June 2020

The Good News

at Our Savior's Lutheran Church

What's Happening at Our Savior's?

Covid-19 Updates

The following events have been canceled until further notice — **Silver Crowns**

On Sunday, May 3, the church was able to open its doors to the public with strict guidelines to follow phase 1 of the Governor's plan to reopen the state. We would love to see you at Sunday worship if you are healthy and well. Face masks are required and you must maintain social distancing. Select pews have been taped off and hymnals have been removed for the time being.

The next blood drive will be on June 18, 2020 from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. here at Our Savior's. Please share with anyone you think would like to donate blood.

Just a friendly reminder, the recycling container outside of Our Savior's is for NEWSPAPER and ALUMINUM CANS only. Thank you for your recycling efforts!

Sunday worship is now at 9 a.m. We look forward to seeing you!

GIVE

If you would like to continue to give to Our Savior's please visit oursaviorslaurel.org/give Or send a check directly to the church at 707 W. 3rd Street in Laurel. Thank you for being apart of Our Savior's!

Our Savior's Lutheran Church 707 W 3rd St Laurel, Montana

Worship Time: 9:00 a.m.

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Office Hours

Tuesday and Wednesday 8-1 Or by appointment







Sunday School for All

Sunday School's beginnings are not all that clear, many organizations are attributed to having started Sunday School. Despite not knowing who started Sunday School, all of the stories about Sunday School have one thing in common, they were all started to provide Christian Education to the children who could not or were not receiving it at home. These children may have been orphans, indentured servants, or who's parents were illiterate. Over the years it became a substitute for Christian Education in the homes, and often a time for parents to be without their children. Now, there is a movement to integrate Christian Education across generations. What we have learned is that children (and adults) learn more when they learn together and can continue having conversations after the hour of Sunday School is over. Hopefully at Our Savior's we can appreciate the different generations interacting with one another, learning from and with one another, and above all create lasting relationships. Are you ready to start a new chapter in the Sunday School history books?

Easy Ways to Give

Do you shop on Amazon? You can donate to our Savior's by shopping at smile. Amazon.com and choosing Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Laurel.





Do you have a policy with Thrivent? You can direct your Choice Dollars to Our Savior's! The deadline for designating Choice Dollars is March 31st.

Do you follow Our Savior's on Facebook? There you'll find current events, previous sermons and other important information. The SOW WAGON is back! If you'd like to volunteer, please contact the office or Pastor Jayson to find out how you can help. Our Savior's will be prepping and serving food every Tuesday for the children in our community.

pastor's Page

Psalms of Lament

Lately I have been spending more time in the Psalms than normal. One of the reasons is that they have words of praise and words of lament. Lately, there have been a variety of events in our world that call us to lament. I invite you into the practice of reading and praying the Psalms in this difficult time, especially the Lament Psalms.

For those of you unfamiliar with the Lament Psalms, take heart, the liturgical traditions do typically use these Psalms in worship. In most Lament Psalms there are five parts to the Psalm. The psalmist will usually start with the invocation of God, calling upon God to be present and hear their lament. After the invocation the middle of the Psalm doesn't have a hard and fast structure. In the middle the psalmist will offer up their prayer petition to God, they will offer up their lament and complain to God, and will express their confidence in God to help them in their time of need. Finally, the psalmist will end with their praise of God.

This structure of the Lament Psalms, can be a helpful outline for prayer. Often we focus on asking God for something, and focus of the petitions, and we have an opportunity in our prayers to complain and give praise to God. No matter how dark their situation seemed, the psalmist always gave praise to God for the blessings God has bestowed upon creation. Let us turn to God in our time of need following the example of the Lament Psalms, and invite God to be present, to express our deepest hurts, ask God for help trusting in God's mercy, and always giving God thanks and praise. To God be the glory now and forever.

Peace be with you, Pastor Jayson



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

MeiLi Holst	June 11
Maddie Paulson	June 12
Harriet Mikkola	June 20
Raychel Hust	June 22
Evonne Altman	June 24

June 27

Shirley Hanson

Gratwohl Family, Glenda Manweiler & Sheila Manweiler, George & Myrna Schaller, Norma Brown, Fritz Steinback, Lorna Oversen, Jan Schock, Helen Jasbeck & Family, Herman Family, Cindy Herman, Diane Oversen, Judy & Jim Worden, Martin & Harriet Mikkola, Scharlotte Ruff, Shirley Hanson, Louitha Clayton, Jim & Donna Whitford, Raychel Hust, Phyllis Greer, Waller Family.



If you wish to be added to the prayer chain, please contact Pastor Jayson at 406-530-5077. Be clear on how much information you want shared and with whom. If you know of someone in need a prayer, please ask them permission and we will add their name to the list without details.

Christikon Clips June, 2020

Information for our Congregations



We welcome our summer staff June 7th and the first session this summer will be Pathfinders in July.

Due to the CoVid restrictions we rescheduled the Developmentally Disabled Adult, Confirmation and Sojourner sessions to July and August. We ask for safe travels for all.

Our plan is to have camp ministry this summer and it may look a little different, paralleling the difference in our own lives, focusing on the safety of all.

We look forward to hosting campers this summer and sharing the gift that is Christikon. Please visit our website for current session updates. www.christikon.org

Remember to pray for your congregation's ministry through Christikon this summer, for the summer staff, and for all who join in the Christikon life.

It is the mission of Christikon to awaken and nurture faith in Christ— exploring God's creation and the adventure of life together.

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