
The InnerNet

FEBRUARY 2019

LUTHEROAD "PEACE WORKS" DAY CAMP

Mr. Bill Carver was a road builder, well, really a civil engineer tasked with infrastructure, development and paving. He helped build roads from Charlotte to Saudi Arabia. Now his legacy will live on as we build a new road, a "Lutheroad" here at Living Saviour as we host a week of Christian day camp with seed money from memorial gifts given in honor and memory of Bill by his friends and family.

Lutheroad Day Camp is a partnership between our North Carolina Lutheran camp, Lutheridge, located in Arden NC (outside of Asheville, near the airport) and our congregation. This day camp is an exciting addition to the decades long Camp Vivace, which offers children an opportunity to sing and perform publicly. Yet not all our children have been able to participate in Vivace, often because they are not keen on public performance or their parents work, as Vivace is a 9am-2pm day camp, care would be needed before and after. So the timing felt right to offer another option to our own children, seeking to build in them faith, roots, tradition, and a chance to spend time together. This is also a time when we can continue to build bridges with our neighbors, the community around us. This day camp will offer pre-post camp care for those campers who need it, meeting the needs of our families.

There are so many day camp options available, and most are not Christ or faith centered; this one will be. The theme of Lutheroad this year is "Peace Works;" lessons, games, crafts, activities will help communicate what is God's peace. This is an opportunity for our congregation to reach out to those who do not know God, have not met Jesus in Sunday morning stories, and have no idea about prayer or the Bible. This is a chance for our congregation to shine in the gift of hospitality, welcome, fun and fellowship.

Day camp and summer care for school students with working parents is also very expensive. Providing part of the cost of each camper fee through the memorial gift, through the WELCA raffle of crocheted afghans, and other means, we are providing a discount for every camper. Through our partnership with Smithfield Elementary, we also hope to offer some small scholarships to those most financially stressed in our community, providing them with a fun and fantastic week of memories of God's love, joy, laughter, and hope.

New initiatives are important for any congregation as they continue to live their mission which comes from Jesus' command in Matthew 28. He tells his followers, "Go, make disciples; baptize them; teach them; so that they obey everything I have commanded." Jesus is with us Living Saviour, through the power of the Holy Spirit, and so we continue to offer teaching, love, hope, to our own youngest disciples, and offer Christ to the world around us, so that all may know Christ, and Christ's love and grace.

I am seeking those who are interested in participating in the pre-planning for the week, and actually participating during the week. If interested send me a note, talk to me, find out how you can be part of the excitement of this dream to build the road of faith in our youngest ones.

Camp can host 32 campers. We have 5 signed up already, and more to come. Get your registration in soon, before it opens to the public February 15.

I am excited, and humbled, to oversee this week of camp as a Holy Experiment in Bill Carver's memory. He loved God, loved this congregation, and children. I believe, as does Corky, he'd be thrilled to be remembered in this way. To God the glory, forever and ever.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Angela



Announcements



Pastor Angela is planning to receive new members later this winter. She invites anyone interested in joining Living Saviour to plan to attend a 90 minute session including a tour of the church, a little church history, and information about who the ELCA is and what we believe. The session takes place at Living Saviour and any who are interested, even if you are not sure you are ready to join are welcomed. Call the church office to let Pastor know of your interest.

Class is held either on Saturday morning or Sunday after the late service. Possible date for class—Saturday, February 9 or Sunday, February 10.

2019 SUB SALE!

Orders have been taken! Be sure to pick up your pre-ordered sub on Sunday, February 3, after the 8:30 worship service. **Payment is due at pick up - \$5.00/sub.** Checks should be made out to LSLC-subs. Thanks to a Thrivent Action Team card, which will purchase most of the food items. All proceeds will go towards our FREE community event- **Countdown for Summer scheduled for Saturday, May 18.** Thank you for supporting this event!



