

August 2020

The Good News

at Our Savior's Lutheran Church

What's Happening at Our Savior's?

Covid-19 Updates

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 as you enter and exit the building while socializing and you must maintain social distancing. Select pews have been taped off and hymnals have been removed for the time being.

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!

*Our Savior's Lutheran
Church*

*707 W 3rd St
Laurel, Montana*

Worship Time: 9:00 a.m.

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Tuesday and Wednesday
8-1

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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!





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.

Covid Christianity



There have been many Facebook and Twitter posts that I have seen stating that churches have been shut down due to Covid. I want to address that concern. Church cannot and will never be shut down as long as people are living out their faith in Christ Jesus. Yes, it is true that many church buildings have had to temporarily shut their doors, but the Church is still alive and active. God is still at work in the world through the Church, aka all of you and our siblings in Christ.

How we talk about being church shapes our faith and our world. If we believe that church is one hour or so a week at a specific location, then we have missed the mark. The Church is made up of people, you and I, who live out our faith daily. The Church is made known every time people follow the example of Christ and God's love and mercy shine forth. The Church, is so much greater than any one institution, or building, but is the lived experience of Christ's followers.

Covid may change how we function as a church. It may be harder to have fellowship inside of our buildings for a while. But there is nothing stopping us from still living out our calling as God's children. We are still able to call each other and talk, gather together in a park, or even meet via Zoom. People who are hungry are still being fed, and the sick are still being cared for and loved. The Church has not and cannot be shut down. Let us as God's people discern how we are being called to be the Church now and into the future. Remember Jesus' words in Matthew 29:20b, "Abd remember I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Peace be with you,
Pastor Jayson

The Crossings

Lorna Oversen, Maria Metzger, Helen Jasbeck, Len & Lois Bestrom

St. John's in Billings
Schar Ruff

Jansma Family, Branstetter Family, Gratwohl Family, Glenda Manweiler & Sheila Manweiler, 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.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Helen Jasbeck	August 1
Boe Brown	August 2
Louthia Clayton	August 2
Kina Holst	August 5
Audrey Kemkes	August 7
Jim Whitford	August 9
Gretchen Paulson	August 13
Norma Brown	August 16
Tom Olson	August 20
Troy Jansma	August 25
Carol Altman	August 26
Keil Clavadetscher	August 26



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

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Information for our Congregations



As you are reading this clip, we are readying for our last sessions of the season. We hosted about 300 campers this season including youth, families, adults and at risk youth. We were not able to host our special adult camp this year due to the CoVid pandemic. Although our numbers were down, the ministry experience was meaningful and rich.

Our summer staff will be completing their stay with us and will soon be heading back to their lives outside of Christikon.

We look forward to our congregational and family retreats scheduled this fall. Retreat times are still available.

Call Kerry in the office and reserve a time.

We continue to ask for your prayers for those traveling to camp, our staff, and campers.

Blessings to all of you who support Christikon with prayer, time, skills, and financially. We are grateful!

Please visit <https://christikon.org/donate-to-christikon/> and continue your support.

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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