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Our Savior's Lutheran Church



**Update on 2020 Vision efforts**

January Headlines

- Update on 2020 Vision efforts from Bishop Dan Selbo.
- James Nestingen, significant NALC theologian, dies.
- Jacob Larry Yoder 1943-2022.
- NALC statement upon the death of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.
- Ordination photos.
- NALS special event planned for May 3.
- Canadian Rockies Theological Conference to focus on Bo Giertz.
- NALC Disaster Response update.
- "Church foolishness and insanity" — Ministry Matters from Pastor David Wendel.

- Newly-ordained pastors meet regularly via Zoom.
- Congregational annual reports.
- Contribution statements.
- Pastor Wendy Berthelson joins staff to work with pastors coming into NALC.
- Nominations sought for 2023 Mission Convocation.
- Faith Formation Festival held in Carolinas Mission Region — Pastor Teresa Peters, director of Youth and Family Ministry.
- Ending human trafficking.
- 2023 annual March for Life.
- Daily prayer and Bible reading calendar for 2023.
- Congregations seeking pastors.
- Podcasts for preachers.

## Read Jan News



## Prime Timers - Meeting Feb 9

It's true, it's almost Valentine's Day. So, I think of all us should cook up our sweet heart's favorite dish and share it our Prime Timers meeting on Feb 9th at 11:30.

The hosts for February's meeting will be Amy Norris and Sylvia Miller. All time favorites might include some chicken salad or tuna salad. A spinach salad with strawberries would be a welcome addition (plus its got red in it). And a few people could bring some desserts to top our meal off.

After our lunch we will have a short business meeting followed by some activities.

Our planned activity involves the use of some red cups and small balls. So be sure to start practicing your pitching and maybe your curve ball might be in order. We will

have some prizes for the winner(s).

So, please join us on February 9th, and bring a guest and let's have some fun!



## Giving Envelopes

The Giving Envelopes are in. The envelopes are on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up your box. They are labeled with your name and number and everything is alphabetized.



## Giving Statements

The 2022 giving statements are available and are located in the Narthex on the table. If you don't need or want it, please pick it up and throw it away. At the end of the month Amanda will be mailing the ones out that haven't been picked up.

If you find any discrepancies, please talk to Amanda Taylor, 903-561-1865 or [amandataylor@oslctyler.org](mailto:amandataylor@oslctyler.org).



## Solicitation of Bids

2006 Ford E-350 van, vin: 1FBSS31L86DA84457  
Approximately 67,000 miles, sold as is.

Following the Annual Congregational meeting there were two members who requested an opportunity to bid on the purchase of the church van. Prior to the Congregational meeting the Church Council obtained an offer in December from CARMAX to determine the minimum value we should expect to receive if sold. The CARMAX offer was for \$6,000. We have also been approached by another church which is requesting to submit a bid.

To honor the requests of our church members, I am providing this notice of solicitation of bids for the purchase of the aforementioned van, with a minimum bid offer being \$6,000. All offers must be in writing and received by me prior to February 11, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Full payment will be required at the time of purchase. Offers may be presented in person or sent to:

Bob Tardiff, President  
Church Council, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
[719 Abbey Road](#)  
[Lindale, TX 75771](#)



## Food Pantry Drive

It's that time for the Souper Bowl P.A.T.H. Food Drive. P.A.T.H. will gladly accept all kinds of food, dried or canned. Baby and Adult diapers are always in demand. Some suggested food items:

- Beans
- Corn
- Tomatoes
- Tuna Fish
- Canned Chicken
- Soup
- Pasta
- Rice

We will be collecting food donations through Thursday, Feb 16. If you prefer, you may write a check payable to P.A.T.H. Please write in the memo section that it is for the food pantry.



## Social Ministry

Did you know that every year we, as a church budget a portion of our income for benevolence. This year, Our Saviour's has budgeted 10% of their forecasted income for benevolence and missions, which amounted to \$30,000. Half of that is given to Social Ministry. The other \$15,000 is donated to the NALC, our companion church in Ethiopia, and missions we support.

The social ministry committee has approximately ten active members. We meet every other month to evaluate needs and coordinate resources as a way of being salt and light to the glory of God. We have several different benchmarks to help us determine if we want to donate to an organization. Those benchmarks include: is the organization faith based and does it have like values, are any of our congregants

actively engaged with the organization, is the organization financially sound, and lastly, we try to avoid overlap of service.

A few of the organizations that we have donated to include the Alzheimer's Alliance, Bethesda Health Clinic, the Disaster Relief Warehouse and Samaritan's Purse.

These are just a few of the the organizations we have donated resources to.

Please see OSLC Annual Report of the Congregation 2022 for a complete list of organizations.



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