SCOUTING FOR FOOD AND SCOUT SUNDAY

Local Scouts are collecting food in support of Loaves and Fishes, as part of Scouting For Food, Mecklenburg County's largest annual food drive. Many of us have received Scouting For Food bags at our homes. Our Living Saviour Scouts in Troop 165 and Pack 265 have passed out bags to over 3,000 neighbors. On Saturday, Scouts will be collecting food throughout the county. If you received a bag at home, please consider supporting our hungry neighbors by filling a bag and setting it out near your mailbox or front door on Saturday morning. Food collection starts at 9am. You may also see Scouts in front of your local Harris Teeter on Saturday, passing out bags to shoppers and collecting food at that location. Feel free to fill a bag right there!

Several members of Troop 165 and Pack 265 will be attending our services on February 3, as part of Scout Sunday. As part of Scouting For Food, we will be collecting food at Living Saviour. If you received a bag last Sunday, or if you set out a bag on Saturday that was not picked up, please bring all food donations with you on Sunday. Scouts will take donations to our main collection point in the Arboretum Shopping Center following the 10:30am service. If you have not received a bag, we would still appreciate your donations! Please bring the food on Sunday and we will bag it for you. In greatest demand are canned soups, canned fruits, fruit juices, canned meats, peanut butter and powdered milk. We cannot accept frozen foods, and ask that you avoid glass containers.

Thank you, Eric Forster



COFFEE GIVEAWAY

Help is needed with the **Coffee Giveaway** on Tuesday, February 5, 6:30- 9:00 a.m. Share some coffee and muffins, good will and fellowship with our neighbors and others who are driving by the church and might stop by for coffee and conversation. All are welcome and encouraged to join this valuable ministry. If you would like to participate, please let us know or just show up.

Announcements

DINNER NIGHT OUT



Dinner Night Out will meet on **Tuesday, February 5**, at Hickory Tavern in Torrington Circle Shopping Center (12210 Copper Way, Suite 212, Charlotte, NC 28277).

Please plan to join us for an evening of fun, good food, drink and conversation.

There is a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall. All are welcome!!

Questions? Contact **John and Pam Williams** at jfwilliams7200@aol.com.

FIRST RESPONDER OUTREACH EVENT

On Saturday, February 9, we are gathering at the church and making delicious Valentine cupcakes to be delivered to various police and fire departments in the area. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in this appreciation of the service they perform to the community. We will start at 9 am. If you have any questions, please contact **Wayne Thom** or any member of the team.



INCOME (CONTRIBUTIONS) FOR 2018

Last year, I estimated the income for calendar year 2018. Although the calendar year is not the same as our budget, (our budget goes from February 1 to January 31), I don't expect the difference to be great. I do not try to be aggressive or conservative in my estimating. My goal is to try to guess our income exactly.

I estimate revenue by adding up the amount expected from Giving Intents that are turned in, adding in an amount for those who do not turn in a Giving Intent and adding 'miscellaneous' revenue such as preschool contributions, building rental, etc.

Actual dollars came in 1% lower than what I estimated. The reason our income was less than I estimated is twofold.

I estimate Giving Intent income by taking the sum of all intents ("pledges") to the general fund and multiplying them by our historical average %age collected. Our average %age collected is very good. It has averaged about 98%. However, it varies year to year from that figure. Last year, we collected about 96%, which was one standard deviation below the 10 year average.

I also estimate giving from those who do not turn in a Giving Intent. That's a harder number to come up with. It involves a fair amount of guessing on my part. We did better than I expected here, but it did not completely offset the lower %age that we collected on the Giving Intents. That's not surprising because Giving Intents greatly exceeded my estimate of Non-Intent Giving.

In short: Our estimated income was \$445,000 and we collected \$440,000. If you have not provided us an intent for 2019, please do so. It really helps!

