

## *The Announcer*

### June 22, 2025



**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:** We are blessed to be able to celebrate 60 years as a congregation at Our Savior Lutheran Church! We want to welcome all our previous members and pastors, as well as our current members, as we worship together and enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service, where we can all share memories from over the years. Thank you for being here to celebrate and rejoice in what the Lord has provided!

**\*\*Current church members ~ please wear your plastic nametags (if you have them) on Sunday for the service/luncheon.**

**Grow & Go Challenge:** Lutheran Family Service has invited us in a fun way to show our support of Pastor as we partner with LFS to grow their network of care to our neighbors. LFS will present Pastor with a gift card for a night out when at least 10 new partners from our congregation step up before June 30<sup>th</sup>, and make a gift of at least \$10 to support those in need who are served by Lutheran Family Services. **Donations forms are on the guest registry table.** Please place your forms along with your donation (check to LFS or cash) in the offering plate **by Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**. There is also a QR code on the forms, with a way to pay via credit card, Venmo, or PayPal. Thanks for supporting LFS and let's all help out so Pastor and Audrey can get a gift card for a night out together!



**Sara's Schedule Changes:** With her kid's swim team schedule and swim lessons schedule in June and the first half of July, Sara will be in and out of the office on some mornings, and may be working some afternoons during the week. Her schedule will vary depending what she has going on. As always, just leave a message on the answering machine or send her an email, and she will get back to you as soon as she can. She appreciates your patience during this busy season for her. Thank you!



**Youth Pop Can/Bottle Fundraiser:** The youth traveling to New Orleans for the youth gathering in July will be having another pop can/bottle fundraiser at the end of June. If you have bags of pop cans and bottles, or boxes of glass bottles, you can leave them in the SONshine Center garage between now and June 29<sup>th</sup>. Or you are always welcome to drop off your bags of cans/bottles at the Can Shed redemption center in Manchester. Just let them know to put the money in the Our Savior Lutheran Church account. This is an ongoing fundraiser that everyone can participate in by dropping off your bags of cans and bottles all year long! Thank you for supporting our youth!

**Missionary to the Cayman Islands:** We are all invited Faith Lutheran Church in Waterloo on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup> to meet Rev. Dr. Gerald Paul and his wife, Heidi. The service will be at 9:00 am, followed by a brunch at 10:30 am, and a presentation at 11:30 am. Rev. Dr. Paul serves at Safe Harbour Lutheran Church, a missionary station in the Cayman Islands. For more information, please see the flier on the 3<sup>rd</sup> page of the Announcer.

**Church Properties Contact Person** for June 1<sup>st</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup> is Anita (563-920-4246). Please contact her with any items that need the attention of the Board.



**Birthdays this week: June 22:** Caroline; Declan; **June 25:** Lindsay; **June 26:** Eric.

**Wedding anniversaries this week: June 25:** Steve & Anita; **June 28:** Kyle & Emily.

**The Lutheran Hour: "Honest to God"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Book of Job can teach us something about prayer and about how we can talk honestly to God, covered by Jesus. (Job 1:21). Listen to "The Lutheran Hour" next Sunday morning at 9:00 on radio station KMCH 94.7 FM.

**Generosity Moment: Luke 16:19** – "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day." This is often called the story of "The Rich Man and Lazarus." But it should really be called the story of "The Two Rich Men and Lazarus." The other rich man in this story is Abraham. Obviously, these two men used the gift of riches that God gave them in very different ways. The life and decisions of Abraham flowed from faith; the rich man's life and choices flowed from disbelief and self-centeredness. Abraham was kind and generous, reflecting his trust in a kind and generous God. And the rich man? Well, you saw what happened to him and what god he served.

## Two Weeks at Our Savior Lutheran Church

<b>TODAY, June 22:</b>	11:00 am	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Worship/Communion Service
	12:30 pm	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon & Festivities
<b>MONDAY, June 23:</b>	2:30-3:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
	6:30-7:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
<b>TUESDAY, June 24:</b>	9:15-11:00 am	Ladies tie quilts for LWR – Hall Classroom
	11:00 am-1:30 pm	SONshine Center reserved
<b>THURSDAY, June 26:</b>	9:00-10:00 am	Bible Study, St. Paul's, Delaware
<b>SUNDAY, June 29:</b>	9:00 am	Worship/Communion
	10:15 am	Adult Bible Class – Fellowship Hall

**Mission News:** The LCMS has 38 partner churches around the world. A partner church is a church body with which the LCMS has full altar and pulpit fellowship. Many LCMS partner churches also are members of the International Lutheran Council, a worldwide association of confessional Lutheran church bodies. Some LCMS partner churches came into existence through LCMS-supported mission efforts, while others have historic roots that pre-date the LCMS or that are sourced in the mission efforts of other Lutheran church bodies. *Remember God's work through the Church as you pray that we all would be given a trust in the saving Gospel and a great passion to spread its joy with others in our lives.*


