

The joy is in the journey!

◆ *Our Savior's Way* ◆

LUTHERAN CHURCH

TO WIN! TO BUILD! TO SEND!

September, 2005

FROM THE PASTOR...

Dear Friends,

Can you believe the summer is coming to an end?!!! It has gone by too quickly. Like many of you, I spent a week at the beach this summer with my family. It was a relaxing and refreshing time. Another highlight was the week I spent at Concordia University in Irvine, California with Vicar Doug Davis and his wife Linda. It was a great time for team-building and spiritual growth. Doug Davis is completing his final year of Seminary training as an intern assigned to Our Savior's Way. He will be ordained next summer. Vicar Doug has already started work in Leesburg with the aim of beginning a new congregation 7 miles to our west. The new congregation has property just south of town on Hwy. 15. Look for more information in the Leesburg Mission Newsletter insert.

I hope you have had a chance to enjoy God's creation this summer. God has given us this earth to take care of and enjoy and when we take pleasure in what He has given us we honor Him. He has given us our families to love, care for and enjoy; and I hope you have found opportunities to spend time together in weekend barbeques, weekends at the beach, family vacations and gardening. Summer is a great time to get away from the "normal schedule" of life, but it is not a time to get away from God. I pray that you have kept God in your summer schedule, and now that you are ready to return to the activities of autumn you will keep Him in your schedule. There is a lot coming up on the church calendar, but most important of all is the opportunity for you to gather together with other Christians in worship and Bible Study and to grow in your faith. Do not miss the many opportunities for you and your family to renew your spirituality and deepen your relationship with your Savior. As summer draws to a close and you begin to plan your schedules for September, keep God on your schedule. You can be sure he will keep you on his.

In His holy name,
Pastor Bill Mann

Tender Loving Care GROUPS

Sunday Mornings, 9:30-10:30 am

Bible Classes For Adults

- Pastor's Bible Study—Discussion of Sunday's Scripture readings
- Women's Bible Study
- Parent Support Group

Shared Interest

Kids Play Group

Meets on Mondays at 9:30 am in the homes of the participants. Contact Traci Benedict at 703-729-7256

Dinner Out Once-a-Month

This group meets for dinner and fellowship once a month at a local restaurant.

Bible Breakfast Group

Meets for breakfast, fellowship and Bible Study at 9:00 am on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Sponsored by the Board of Elders.

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In Our
Prayers
We Ask
the Lord
to Bless

Father of Robin Vander Voort; Pam Hackett, friend of Steve and Mary King; brother and sister-in-law of Steve King; Kelley O'Dell; Phil Schneider; Donnie Tiaga; Lois Rasmussen, sister of Miriam Boysen; Dorothy Barchanowicz, friend of Penny Payne; Mark Weinrich, deployed to Iraq; Ryan Holt; Scott Vivian; Kathy Policaro; Jean Marie Brown; Diana Kidder; Barb Tanner; Arlene Wilson (National Lutheran Home); Ruth Haas (Cameron Glen); Adam Lytell; Robert Villoch; mother and mother-in-law of Chadney Grant; mothers of Nat Kidder, Henry Wessell, Angela Rabena, Carol Tanner, Joe Kumke, and Teresa Lopez; fathers of Andy Wessell, John Breese, Veronica Brett, Bonnie Stith and Claudia Hernandez; sister of Carolyn Nulf; uncle of Liz Sitter; Esther Grant and the Grant families.

Would you like to be included in the Prayer Chain? Contact Jean Kayden at Prayer.Chain@oswlc.org

Building Committee News

This has been a busy summer for the Building Committee. In addition to meeting with Architect Bill Robson, the congregation also hired Michael Fuchs of Capital Fund Developers to assist us in running a Capital Fund Campaign this fall. A Leadership Cabinet of dedicated Our Savior's Way Members has been put together and is already hard at work. Rick Burtner is our campaign chairman. Terri Harding and Pat Morales are our banquet coordinators. **Be sure to reserve Sunday, November 13th, at 5:30 pm for the big Celebration Banquet for the entire congregation.** In addition, we have engaged Eugene Potente of Potente Studios (Kenosha, Wisconsin) as a design consultant. Mr. Potente has had many years experience in liturgical design, working primarily with Lutheran Congregations. He recently finished designing the interior of a church in Reston--St. John Neumann on Lawyers Rd. Mr. Potente is assisting us in the design of the worship space, with special emphasis on the altar, pulpit and baptismal font design, interior color and finishes, and stained glass. The Building Committee is looking for volunteers to serve on two additional sub-committees—one for the selection of pews, the other for stained glass. If you would like to help, please contact Phil Jones (philjones@officemax.com). During August the architect is gathering names of general contractors who will be candidates for building the project. Once the names have been gathered the Building Committee will interview the candidates and decide on a general contractor who will continue to work with us as we go through the final planning stages. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2006.