Jim Huddle, Treasurer





JAZZ FOR A CAUZZ

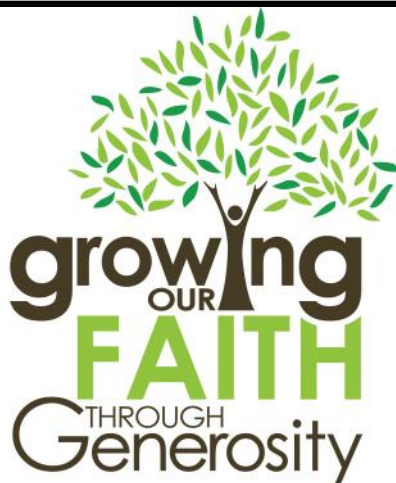
Imagine a magical evening in a setting staged by a Grammy award winner! Relax with friends not only enjoying the music but savoring coffees, beverages and desserts all in a place you know!

The Dawn Anthony Quintet will perform live at Living Saviour on February 14 - an evening of love and a celebration of joy, here at your church in the sanctuary, with two 45 minute sets and a 45 minute intermission. Doors open at 7 PM. The show begins at 7:30.

Dawn is a teaching artist, lecturer and performer based in Charlotte. Her message resonates with the LSLC Outreach Mission. ***"Music has allowed me to connect and build bridges with audiences, students, and cultures. As I continue to learn, my heart is to share and teach others the rich heritage of culture via the vehicle of music."***

Before the show and during the intermission, we will offer lovely chocolate and snacks, delightful beverages, and you will offer good conversation. Proceeds will go towards funding our summer shelter for women through the Salvation Army's Center of Hope. Tickets are available in the Narthex February 3 and 10 as well as on the Living Saviour website (www.livingsaviourlc.org). **Make plans to come!**

Art Lange
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HOW STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS HAVE CHANGED OVER TIME

If we lived during the Old Testament times and even when Jesus walked this earth the offering would be a much more dramatic and messy part of the service. Animals would lose their lives and fragrances would be burned mainly to mask those unpleasant abattoir odors. It could get very smoky in the sanctuary with burnt offerings! Over the centuries we have moved on in our stewardship practices.

By burning 10% on the altar or sacrificing an animal and burning the offering, we were proclaiming that God had provided us enough and that we didn't need to keep all that we had. In fact, that which was offered to God was primarily destroyed. It wasn't sold to feed the hungry or to cover the salary of the priest. The tithe proved that we didn't need all of the abundance provided to us. It wasn't until we made monetary offerings that we were directly supporting priests, feeding the hungry, and caring for the widows and orphans. Have we lost something by just putting some money in the plate? In this computer age we don't even put money in the collection plate but many of us opt for the convenience of programs like "Simply Giving" which automatically withdraws funds from our bank accounts. In the past year several people have asked for cards labeled "Simply Giving" to place in the plates so they wouldn't appear so empty as they proceed across the rows of worshippers.

In Matthew 6:21 Jesus says, "Where your treasure is, your heart will be also." Many people think that he said "where your heart is, your treasure will naturally follow behind," but that is not correct. Jesus knows us. He knows that where we choose to invest our treasure, it is there that our hearts get attached. So, by giving to the church, our heart will naturally become more connected to the ministry here. Most of us want our hearts tied closely to the church and we feel better when the offering plates are not empty as they sit on the altar after the collection.

Art Lange, Council Representative for Stewardship



SMITHFIELD ELEMENTARY PARTNERSHIP 2018 RECAP

Five years ago Living Saviour Lutheran Church reached out to Smithfield Elementary School to see how we could support the staff and students. The initiative has grown each year and lots of volunteers are needed to help support this ministry. Listed below are some of the ways we supported the staff and/or students in 2018.

Kindergarten Enrichment Material workshops: Led by Moss Hathcock. Volunteers helped sort, cut, trace, glue-learning materials to donate to the kindergarten teachers at Smithfield for their students. These simple tasks helped create items which made a huge difference to the education of a child by making learning fun.

HEART Math tutoring. Several LSLC members volunteered for 30-60 minutes a week working one on one with a student. All supplies and lesson plans were provided.

VAST (Volunteer Academic Support Team). A few members tutored students in math or reading for one hour/week which was coordinated between teacher and tutor.

Smithfield Staff Luncheons: Aug 24 (GWOH) and December 5. The teachers love coming to LSLC so much we hosted a second luncheon for them on a teacher work day. A group of volunteers helped set up, serve and clean up. A separate group created table decorations and provided door prizes and goodie bags.

