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The InnerNet

June 2025

A Message from the Council

As part of our Council Retreat in early February, the Rev. CeCee Mills (NC Synod Assistant to the Bishop) encouraged us to look closely at our current Mission Statement ("We Welcome people to Jesus Christ, Equip them to grow in faith, and Send them to serve others.") and consider the ways that the world and our lives have changed in the past 10 years or so since it was written. Hopefully, our faith has grown and our call, not only to equip others to serve, but to actively participate ourselves in the service of all people in God's name has grown as well. So, in the new statement you will hear language that describes a community that takes the shape of the cross: vertical first in its relationship with its Lord & arms outstretched to the world as the horizontal piece.

After months of work and much input from our current Council members, we believe this new statement accurately reflects who we are as a congregation and what we believe we are called to do in the name of our Savior. We ask the congregation to vote to accept this statement in a called congregational meeting at the end of service on June 1. We look forward to celebrating and committing ourselves to our new Mission Statement as part of our celebration of Pentecost on June 8.

Proposed updated Mission Statement for LSLC:

Living Saviour Lutheran Church is a faith community striving to live and love as Jesus did, eagerly welcoming all and bringing healing, help, and hope to the world.

In Christ, LSLC Congregation Council

Worship Service Live Streaming: on-line https://www.youtube.com/@livingsaviourlutheranchurch/streams or through our website: www.livingsaviourlc.org.

Congregation Acknowledgements!!

June Anniversaries

6/9 Matthew & Jennifer Noonkester (24)

6/10 Ray & Glenda Kilminster (30), Bill & Sandy Larsen (53), Lynn & Russell Stephens (59), Charlie & Kay Zimmerman (53)

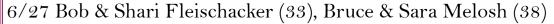
6/14 Jay & Geraldine Harbinson (66)

6/15 Amanda & Andrew Thom (17), Doug & Jennifer

Thompson (13)

6/20 Greg & PJ Krause (33)

6/21 Chuck & Rene Moore (15)



6/29 George & Cathy Shabla (51)

June Birthdays

- 6/1 Aliah Church, Dan Haseley
- 6/2 Addison Noonkester, Andrew Thom
- 6/7 Gary Borley, Charles Gribble
- 6/10 Liam Brown
- 6/11 Arlene Treutle-Levine
- 6/13 Zacharay Greve, Donna Thomas
- 6/14 Judy Frye
- 6/17 Bob Loges
- 6/18 Linda Frixen
- 6/19 Tanner Axtman, Jonas Campbell
- 6/20 Sandy Larsen
- 6/21 David Frixen, Sherry Woolridge
- 6/22 Moss Hathcock
- 6/27 Bruce Melosh
- 6/28 Pat Sipe
- 6/30 Ande Malinowski, Doug Thompson





Praying for Possibilities!

5/26-6/2 Anita Mitchell & Glenda Kilminster

6/2-6/9 Cathy Lyall & L:aura Michael

6/9-6/16 Mike Roser & Frank Deloache

6/16-6/23 Dawn Gibson & Nancy Mercereau

6/23-6/30 Sherry Woolridge & Don Huff



Church Information!!

2025	LIVING SAVIOUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP				
Name	Council Position				
Rev. Linda Hatcher	President/Lay Care				
Debby Borrelli	Vice President/Finance/Stewardship				
Gregg Mitchell	Secretary/Personnel/Technology				
Linda Frixen	Faith Formation				
Laura Michael	Health & Wholeness				
Ken Leeser	Property				
Pat Snodgrass	Fellowship				
Donna Thomas	Outreach				
Kay Zimmerman	Worship and Music				
Susan Hall	Treasurer				
Pr. Sara Ilderton	Pastor/Youth				

The next Council Meeting will be on **Sunday**, **June 22**, **2025** in the Conference Room following Worship.

LIVING SAVIOUR CHURCH STAFF

The Reverend Sara Ilderton, Pastor pastorsara@livingsaviourlc.org

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2025 ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS

The 2025 Altar Flowers online chart is now available at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10CoC4CACAC29A6F4C16-50072720-2025#/

NOTE: No flowers during Lent (March 9—April 13)

OPEN SUNDAYS: June 15, 22, 29



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on summer break June, July and August, resuming on the 2^{nd} Tuesday of September (Sept. 9^{th}).

