



The Evangel

Vol. 36, Edition 1

January 2019

Our Saviour Lutheran Church

*is a congregation of the
Indiana-Kentucky Synod of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church
in America.*

*We welcome all
to share in life with Christ
as a community
of faith in mission.*

OSLC's Vision & Mission

*God calls us to be a community of
discipleship for all, making Christ's
love real in our daily lives.*

*Grow in faith and Christian calling
Love and serve God and neighbor
Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

Worship

9:00 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

*Attended nursery available
on Sunday mornings*

Fellowship

10:00 A.M.

Sunday School

10:15 A.M.

Will Peugeot, Pastor

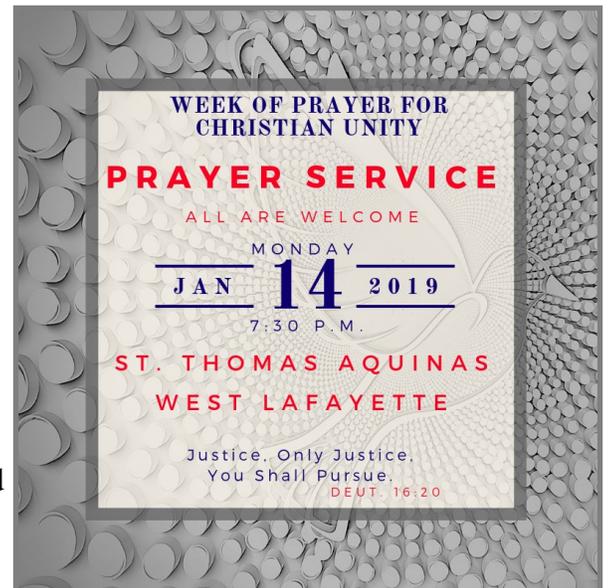
Michael Vinson, Campus Pastor

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Every January, the Christian church world-wide marks the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This ecumenical "octave," or eight-day observance, lasts from January 18 (the Feast of St. Peter) to January 25 (the Feast of St. Paul).

The week is based on Jesus' prayer to his heavenly Father in John 17:21 that his followers "may all be one ... so that the world may believe that you have sent me" (ESV). Jesus knew that if Christians were fiercely divided, people outside the faith wouldn't want to learn more about him.

The theme for the 2019 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from Deuteronomy 16:20 (NRSV): "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue." There will be a reception immediately following the service. All are welcome.



Important Events This Month

January 7: Reports deadline for the OSLC Annual Report

January 14: Prayer Service at St. Thomas Aquinas, 7:30 P.M.

January 18: MLK Interfaith Service at Temple Israel, 7:30 P.M.

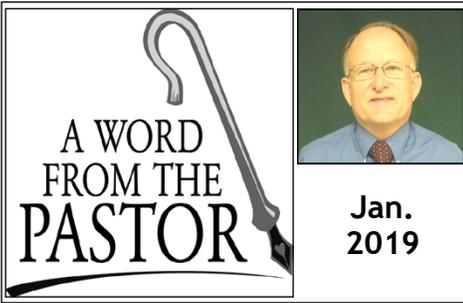
January 21: PAH Packing Event

Held at Christ United Methodist Church

Sign up and give at packawayhunger.org

January 27: OSLC Potluck and Annual Meeting





"He's my pastor...for another two months." That's how one member of the congregation recently introduced me to a friend. I know that I've had a privileged relationship with this congregation for almost 19 years. That relationship is coming to an end.

Very seldom does a pastor get to journey with people and with a congregation over an entire lifetime. In this congregation most of us have come from some place else and will move on. Among the recent group of confirmands, Abigail Black is the only one I've known for her entire life. Even that, at 13 years, is a rather long time for pas-

tors to stick around. So I know that this is unique for a pastor to get to spend this much time with a congregation.

"Thank you" is my word for these 19 years together. Thank you for letting me share in your life. Thank you for the times of joy and sorrow we've spent together. Thank you for the notes of encouragement and the laughter we've shared. Thank you for the vibrant Sunday mornings in worship and learning that have marked our time together. Thank you for the mission trips and youth gatherings you've helped make possible in one way or another. The list of thank-yous can go on.

During the next two months, I want to say thank you personally to as many of you as possible and to celebrate what God has done in us, with and through us.

Giving thanks for the relationships we've shared helps us prepare for the next chapter of our lives. Having experienced God's faithfulness helps us anticipate the future with hope.

Pastor Will Peugeot's Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 A.M. - Noon
 Contact info: Office: 743-2931; Home: 463-5057
 Friday is Pastor Will's day off.

