

www.oslc victoria.com

Sunday School for ALL 9:15 am



A WORD
FROM THE
PASTOR

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” (Rom. 12:1-2a)

Now, I realize that compared to many of our members at Our Saviour's, being 59 years old is still considered "young". But the more I look back at my life and where I am today, I quickly realize that I am getting older and fast becoming like those men that I used to detest when I was in my thirties – fat and flabby, grouchy and stubborn, lethargic yet opinionated, loud and bombastic, don't care what others think, and unwilling to change or be changed from what I think is working for me. Are these the "normal" signs and hints of growing older? Am I once again experiencing a form of growing pains?

Well, as I continue to reflect on my aging process and growing pains, I stumbled upon a small devotional book that I picked up at an LCMC National Gathering (Convention), two years ago. The devotional booklet is entitled, *“An Apple A Day”*, by Kent R. Hunter, with Tracee J. Swank. In this booklet I learned about Linda, who finally found a church with powerful preaching and teaching. What she was hearing was biblical, but soon she found herself uncomfortable. Why? Because what she heard and experienced were stretching her. The truth that she did not expect was that Biblical Truth helps you grow, and growth means change, and change is uncomfortable. I believe it was Mark Twain who said, “The only person who likes change is a baby with a wet diaper.” Often, we don’t change until we are uncomfortable!

So, what's the prescription for growing older and growing pains?

Well, it's important to remember that our God is more interested in our character than in our comfort. He is more committed to our eternal growth than our earthly satisfaction. So, embrace the growing pains, the changes, the discomforts, and ask God for help through them. Trust that he will give you the power to endure and the grace to remain faithful to him. In the process, we will learn that God can be trusted. If all Christians would let God grow them, we'd see two outcomes: more discomfort and a lot more spiritual fulfillment. Then, and only then, might we be transformed by the renewing of our minds and be the kinds of Christians that young people admire and aspire to become.

May God's blessings, protection, provisions, and powerful presence be with you throughout this summer – wherever His Holy Spirit leads and guides you. Amen.

[illegible]

BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL LED BY PASTOR LA

Is taking a break for the summer, class will resume in September.

REMINDER: The church office will be closed Thursday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

**WE WILL HAVE ONE COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE
ON SUNDAY, JULY 6TH AT 9:30 AM**

God Bless
AMERICA

OUR SAVIOUR'S MESSAGE



New Membership Class/Orientation - For those who are interested in being a member or for those who are curious as to what being a member at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is all about, you are invited to join Pastor La Thursday, July 10th at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room. The class is FREE, but registration (sign-up) is expected, please contact the Church Office at 361-575-4305 or email geliot@oslc victoria.com to sign-up.

SECURITY CODE CHANGE

Per council instructions, the security code on the keypad doors will be changed every six months. The new code will take effect on Tuesday, July 1st.



CONGREGATIONAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL

MONDAY, JULY 14TH AT 6:00 PM IN THE MPR



Each family please bring either a freezer of ice cream or sandwiches or chips and dip to share.

Please look for the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk.

Bring your favorite game(s) and enjoy a night of fun.

Don't miss this great time of fellowship, enjoying delicious food and homemade ice cream.



W.O.W. BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER FOR LWR BABY CARE KITS

Sunday, July 20th after both services.

Come get some goodies and support Lutheran World Relief!



2025 LCMC TEXAS DISTRICT GATHERING & YOUTH GATHERING/LOCK-IN

JULY 25 – 26

at First English Lutheran Church in Victoria, Tx

Early registration is now open

Adults & Youth - \$30 per person by June 30 after \$40 per person

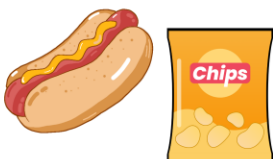
For more information lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering



**Block Party Planning Meeting Monday, July 30th at 6:30 pm
in the Conference Room**



**FREE HOTDOGS
FREE CHIPS
FREE DRINKS
FREE SNO-CONES**



**OUR SAVIOUR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROCK THE BLOCK**

**Summer
PARTY**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

4102 N. BEN JORDAN ST.

(CORNER OF BEN JORDAN & CRESTWOOD)