If you knit or crochet and would like to participate in this ministry, please join us or contact Jeanne Davis at <u>jeannedavis88@att.net</u> with questions.

Your Offerings:

Contribute directly to the church through the on-line button on the website, using the QR code or by mail to

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Thank you for your generosity.



Vanguard Account

The church has set up an account at Vanguard. If you wish to contribute mutual funds, ETFs or stocks that have an appreciated value, you can contribute these to Living Saviour's Vanguard account. By doing so, you can avoid capital gains taxes. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

"NEW for Contribution Statements going forward into 2025"

According to standard accounting practices, "gifts in kind" include purchases made for the church and paid for by a parishioner. These items can be deducted on the individual's tax return but the church cannot put a value on their contribution statement. The value is to be determined but the donor (using a receipt if available) and the church will recognize the gift through a letter. If you have any further questions, please contact Susan Hall at finance@livingsaviourlc.org.. Thank you,

QUILT MINISTRY

Can you help our Quilt Ministry this summer?

The Quilt Ministry is on hiatus for the summer, but behind the scenes, help is needed! Here is how YOU can help us create quilts for Lutheran World Relief.

- 1. Cut squares from coordinating fabric which will become the colorful quilt tops. Bags with fabric, instructions, and a template are located on the counter in the short hallway between the Fellowship Hall and the Education wing.
- 2. Can you sew? We need your help in sewing the squares together to form the quilt tops. Bags with pre-cut squares and instructions are also located on the counter in the short hallway between the Fellowship Hall and the Education wing.
- 3. We use flat twin-size sheets as backing for the quilts. Donations are very welcome. (No white sheets, please.)

Your help is much appreciated! Contact Alice Jenkins at: jenkinsalice2019@gmail.com or 704-458-5411 to get supplies or information.

Ministry of Health and Wholeness



June 2025

Focus: Online Safety for Children

The wise are cautious and avoid danger; fools plunge ahead with reckless confidence.

Proverbs 14:16

Active Exercise Opportunities:

- ♦ Yoga For You:
 - ♦ Mondays 6:15 p.m.
 - ♦ Tuesdays 9:30 a.m.
 - ♦ Thursdays 9:30 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.
 - ♦ Saturdays 10:00 a.m.
- ♦ Chair Yoga
 - ♦ Thursdays 11:00 a.m.
- Strength and Stamina
 - ♦ Saturdays 9:30 a.m.

ALZHEIMER'S 75 ASSOCIATION

AN ERA OF HOPE

COMMUNITY AWARENESS SUMMIT
Hosted LIVE via Zoom

Tuesday, June 3 | 9:00 - 10:30 AM

Alzheimer's disease has done nothing but take. But **TOGETHER**, we are fighting back!

Join us during Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month to learn about the progress we have made and ways to get involved. You have a vital role to play, not only for yourself and your family, but also in your community and at your workplace.



More hope than ever before

Learn about the state of Alzheimer's and other dementia today, how far we've come in diagnosis and treatment, where research is taking us and how the Association helps.



Cognitive impairment in the workplace

With an aging population, rates of dementia are on the rise. Hear from a panel about compassionate approaches to a hidden but growing concern in the workplace.



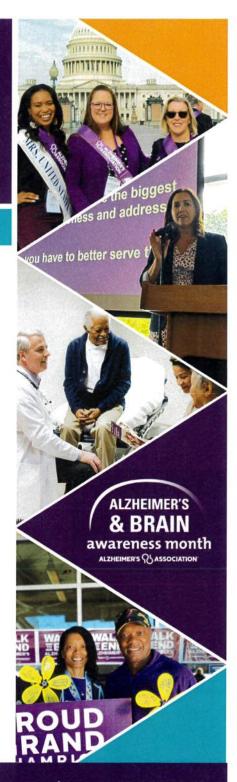
Navigating diagnosis and treatment

Get firsthand perspective on what it's like to receive the lifechanging diagnosis of dementia, what to expect in this new era of treatment and where to find support.



How we fight back - and how you can, too

Check out ways that your neighbors in the Carolinas and Georgia are making a difference as Alzheimer's Association volunteer leaders, advocates and event participants.