Council Highlights from December 6

- Pastor Will reported that he had sent in the paperwork required for his retirement.
- The Advent Celebration was successful.
- Motion to approve the five young people for confirmation on Dec. 9; seconded; passed.
- Motion to support Barbora and Marek; seconded; passed.
- Motion to move the council's meeting night to the second Wednesday, beginning January 9; seconded; passed.
- Reviewed the nearly finished draft of the Ministry Site Profile.



Times and Locations of Ministry Meetings

Property normally meets on the first Sunday of the month in the library, shortly after the 9:00 service ends. The meeting is moved to other Sundays as needed to accommodate the schedules of its members. If you are interested in attending the meetings or joining the property ministry team, please contact Matt Ohland at ohland@purdue.edu to be notified of changes in the regular meeting time. **Fellowship Events** meets in the Fellowship Hall on Servant Sundays. All are welcome! **Christian Education** meets in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:15 service on Servant Sundays. New members are welcome! **Operations** meets only when there is a need or crisis. If you would like to attend one of the meetings, please email Chris Johannsen and he will notify you of the time and place. **Finance** normally meets on Servant Sunday between the services in Pastor Will's office. **Social Justice Ministry** meets in the Fellowship Hall on Servant Sunday, on an as-needed basis. All are welcome!

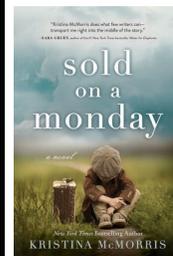
Baptismal Birthdays



January

Sue Axtell	1
Ruth Ewbank	
Wes Gearhart	
Sherri Guido	
Allen Hammer	
Jo Johannsen	
JoAnn Johnson	
Sonya Margerum	
Judy Ohm	
Brian Wagner	
Vera Weiser	
Bill Baumgardt	17
Gretchen Freese	30

Book Discussion for January *Sold on a Monday* by Kristina McMorris



Inspired by an actual newspaper photograph that stunned the nation, *Sold on a Monday* is a powerful novel of love, redemption, and the unexpected paths that bring us home.

News and Notes

Mark your calendars!



Farewell Dinner for Pastor Will

Friday, Feb. 22, 2019

and

Community Open House

Sunday, Feb. 24, 2019

February 28, 2019

BASILICA OF THE
SACRED HEART
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE
DAME
NLCA.com

The National Lutheran Choir presents an encore performance of a choral-orchestral work *Holy Spirit Mass* on a tour of the Midwest from February 28 - March 3, 2019. This stirring new masterwork, by Norwegian composer Kim André Arnesen received its world premiere at the National

Shrine in Washington D.C. on October 22 of 2017 and in subsequent performances in Minneapolis and Saint Paul. Written to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation and celebrating 50 years of fruitful dialog between Roman Catholic and Lutheran leaders, the work brings together the Mass ordinary texts with meditations from Martin Luther on "the Spirit's work," calling on all God's people to live and work together in hope. This stunning work was praised by *The New York Times* as "...extremely well made, and rapturously received," and was selected for live broadcast by Classical Minnesota Public Radio during the Saint Paul premiere.

Under the direction of Dr. David Cherwien, the 60-voice National Lutheran Choir seeks to strengthen, renew and preserve the heritage of sacred choral music through the highest standards of performance and literature. To learn more about the Choir, visit NLCA.com and connect on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube @NLChoir and Instagram @nationallutheranchoir.

National Lutheran Choir presents - Holy Spirit Mass

Thursday, February 28, 2019 - 8:00 P.M.

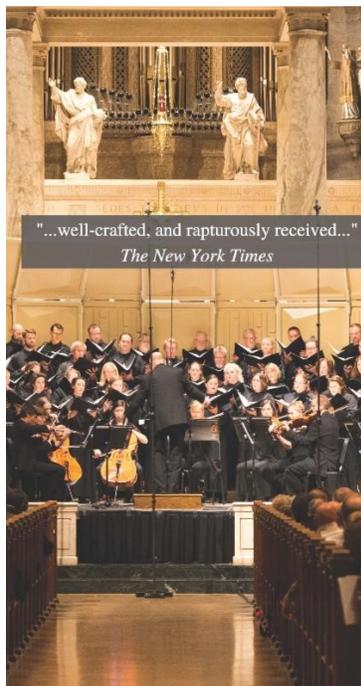
Basilica of the Sacred Heart

University of Notre Dame

101 Basilica Drive, Notre Dame, IN 46556

Free and open to the public

More info: www.nlca.com/tour2019



"...well-crafted, and rapturously received..."
The New York Times

Purdue Honors Great Teachers

Among the 45 Purdue professors inducted into Purdue's Book of Great Teachers on December 11 were **Suzanne Nielsen and Matt Ohland.**

"The Book of Great Teachers honors the very best of our Purdue educators and underscores our commitment to teaching excellence," Jay Akridge says. "We are grateful to the faculty members inducted this year -- and in years past -- for their devotion to our students, and we thank them on behalf of the countless lives they have influenced through their wisdom and guidance."