New Building Cost Estimate

Milestone Construction has given us a cost estimate for the new building. The estimate of the total project cost (including parking lot expansion, furnishings, fixtures and equipment) is approximately \$6.6 to \$7.0 million. At this point we are putting together a loan application for financing with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). Loan approval from LCEF, along with a favorable result from the Capital Funding Campaign this fall will enable us to proceed with ground breaking and construction in 2006. We are already spending significant funds on the new building project. Building Fund "Pink Envelope" contributions (thru 7/31 this year) total \$112,037.00. As of August 15th, bills totaling \$100,443.74 have been paid for architect fees, capital funding and design consulting. Expenses for the new building are expected to increase over the next few months. Your generosity and financial support is needed. Pink Envelopes are available on the table in the lobby on Sunday morning. Pink Envelope and Building Fund offerings will be used exclusively for the new building.



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Study and Support

Monday Night Bible Study

Meets at the church on the **first and third Mondays at 7:30 pm** for coffee and discussion.

Additional Small Groups are meeting at the homes of:

Dave and Rhonda Labuhn in Leesburg. Call 703-737-0323 for more information. John and Judith Tyson in Sterling. Call 703-444-4584.

Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Group

Meets at **10:00 am every Tuesday**. Current study—Experiencing God's Presence

Bulletin Folders

Volunteers fold Sunday's bulletin every Friday morning at 10:30 am.

Garden Club/Work Day

Meets the **3rd Saturday of the month** at church from **9:00 am until noon** to do gardening and repair work around the church.

Altar Guild

Preparation of the altar for Sunday Worship. Groups of three serve together.

New Projectors In The Great Room

The new projectors in the Great Room have been installed on special mounting brackets. The old projectors that were installed at the beginning of the summer have been replaced with new units. The new projectors have special high intensity lamps so that the projected images can be seen in the bright light of Sunday morning. The projectors will be used for special presentations and for Sunday morning services. Thank you to Dave and Kevin Peterson for ordering and installing the projection system and to Chris and Kelley O'Dell for the gift that made it possible.

Properly understood and applied [prayer] is the most potent instrument of action. —Mahatma Gandhi

Christian Education News

Sunday School Registrations

It is time to register all children for fall Sunday School classes. Look for a form in the mail or pick one up in the church lobby. It is important for each family to fill out a new form each fall, so we can maintain up to date contact and health information for each child, help plan curriculum orders, and assure we place all children in the correct classes. Please fill out your family's registration as soon as you receive it.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes will meet on **Wednesdays from 4:15—6:00 pm, beginning September 7th.** Parents of new 7th graders should register their child(ren) for confirmation by calling the church office at 703-858-9254.

Monday Night Bible Study

They aren't the same men! Oh, they may look like it. They have the same names. The same mannerisms. Peter is still brazen. Nathaniel is still reflective. Philip is still calculating. They look the same, but they aren't. God has changed them in a miraculous way. They have stood face to face with God. They have sat at the feet of the resurrected King. The fire of the Spirit burns in their hearts. They are not the same. And because they are different, so is the world. Join us on the **1st and 3rd Monday's of each month at 7:30 PM.** We will read and discuss part two of Luke's Gospel, also known as "The Acts of the Apostles." Read about their adventures and be encouraged. What God did to them, he longs to do for you.



If you have a student in college this year, please forward his/her address to the church office so that we may send your student the monthly newsletter. Please call 703-858-9254 or email to carol@openarms-ccdc.org.

