapel must be renovated to make the building more accessible as a place of hope and healing. This drawing shows the plan, including dedicated space for Christian counseling services through GracePoint Institute for Relational Health, as well as a larger "student union" space for gathering and building relationships. Construction began on June 1, 2018, with an estimated completion date of

August 2019, allowing the Hope and Healing Hub to be open and ready to welcome students when the school year begins.

God has used the people and the ministries of the University Lutheran Chapel to reach students with the Good News of Jesus Christ. In the past ten years, the Holy Spirit has worked in the hearts of 43 international students and seven American students to bring them to the waters of Holy Baptism through the efforts of the Chapel staff and students. The connection between the Chapel community and the





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international students is an important one, and this connection to the Chapel will give international students Christian counseling services in an easily accessible space that is already comfortable for them.



The University Lutheran Chapel provides the space for gatherings, such as fellowship meals, holiday celebrations, and cultural events. A larger and more accessible fellowship space will serve the students and the community members better, giving them open space for meetings and celebrations that can include more people in a more comfortable setting. Making this space available for use by community members will connect them to the Chapel and intro-

duce them to the people, services and fellowship there.

The staff and volunteers of the University Lutheran Chapel offer free moving services to students, often international students, which provides a wonderful way to meet and connect with them. Coming from thousands of miles away with little knowledge of the English language or American culture, many also don't know about Jesus Christ. The moving ministry of the Chapel connects these international students to the love of Jesus and the caring community at the Chapel. The addition of the Hope



and Healing Hub will be a great blessing to these students who often struggle with the transition to American culture.



## Online with Living Savior

Online Offerings are a quick and easy way to continue contributing to your church, while we are all worshipping at home and apart.

Donating online is easy :

- Open our website at **[livingsaviortexas.org](http://livingsaviortexas.org)**
- **For Help**, select **Offerings**, then any one of three videos
- **To Make a Donation**, select **Offerings**, then press the **Give Now** button
- Select **Sign In / Sign Up** to create your account
- Select a Fund, donation frequency and amount

**You can save money for yourself and the church, if you donate using the eCheck option. Credit or Debit cards incur about twice the processing fee of eChecks.**

If you have questions or need help:

- Check out the videos
- text or email Eric  
(936-448-2343) or  
[eric.r.yeager@gmail.com](mailto:eric.r.yeager@gmail.com)

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# IN OUR PRAYERS



## ***Healing/Surgery/Hospitalization***

**Steve Brown** (Darlene's son) blood clots in his leg after a severe motorcycle accident

**Chris Cheatham** recovering after shoulder surgery

**Bob Dunagan** recovering after foot surgery

**Dawn Dunagan** undergoing testing

**Pr. Al Franzmeier** (former member) preparing for heart valve replacement surgery on October 9th

**Warren Richards** going through home-based physical therapy

**Charles Steffler** complications with diabetes and high blood pressure

## ***Military***

**Everett Lake Hames** (Hames' grandson) Air Traffic Controller training at Naval Air Station in Pensacola, FL.

**Andrew Knauf** (Nyes' grandson) prayers of protection

## ***Death (Comfort for family/friends)***

Family and friends of **Cindy Pratis** (Debra Demery's sister)