"True peace is not merely the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice."

Martin Luther King Jr.

Advent Celebration—December 2, 2018



Fun for all ages!
Decorating "gingerbread" houses
at the Advent Celebration

OSLC Call Committee Update

The OSLC Call Committee has begun the process of seeking a pastor for OSLC after Pastor Will retires on Mar. 1, 2019. Call Committee members include the following: Krista Gearhart, Kathy Grogan, Russell Hillberry, Allen Hammer, Aaron Johnson, and Suzanne Nielsen (Chair).

The call process steps, as outlined below, are also displayed on a poster board in the church narthex. The poster board display will be continually marked to show the status of the call process. You'll see below that the required Ministry Site Profile has just been submitted, and the Call Committee will await the names of candidates from the synod leadership.

Any questions about the call process should be directed to Suzanne Nielsen. If you want to suggest a pastor in another ELCA congregation who you think might be well suited as a pastor for OSLC, please get that information to a member of the Call Committee, since we are allowed to submit names to the synod leadership.

The Call Committee asks congregation members for prayers throughout the call process, to help guide everyone involved.

Steps in Call Process:

- Discovery Team gathered background information needed for Ministry Site Profile (MSP) (was done Fall 2017-Fall 2018)
- Call Committee nominated by Church Council and elected by church membership (Nov. 11)
- Call Committee met with Discovery Team about draft content of MSP (Nov. 18)
- Call Committee and Church Council met with Heather Apel, Assistant to the Bishop for Leadership, Indiana-Kentucky Synod, ELCA, for overview of call process (Nov. 26)
- Call Committee worked to complete MSP (this document describes our congregation and the type of pastor we seek)
- Church Council approved MSP for submission (Dec. 16)
- Call Committee submitted MSP to synod to request candidates (Dec. 17) (information goes into an online database for pastors considering a call)
- Synod leadership works to identify candidates based on MSP submitted
- Synod provides candidates (1-3 at a time) to Call Committee
- Call Committee conducts initial private interview with each candidate within 30 days; Additional interviews may follow
- If no candidates are suitable, Call Committee requests new candidates
- Call Committee selects primary candidate and presents that person to Church Council
- Church Council conducts private interview of selected primary candidate
- If that candidate is accepted, call process moves forward
- If Church Council does not approve or if candidate declines, Call Committee starts over
- Church Council nominates the selected candidate for call to congregation and recommends the agreed upon compensation and benefits; Council then calls for a special congregational meeting, and arranges for visit by candidate (name of candidate is made public to congregation shortly before visit)
- Whole congregation meets candidate informally and in a worship setting
- Congregation has a meeting conducted by representative of the synod Bishop
- 2/3 majority is required to extend the call
- Majority vote is required for compensation decision
- If positive votes, Bishop attests the call and sends the Letter of Call and compensation information from congregation to candidate
- If not positive votes, Call Committee starts over
- Candidate has 30 days to respond to the congregation and accept or decline the call

JANUARY UPDATES

Thank You!

Advent Celebration, Jubilee Christmas, and Confirmation were special events celebrated in December. December is always a very busy month, and we appreciate everyone's willingness to participate and serve! I would like to thank the Jubilee Christmas Workers, Education Committee (Holly Black, June Erb-Wott, Krista Gearhart, Suzanne Nielsen, and Sandra Vana), Sara Behnke, Middle School and High School students and my family for helping in many ways. I appreciate your willingness to give of your time, donate items and give a hand.

- With much gratitude, Angie Henderson

Faith Formation Minute

Did you know "Taking Faith Home" (TFH) is available every Sunday in the bulletin? Have you used it during the week? TFH offers suggested Bible verses, prayers, and examples of four key faith practices (through caring conversations, devotions, service and rituals/traditions).

Nursery Attendant Needed

We are looking for a substitute attendant to fill in as needed on Sunday mornings starting in January. If you know of someone who might be interested, please submit resumes to church or via email and/or request an application from Angie Henderson: angie@osluth.org

Contact Information for Angie Henderson, Director of Christian Education and Outreach:

EMAIL: angie@osluth.org Church: 765-743-2931 Cell/Home: 402-213-9157



Volume 4; Issue 25 1/1/19

Upcoming Events

⇒ Sunday, Jan. 6

Worship Services: 9 & 11:15 A.M.
 Sunday School resumes for children and youth.
 Servant Sunday (Committees and ministry teams meet.)

