### **CONNECTION**

Our Savior Lutheran Church Mesquite, TX September 2019

## You're Invited to Our Savior's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration! FIVE DECADES OF DREAMS

In 1969, Neil Armstrong walked on the moon, half a million hippies walked to Woodstock, and Our Savior Lutheran Church walked in Jesus' footsteps to start a new community of faith.

In 1969, the Concorde flew faster than the sun, the 747 Jumbo Jet took its maiden voyage, the Pontiac Firebird flew on four wheels, and Our Savior Lutheran Church flew from the nest of God's grace to soar like an eaglet.

In 1969, PBS, Sesame Street, and Monty Python's Flying Circus were established to change television forever,

the Beatles gave their last public performance to change music forever, and Our Savior Lutheran Church was founded to change the lives of ordinary people like you and me forever.

In 1969, Indira Gandhi and Golda Meier proved that women could be strong leaders,
Richard Nixon proved that men could abuse leadership,
and Our Savior Lutheran Church was blessed with a leader like Pastor Arthur Malin (Anderson,
Jenson, Johnson, and Nelson would follow) to begin this venture of faith that we are now
celebrating 50 years later.

That's what we're set to do this September 15, with one service at 10 AM and a celebration banquet to follow. There must be at least 50 reasons to celebrate Our Savior Lutheran Church, but let's start with just a few:

- Our 10 AM worship will help us remember and reflect on God's Word and work at Our Savior for the last 5 decades.
- Bishop Eric Gronberg will be our presiding minister (and it's rumored that his sermons are much shorter and less meandering than Pastor Schelter's!)
- A Festival Fellowship Feast (Free!) follows worship to set the tone of thanksgiving to God for Our Savior. (Catered by Babes Chicken)
- The Ebenezer Thankoffering kicks off with gratitude for every year of God's Baptismal Grace in your life and in the fifty year life of Our Savior. (Don't forget! We need your baptismal birth dates... for in the midst of Our Savior's Birthday Celebration, we'll remember our own Baptism birthdays, and offer a dollar a year for benevolent outreach to others.)
- And the best reason for you to celebrate Our Savior's 50th Birthday Bash is because it wouldn't be the same without you! September 15, 10 AM! See you there!

# FIRST AID/CPR/AED/ACTIVE INTRUDER TRAINING SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

Our Savior will be hosting a First Aid/CPR/AED/Active Intruder Training on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. The tentative cost is \$50 per person and the session will last about 5 hours. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the centrum.



## Blessing of the Pets

### Sunday, October 6, 5:30 pm

Come Rover, Come Fluffy: Come one and all to the Blessing of our Pets!



This is an all animal, all age event for our church and our community! Bring dogs, cats, gerbils, rabbits, fish, birds, or any pet small enough to transport to church. Photos will highlight this year's Pet Blessing. You may add a picture of a pet (living or deceased) to a pet photo gallery, and we will again take pet photos for a keepsake certificate. Other plans are in the works to support a local animal shelter or *Paws in the City* in caring for stray and homeless pets. Caution! We will have NOT ONE lost pet! Please make sure your pet is appropriately restrained by leash, carrier, or cage. After the pet blessing, we will bless each other with fellowship and food—hot dogs and snacks. Special treats for the pets! Invite a neighbor!



#### PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD AT THIS YEAR'S

### **CROP HUNGER WALK!**



NOVEMBER 3, 2PM

The 10K CROP Walk is an outstanding opportunity to make tracks, make friends, and make a difference in the lives of the hungry. 75% of funds are distributed worldwide by Church World Service or—if designated—Lutheran World Relief. This year the walk will be held through beautiful Audubon Park in Garland. Take a couple of hours to enjoy a beautiful fall day and raise money for a good cause. Call the church office for information and collection envelopes. We will meet at St. Michael Catholic Church at 1:30pm on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. The walk begins at 2:00pm. Grab your shoes and HIT THE TRAIL!!!



## School Bells Are Ringing AND NEW CLASSES ARE STARTING THIS FALL AT OUR SAVIOR.

- Confirmation Classes are starting September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm
- 2. Sign up for Lutheran 101 if you'd like to learn more about Lutherans and/or join Our Savior Lutheran Church
- 3. Sunday Morning Adult Sunday School tackles an old cynic named Ecclesiastes. If you've grown cynical about life and our world in general, come join us for God's Word of Hope!

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration—September 15<sup>th</sup>

#### ONE SERVICE: 10AM BANQUET AFTER SERVICE

The invitations are out and all that we need now are RSVP's from you to finish up our plans. You may call the church (972-226-0510) or sign up in the ANNIVERSARY centrum. Let's celebrate!





### Confirmation Class

Confirmation classes will begin for entering  $6^{th}$  graders and resume for  $7^{th}$  and  $8^{th}$  graders on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>September  $4^{th}$ </u> at 7:30pm. Call the office is you are new to Confirmation Class and plan to attend. Details to follow.

Calling All Seniors! —September 5th

The Thursday morning Granny Group is putting out an all points bulletin to find new recruits for the fellowship group that has gone on longer than any other at Our Savior—the Granny Group. Our group is meant to include grandmas, grandpas, and anybody old enough to have watched 'Leave it to



Beaver!' We start at 10:30am on Thursdays for Bible Study, lunch, and a round or two of cards. You may come for all or part of our Thursday gatherings. Sometimes, we even go out to eat, but we always have the best desserts in town. Call Mary Stovall (469-571-2334) for more information.