Donated food to the backpack program: This is a big undertaking for our church family but well supported and hugely appreciated by the staff, PTA and the individual families themselves. In 2018 we provided food for the weekly backpack students, meals for spring break, food for the school back pack pantry and meals for the second week of the holiday break. We even sent home a small Food Lion gift card for each Backpack family at the end of the school year.

BINGO: Our group of volunteers had lots of fun! It was a great way to interact with students and parents. Watch for details for the 2019 Bingo Night on Friday, March 22!

Field Day: Several church members helped out on the field for several hours managing games.

Proctors: If you have lived any length of time in Charlotte you have heard of assessment testing. Each year we have provided several proctors who spent much of a day during testing week watching over a classroom of students while they are taking a test. Simple task! Much appreciated and needed!

Staff Appreciation: Several times each year we have provided a snack or gift item for the staff. In 2018 we provided trail mix and bottled water; bottled frappacino and breakfast bars, muffins and juice and candy boxes of "kisses" for Valentine's Day. If you have an idea or would like to provide something please let Caren Ballantine know. The staff is ALWAYS very appreciative of anything we bring them.

Special needs Each year we ask the staff if there are any special needs that we could possibly supply. In 2018 we supplied underwear for the school "closet", highlighters and special pens as requested by the second grade teachers.

Financial support for all of the above was provided by the Casey Peeler grants (in 2017-19 see below), Thrivent Action Team cards and individual donations.

In 2018 we had a unique opportunity to financially support Smithfield PTA by being granted the first (of two) Casey Peeler Grants (Thanks to Frank DeLoache for applying for these grants!). The \$5000 grant for 2017-18 school year was used to purchase several winter coats, health room supplies as requested by the school nurse, food for the back pack program and money for an emergency fund- which thankfully was not used in 2018 so it was used to provide scholarships to a few well deserving students to attend a summer camp run by CMS- who would never be able to go on their own. We have also been granted \$5000 for the 2018-19 school year and it is being used to help pay for the HEART Math Tutoring program and support the backpack families. This is the last year this will be available to us and Smithfield.

VOLUNTEERS are **ALWAYS** needed and welcome to participate. Most of these items require little or no training or experience- just a willing heart and time to support a public school and its staff and students. THANK YOU to all of those that have supported this ministry with your time, talent or treasures!

Questions? Contact Caren Ballantine for more details.

PRAYING FOR POSSIBILITIES

Our Mission is to Grow God's kingdom through the power of prayer. We pray for the possibilities that can happen in and of our building; for all the people volunteering, working and participating here, activities for all, visitors and those that God gathers and the opportunities for witnessing. Ideally, we walk the property to pray for the possibilities that can happen in each place. If you cannot walk it or be there with us, we have made booklets with pictures for you to use. So, please join us! For more information, contact glendakilminster@gmail.com.



February "Weekly Prayer Teams"

1/27-2/3	Art Lange and Frank DeLoache
2/3-2/10	Janet Axtman and Cindy Quinlan
2/10-2/17	Ray and Ken Kilminster
2/17-2/24	Jean Dunne and Janet Wagstaff
2/24-3/3	C.D. Hathcock and Don Huff

PASTOR'S CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR 2019



Friends, Pastor Angela is going on an exciting pilgrimage in late April and early May. A pilgrimage by definition is a religious journey, and this is one exciting and involved trip. This pilgrimage is not a tourist trip or a vacation (I have to read 2 books plus articles and attend learning sessions); it is a time apart from the regular routine, in a place that encourages learning, reflection, and engagement with God.

Pastor Angela is going to go in "search of the real St. Paul." St. Paul is credited with writing many letters, some of which he could not have written, as he was probably already dead (but we don't exactly know when he died). Yet his disciples and admirers wrote letters in his style (or so they thought) but if studied are not what he originally thought or wrote. So who is the real Paul? That is what this pilgrimage seeks to help us study. Pastor will walk in the places Paul walked, will see some of the same sites he saw, will explore the culture, the history, the people who were impacted by Paul and his mission to the Gentiles.