Sunday School Fall Mission Project

As you buy supplies for your students this fall, pick up some extras to be donated to needy students. Use your own children's supply list as a guideline. Let them help select the items and place them in their grade level bucket in the church lobby. (No pencils or pen—we have those covered!) You can help out even if you no longer have students by bringing in supplies or with a cash donation. Put it in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Sunday School Mission." Thank you for helping all kids start off to school with all their supplies!

Mid-Week Refueling

The first study for the Tuesday morning "Women of Faith" Bible study is "Experiencing God's Presence". This study will help you explore a fundamental aspect of your walk with God. You will not only delve into Scripture and discover its relevance to your everyday life, but you'll also get to know the questions, struggles and victories of other women—many similar to, some quite different from your own. Join us each **Tuesday morning at 10:00 am** in the Conference Room for a Midweek Refueling, **beginning September 6.**

New CROSSWAYS Class

The internationally used and famous CROSSWAYS Bible Study program will begin in September. This is a 60 lesson course, which covers the entire Bible. Everyone reads a section of Scripture and answers questions before class time. The lesson is reviewed in class, pointing out especially the themes that carry through both the Old and New Testaments. This is a great course to increase your Biblical knowledge, as well as grow in your relationship with Jesus. Pastor Wiechmann will be teaching the course. Please call the church office to register for this class.

Sunday School Teachers Needed

As we begin the registration process for Sunday School students, we also need to fill teacher vacancies and increase our pool of volunteers. While many of our current teachers will be returning – we do have a wonderful core of dedicated volunteers! – we always have some classes that need more help. Our Savior's Way operates with a team teaching approach, with 2 or more classroom teachers. This allows for lots of adult hands in the classroom on most Sundays and flexibility for teachers to take a break on a Sunday. Please prayerfully consider joining one of our teaching teams. The greatest need will be in the preschool classes and the Senior High. Contact Barb Yarbrough, 703-724-1064 or Rhonda Labuhn 703-737-0323 to volunteer.

Stephen Ministry Training

Have you thought that perhaps you would like to participate in Stephen Ministry? There is still time to join the new class that will be starting in the fall. You will find that being a Stephen Minister will not only be helpful to others, but it will be one of the most fulfilling and joyful experiences that you have ever had. If you have questions or would like to participate in this training, talk to Carol Stowell or Pastor Wiechmann soon.



August

Steven and Dawn Harvey
Ryan and Sean
From Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Herndon, Virginia

Lance and LuAnne Riddle
Owen and Ava
From Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Vienna, Virginia

Rich and Diane Olsen
Caroline, Courtney and Christy
From Richland LC, Richland WA



Adult Choir

Adult Choir (Exaltation Singers) will begin rehearsals on **Wednesday, September 14th, from 8:15-9:00 pm.** Rehearsals will occur every Wednesday and the choir will sing in church twice per month. All are invited to join—high school age & up! For information call Sally Mann at 703-729-2286.

Teen and Youth Choirs

KIDS! The Teen choir and JC's Sunshine Kids will be starting back up this month. Both groups will meet on Sunday evenings throughout the school year. Kids in first grade through 5th grade are welcome to join **JC's Sunshine Kids** which will meet at 5 pm. The **Teen Choir** is open to all kids from 6th grade and up and will meet at 6 pm. At least one of the groups will be singing once a month during the church service, usually the 2nd Sunday of the month. This month practices will take place on **September 11th, 18th and 25th.** In the following months, both groups will meet the first, third and fourth Sundays of the month.

With the Changing Season Comes Opportunities to Minister

Each year the subtle seasonal changes remind us of how universal change really is—and that includes the way congregations carry out their work. Your investment in LCEF enables the unique service called **Strategic Ministry Planning**—a great process by which many congregations focus on Great Commission ministry. Call the SED office at 1-800-637-5723 ext. 212 for more information.



"Whatever happened to the Bible being sufficient?"

New Leadership In The Praise Band

Sara Carlin, with Mike Germinario, has agreed to lead the Praise Band beginning this September. Sara has done a wonderful job as the director of the children's choir at Our Savior's Way and will continue to direct the children. In addition she will serve as the song leader for the Praise Band. Mike Germinario has been playing the drums in the Praise Band for the last year (along with Scott Novak and Philip Hawthorne). Mike has agreed to serve as coordinator and communicator for the Praise Band team. We're looking forward to another great year of uplifting music from this talented group.

