



OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome
2021!

Expressions

January 2/3, 2021

Weekend Worship Services

In-person sign up required.

(Maximum of 75 people per service)

Saturday 4:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

(Traditional/Communion at both)

Sundays

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

8 a.m. Traditional, 9:30 & 11 a.m. Contemporary
(Communion offered at all services)

Sunday 8 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. services can be viewed by
Facebook Live or on YouTube one hour after service.
Phone in through Zoom and listen to the 8 a.m. service,
312-626-6799.



*COVID safety procedures: Masks are required in the building and ask that you social distance. Please refrain from coming if you are not feeling well.

Our Savior Lutheran Church Staff

Rev. Keith Piotter, Lead Pastor

Rev. Caleb Weight, Associate. Pastor

Eric Brei, Director of Youth Ministry

Heather Scheuermann, Parish Admin

Lisa Piotter, Preschool Director

Erin Onions, Accountant

Jennifer Bullock, Director of Ministry Development

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*See website for
monthly Expressions



Dear Our Savior Family –

It is with deep humility and gratitude in our hearts that Lisa and I, Pastor Caleb and Kara, and Eric and Traci Brei accept such a generous financial gift from you this Christmas. We are constantly encouraged by you, our brothers and sisters, as together we accept the daily call to *“Connect people to Jesus faithfully, courageously, together, for the sake of the kingdom.”* That happened, by God’s grace, unhindered in 2020.

As a result, and to be perfectly honest, we do NOT want to soon forget 2020. Too many new opportunities have presented themselves since last January. Too many valuable lessons have been learned. There have been too many blessings to count in 2020, more mountain tops than valleys, along with stronger relationships, new discoveries, reinforced values, fresh perspectives, and creative ministry approaches to develop.

It was these four words, *“The Promises of God,”* that carried us through a nerve-racking year, and it will again be *“The promises of God”* that inspire us to overcome the unexpected trials coming our way over the next twelve months. Let’s keep our heads up, stay light hearted and optimistic.

Thank you for all you do, for your faithfulness, your kindness, your patience and support. Let this prayer from Christmas Eve worship guide us as we gratefully flip the calendar and proceed into 2021:

*All things are good and worthy and true
unless dear Lord Jesus it robs us of You.*

*Help us to find and listen and heed
that if we have You we have all that we need. Amen*
Bless you, and thank you again!

Your pastor staff

Bible Studies

Belonging By Grace New Member Course, Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m., led by Pastor Keith/Pastor Caleb in person and through Zoom. Contact oslcparishadmin@mediacombb.net to participate.

Champions Men's Bible Study, Wednesday mornings **Zoom Meeting at 11:00 a.m.**, hosted by David Pratt. Participants can link in from email invitation from David. See your directory for his email or contact the church office.

Mary Martha, Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., led by Pastor Caleb Weight.

Men's Bible Study, Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Available by Zoom and in person. Contact Tim Raymon for information and procedures. Not meeting January 2nd.

DIG IN ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL— Weekly lessons available on the church website. For ages 2 through 6th grade.

WEEKDAY COMMUNION TIMES

MONDAYS—65+ please contact the church office to schedule your time for 10:00 a.m.

For those under age 65 and not attending the weekend worship services with communion, please call the church office to set up a time to receive communion.

Dear friends at Our Savior,

We pray that you had a blessed Advent season and your Christmas time filled with joy!

As we've been blessed with our new baby daughter recently your prayers and financial support have meant even more to us.

We hope and pray the New Year is full of happiness for all of you.

The Kroenkes
Marissa (Manor) Kroenke, Deaconess Student



Our Savior Lutheran Church,

Happy holiday season! Hope you are doing well and found time to connect with family and friends for the holidays. My wife and I were in Taiwan the last two years and were excited to spend holidays here with our families this year. We learned very quickly that it would have to be done through technology. We made our own small family traditions but the biggest comfort we have is celebrating Christ's birth and the hope he brought to the world! Prayers and blessings to you and your family as you begin a New Year.

Timothy Mehl
Seminary Student, St. Louis

PRAYER & PRAISE:

Member (bold only) , *Non-Member* (bold & italics)

HEALING

- † **Shirley Duncan**, home recovering from triple bypass surgery
- † **Nancy Jones**, failing health (Beck)
- † **Michael Kerch**, recovering in rehab for broken hip (Kerch)

HOSPITALIZED

- † **Kristi Ernst** , complications from COVID (Van Fossen)
- † **Brooklyn Jackson**, cancer surgery December 31 (Van Fossen)
- † **Deb Mahannah**, in Iowa City recovering from bone marrow transplant
- † **Joan Sutcliffe**, recovering from heart procedure

COMFORT

- † **Tracy Beardsley** & family upon the death of **Tom Beardsley** December 26th
- † **Cathie Strieter** & family upon the death of her sister, **Liz Munroe**, December 18th

THANKSGIVING

- † Birth of **Witt Nelson** to **Afton & Nick Myers**, grandson of Andy Nelson

Confirmation Classes — All confirmation classes meet this Sunday, January 3rd, 6-7:30 p.m.



Worship Attendance

Christmas Eve Total	758
In Person Worship	570
Facebook Live Worship	188
Christmas Day Total	227
In Person Worship	117
Facebook Live Worship	110
Weekend—Dec. 27 Total	185
In Person Worship	75
Facebook Live Worship	60