COS Announcements

April 9, 2017

What's Coming Up
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Donations/Collections
Food Pantry
Hygiene bags - Cross
Serenity Inns
Mother's Day Items
Pine Ridge Items

Mission Statement

A Community Gathered in Christ,
Fed by God's word, Sent to Serve...

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No Nursery Staff Easter Sunday

Our Nursery will not be staffed on Easter Sunday. We invite parents to bring their children to worship or stay with them in the nursery.

Food Pack Update

Total number of meals COS assembled is 13,060 meals. We met and exceeded the 10,000 food pack goal! WOW!

Women's Night Out: Food & Fellowship

Friday, April 28th 6:30 p.m.

Women of Christ Our Savior who enjoy food and relaxed conversations about life, faith, family, work, school, or whatever you want to share are invited. If you would like a dinner out free from kids, or time off after a hard week, or a night from cooking, come join us for a night out! Your friends and neighbors are welcome too! We will be having dinner on Friday, April 28th at 6:30 p.m. at Casa Tequila Restaurant & Bar in Pewaukee.

Please RSVP to Amy Berken by Wednesday, April 26th at 414-975-1228 or email amy@coslc.com. Hope you will join us!

New Members Being Received in May

Sunday, May 14th

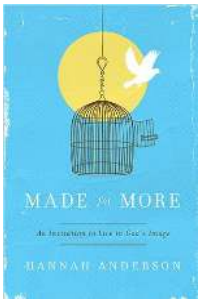
We are blessed to be receiving new members to our congregation in May. If you would like to be included with others who are joining Christ Our Savior, please sign the list at the Welcome Center or contact Amy Berken at amy@coslc.com so we can get you all the information you need in advance.

New Member Orientation

Sunday, April 30th
11:45 a.m.-1:15p.m.
Lunch provided

Women's Inspirational Book Group

Starting Thursday, May 4th



All women of Christ Our Savior who enjoy reading inspirational books about faith are invited to join us for the Women's Inspirational Book Group. Friends are welcome too! We will be reading the book "Made For More: An Invitation to Live in God's Image" by Hannah Anderson. We will meet for 6 sessions on Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. here at COS. Our first night will be Thursday, May 4th. Please RSVP to Amy Berken at 414-975-1228 or email amy@coslc.com. Hope you will join us!

$1 Day for the Hungry

During Lent we invite each household to set aside $1 a day for the hungry through the ELCA hunger appeal. Every cent we give through the ELCA hunger appeal goes directly to food aid because the overhead costs are already covered.

703!

You gave 703 jars of peanut butter and jelly to feed our neighbors' hungry children through our food pantry at Sussex Outreach Services! Thank you so much for your generosity and compassion.

Praise Raisers – Upcoming Dates

We will sing in worship today, at both the 9:15 and 10:30 a.m. services. There will be no rehearsal Easter Sunday or the following Sunday, April 23rd.

Looking forward to singing with you again on Sunday, April 30th!

Confirmation Important Updates

April 9th

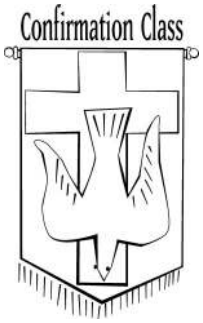
5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner provided by the 7th Grade Boy's
6:30 p.m. Learning Event Parents Night

Confirmation Day

Saturday, May 6th 4:00 p.m.

Confirmation Day

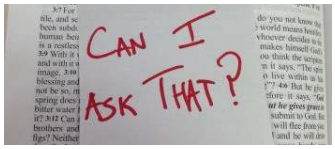
Sunday, May 7th 12:30 p.m.



Jesus and Lunch Bible Study

Sunday, April 23, at 11:30 a.m.

We will meet at George Webb N65W24838 Main St #3, Sussex, WI 5308
Bring money to cover your food.



Spring Into Action

Help Our Youth Blossom

Our youth are selling certificates for Falls Mills Greenhouse. Each certificate is $12 with all proceeds to benefit the youth group mission trips. The certificates will be sold between services from Sunday, April 23rd through May 21st.

For even greater savings - other Falls Mills coupons can be used in addition to these certificates!