### Nancy's Health Notes

How ready are you for fall to get here? I know I look forward to clear blue skies with lower temperatures and awakening to a cool crisp morning. I always feel full of energy and am anxious to do outdoor chores when the weather is cooler. Don't forget, who does not enjoy rolling back the clocks for an extra hour of sweet sleep?

Transitioning occurs in many aspects of our lives. We may feel as if life is in a constant state of flux. We as adults can look back to see a multitude of changes we have endured. Many changes progressed very smoothly while others were accomplished with hard work, tears, and probably some angst. An example: if the guy who devours a whole pizza at one meal then learns that may not work now that he no longer plays football. He will probably need to make some changes to both his diet and activity levels.

Another transition we make is the ability to communicate. As children increase their vocabulary, they learn what they say provides a vehicle to let their needs be known. They also learn what not to communicate or they may receive negative responses. As adults, we hone communication skills in the work environment as well as at home. We all need to be aware of how we relate to others and realize what and how we speak can be understood or it can be contorted to a totally different meaning. This goes for both the spoken word as well as the electronic word. A deficit is becoming more severe in the ability to carry on the conversation face-to-face. Hopefully, there will be another period of transition as we return to valuing human contact.



Besides the weather, what transitions are you facing? Leaving home for college, growing older with some aches and pains, developing a bucket list, downsizing after becoming empty nesters and retirees are all looming out there. Keeping an open mind to the changes we experience can lead us to be more caring and compassionate individuals with richer life experiences.

BRIEF REMINDER: Flue season has already gotten started and the flu shots are now available for those who can take them. It is not too early to receive the shot and it is good for the entire flu season.

A WARM SMILE IS THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE OF KINDNESS.

God's Peace

Nancy Wilson, RN, FCN

### **Birthdays**

	Dii Maayo
Date	Name
1	Christopher Mayfield
	Arshad Rehmat
4	Craig Spindle
6	Joel Jacobs
8	Michael Conoly
	Sheri Hall
	Bob Hardi
10	Donna Salvato
11	Eleanor Adix
	Julie Williams
12	Loretta Cannon
	Matt Chubbs
14	Paula Hester
16	Caitlin Anderson
18	Joanne Stidd
	Amelia Holmes
21	Matthew McCabe
22	Matt Nelson
23	Landon Hyatt
24	Donna Brashear
25	Shane Owens
28	Madison Reggia



### Wedding anniversaries

Date		Year
4	Kirk & Tania Helm	15
11	David & Beth Shafer	26
17	Travis & Donna Salvato	46
21	Marshall & Judy Hocker	56
22	Bob & Glenda Hardi	40
	John & Pat Mangham	12
26	James & Denise Bartosh	38



### Baptism Birthdays

Date	Name
2	Simon Belz
11	Tania Helm
14	John Schelter
	Carson Strader
16	Austin Morton
19	Bennett Hartfield
	Stephanie Priola
20	David Anderson
	Barb Krause
26	Eleanor Adix
28	Jordan Castilleja
	Pauline Hutchinson
	Linda Last
30	Christine Hocker



	9/	1-9/15	9/22-10/6		
	8:30	11:00	8:30	11:00	
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Lois Schelter	Randy Peterson	Lois Schelter	Chip Cannon	
Greeter	Jackie Howk	Eleanor Adix	Dave Shafer	Lou Mazza	
	Darren Mann	Edda Farrell	Beth Shafer	Marie Mazza	
Ushers	Thane Katz	James Bartosh	Debbie Lonon	Patti Preas	
	Kris Semmler	Richard Mastin	Earl Herndon	Nicholas McCabe	
Reader	Bonnie Johnston	Debbie Zimmermann	Paula Fincher	Marie Mazza	
Communion	Michael Lubben	Debbie Zimmermann	Paula Fincher	Shari Murphy	
Assistants	Cynthia Lubben	Jon Cook	Thane Katz	Henry Williams	
ACOLYTES					

	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	Sept. 29	Oct. 6
8:30am	Marie V.	Yiyaine F.	Alicia V.	Yiyaine F.	Alicia V.	Yiyaine F.
	Alicia V.	Haidyn J.	Marie V.	Haidyn J.	Marie V.	Haidyn J.
11:00	Jeremy R.	Olivia R.	Jeremy R.	Olivia R.	Jeremy R.	Olivia R.
	Madison R.	Caroline F.	Madison R.	Caroline F.	Madison R.	Caroline F.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Each Sunday 8:30am Worship Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service 5:30pm Worship Service	<b>2</b> Labor Day	3 9:30am Mother's Day Out	4 7:30pm Confirmation	5 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	6	7 9:00am Men's Basketball
8 12:30pm Council Meeting	9 7:00pm Bible Study	10 9:30am Mother's Day Out	11 7:30pm Confirmation	12 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	13	14 9:00am Men's Basketball
15 10:00am Our Savior 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Worship & Luncheon Celebration	16 7:00pm Bible Study	17 9:30am Mother's Day Out	18 7:30pm Confirmation	19 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	20	21 9:00am Men's Basketball 9:30pm Mission Endowment Board Meeting First Aid/CPR/AED/ Active Intruder Training
22	23 7:00pm Bible Study	24 9:30am Mother's Day Out	25 7:30pm Confirmation	26 9:30am Mother's Day Out 10:30am Granny Group	27	28 9:00am Men's Basketball
29 12:30pm Nursing Home Service	30 7:00pm Bible Study					