Register today!



tinyurl.com/REG15ALZSummit

800.272.3900 (available 24/7)

MUSIC MINISTRY

THANKS TO ALL MUSIC MINSTRY LEADERS

The choirs have ended what I refer to as the choir season, meaning the time between September and the end of May when rehearsals are held regularly (plus some extra rehearsals) in preparation for each worship service, festival and other events.

It's been a busy season with many adjustments necessary to prepare quality music in praise of God and to inspire worshippers, but the choirs have risen to the task. Our sincerest thanks to each member for their faithfulness in preparation and in leading worship. We should also express appreciation to those who are involved in music ministry as occasional choristers or instrumentalists. Furthermore, a special word of thanks goes to Nancy Mersereau for her support and leadership in music ministry, for her inspiring hymn accompaniments and meaningful preludes and postludes. We are so grateful that each person in our music ministry team has chosen to use their musical talent to God's glory here in this faith community.

SUMMER CHOIR

You are invited to be a part the special Summer Choir in July.

For those who cannot commit to the regular choir schedule of rehearsals and service leadership, this is a perfect opportunity!

The rehearsal will be held each Sunday in July at 9:15 AM prior to worship. Come every Sunday---come for one Sunday---come for as many Sundays as you can.

It doesn't matter whether you're an experienced singer or not. We'll teach you and you'll be among a warm welcoming group of friends!

The Chancel Choir is on break from Wednesday evening rehearsals during June, July and August, and is rehearsing only on Sunday mornings at 9:15. If you'd like to join the choir permanently, you, of course are welcome to come along.

Please speak with Don about these opportunities.

FAITH FORMATION!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS:

ADULTS - On Summer Break

CHILDREN - On Summer Break

Children (ages 2 years through 5th grade) will have Bible stories and handson experiences that support the story. Parent(s) are welcome to join in the class!

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

CONFIRMATION/CATECHISM - On Summer Break

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Group will break for the summer and will resume in the fall. If a special event is planned, information will be sent out.

GATHERING@theTable

Gathering@theTable will not meet during the summer months. We will resume on September 11, 2025

Summary of 18 May 2025 Council Meeting

In follow up from the February Council Retreat, there was discussion about taking an inventory of all our current ministries and see which ones we should keep and what new ministries we might want to add. To improve our communication, a proposal has been submitted for website hosting transfer and setup, where we would sever our ties with the current host and go with the new proposal. The members who developed the proposal will be invited to the June Council meeting to discuss the details of the proposal.

The church administrative assistant has a new email address office@lslc.church and the Council secretary has a new email address councilsecretary@lslc.church.

The Finance Committee will list the income/expenses for the previous month and the year-to-date information in the church worship folder on the third Sunday of each month, as well as in the eBlast for that week.

Council approved a proposal to have a ministry fair to go along with our stewardship drive.

Health and Wholeness ministry reported that the Alzheimer's Association presentation on 3 May went very well.

Outreach ministry reported that the folding doors to the showers will need to be replaced before our next Room at the Inn. There will be a breakfast for the Smithfield Elementary staff on 18 August 2025, with gift bags for the teachers. Registration for Lutheroad day camp is available on our website.

Fellowship wants to grill hot dogs and hamburgers for the fifth Sunday in June (29 June) lunch.

The next Council meeting will be on the fourth Sunday in June (third Sunday is Father's Day) 22 June 2025 after worship service.

JUNE 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Worship Live Streamed	2 6:15 p.m. Yoga 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 165	3 6:30 am Coffee for Carmel Chase 9:30 a.m. Yoga	4	5 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga 6:15 p.m. Yoga	6	7 9:30 a.m. Strength & Stamina 10:00 a.m. Yoga 4 You
8 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Worship Live Streamed 3:00 p.m. Jazz Band Practice	9 6:15 p.m. Yoga 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 165	10 9:30 a.m. Yoga	11	12 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga 6:15 p.m. Yoga	13	14 9:30 a.m. Strength & Stamina 10:00 a.m. Yoga 4 You
15 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Worship Live Streamed	16 6:15 p.m. Yoga 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 165	17 9:30 a.m. Yoga	18	19 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:00 a.m. Chair Yoga 6:15 p.m. Yoga	20	21 9:30 a.m. Strength & Stamina 10:00 a.m. Yoga 4 You
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