⇒ Sunday, Jan. 13

Adult Forum and Book Discussion resume.

Adult Forum Highlights:

⇒ Sunday, Jan. 13

Kara James, Senior Assistant Director of the Disability Resource Center at Purdue

⇒ Sunday, Jan. 20

Aaron Thompson, Assistant Professor of Landscape Architecture at Purdue

⇒ Sunday, Jan. 27

Catherine Macleod, Food Finders Volunteer Coordinator



Left: Congratulations to our confirmands: Abigail, Lexi, Ben, Max and Anders

Above: OSLC kids preparing for Jesus' birth

Social Justice Updates and Opportunities

Volunteer Opportunities

Read to Succeed <https://www.uwlafayette.org/readtosucceed>

Read to Succeed is a volunteer program that allows members of the community to spend one hour per week in local classrooms helping children develop and enhance literacy skills. Volunteers will work with students either one-on-one or in a small group setting helping them with activities based on the child's age and needs. Though we're well into the school season, many teachers are still without a volunteer!

NAMI https://uwlafayettevolunteer.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=389043

NAMI is looking for presenters for Ending The Silence, a presentation for middle and high school students designed to raise awareness, change perceptions and reduce the stigma of mental health conditions. If you or your family member has experience with a mental illness, this could be your way to help others.

LTHC Homeless Services https://uwlafayettevolunteer.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=347398

The goals of the LTHC's program are to increase skills and income, to teach people how to live independently, and to find permanent affordable housing. We all know no one can be successful if they're hungry. LTHC is in need of helpers for breakfast, lunch, and dinner; setting up, serving food, doing dishes, and wiping down tables.

Franciscan Health https://uwlafayettevolunteer.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=384494

Franciscan Health Lafayette is in need of hospital volunteers. The hosts and hostesses greet, visit patients, and hand out magazines, puzzles, etc. Franciscan has openings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Shifts are 9am-1pm (may vary depending on number of patients). The schedule is flexible and you can volunteer any number of days per month.



<https://www.food-finders.org/get-involved/>

Or call 765-471-0062

Food Finders is always looking for more volunteers!

FREE - 'Reform Redistricting Now' Yard Signs

Make sure to get a hold of your FREE Campaign for Hoosier Families' "Reform Redistricting Now!" yard signs, available at the LUM Office. These signs are a part of a movement to hold our legislators accountable for making sure that party politics has nothing to do with how districts across the state are formed and all to do with those who belong in each district.

Be a part of this effort to create change and get ready to place these signs in your own yard today!



Above: Beth Dana decorates the Christmas tree at Family Promise.

Please take note!

Family Promise 2019: OSLC's Hosting Dates: Feb. 3-10, June 9-16, Aug. 18-25, Oct. 27-Nov. 3

News items for the January *Evangel* are due to Sandra Vana (sandra@osluth.org) by 1/22/2019. Please type "Evangel" in the subject line.

OSLC Church Staff

(765) 743-2931
www.osluth.org

Will Peugeot, Pastor
Sandra Vana, Secretary
Angie Henderson, Director of
Education and Outreach

PLM

Purdue Lutheran Ministry

(765) 743-2398
www.plm.org

Michael Vinson, Pastor
330 West Fowler Ave
West Lafayette, IN 47906

Congregational Officers

President: Mike Dana
Vice President: Sue Larson
Treasurer: Sue Hermodson
Financial Secretary: John Mills

Congregational Council

Jim BeMiller
Mike Dana
Charlotte Erdmann
Carol Grady
Kathy Heise
Carl Huetteman
Sue Larson
Mike Myers
Scott Vana

Ministry Team Contacts

Altar: Vicki Mills
Christian Education: Sandra Vana
Family Promise: Julie Huetteman
Fellowship Events: Sara Behnke
Finance: Steve Belter & Carl Behnke
Foundation: Vince Guido
LUM Liaison: Allen Grady
Mutual Ministry: Brian Wagner
Operations: Chris Johannsen
PLM Liaison: Ken Musselman
Property: Matt Ohland
Social Justice: Carol Grady &
Scott Vana
Worship & Music: Mark Hermodson

The Evangel

"Fear less, hope more;
Whine less, breathe more;
Talk less, say more;
Hate less, love more;
And all good things are yours." — Swedish Proverb



Our Saviour Lutheran Church
300 West Fowler Avenue
West Lafayette, IN 47906