From Tuesday April 23 to May 10 Pastor will be traveling to Turkey, on to Greece and then back to Turkey. She is traveling as part of a pilgrimage group composed of pastors and lay people from all across the USA, who all have a thirst for knowledge and a deeper desire to understand how God's word spread in the ancient 1st century world. She will pass that onto you during the summer when we do an exploration of some of Paul's letters.

Be assured Sunday worship and pastoral care needs will be taken care of, and church will go on as planned. If an emergency arises, someone will be here to care for you.

Pastor is excited to go on this trip and bring back new knowledge to share with you. There might even be an opportunity to see photos! This news is too good to keep quiet any longer, and so now you know!

THANK YOU, LIVING SAVIOUR!



Pastor Angela and the staff of Living Saviour would like to thank the congregation for your generous Christmas gift. We appreciate serving and working with such a supportive council as well as all of the members and friends of this congregation, who show their love to each of us on the staff and to one another all year long. Thanks be to God!

May the Peace of Christ be with you all throughout 2019 and always.



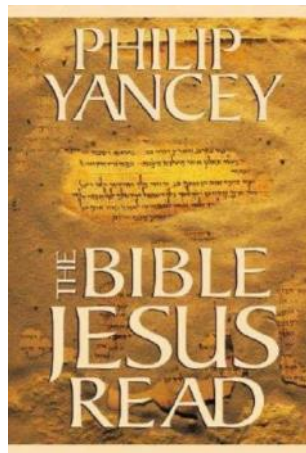
WOMEN OF THE ELCA FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

Quilt Ministry will meet for a workshop on Thursday, **February 7**, at 10:00. We will be cutting backing and batting to size, then layering quilt tops, batting and backing before pinning and tying all together. No experience needed! Come to help supply handmade quilts for people in need throughout the world through Lutheran World Relief!

Hope Circle will meet Thursday, **February 21**, at 1:00. We will be helping prepare teacher aids for Smithfield Elementary. Come, also, with ideas for Hope Circle projects, activities and book discussion or devotion ideas for 2019!

Alice Jenkins

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



We are continuing our study of "The Bible Jesus Read."

We are studying The Book Of Psalms. The Book of Psalms cover the entire spectrum of our relationship with God - the happy, the sad, times of praise, and times of confusion and pain. They are a collection of personal letters to God that show us what a relationship with God looks like.

Next we will take a look at the Book of Ecclesiastes. Philip Yancey describes the Book of Ecclesiastes as "the most twenty-first century book in the Bible."

Join us on Wednesday s at 10:00 a.m. All our welcome.

Janet Mayer

STILL LOOKING FOR A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?



Resolve to join the coffee fellowship team! Every 6-7 weeks, be the volunteer that sets up coffee and goodies for sharing between the two services so folks have an opportunity to visit, catch up with old friends and welcome visitors. Or maybe you attend the later service and would be willing to take coffee pots and empty plates back to the kitchen? Find your **2019** comfort level and let us know where you fit in – we would love to have you on our team! Contact **Mary Ann Eller** at 803-228-0077.

Thanks go to our volunteer members – for setup: Terry and Joyce Godwin, Alice Jenkins, Robin Heverley, Lorene Thom, and Mary Ann Eller; for clean up: Jean Dunne, Sherry Wooldridge, Jeanette Schick, Linda Honeycutt, and Janet Axtman...their efforts are appreciated each week, the goodies are a bonus! And thank you, Barbara Avard and Jeanette Schick, for your generous donations of coffee!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

"A way to reach out in Christian love to those who need special blessings"



Who We Are: A group of 8 to 10 ladies who knit/crochet prayer shawls at our meetings and at home. Each prayer shawl receives a special blessing.

Who Receives the Prayer Shawls: Church members who are seriously ill, have major surgery, have long term medical treatment, long hospitalization, a long recovery period, or going through distressing times. We have given over 174 since our inception in 2012.

When Do We Meet: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays each month. In February - **Tuesday, February 12 and Tuesday, February 26 at 10:00 a.m.** at the church.