**FREE GAMES
FREE BOUNCE HOUSE
FREE ACTIVITIES
MUSIC & MORE**





VBS: Round up your stray cattle and head over to the church for YEE-HAW VBS on Sunday, July 20th - Tuesday, July 22nd! Registration for kids who have completed Pre-K through 5th grade is live. If you have any of our "WANTED" donations, please bring them to the church office by Monday, July 14th as we will be finalizing all purchases for VBS that week.

BLOCK PARTY: Join us on Wednesday, July 30th for our annual Rock the Block Summer Party! We will have free food, drinks, games & activities and sno-cones for all in attendance. Local vendors will be giving out information and giveaways for all ages. This is an event that you don't want to miss as it will be fun for the whole family!

LCMC GATHERING & LOCK-IN: Haven't you heard, WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT?! Youth (grades 6th - 12th) are invited to attend the LCMC Texas District Gathering and Lock-In on Friday, July 25th - Saturday, July 26th. Kids will learn how we all come from different places and backgrounds, but we're all in the same boat when it comes to our faith. There will be service projects, devotions, breakouts, games and a movie night. Registration is \$30 per child until June 30th after that is \$40, and it comes with a T-shirt and meals. To register, visit the LCMC Texas District website or contact Stephanie. Please do not let costs be a reason your child cannot go and explore their faith.

JULY YOUTH SUNDAY FUNDAY: This month, our Sunday Funday is just for the youth (6th - 12th grade)! On Sunday, July 27th from 11:45 am-2:30 pm we will have a pool party. Bring your towel, swimsuit and sunscreen for some fun in the sun! Lunch will be provided.

LOOKING AHEAD AT RALLY DAY! It's hard to believe that the summer has gone so quickly! CYF wants to give you a heads up that Rally Day is coming NEXT MONTH on Sunday, August 10th. It will also be Confirmation Sunday, so we will have one combined worship service at 9:30 am to celebrate our Confirmands. We will be (hopefully) confirming 5 youth who are ready to take on the commitment of navigating their own faith. Please make plans to attend that Sunday as we will have plenty of joy and fun.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

July 6th - 11th - Elementary Camp at Camp Lonestar

July 25th - 26th - Texas District Youth Gathering/Lock-In

July 30th - Community Block Party

July 20th - 22nd - VBS

July 27th - Youth Sunday Funday

August 10th - Rally Day



VBS July 20-22 from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Free Dinner every night at 5:30 pm

For Pre-K - 5th Grade

Register Online at: <https://formurl.com/to/oslcfcvbs2025> or

Scan QR Code



Family Night July 22 ~ All are invited for Hamburgers, VBS Presentation, Petting Zoo & Ice Cream.

Please contact Stephanie at 361-652-0995 if you are interested in volunteering.



Thank you so much for your faithfulness and support of Mission Mexico. We value your prayers and gifts.

Thank you so much for your generous donation to VCAM. Your gift allows us to help community members in need.

On behalf of the staff of Lutheran World Relief thank you for your gift and may God continue to bless you.

Thank you for giving so generously to the Lutheran Disaster Response. Your support helps us respond to disasters efficiently.

Thank you for your donation to Christ's Kitchen it will help us to continue serving a hot meal at no charge to the people in need.

Thank you for your partnership with Global Health Ministries. Your support makes it possible to ship life-changing equipment and supplies around the globe.




On behalf of Promise Pointe, thank you so much for your kind donation. Sister Rebecca Janacek

Dear Pastor La and Springfest team, On behalf of all us at the Gaberiel Project of the Crossroads, we extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous donation.



