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OUR MISSION IS TO LOVE,  
SERVE & STRENGTHEN ALL  
PEOPLE IN CHRIST JESUS!

## THE WEEKLY WORD

FEBRUARY 16-17, 2019

### CONFERENCE MTG BEST. BOWL. EVER

Our Saviour's is part of the Wisconsin River Valley Conference within the East Central Synod. Every year the Conference has an annual meeting and this year Our Saviour's will host the gathering on Saturday, February 23, 3:00 PM. All congregation members are invited to attend. Pastors and congregation members from throughout the synod will be here and some will join us for our regular worship service afterwards. Light refreshments will be served at the meeting. If you would like to provide some snacks please contact Pastor Pat.

The Outreach Team was completely bowled over by the fantastic response to this year's Soup-er Bowl Competition, both attendance-wise and donation-wise. Seventy-three people gathered to enjoy seven delicious soups, and those 73 people donated an astonishing \$850 to Merrill's new Warming Center/ Homeless Shelter. Wow. Thank you for your generosity towards such an important cause.

The winning soup chefs were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place (for the 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row!): Josie Countryman, Creamy Chicken Bacon Chowder
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: JoAnn Opsahl, Tortellini Soup
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Char Jerzak, Simple Taco

soup

Honorable Mention: Bryan Weisenfeld, Chicken Noodle Soup  
Winning dessert bakers were:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Kathy Nutter, Almond Bars

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Rebecca Burgener, Shortcake with Warm Strawberry Sauce & Homemade Whipped Cream

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Shirley Henkelman, Chocolate Caramel Cake

Honorable Mention: Cherie Peterson, Chocolate Cake with Whipped Topping

All winners received a homemade chocolate sundae created by Carla Weisenfeld.

Our Saviour's Seventh Annual Soup-er Bowl is only 51 weeks away. Start planning your entry today!

### M&M GROUP

The M&M Group meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 1 PM. Brenda Mueller will be sharing a presentation on her recent travels. We hope to see you there!

### THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Deadline for designating 2018 Thrivent Choice Dollars is March 31. Our Saviour's is grateful for the Choice Dollars we receive from Thrivent members. If you have any kind of insurance or annuity through Thrivent and don't know about Choice Dollars, talk to Pastor Pat.

### CONNECTIONS

A large chunk of what the (relatively new) Promotions Committee's goals are is to create connections between church members and the community at large. One way we would like to do this is by connecting with new parents. How can you help? First, if you know of a congregation member (even an inactive member) who has a baby, please let the church office know. Second, we are looking for people to "adopt" the baby and their family. This person will send out a monthly newsletter (these will be provided to the sender) and any little note of encouragement or friendship they would like to add. If this is a ministry you are called to help us with, please contact the church office.

## WEEKLY STATS

Last Week's  
Attendance was 109.

Last Week's Offering  
General: \$3,696.50  
Benevolence: \$82.50  
Designated: \$25.00

Last Weeks Scrip  
Sales: \$2,010.00  
Profits: \$90.10

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Travis, Earleen Fox, Ward Nelson,  
Joshua Bork, Jerry Wick, Adia Hull,  
Leslie Fischer, Makenzi Keeling,  
Jacob Pesola, Sean Templin, Janet  
Beyer, Christopher Navarro, Bob &  
Helen, Kurt, Carol Pester, Jessica,  
Barb, Kathy Gruett, Liam Bau-  
man, Anne Germain, Tasha Jaeger

## FLOWERS

The flowers this week were  
given by Carol Osnes in  
memory of Al.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday, February 17, 2019

9:00 AM—Worship (HC)  
10:00 AM—Coffee Hour  
10:15 AM—Sunday School  
10:45 AM—First Presbyterian  
Worship

### Monday, February 18, 2019

6:15 PM—Outreach  
6:30 PM—AA Meeting  
7:00 PM—Dartball  
7:15 PM—Adult Bible Study

### Tuesday, February 19, 2019

6:00 PM—Crossroads Bible Study  
6:00 PM—Council  
6:00 PM—First Pres. Council

### Wednesday, February 20, 2019

3:30 PM—FROGS  
4:00 PM—Wednesday Night Ed  
5:15 PM—Family Style Meal  
5:45 PM—Worship (HC)  
7:00 PM FOCUS

### Thursday, February 21, 2019

8:30 AM—Mission Sewing  
4:30 PM—Breaking Bread @  
Eagles

### Friday, February 22, 2019

10 AM—Bible Study

### Saturday, February 23, 2019

9:00 AM—AA Meeting  
3:00 PM—Conference Assembly  
3:15 AM—Choir  
4:30 PM—Worship (HC)

Be kind to one another,  
tenderhearted, forgiving  
one another, as God in  
Christ has  
forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32