We welcome all who knit, crochet, whether beginner, expert or would like to learn. We have yarn and patterns to get you started. Come join us for great fellowship, as we create a special gift for someone in need of prayer, comfort and blessings. They will be wrapped in God's love. If you have questions or want to learn more about this valuable ministry, please contact **Jeanne Davis (jeannedavis88@att.net)**

LUTHEROAD "PEACE WORKS" DAY CAMP

Lutheroad "Peace Works" Day Camp registrations are now being accepted. Paper copies are available, and on-line will go live in mid-February. Make plans now for youth (completed K-5th grade) to come to Living Saviour Church June 24-28 to our Lutheridge Day Camp and have a fun time! Pre-post Camp Care available. See the flyer and registration form for all the information. Who do you know who need a Christian Day Camp? Take them a brochure or flyer and invite them!!

Questions--see **Pastor Angela**

PRIMETIMERS

Wednesday, February 20, 11:30 a.m.

10709 McMullen Creek Pkwy, Charlotte, NC 28226

All age 50 and above welcome! Please join us and invite a friend!

For more information, contact:

Tom and Jeanette Schick (miners28269@yahoo.com) or 704-910-4146



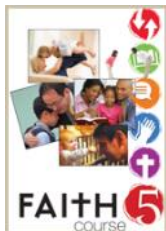
EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

St. Mark's Lutheran is hosting a visit from former German Ambassador to the Vatican, Annette Schavan. Her presentation, "The Art of Doing Politics – Pope Francis," will feature her hands-on experience in the world of global politics and the Vatican. A time for questions and discussion will follow. Klaus Becker, the Honorary German Consul to Charlotte, and the North Carolina Zeitgeist Foundation are sponsoring the event. St. Mark's hosted a similar event as part of the 500th Anniversary celebration of the Reformation. Join them again for this engaging look into the Vatican through an insider's lens: **Friday, February 15, 4:30 p.m. (Reception preceding program, at 4:00)**

Hey parents! Aunties! Grandparents! Uncles! Cousins! Hey you disciple of Jesus Christ! Do you know what has been the best thing about the child in your life's week? Do you know what has brought them sadness? If you do, then you are the lucky one! If not, why not? Find it difficult to talk to them, struggle to check in? Can you talk about faith with them? Share a bible verse or a story that connects to their high or low that week? Could you bless them or pray for them out-loud? Could they do the same for you?

Can you imagine your child in 5 years having a tool kit full of God's love and scripture, knowing how to bless another, able to offer a simple prayer, and communicate caring to others? Can you imagine yourself being a more dedicated disciple of Jesus who can do those things?

You are invited to come and learn a simple way of putting our faith into action in 10 minutes a night, and can be life changing for a family, for kids, for adults. This is discipleship in action, moving from being a Sunday disciple to an everyday disciple.



Faith 5 is a 6 week course on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15 designed to teach you how to do "FAITH ACTS IN THE HOME." Developed by Dr. Rich Melheim, this simple 5 step process will be modeled, practiced, and the theory behind it explored. In 6 weeks you will have practiced and shared what it was like for your family. Come be part of the Revolution--the Faith 5 Revolution. Pastor Angela and others will be the leaders.

Sunday, February 24-March 31. Kids will be cared for during GIFT and adults taught. All are welcome, even if you don't have kids in your life! Be on the look out for more details, and invite a friend who might need to connect with the kids in their life.

Pastor Angela

CARING AND SHARING GROUP

The Caring and Sharing group will gather for its monthly meeting on February 22 at 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the church. The group welcomes all who seek inspiration and support while caring for others or caring for themselves during illness or loss.

For more information, contact **Betty Reynolds at 704-287-5724.**



POP IN AND MAKE A BED



ROOM IN THE INN, Living Saviour's winter shelter ministry, is up and running on Sunday evenings. The congregation is invited to **"POP IN AND MAKE A BED"** on Sundays, following each worship service. The 12 rollaway beds will be in place in the bedroom hall (upstairs of the Education Building) with all the bedding stacked on top. Only sheets and pillowcases get made up on each bed. The 3 blankets should be folded and placed at the foot. Any Sunday when you have a few minutes after worship, stop by and help out! Thanks for helping to make our church home a place of welcome for our homeless neighbors.