JULY 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 9:30 am - Tabitha Quilting Ministry 5:30 pm - Ministry Leaders Mtg. 6:45 pm – Oasis Planning Mtg	2 5:30 pm - Prayer in Chapel	3 OFFICE CLOSED 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm United Way "Getting Ahead" Class	4 <i>Independence Day</i> OFFICE CLOSED 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Hospice Crochet Group	5
6 9:30 am - One Combined Worship Service HOLY COMMUNION HELPING HANDS Children Leave for Camp Lonestar	7 8:00 am - Pastor's Advisory Team Meeting 9:00 am - Staff Meeting 1:30 pm - Pantry Prep 5:00 pm - Executive Council Meeting	8 9:30 am - Tabitha Quilting Ministry 4:00 pm - Pantry Chapel Rented MPR Rented	9 9:00 am - CST Guidance Team Meeting 10:00 am - Life After Loss Support Group 5:30 pm - Prayer in Chapel MPR Rented	10 6:30 pm - New Member Class/Orientation 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm United Way "Getting Ahead" Class MPR Rented	11 OFFICE CLOSED 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Hospice Crochet Group Children Return from Camp Lonestar	12 Chapel Rented MPR Rented
13 8:00 am - Traditional Worship Service 10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School	14 9:00 am - Staff Meeting 6:00 pm - Congregational Ice Cream Social 	15 9:30 am - Tabitha Quilting Ministry 6:30 pm - Council Meeting	16 5:00 pm - Confirmation 5:30 pm - Prayer in Chapel	17 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm United Way "Getting Ahead" Class	18 OFFICE CLOSED 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Hospice Crochet Group MPR Unavailable	19 Christian Ed Building Rented MPR Unavailable
20 8:00 am - Traditional Worship Service 10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service HOLY COMMUNION 9:15 am - Adult Youth Sunday WOW Bake Sale VBS 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	21 8:00 am - Pastor's Advisory Team Meeting 9:00 am - Staff Meeting 1:30 pm - Pantry Prep VBS 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	22 9:30 am - Tabitha Quilting Ministry 4:00 pm - Pantry VBS 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	23 9:00 am - CST Guidance Team Meeting 5:00 pm - Confirmation 5:30 pm - Prayer in Chapel	24 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Homeschool Group 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm United Way "Getting Ahead" Class	25 OFFICE CLOSED 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Hospice Crochet Group LCMC Tx District Gathering at First English	26 LCMC Tx District Gathering at First English
27 8:00 - Traditional Worship Service 10:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service 9:15 am - Adult Sunday School 11:30 am - Youth Sunday Funday ~ Pool Party	28 9:00 am - Staff Meeting 5:30 pm - CYF Committee Mtg.	29 9:30 am - Tabitha Quilting Ministry 5:30 pm - Springfest Meeting in Conference Room	30 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm "Rock the Block" Community Block Party	31 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm United Way "Getting Ahead" Class	 PLEASE NOTE CHURCH EVENTS, DATES AND DETAILS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE	



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS



Below is the schedule of worship assistants for this month. We will provide training and instruction to those who have not already received this information.

NOTE: If you are not able to serve as scheduled, please try to find a replacement, or call the church office at 361-575-4305.

