
CONNECTION

Our Savior Lutheran Church

Mesquite, TX

May 2021

SEVEN DECADES OF DREAMS

Seven decades ago, the United States was a land of abundant dreams
We had emerged from a world war with optimism and confidence as a world leader.
The Recession had given way to a bustling economy, bursting with possibility.
A generation (later to be called “Baby Boomers”) was declaring its unbridled exuberance with an
unprecedented flurry of activity in labor and delivery.

It was also over seven decades ago that one dashing couple found each other quite attractive and
started dating.

And over 70 years later, they haven’t stopped celebrating. In fact, we’re celebrating with them,
this month, over a century of dreaming together.

Over seventy years later, the American dream still stands tall.
Over seventy years later, Bill and Pauline still stand together.

The celebration of Bill and Pauline piqued my curiosity about other Our Savior marriages. I
thought it might be fun to recognize all couples who had been married fifty years or more. I
didn’t think there would be that many—until I started researching. The results are encouraging
... especially since marriages aren’t supposed to last in our modern world. With all the attention
given to high divorce rates and prophets forecasting doom to the institution of marriage, these
couples might provide encouragement for all you newlyweds who haven’t yet made 50 years!



Dennis & Bobbie Chubbs—50 years
Jerry & Kaethe Combs—59 years
Gerald & Frances Hare—52 years
Marshall & Judy Hocker—57 years
Victor & Barbara Hunter—52 years
Bill & Pauline Hutchinson—70 years
Gordon & Bonnie Johnston—57 years
Richard & Betty Mastin—51 years
George & Bobbye Nolan—54 years
Henry & Baerbel Williams—60 years



So thanks, Bill and Pauline, and all of you on the above list. You are an inspiration to all the
family of God’s people at Our Savior—single or married—as we support each other in
relationships that mirror God’s faithfulness and love.

Nancy's Health Notes

We may have all felt as if we lost a year the past 12 months, but guess what? We all are a year older. We cannot turn back the clock or stop time. It keeps marching on—one second at a time.

As human beings, we are capable of adapting to the changes we encounter throughout our lifetimes. Several in our church family have had the opportunity to practice these adaptational skills a long time. In other words, a lot of us are getting OLD!

The elders have stories to tell—happy, sad, discouraging, uplifting—all contain tidbits of how they were able to adapt to change. Storytelling is the way history was passed from one generation to the next. Now it seems as if there is little time for storytelling. Everyone is on the run going everywhere but nowhere faster and faster.

Maybe now we need to reevaluate how we are adapting. Everyone made significant adaptations during the past year, but now that we are allowed out of our cocoons those changes are disappearing. Attention had been focused on grandkids not visiting Granny. Now that they are able to visit, we all could gain from the love and warmth expressed in those first hugs. Actively reach out not just to Granny but to neighbors, store clerks, teacher, even pastors. Masks may cover our faces but our eyes convey the message: “Hello, Good to see you, You are appreciated.” Don’t forget the storytelling as it means so much to the teller as well as the listener.

God bless each of our congregational family.

Say it straight, simple, and with a smile.

Nancy Wilson, R.N., F.C.N

Nancy in the News

Our own Nancy Wilson will highlight Memorial Day as one of two speakers at the Vietnam Wall Memorial in Washington D.C. on May 31st. We’re proud of Nancy for receiving such a well-deserved honor for her life of service to our country.

Feedback for 5:30

We will continue the 5:30pm Sunday service through the month of May and perhaps longer, but we would like to gage on-going interest and involvement to determine its viability. Please give us your feedback as we look forward to resuming a schedule for both morning and evening worship once the coronavirus restrictions are lifted.

GETTING “RED-DY” FOR PENTECOST—MAY 23

On Pentecost, the color of the day is RED for fire of the Spirit and the power of the Church. You can help make it a RED-LETTER Day by...



- 1) WEARING RED! Red slacks, red dress, red hat, red shoes, shirt, tie, coat, sock... Let’s turn it into a crimson celebration and make it shine!
- 2) BRINGING RED FLOWERS! Geraniums, roses, carnations, caladiums, or anything from your garden, the flower shop, or even those wild flowers across the street! Bring a potted plant, arrange a bouquet, get cuttings from the florist, but help us “DO IT UP RED” to decorate the worship area.

Wear Red, Bring Red, and get Red-dy to celebrate Pentecost!

2021 Seniors

We will feature our proud Seniors in next month’s newsletter. If we have not contacted you for stats, please email the church at oslmesquite@gmail.com or call the church office at 972-226-0510.



Birthdays

Date	Name
1	Herb Salmons
5	Marshall Hocker Bobbye NoLan
6	Rhonda Owens
7	Ryan DeShazo Gregory Folkmann
11	Ashlyn Williams
13	Shari Murphy
16	Paul Cross
20	Gabriel Rice
21	Remona Kurt
23	Denise Bartosh
24	Brian Murphy
25	James Bartosh
26	Bobbie Jean McClatchey Nicholas Zaragoza
28	Karley Lewis
30	Billie Bard Helen Henson
31	Brynna Williams

May



Baptisms

Date	Name
1	Glenda Hardi
4	Rigo Chavez
8	Corbin Zimmermann
11	Tessie Murphy
14	Jessica Davis
16	Elena Conoly Timothy Murphy Baerbel Williams
19	Ann Williams
23	Harrison Helm Kirk Helm Charles Skyles
25	Michael Anthony Christa Schelter
31	Paige Furr

Wedding Anniversaries

Date	Years
15	Jerry & Kaethe Combs 59
26	Jon & Beth Cook 3
26	Ken & Paula Hester 49
27	Steven & Kelly Belz 26
27	George & Bobbie NoLan 54
31	Tino & Theresa Williams 2



MAY WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

8:30

Ushers: Mark Hall & Bonnie Johnston
Readers: Steven Belz

11:00

Dennis & Matt Chubbs
Mike Phares

Altar Guild: Cynthia Lubben & Amy Ismail

Dates & Schedules

This page of the newsletter is usually reserved for precise dates and schedule planning. We would all like to have a precise date for having our education wing remodeled after the freeze and the gymnasium cleared out and ready for use again. We would also like to have a precise date for resuming all the things we used to take for granted: sitting closer together, singing in worship inspired by the organ, resuming Sunday School and Mother's Day Out, and doing a whole host of other things that depend upon coronavirus progress. It will take patience since precise dates are still unknown. Insurance, adjusters, and contractors are still working out details and dollars. The coronavirus is still a threat until more get their vaccinations. So don't give up. We'll get there soon. One day, we'll get an "all clear" from the CDC, and boy will we celebrate. Until then, the only precise date we can give you on this page is the fact that God will be with us precisely every Sunday and every day until we're back. That's one date you can count on!



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Sunday Worship—8:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm

Sunday School—9:45am

Pastor—John Schelter

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May 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<i>We're printing this calendar, even though there's nothing on it. We sincerely hope this will be the last blank calendar for Our Savior Lutheran Church. Since we are the church, we are never confined to the boxes on a calendar because the Holy Spirit helps us think outside the box!</i>						
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