

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church E-Bulletin

Week of December 8th - December 14th, 2024

Second Week of Advent

Our Purpose: *Celebrate, cultivate and share God's love.*

Our Values: *Welcoming, Compassion, Serving, Respect.*

Please Join Us for Worship: We will be worshipping in-person and via live-stream on both Facebook and YouTube. On Sunday at 10:00am tune in to:

<https://www.facebook.com/oursavioursarlington>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkurr6FCzovHjmcDQmHOlqw>.

If you worship online and would like to receive communion, please contact Pastor John at pastor@arlingtonwachurch.org or (360) 435-8921 to set up a visit.

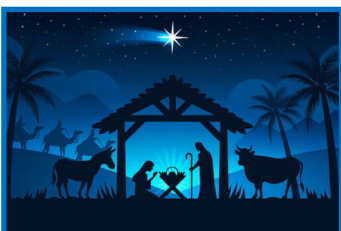
Scripture this week: Texts: Malachi 3:1-4, PSALMODY: Luke 1:68-79, Philippians 1: 3-11, Luke 3:1-6

Join Pastor John Sundays at 9:00am in the classroom for a book study on "Together By Grace". December's topics: Worship and the Arts - 12/8 I am Baptized, 12/15 Luther, Music, and the Reformation.

Christmas Baskets – On behalf of the 5 families who received Thanksgiving Baskets – THANK YOU! Thank you donations to help make this possible for these families. We are switching gears and for your generous getting ready to provide Christmas Baskets to these same 5 families. A list of food items is up in the gym. Please consider how you may be able to help provide a Christmas dinner to these families. Wish lists for gifts are now posted on the bulletin board.

Advent Soup Suppers & Prayers will be held on the Wednesday evenings of December 11th and December 18th. The Soup suppers will be held at 5:30p.m. All are invited to attend these simple and casual dinners. The Holden Evening Prayers will be held from 6:30-7:00p.m. Plan to attend this time of food, fellowship, and prayers. If you would like to provide soup or bread, please see the sign-up sheet in the hallway to the Gym. Thank you.

Our Saviour's Preschool's Christmas programs are coming up on Wednesday, December 18th at 10:00 and Friday, December 20th at 10:00. This is a fun morning of songs, poems, a slideshow, and a retelling of the Nativity. We hope you are able to join us! The program will be made available on YouTube – links to follow!



Our Saviour's Choir concert on Sunday, December 22nd during the 10:00a.m. worship gathering.

We are looking for volunteer(s) to set up and have everything set out for coffee hour on December 22nd. The choir members will supply treats for Coffee hour and clean up. Contact a choir member or Tammy in the church office.

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th at 7:00p.m. we will offer a Candlelight worship service.

Christmas Day - No Service

Josephine Christmas Gift Giving Tree. Thanks to all of those who selected a gift tag from the Christmas tree that was in the entryway! All gifts are due tomorrow, Monday Dec. 9th. If you have questions, please contact Toni Forsman at 360-435-5482 or forsman.toni@gmail.com.

Wish List-Our Saviour's Childcare Christmas Wish List- Each teacher has made a Christmas Wish List for their classrooms. The Wish List is posted on the parent bulletin board and there are copies in the Narthex for our church members if they would like to help support our Childcare classrooms. Items do not need to be new. The Childcare greatly appreciate anything you would like to donate!

Sea Monkeys (Miss Sydney) Play-Dough, Baby Doll Bottles, Bubbles, Sidewalk Chalk, Stickers, Frisbee, Outside Cars & Trucks

Explorers (Miss Vicky) Play-Dough, Legos, Barbie Doll Clothes, Board Games (Ages 4+), Hot Wheels, Stickers

Challengers (Miss Tori) Nano Bug Tracks, Troll Toys, Fuse Beads, Slinky, Chia Baby Yoda, How To Books for Bead Animals and Loom Bands, Black and Orange Pony Beads, Slime, Bingo Daubers

OSYM (Our Saviour's Youth Ministry) **Sundays** meet weekly on Sundays at 9:00a.m. Children are invited to come enjoy Bible lessons, fun games and service projects. OSYM Sundays is open to all children ages Preschool through 5th grade. Questions, contact Ellen Winter at 360-435-8463.

Mission Circle is meeting Tuesday, December 10th at 9 a.m. Come join us in the modular building. We also wish to express our gratitude for all the donations for school kits, baby items, fabric and your \$\$\$. Many thanks for our congregation's generosity.

Phoebe Circle is a bible study group for women that meets on the third Thursday of the month. Phoebe Circle will meet on Thursday December 19th @ 10:00 am in the classroom at OSLC. Bring your bible and copy of "Gather" if you have it. If not, we share! Phoebe Circle is always welcoming to new people. If you have any questions, contact Susan Maxwell, (541) 421-0645 or Sally Shinstrom, at (360) 435-9392.

Comfort Squad meets Friday, December 27th . Time and location will be TBD. Please contact Jan Hopson at (808)756-5226 or hopsonjanice1@gmail.com.

Outreach To The Vulnerable Team: How can we help with those who need shelter, warmth and food? By providing food items such as canned meat, peanut butter, energy bars, or other non-perishable items that take little or no preparation. As winter approaches warm clothing such as gently used blankets, winter coats, gloves, take them to the Arlington Community Resource Center. You can drop off these items at church from 9am to 2pm Monday to Thursday and I will take them to the Arlington Community Resource Center. For questions or more suggestions on how you can help please call me: Bob Zerbel (425) 239-1785. Thank you.