	USHER	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	ACOLYTE	LECTOR	GREETER	WELCOMER	WELCOME DESK	CHURCH SAFETY TEAM	LEADER IN CHARGE
July 6th 9:30 am	Dale Hoffmann Shirley Hoffmann Michael Buchhorn Dena Buchhorn	Glenn Gisler Jean Gisler Cole Neill Kim Neill Kathy Ozuna	Henry Neill	Diane Dabney	Kathleen Reimann	Irene Hahn	Linda Mueller	Ronnie Wolter Carol Buchhorn Mel Bontrager	July 6th Jason Eliot July 13th Diana Moreno July 20th Barret Jacob July 27th Debbie Cavallin
July 13th 8:00 am	Gerald Merks Glenn Gisler Laura Johnston		Alex Johnston	Jerri Brown	Jan Jacob	Terry Krueger	Jean Huber	Royce Krueger Nathan Neill Linda Mueller	
10:30 am	Raymundo Moreno Diana Moreno Marilyn Young Sharon Kacir				Katy Morris Hannah Morris	Kathleen Morris	Norma Lawrence	Stephen Fuhrman Randy McGehee Michael Buchhorn	ALTAR GUILD Jason & Gina Eliot Linda Mueller ALTAR FLOWERS
July 20th 8:00 am	Mitchell Thurman Mel Bontrager Jerri Brown	Royce Krueger Terry Krueger Konor Eliot	Konor Eliot	Joyce Hahn	Kathleen Reimann	Joyce Cardinell	Linda Mueller	Dale Hoffmann Richard Ross Luke Hersey	July 6th Royce & Terry Krueger July 13th Kurtis & Debbie Krueger July 20th Russell & Amy Hempel July 27th Buck & Diane Dabney
10:30 am	Hanta Andriamihaja Darryl Kern Kurtis Krueger Debbie Krueger	Michael Buchhorn Dena Buchhorn Carol Buchhorn Richard Ross Kathleen Ross			Michael Buchhorn Dena Buchhorn	Pam Raley	EJ Raley	Steve Fiedler Brett Ckudre Milton Slaughter	
July 27th 8:00 am	Royce Krueger Terry Krueger Steve Fiedler		Cole Neill	Kim Neill	Shirley Hoffmann	Eddy Griffiths	Jean Huber	Mitchell Thurman Raymundo Moreno Diane Dabney	PRAYERS July 6th Pat DeDear July 13th Sharon Kacir July 20th Cole Neill July 27th Pam Raley
10:30 am	Tom Willis Patty McGehee Randy Clark Jason Eliot				Eden Yaklin Sharon Kacir	Laura Wright	Norma Lawrence	Bruce Jank Barret Jacob Deanna Jacob	

July Birthdays

7/1 – Lane Johnston
7/5 – Mel Bontrager
7/8 – Jory Stevens
7/15 – Larry Volkmer
7/17 – David Wieting
7/22 – Darla Jank
7/28 – Susie Breeden

7/2 – Pam Raley
7/6 – Alex Johnston
7/10 – Gloria Seiler
7/15 – Caitlin Stehling
7/18 – Haven Crawford
7/23 – Maria Boehm
7/28 – Chris Stuck

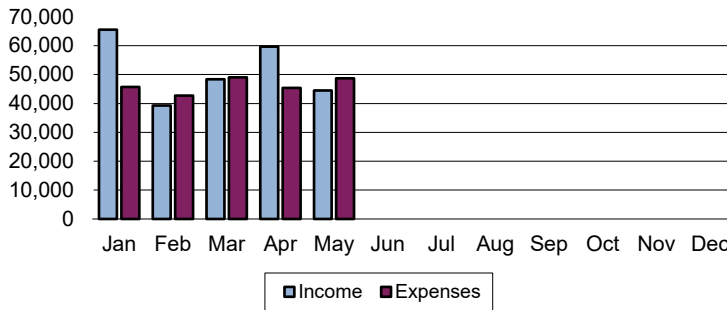
7/3 – Susan Trueper
7/6 – Maxine Volkert
7/12 – Cameron Morris
7/16 – Melva Toler
7/20 – Manuel Mendez
7/25 – Kurtis Krueger
7/28 – Rhonda Tumlinson

7/3 – Will Johnston
7/8 – Jerri Brown
7/13 – Darlene Meyer
7/16 – Jazmine Janak
7/21 – Michael Buchhorn
7/26 – Steve Beale
7/31 – Allie McGehee

7/5 – Helen Boatman
7/8 – Donna Eddleman
7/14 – Violet Janak
7/17 – Gerri Horne
7/22 – Ina Faupel
7/26 – Ryan Price
7/31 – Riley Venglar

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Fund 2025 Income vs. Expenses



CHURCH ATTENDANCE

June Attendance

Our average weekly attendance
for June 159.