Praise Band

The Praise Band is always looking for new instrumentalists (high school age and up) to join us! The Band usually rehearses and plays for one Sunday per month. If interested, talk to Sara Carlin 703-723-3000.

HIMnals Sing AT OSW

The HIMnals—a 36 voice teen choir from Prince of Peace—will sing in worship **Sunday, September 18th at the 930 and 11:00 am services**

A Message From The Capital Campaign Prayer Chairs

Great news! Our Savior's Way is getting ready to launch its funding campaign in preparation for building our new sanctuary! It is exciting to think about expanding our physical space so that we may welcome as many people as possible into God's house. In fact, the name of the campaign, "Building God's Kingdom," reflects the church's desire to open its doors to all who are searching for a place to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. Fund raising can seem like a daunting task, but the one thing we can count on is God's help and guidance throughout the process. The most important thing you can do to ensure the program's success is to set aside some time each day to pray that we may know and do God's will. Prayer is a pathway to hearing God's desires, so let us join together in prayer every day so we may know and honor His will.

Here is a scripture for you to contemplate as we continue our journey of spreading the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ: "For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of His will and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light." Colossians 1:9-12

Read Through The Bible

We challenge you to continue to read your Bible every day! You will be astounded by the spiritual strength you will receive from the Word of God.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 1 Chronicles 29:10-13
Job 31—33
- 2 Ps. 86; Job 34—36
- 3 Ps. 87; Job 37—39
- 4 Ps. 88; Job 40—42
- 5 Ps. 89; Proverbs 1—3
- 6 Ps. 90; Proverbs 4—7
- 7 Ps. 91; Proverbs 8—10
- 8 Ps. 92; Proverbs 11—13
- 9 Ps. 93; Proverbs 14—16
- 10 Ps. 94; Proverbs 17—19
- 11 Ps. 95; Proverbs 20—22
- 12 Ps. 96; Proverbs 23—25
- 13 Ps. 97; Proverbs 26—28
- 14 Ps. 98; Proverbs 29—31
- 15 Ps. 99; Ecclesiastes 1—3
- 16 Ps. 100; Ecclesiastes 4—6
- 17 Ps. 101; Ecclesiastes 7—9
- 18 Ps. 102; Ecclesiastes 10—12
- 19 Ps. 103; Song of Solomon 1—4
- 20 Ps. 104; Song of Solomon 5—8
- 21 Ps. 105; Jeremiah 1—3
- 22 Ps. 106; Jeremiah 4—6
- 23 Ps. 107; Jeremiah 7—9
- 24 Ps. 108; Jeremiah 10—12
- 25 Ps. 109; Jeremiah 13—15
- 26 Ps. 110; Jeremiah 16—18
- 27 Ps. 111; Jeremiah 19—22
- 28 Ps. 112; Jeremiah 23—25
- 29 Ps. 113; Jeremiah 26—28
- 30 1 Chronicles 29:10-13
Jeremiah 29—31

August Births



- Leon Wilhelm Stubbs
- Logan Michael Buckley
- Braden Matthew Chrisman
- Lily Ann Harding

The Power Of We

This is a participational program for couples designed to nurture, renew, challenge, build and maintain healthy families. It is presented by Dr. David and Kathy Ludwig on **September 23 & 24, 2005** at Peace in Christ Lutheran Church in Walkersville, MD. Cost is \$50/couple. Registration forms are on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.



Child Development Center (CDC) Board Update

Welcome back to School! There are two special events taking place in September—Apple Fest and our Sally Foster Sale.

Apple Fest is **September 24th from 11 am—4 pm**. If you have a home based business or know anyone who does, we would love to have you be part of Apple Fest. There is still time to register for a table. Please contact me at 703-729-5539 for a form and information.

The Sally Foster gift wrap sale offers quality wrapping papers, with delivery in time for the holidays, and helps support Open Arms as well.

If there are other events that you would like the CDC Board to host, please call or email me with your idea. We are always looking for new and exciting projects!!

Our **next meeting is September 15th at 7:00 pm**. We hope that you will continue to support our efforts through prayer or by participation in the events that we sponsor. Please contact me if you have any questions about our plans and activities.