Any questions please feel free to contact either Lisa Riemer lisariemer@yahoo.com or Kim Lewin kim@coslc.com

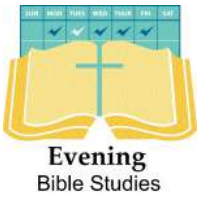
Thank you in advance for supporting our youth.

Family Friendly Midweek Summer Worship

We are exploring a once a month Wednesday evening summer worship service that is geared to be family friendly. Little ones can run and play while we worship outside. Options include beginning with a cookout, games, and lots of other options. We will be holding a planning event a couple weeks after Easter. Look for time and dates soon! In the mean time if you have any ideas, please contact
Kim kim@coslc.com or
Amy amy@coslc.com

Serendipity Bible Study

Tuesday, April 11, 7:00 p.m.



The Serendipity Bible study is one where all the answers are right depending on how you see the world. We meet in the lounge this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Come join us. Each session is stand alone, so you do not need to have been at prior meetings to attend new ones.

Newcomers are always welcome.

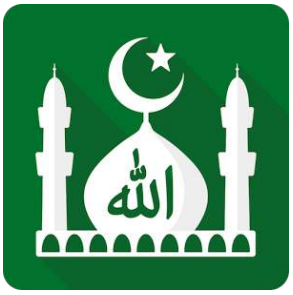
Cross/Bread of Healing Challenge Grant is Back!

A generous donor in our congregation has renewed the challenge grant to support the life saving and life changing ministries at Bread of Healing ministries at Cross Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. Everything we give to support their ministry will be matched at 100% up to $15,000. Where else can you get a 100% return on your investment? If you would like to participate in this challenge offering, simply write "challenge" on the memo portion of a check or use one of the envelopes in the narthex.

Community Wide Food Pack Event

Benefiting Syrian Refugees in Jordan
Saturday, April 22nd 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

"*If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that?"*
-James 2:15-16



Saturday, April 22nd at the ISM Community Center on 815 W. Layton Avenue there will be a food pack to benefit Syrian refugees in Jordan. This is an awesome opportunity for us to join with neighbors of different faiths to serve the common purpose of aiding hungry people in the world. Hosted by the Islamic Society of Milwaukee, the event will consist of five 90-minute time slots for meal packing starting at 8:00 a.m. and going until 4:00 p.m. Volunteers are asked to bring a $20 donation per person to cover the cost of the meals that will be packed during their shift. In addition to the meal packing, ISM staff will be offering volunteers a chance to hear a presentation about the beliefs of Islam.

You can reserve a spot for one of the shifts at *tinyurl.com/FoodPack2017* We are hoping to help coordinate carpooling for those who need it, so if you are planning to go and could offer a ride, or if you are desiring to go but need a ride, please email Vicar Joe at 262-246-6537 or vicarjoe@coslc.com.

Attention Bakers!

Pies, Cakes, Desserts - Your Favorite Sweet

Thursday, April 27th

If you like to bake, your help is needed for the Community Banquet on April 27th when COS is scheduled for set-up and dessert responsibility for the night. Pies and cakes are always favorites for those attending. Dinners, provided for up to 200, are held at St. James Catholic Church on Townline Road in Menomonee Falls. Dinner service begins at 5:30 p.m., so set-up will start at 4:00 p.m. If you would like to bake, but can't attend the dinner, you can drop off your item in the COS kitchen by 3:00 p.m. that day and it will be take over for you. If you can help with set-up and/or baking for April 27th, please stop by the sign-up sheet located in the west hallway. Thank you.

Homemade Desserts

Wednesday, April 12th

Homemade desserts are much appreciated at the monthly meal at Cross Lutheran's Bread of Healing! Desserts can be left in the kitchen, or at the East entrance, labeled "Bread of Healing" by 9:00 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month.

Mother's Day Collection

Deadline - Sunday, April 23rd

The Volunteer Organization of Women in Sussex (VOWS) will be donating gift bags to the Sussex-area Outreach Services (SOS). The gift bags will be distributed to mothers who currently use the Food Pantry. Items being collected include: body wash, soaps, lotion, cosmetics, perfume, nail polish, jewelry, candles, journals, knick-knacks, and sweet treats. Donations can be dropped off at the donation station through Sunday, April 23rd. For more information visit VOWS at www.vows-sussex.org.

Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Collection

Deadline, Sunday, April 23rd

- Winter outerwear - winter coats, hats, scarves, mittens and boots
  As we move into Spring please remember to donate any winter jackets your family has outgrown.
- Prom dresses, formal wear, and dress shoes
  (larger dress sizes; 10 and up)
  One community has a "fashion show" and prom for the teen girls.
- Children's socks are always needed for home and at school (ages 4K-8th grade)
- Sewing machines
  More and more of the women are learning to sew or getting back into sewing as a means of income for their families.

NATIVE-AMERICAN MINISTRY

Contacts: Gloria Klomsten 262-370-7506
Sam Mayek 414-303-2101

Please make sure all items are clean and in working order. No rips, holes, tears, or broken zippers.

	8:00	9:15	10:30
HOST/HOSTESS:		Tamara Tomczyk	Kris Pena
ALTAR GUILD:	Sam Mayek		Toni Snyder
BREAD BAKER:	Beth Zeiler		
COMM ASSTS:			
bread		*(b)* Billie Ann Matthias	*(b)* Kris Pena
bread		*(b)* Kristi Klemencic	*(b)* Gail Zimdars
cups	*(c)* Matt Meyer	*(c)* Dan Klemencic	*(c)* Toni Snyder
cups		*(c)* Lynn Kristensen	*(c)* Amy Mason
COUNTERS:	Sam Mayek & Billie Ann Matthias		
WEEKLY FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY:	Amanda Petrie		
LECTORS:	Julie Taylor	Diane Otto	Kris Pena
RECYCLERS:	***sign up in the narthex***		
USHERS:	Sam Mayek	Mary Fix	
ACOLYTE:		Ella Zeiler	
NURSERY:		Madison Versh	Megan Joel, Madison Stromberg
SS HELPER:		Sophia Gordon, Ryan Wojciechowski	

ETERNAL CANDLE - ***sign up in the narthex***
ALTAR CANDLE - ***sign up in the narthex***
MISSION CANDLE - ***sign up in the narthex***
ALTAR FLOWERS - ***sign up in the narthex***

SOS Food Pantry

1. pork & beans
2. cream soups
3. canned vegetables
4. canned chicken
5. toothpaste

SS Student Pick Up

Please pick up your children in their classrooms after worship.

9:15 a.m.

4 year-olds, Kindergarten, 5th & 6th graders are in the North hallway (by the nursery). 1st-4th graders will be down the West hallway (by the Chapel.)

10:30 a.m.

All ages will be in the Chapel.

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Thursday, April 13th
7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 14th
7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 16th
8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Easter Breakfast, April 16th
7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Last Week's Offerings	YTD Income	YTD Planned Expenses
$13,665.45	$148,626.81	$161,848.16

Purchase Your Easter Flowers!

Deadline to Order is TODAY! Sunday, April 9th

COS is offering beautiful Easter flowers to help beautify our church and your home this Easter season. Offered is a single-stem lily, tulips, and hyacinths all in 6" pots and only $10.00 each! Flowers can be placed in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion. The plants can be taken home after the last worship service on Easter Sunday. Order as many as you wish!

Melissa Maas, owner of Bank of Memories and Flowers, has offered to donate $5.00 to COS for every pot that is purchased. Thank you Melissa and Bank of Memories and Flowers.

Please use the "Easter Lilies" envelopes by the sign-up sheet in the narthex for payment.

Easter Breakfast

The annual COS Easter breakfast is just a couple weeks away. If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Robb Zimdars at robb.zimdars@gmail.com or 262-820-1580. We will need people to handle a variety of tasks, so you needn't be a master chef in order to participate!

Ecumenical Good Friday Worship

St. James - April 14th at 1:00 p.m.

The Cooperating Churches of Sussex (CCOS) is hosting an ecumenical Good Friday worship service at 1:00 p.m. at St. James. If you prefer a day time worship service or would like to worship with friends and neighbors from other Christian traditions, join us for worship at St. James Friday, April 14th at 1:00 p.m.