June 1 st	158
June 8 th	151
June 15 th	149
June 22 nd	176

Praise the Lord!
Praise God in His sanctuary;
praise Him in His
mighty heavens!
Psalm 150:1



During the summer months, everyone wants to relax and take it easy. The kids are out of school, we are going on vacations, and we get out of our daily/weekly routines. It's easy to forget what we've disciplined ourselves to do, even as faithful stewards. Here are a few things that can help you stay plugged in this summer, while traveling. **LISTEN TO SUNDAY SERMONS ONLINE** **READ YOUR NEWSLETTERS**

CONTINUE TO TITHE BY MAIL OR BY USING ELECTRONIC OPTIOIONS BELOW:

SIMPLY GIVING - We have been using this program for some time now. The Simply Giving® Program offers church members a convenient, safe, and simple way to make regular church offerings without the need to write checks, carry cash or prepare envelopes. It is handled by a company named Vanco Services and they will process the auto withdrawal through your bank and deposit directly into OSL's account. A simple authorization form is all that is needed.

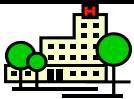
ONLINE GIVING - Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions or one-time contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at www.oslvictoria.com,
- 2) Click on the [Give] tab,
- 3) Click on the [Give Online] line,
- 4) Click on [Give Online] again at right
- 5) Click on the [Create Profile] button, then
- 6) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring or one-time contributions.

This program supports bank accounts and debit or credit cards. Recurring donations are convenient and provide our church with much needed consistent support throughout the year. If you have any questions about either of these programs, please contact Sally Hersey at the church office.

AROUND THE CHURCH FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND PRAYERS

If you have any information for AROUND THE CHURCH please call the church office.



With our prayers for a speedy recovery, these
folks were listed in the hospital/rehab:
Elaine Thurman Ronnie Wolter



Thanks be to God these folks have returned
home from the hospital:
Don DeDear Russell & Amy Hempel



We welcome our newest members:
Steve Beale
Bob & Judy Blazek



Special Concerns: All those we hold
dear in our hearts and are facing
battles for good health, mind & spirit.



Received in Holy Baptism:
Witten Marshall Kelly



Congratulations on the new baby:
Silas Pickens, son of Diego Pickens

2025 MINISTRY LEADERS CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor La Andriamihaja	361-575-4305	Worship
Hanta Andriamihaja	612-840-5820	Hospitality
Michael Buchhorn	361-676-0053	Fellowship
Gina Eliot	361-649-2805	Children, Youth & Family
Jason Eliot	361-648-0370	Spiritual Formation
Sharon Kacir	361-649-6739	Prayer & Devotional Life
Darryl Kern	361-571-3614	Global Missions
Diana Moreno	361-220-4545	Digital Communications
Pam Raley	361-935-4582	Community Outreach
Laura Wright	361-920-1916	Welcome
Marilyn Young	361-550-2513	Caring & Bridging

2025 CHURCH COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION

Stephen Fuhrman	361-894-1441	President
Janine Rothmann	361-571-0593	Vice President
Randy Clark	361-484-7285	Secretary
Debbie Cavallin	361-220-1498	Member
Barret Jacob	361-935-8093	Member
Becky Linville	361-573-5478	Member
Kim Neill	361-564-8784	Member
Lynna Briggs	361-550-4477	Treasurer

Non-Profit Organization
US Postage Paid
Permit No. 167
Victoria, TX 77901



OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
4102 N. Ben Jordan
Victoria, TX 77901
361-575-4305 - Fax 361-575-8679
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

FYI - CHURCH CONTACTS

Pastor – Lalahery "La" Andriamihaja
Music Leader – Amanda Christian
Music Leader – Cindy Smith
CYF Director – Stephanie Stevens
CYF Assistant – Jake Henson
Financial Administrator – Sally Hersey
Office Administrator – Gina Eliot
Housekeeping Custodian – Bobbi Hartley
Maintenance Custodian – Ruben Garcia
361-575-4305
361-575-4305 ext. 7002
361-575-4305 ext. 7002
361-575-4305 ext. 7004
361-575-4305
361-575-4305 ext. 7001
361-575-4305 ext. 7000