BOY SCOUT TROOP 165 ANNUAL PINE NEEDLE FUNDRAISER:

Our Living Savior Boy Scouts will be once again selling, delivering and spreading high quality long leaf pine needles this year: on Saturday, February 23, 2019 and March 2, 2019. Order forms will be available at LSLC starting February 3. See Tanner Axtman, Nate Forster, Owen Rhoden or their families, for more information.



SHARE THE LOVE MINISTRY
[former CHRISTMAS STOCKING MINISTRY]

Thank you for 10+ years of filling Christmas stockings for homeless kids at the Salvation Army Center of Hope shelter. Now the Salvation Army is asking us to instead provide for the kids' basic, critical needs due to United Way funding cuts.

SO LET'S SHARE OUR LOVE IN A NEW WAY IN 2019!

January 20 – February 10: SEE OUR DISPLAY IN THE GATHERING AREA

**Wishing Tree – take a tag from the tree and place that specific
NEW, UNWRAPPED item in the collection bin by February 10.**

[See tags for NEW items such as: WHITE twin bed sheets, WHITE Pack & Play sheets. towels (light colored), baby wipes, soft infant toys, children's underwear, hats, gloves]

**Monetary Donations – Make checks payable to LSLC, memo: SHARE THE LOVE –
Place envelopes in the Sunday collection by February 10.**

[funds needed for multi-sized, periodic or large items such as Pack & Play portable cribs, diapers, baby formula, baby & children's coats, shoes, boots and other clothing]

February 10: Join us for a fun filled Valentine's SHARE THE LOVE party!

Hot breakfast 9:30am – 10:30am [free – table donations for the shelter are welcome]

Make Valentine decorations for the shelter.

Final day for donations for the Center of Hope homeless kids.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Share the Love Ministry: Betty Reynolds, Kristen Haigler, Kathy DeLoache

PASSION PLAY, OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY 2020



The world-famous **Passion Play** is performed by the people of the picturesque town of Oberammergau every ten years, and has been performed since the Middle Ages, when the town avoided death from the Plague and in response gave thanks to God and promised to perform this play. The next presentation of this moving event will be in 2020.

A group is being gathered of Living Saviour members and friends to make a trip to Germany September 1 - 12, 2020. If you are interested in the trip, please see **Pastor Angela or Barbara Avard.**

AMAZON SMILE

If you make purchases with Amazon, you can generate donations to Living Saviour through the Amazon Smile program. It's very easy. Just go to <http://www.smile.amazon.com> to make your purchases. You can use your Amazon sign-in. When you go to smile.amazon the first time, designate your donations to Living Saviour Lutheran Church.

Then for all eligible purchases you make, Living Saviour will receive 0.5% of the purchase price. This costs you nothing extra on your purchases.

Barbara Avard



"SERIOUSLY?" PODCAST SERIES

Have you had a chance to check out the NC ELCA Synod's "Seriously?" podcast series? This set of eight podcasts--a companion resource to the video of the same name--offers conversations about women in ministry with pastors, a deacon, a male pastor whose mom is a pastor, and the ELCA presiding bishop herself. This important conversation about women in ministry is continuing; don't miss it! You can find it on the Synod's website (nclutheran.org) or subscribe using your own podcast app (search "NC Synod" "Seriously").

2019 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS and Areas of Responsibility



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Young Youth
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Stewardship and Finance
Technology
Lay Care
Christian Education
Worship and Music

**Council will meet February 17, 2019, following Town Hall Meeting.
2019 Congregational Officers will be elected at that meeting.**

LIVING SAVIOUR CHURCH STAFF

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Live Streaming of Service of Worship

Go to the Living Saviour Website for live streaming of the Service of Worship (www.livingsaviourlc.org).