**Life Quotes:** "Let your life be so focused on the grace of God in Christ that your eyes are open to the people He is bringing into your life even now, 'the least of these my brothers.' Do not worry about whether the world considers them influencers or nobodies. Be attentive to those in your sphere of influence as Christ Himself is attentive to you. Concerned citizens? Sure! It is important. But being concerned disciples of Jesus for others is what ultimately lasts." *Dr. Gregory Seltz, PhD, Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty ~ A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org.*

**Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Trinity I** – Every human life comes directly from the hand of God, regardless of size or skills or circumstances (Psalm 33:13-15). He Himself ushers each one both into and out of bodily existence, from fertilization in mother's womb (Genesis 15:3-5) to final breath and Father's everlasting embrace (Luke 16:22). Such perfect love doesn't hold back from driving out all the fear that feeds abortion and assisted suicide (1 John 4:17-18).

**Building Healthy Families: We're Growing with You!** If you haven't done so yet, it's not too late to make your spring, "Grow with Us, Go with Us" gift to support the growing, going work of Lutheran Family Service in your area! New partners are needed to build new LFS resources to serve more people in need than ever before. Be one of 10 new partners from your congregation to make a gift of at least \$10 before the end of June and you will grow the ministry of love, mercy, and care that we are called to accomplish together for our neighbors in need — and your pastor will receive a gift card for a nice evening out with his spouse or a friend! Make your gift today at <https://lutheranfamilyservice.networkforgood.com/>! **Lutheran Family Service**, 2550 Middle Road, Suite 602, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. Phone: 563.359.0696 or [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

PLEASE JOIN US!

**REV. DR. GERALD PAUL**  
MISSIONARY TO THE CAYMAN ISLANDS



Please join us as we are blessed with a visit from Rev. Dr. Gerald Paul and his wife Heidi. Pastor Paul serves at *Safe Harbour Lutheran Church*, a missionary station in the Cayman Islands, planted in 2002. This mission has served individuals from more than 20 countries around the world. Recent work has included serving Cuban detainees in mercy and catechetical work. Plans are also in place for a Lutheran preschool to open to further reach children and families with the Gospel.

📅 July 6, 2025  
🕒 9am Divine Service (sermon by Rev. Paul)  
10:30am Brunch  
11:30am–12:30pm Presentation

**FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
1555 W. RIDGEWAY AVE, WATERLOO

**Scrip Gift Cards & Increments**  
**(\*\* local cards)**  
*~ All proceeds benefit the youth group! ~*

**Retail/Grocery/Fuel:**

Amazon: \$25, \$50, \$100  
American Eagle: \$25  
Barnes & Noble: \$10 and \$25  
Bath & Body Works: \$10  
Best Buy: \$25  
Buckle: \$25  
Cabelas: \$25  
\*\* Casey's: \$25 and \$100  
\*\* Castle Theater: \$5  
Claire's: \$10  
Dick's Sporting Goods: \$25  
\*\* Fareway: \$25, \$50, \$100  
I-Tunes: \$15 and \$25  
JC Penney: \$25  
Kohl's: \$25 and \$100  
\*\* Kwik Star: \$25, \$50, \$100  
Menards: \$25  
Old Navy/Gap: \$25  
Scheels: \$25  
Target: \$25, \$50, \$100  
\*\* Walmart: \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100

**Restaurants:**

Applebees: \$25  
Buffalo Wild Wings: \$25  
\*\* Burger King: \$10  
Caribou Coffee: \$10  
Chili's: \$25  
Chipotle: \$10  
\*\* Chuong Garden: \$10  
Cold Stone Creamery: \$10  
Cracker Barrel: \$25  
\*\* Dairy Queen: \$5 and \$10  
\*\* Dolce Vita: \$10 and \$20 (can also get  
whatever denomination you want, just let  
Sara know)  
Dunkin' Donuts: \$10  
\*\* Hardee's: \$10  
McDonald's: \$10  
Noodles and Company: \$10  
Olive Garden/Cheddar's: \$25  
Outback Steakhouse: \$25  
Panera Bread: \$10  
\*\* Pizza Ranch: \$5  
Red Lobster: \$25  
Red Robin: \$25  
Starbucks \$10  
\*\* Subway: \$10  
\*\* The Tea Company: \$10 and \$100  
Texas Roadhouse: \$25

**\*\*\* We also have scrip agreements with**

**Boubin Tire and Honeycreek Furniture,**  
so if you are getting new tires, or purchasing new furniture –  
they both will give a percentage back to our church from your  
purchase! Please talk to Sara if you will be spending money in  
either of those places!