



# OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

TO KNOW **CHRIST** AND TO MAKE **HIM** KNOWN

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**December 28, 2025**

**Bible Class and Sunday School** - There is no Sunday School today. However, Pastor will address more of the questions sent to him. If you have any questions to add, use the QR code or the sheets in the narthex!

**New Year's Eve Worship** - Join us on Wednesday, December 31 at 6:30PM for Divine Service with Communion!

**Catechesis** students, memory work of the conclusion of the Lord's Prayer and its meaning is due before January 1.

**Epiphany Worship** - Join us on Tuesday, January 6 at 6:30PM for Divine Service with Communion!

**Our regular Wednesday activities**, including our church family meals, catechesis classes, youth group, adult Bible study, and vocal choir will resume on January 7.

**Thank you** to all of the carolers who helped us sing to our homebound members, we had a great turnout and those we saw enjoyed the visit! Dave Olson would also like to thank Ron Gjoraas for his assistance organizing this year!

**2026 Offering Envelopes** - Due to our record system, we are unable to assign offering envelopes before January 1. They will be available for you in your mailbox on Sunday, January 4.

## Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible study meets the first and third Thursday of the month at 6:30. We have been exploring the journeys of familiar biblical characters, in *Divine Direction*, by Sharla Fritz, and have been learning how God guided his people in the past and how he still leads us today. There will be no Bible study on January 1. We will resume January 15th with chapter 8 as we look into the Magi.

Our next study on the book of Philippians, *Joy*, by Deb Burma, will begin in mid-February. All women are welcome to come and unpack messages of contentment, confidence, humility, and hope — all found in Christ and infused with joy. We will be ordering books soon. If you would like a copy please sign up or let Stephanie know.



## ORLC Soup & Pie Luncheon

**Saturday, January 10, 2026**

**11AM-1PM**

Variety of Soups and Pies

**Sign up online or in the narthex.**

Freewill donations go toward Our Redeemer Discipleship Committee events.



## PARISH NURSE

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43: 18-19

With each New Year comes a chance for a fresh start.  
How will you start the new year?

New Year's resolutions have long been a way to take stock of what's truly important in our lives, allowing us to pause and reflect on the year behind us, as well to plan for the year ahead. In 2026, improving your body, mind and soul is a great way to organize your long-term goals for the new year. Consider joining us at S.A.I.L. Consider joining in a Bible study. Use a daily devotional.

*Karen Morfitt, RN, ORLC Parish Nurse*

## BIRTHDAYS

12/29 - Braden Lengkeek

1/3 - Carol Daniels, Krystle Miller

1/4 - Margaret Wosje

## ANNIVERSARIES

12/31 - John & Kay Hamersma

## BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

12/30 - Leann Gabel

12/31 - Beth Dobbs, Jonie Kramer, Allison Utecht

1/1 - Barb Ewoldt, Samuel Johnson, Emma Peters

1/3 - Marica Warns

## —UPCOMING AT OUR REDEEMER—

<b>Sun</b> <b>12/28</b>	Communion Worship <i>Acolyte: Leah Eden</i> Adult Bible Study <b>No Sunday School</b> Communion Worship <i>Acolyte: Jacob Birger</i> Oromo Group	8AM 9:15AM 10:30AM 1PM
<b>Mon</b> <b>12/29</b>	Weigh-2-Go S.A.I.L. Class	9:30AM 1:30PM
<b>Tues</b> <b>12/30</b>	<i>No Events</i>	
<b>Wed</b> <b>12/31</b>	New Year's Eve Worship <i>Acolytes: Joel Simek &amp; Elijah Simek</i>	6:30PM
<b>Thurs</b> <b>1/1</b>	<b>Church Office Closed</b> <b>No Healing Hearts</b> <b>No S.A.I.L. Class</b> <b>No Women's Bible Study</b> TOPS Group	9AM
<b>Fri</b> <b>1/2</b>	Pastor Simek's Personal Day Kids 4 Christ	5:45PM
<b>Sat</b> <b>1/3</b>	<i>No Events</i>	
<b>Sun</b> <b>1/4</b>	Communion Worship <b>Acolyte Needed</b> Sunday School & Bible Study Communion Worship <i>Acolytes: Joel Simek &amp; Elijah Simek</i> Oromo Group	8AM 9:15AM 10:30AM 1PM
<b>Mon</b> <b>1/5</b>	Weigh-2-Go S.A.I.L. Class Guys' Garage Trail Life Committee Meeting	9:30AM 1:30PM 6PM 6:30PM
<b>Tues</b> <b>1/6</b>	Parish Nurse Hours Pastors' Circuit Meeting Senior Saints Bible Study Epiphany Service	10AM-1PM 9AM 1PM 6:30PM



**SIOUX FALLS  
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- **In His Spotlight Drawing:** In anticipation of the upcoming Celebrate His Gifts Gala, we're hosting a drawing for the In His Spotlight Table—a reserved table for 8 guests in a premier location with special perks at the 2026 Celebrate His Gifts Gala! One winner receives: reserved table for 8 guests (\$525 value), 4 front-row parking spots on Gala night, and one additional surprise revealed Gala Night. Drawing takes place on Saturday, Jan. 10, at SFLS between the varsity girls and boys basketball games (approximately 3:30pm) You do not need to be present to win. Learn more and enter: [www.siouxfallslutheran.com/in-his-spotlight-drawing](http://www.siouxfallslutheran.com/in-his-spotlight-drawing).
- **Become a Mentor at SFLS:** This spring, we're launching a new Mentor Program for K-12th grade students—an initiative rooted in Scripture, modeled after the ministry of Jesus, and built on the simple but transformative power of consistent, caring presence. Learn more about the program and how you can apply to serve a child in this meaningful way: <https://bit.ly/sfls-mentor-program-2026>.
- **Ribbon Cutting & Dedication for Middle & High School Wing:** Join us as we celebrate the opening of our new Middle & High School Wing at our Ribbon Cutting & Dedication Ceremony on Tue., Jan. 20 at 4:30 p.m. We'd love for our association church members, families, students, alumni, and supporters to be part of this exciting milestone in our school's story! Location: 6715 S Boe Lane Sioux Falls, SD 57108.
- **Join us for Trivia Night on Sat., Jan 24!** This annual fundraiser supports our 7th graders as they prepare for their 8th grade leadership and earth science trip to the Black Hills in September. Registration begins at 6:00pm and questions start at 6:30pm. Assemble your team of 8 and join us at a cost of \$12/person or \$96/table. To register contact Miss Ockander at [mockander@sflutheranschool.com](mailto:mockander@sflutheranschool.com) or 605-376-6078.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Marge Dreesman

Mike Gabel

Duane Genzlinger

Duane Hartmann

Don Hennies

Ella May Kelly

Louise Lafrentz

Carole Lang

Mary Muchow

George Sagissor

John Severson

Larry Sroufe

James Streyle

Rhoda Thomas

Jeanne Toay

Kendra Voss

Mary Warns

*Chuck, Family Member of  
Ed & Jean Harmdierks*

*Nicole, Aunt of Ashley Consoer*

*Craig, Brother of Nathan Sandbulte*

*Bernice, Mother of Nathan Sandbulte*

*Jim Wegehaupt, Former Member*

*Aislyn, Daughter of David Wacker*

*Michael, Son of David Olson*