If you have an article that you would like to have included in our monthly newsletter, please send it to the church office at sherry@livingsaviourlc.org by the 21st day of the month before.

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

Pastor Angela can be reached on her day off or on weekends at pastorangela@livingsaviourlc.org or 704-408-9534. She will return your call as soon as possible.

FEBRUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Shift Small Groups 11:45am and 3:00pm on Sundays Room In The Inn every Sunday 5:00pm				Shift Small Groups 10:00am and 7:00pm On Thursdays	1 Floors in Church will be cleaned.	2 No Activities schedules today in fellowship hall 11:00AM Shift Small Group
3 Boy Scout Sunday 2019 Sub Sale Scouting for Food 8:30AM Worship 9:30 GIFT , Middle School Conf, High School Social, FF 10:30AM Worship Shift Group 11:45/3:00	4 6:30PM Countdown to Summer Meeting 7PM Boy Scouts	5 6:30 –9:00 AM Free Coffee Give-a-Way 6:45PM Cub Scout Den Mtg.	6 10AM Bible Study 6PM Alleluia Ringers 7:00-8:30 PM Chancel Choir	7 8AM Men's Bible Study 10AM Bridge Group 10AM Quilt Ministry Shift Small Groups at 10AM –Prayer Room 7PM –Conference Rm.	8	9 9:00 a.m. First Responder Event 11:00AM Shift Small Group Set up for Share the Love Breakfast Possible date for New Members Class
10 8:30AM Worship 9:30 GIFT , Middle School Conf, High School Social, FF 10:30AM Worship Possible date for New Members class Pet Ministry Mtg. Shift Group 11:45/3:00	11 7PM Boy Scouts 6:30PM Shift Small Group At DeLoache home	12 10AM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:45PM Cub Scout Den Mtg.	13 10AM Bible Study 6PM Alleluia Ringers 7:00-8:30 PM Chancel Choir	14 8AM Men's Bible Study 10AM Bridge Group Shift Small Groups at 10AM –Prayer Room 7PM –Jazz For A Cauzz Concert	15 4PM "The Art of Doing Politics – Pope Francis" at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Charlotte	16 11:00AM Shift Small Group
17 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 GIFT , Conf., HS, Faith Forum 10:30 Worship Church Council Mtg. Shift Group 11:45/3:00	18 6:30PM Shift Small Group At DeLoache home 7PM Boy Scouts	19 9:30 Finance Committee Meeting 6:45PM Cub Scout Den Mtg.	20 10AM Bible Study 6PM Alleluia Ringers 7:00-8:30 PM Chancel ...	21 8AM Men's Bible 10AM Bridge Group 1PM -Hope Circle Shift Small Groups at 10AM –Prayer Room 7PM –Conference Rm.	22 10 AM Caring and Sharing Group	23 11:00AM Shift Small Group
24 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 GIFT , Middle School Conf., HS Social, Faith Forum, Faith 5 10:30 AM Worship Shift Group 11:45/3:00	25 6:30PM Shift Small Group At DeLoache home 7PM Boy Scouts	26 10AM Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:45PM Cub Scout Den Mtg.	27 10AM Bible Study 6PM Alleluia Ringers 7:00-8:30 PM Chancel Choir	28 8 AM Men's Bible Study 10AM Bridge Group Shift Small Groups at 10AM –Prayer Room 7PM –Conference Rm.		

February Birthdays

2/4 C.D. Hathcock; Brandon Ward
 2/6 Alicia Cook; Fred Oliver; Maria Rozhin
 2/7 Scott Proctor
 2/10 Tom Chriske; Avery Houseton
 2/11 Cathy Lyall
 2/14 Milt Reisen; Ben Thompson
 2/17 Dan Poirier
 2/18 Victor Leaser
 2/19 Collin Quinlan
 2/22 Anna Pearce; George Shabla
 2/23 Matthew Noonkester

2/24 Janet Mayer; Pat Snodgrass
 2/28 Jeff Haigler

February Anniversaries

2/6 Chuck and Erin Malinowski
 2/12 Steve and Anne Bucci
 2/27 Chuck and Kathy Gaddis