## ***Cancer/Long-Term Illness***

**Jan Baker** (Joice Fangmann's sister) stomach cancer

**Gloria Boddeker** (Anita Lee's mom) long-term health care

**Danny Bond** (Donna Bond's son) treatment for liver disease

**Kathy Edmonds** (Mattfelds' friend) oral cancer

**Barbara Hammond** (Vahrenkamps' Aunt) bone cancer & chemo treatments

## ***Cancer/Long-Term Illness***

**Stephanie Henry** (Henschel's daughter) dealing with Lupus

**John Hudson** (Dennis Bohman's cousin) being treated for Parotid gland cancer

**Everett Itschner** (Shoppes' great-nephew) dealing with RSV and heart irregularity

**Bill McCalister** (Dianna Wood's brother) Parkinson's Disease

**Jo McCalister** (Dianna Wood's sister-in-law) ongoing weakness and fatigue from an unknown cause

**Patricia Minor** (Valerie Krizan's mother) congestive heart failure

**Joanne Musule** (Stefflers' extended family) breast cancer

**Donald Oakley** (Bruce Shutt's brother-in-law) multiple myeloma

**Gloria Poole** (Jack Heintschel's cousin) Stage 4 cancer

**Bart Powell** treatments for cancer & pain management

**Butch Robertson** (Steffler's friend) treatments for cancer

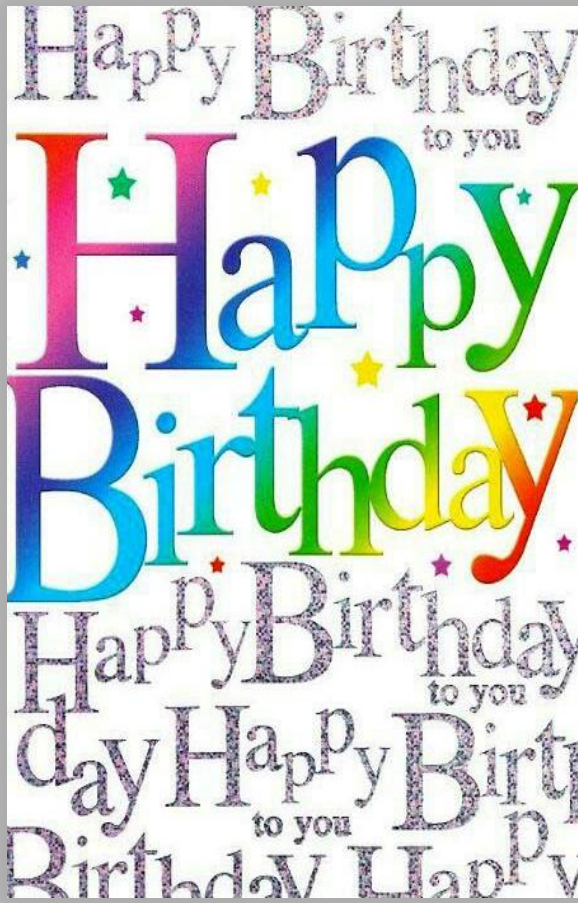
**Clara Rosales** (Ivonne Gourlay's sister)-stage 4 brain cancer

**Richard Sharpe** stage 4 cancer

**Rick Schoppe** healing of cancer

**Al Schuller** skin cancer and breathing difficulties

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Darriech Hutt	10/1
David Bailes	10/1
Hoppy Hopperdietzel	10/2
Mark Dinning	10/3
Ronald McEachern	10/4
Cecil Brooks	10/5
Mike Riley	10/6
Miguel Bailes	10/9
Leeam Bautz	10/11
Darriech Hutt	10/1
David Bailes	10/1
Hoppy Hopperdietzel	10/2
Mark Dinning	10/3
Ronald McEachern	10/4
Cecil Brooks	10/5
Mike Riley	10/6
Miguel Bailes	10/9
Leeam Bautz	10/11
Jack Heintschel	10/13

Carolyn Behnke	10/14
Aaron Cole	10/16
Steve Simonsen	10/17
Kenna Stille	10/18
Christopher Langlois	10/19
Ruth Smith	10/22
Karen Harbaugh	10/22
Dick Wiese	10/23
Pat Case	10/24
Gabriel Chambers	10/24
Sylvia Bailes	10/25
Shirley Wiese	10/26
Maggie Schuette	10/27
Marshall Hodge	10/27
Judy Hodge	10/28
Nicholas Rios	10/30
Justin Davis	10/31
Keira Miller	10/31

LorraineWynn and Charles	10/10
Doug and Anita Lee	10/11
Ed and Penny Moe	10/13
Bill and Nanette Dodd	10/15
Russell and Lori Vahrenkamp	10/19
James and Diane Hadley	10/21
VelmaPowell and James	10/28