North Snohomish County Outreach (NSCO) Laundry Project: OSLC will provide "Grab and Go" meals for the Laundry Project on December 17th. Sharon Billdt and Beth & Greg Husted will prepare the meals. The Laundry Project continues to support many people in our community. It allows each participant to wash and dry one large load of laundry with out cost. Access to other social services are also available at each location. The North Snohomish County Outreach is thankful for the dedicated OSLC volunteers who participate each month. The bin for personal hygiene items will remain in the church narthex for your continued support.



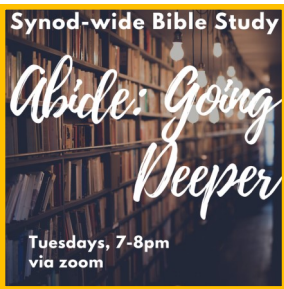
Come listen and support Laurie Breon in
Sonus Boreal's Ceremony & Celebration
 December 21st at 3:00pm or 7:00pm
 Marysville United Methodist Church 5600 64th St NE Marysville, WA.

Giving Envelopes for 2025 are in the narthex. Please take yours. The booklets are worth keeping, even if you send offerings electronically. Several “special” envelopes are in each, including ones for the new year, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Financial Report for October, 2024:

The current budget year runs from July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

	Monthly Budget	October 2024	Year-to-Date
Income	21,083	17,508	77,526
Expenses	25,385	20,844	81,350
Net Income	-4,302	-3,336	-3,824



FREE LiVE Project Weekly Online Bible Study
Abide: Going Deeper
 Tuesdays via Zoom, 7pm-8pm

We invite you to abide curiously in God's Word together. The LiVE retreats and courses are not meant to be stand alone offerings. Go deeper into the Biblical grounding of the course/retreat themes in this weekly synod-wide FREE Bible Study. No need to pre-register. Join us any week! [More info and Zoom link here.](#)



Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service is now Global Refuge, a faith-based nonprofit serving newcomers seeking safety. For 85 years, we have welcomed more than 750,000 immigrants and refugees from around the globe, upholding a legacy of compassion and grace for people in crisis. At Global Refuge, welcoming newcomers isn't just our duty -it's an inherent part of our identity, rooted in our Lutheran heritage and serving as a testament to our unwavering commitment to those in search of refuge. Visit globalrefuge.org to learn more!



Prayers of Concern and Thanks

Loving God, we remember that you are our source of life and hope: Remind us daily of who we are - and whose we are - your beloved children. Instill in us that each neighbor we meet is your beloved child as well: someone to learn from, someone to be cherished, someone to be treated with honor and respect, someone to be lifted up. Lead us to be your joy, grace, and love in your world. We pray for all the world's refugees and for peace in Ukraine & Gaza.

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For our Childcare Center

Adult caregivers caring for loved ones

Residents and caregivers of Josephine, blessing and protecting them from pain and suffering, supporting each one with God's Love and Grace.

Those serving in uniform.

Prayers for those struggling that they find peace. Those struggling with seasonal depression this winter that they will be comforted by loved ones and feel better.

Allison Melton – health challenges (close friend of Ivy Ewing)

Bachier -- pray cease fire holds so his family can return to their home. (co-worker of Lisa Masters)

Dennis Heaton - health challenges

Diana Breon - health challenges

Doug DeWard - healing prayers for broken upper arm

Ellen Winter - health challenges

Jean Milless - healing prayers from heart surgery

Joyce Magelssen - broken arm & hairline fracture of hip, at Arlington Rehabilitation.

Karen Schraan - prayers for an easy move as she moves into her new home and meets new neighbors (family member of Schraan family)

Keith - receiving heart medical procedures (family friend of Toni Forsman)

Leslie Faxon -pray for Leslie's ongoing treatment and health. (friend of Ruth Gonzales)

Lyle Kellogg - healing prayers from knee surgery

Margaret Larson - health challenges

Myles VanStantin - premature birth, still at Children's. He has improved but still not able to go home. He has gained weight (8.5lbs) and is getting stronger. Thank you all (great-nephew of Barb Chamberlin)

Ryan Blacker - health issues (nephew of Toni Forsman)

Sally Shinstrom - healing prayers from complications from gallbladder surgery

Sam Beesley – prayers for successful eye surgery

Steve Montag - prayers for treatment of AML Leukemia (friend of Ruth & Frank Gonzales)



**Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
Childcare and Preschool**

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Ministers: All the baptized. We live out our ministry in our daily lives and in the Church.

Pastor	John Schraan	Email: pastor@arlingtonwachurch.org Office Hours: Tue & Thu 12pm-1pm
Office Manager	Tammy DeWard	Email: office@arlingtonwachurch.org

**Our Saviour's
Office Hours**

**Monday - Thursday
9:00am - 2:30pm**

**Friday
Office Closed**

**This Week at Our Saviour's
Dec. 9th - Dec. 15th**

Monday		
Tuesday	9:00am	Mission Circle
Wednesday	4-5:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	6:00pm	Basketball
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	9:00am Adult Class "Together By Grace" 9:00am OSYM Sundays for Kids 10:00am Worship in-person and online via Facebook & YouTube 11:00am Coffee & Conversation 4:00pm Basketball	