Celina Pass Hutchins
 CDC Board Chairperson
 703-729-5539 or celina.home@verizon.net

K.I.D.S. Stamp Program



K.I.D.S. is a fun and educational program of the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). Children can buy 25 cent and \$1.00 savings stamps on two Sundays each month. Completed stamp books are sent to Lutheran Church Extension Fund, creating savings accounts in each child's name. K.I.D.S. teaches children the importance of saving and being a good steward while also furthering the Lord's work through LCEF loans for the building of churches, additions and schools. Stamps will be **available in September** on the **11th and 25th after the 9:30 am service**.

Marcie Peterson Comes On Staff

Marcie Peterson will begin work at Our Savior's Way in September as the Director of Discipleship Development. Marcie and her husband Dave live west of Leesburg along with their children Kevin, Michael, Laura and Adam. The Petersons have transferred to Our Savior's Way from Living Savior Lutheran Church in Fairfax Station where Marcie was the director of the preschool for many years. As Director of Discipleship Development, Marcie will be responsible for encouraging the members of Our Savior's Way to get involved in serving the Lord as active Christian disciples. She will interview new members and help them identify their Spiritual gifts. The goal will be to have each member using the gifts and talents God has given them in some form of service or as part of a small group.



August Baptisms

- Ava Elizabeth Riddle
- Rebecca Lynn Joback
- Sean Patrick Harvey
- Ashley London Westerfeld



August Wedding

- Celina Marie Pass
- Seth Adam Hutchins



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/2 Stephen and Dawn Walter
- 9/3 Raul and Pat Morales
- 9/4 John and Chrissy Howard
- 9/5 Greg and Denise Meyer
- 9/5 Paul and Julie Mitchell
- 9/5 Shelby and Carol Tanner
- 9/6 Stuart and Martie Dunett
- 9/6 Paul and Robin Vander Voort
- 9/6 Chris and Kirsten Zanardi
- 9/10 Bill and Helene Mann
- 9/14 Stephen and Diane Kreyer
- 9/16 Scott and Heather Novak
- 9/18 Andy and Hien Nguyen
- 9/21 Scott and Michelle Boyd
- 9/22 Justin and Casey Fadgen
- 9/23 Warren and Ginny Piotter
- 9/23 Doug and Carol Stowell
- 9/26 Corrado and Sharon Dugo
- 9/27 Walter and Miriam Boysen

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9/2 Bruce Looney
- 9/3 Ana Hancox
- 9/5 Mark Rippe
- 9/6 Mary King
- 9/8 Carly Middleton
- 9/9 Mitchell Griffis
- 9/9 Adam Peterson
- 9/10 Jessica Wessell
- 9/10 Rachael Wessell
- 9/11 Chandler Garthwaite
- 9/11 Darcy Garthwaite
- 9/12 Sharon Iglesias
- 9/12 Terry Primeau
- 9/12 Jeff Stephens
- 9/13 Jordan Tapscott
- 9/14 George Folta
- 9/14 Samantha Hergenroeder
- 9/14 Megan Reed
- 9/14 Ling Zuehsow
- 9/15 Courtney Davis
- 9/16 Beth Anton
- 9/16 Nancy-Jean Qualls
- 9/18 Donna Davis
- 9/19 Charlie Bues
- 9/19 Laura McMinn
- 9/20 Joshua Jessup
- 9/21 Bruce Granger
- 9/22 Alex Hunt
- 9/22 Gavin Reeder
- 9/22 Dan Rolf

Call to Men of Faith

Prince of Peace (Springfield), St. Paul (Falls Church) and OSW LC's will have their annual Men's Retreat this year the weekend of **October 14-16**. This is a wonderful opportunity for any Christian man to join a group of faithful men in fellowship and witness. We will spend the weekend at **Massanetta Springs** near Harrisburg, VA in a setting conducive to prayer, reflection and witness to our faith in Jesus Christ our Savior. Please plan on joining our men's group retreat this year. The theme is Catechism and Men of Faith. Come back charged and already looking forward to next year's retreat. For questions or information call Corrado Dugo at 703-314-8685 or email cdugo@softmed.com.

Women's Retreat

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Chesapeake District Fall retreat, "Women of Grace," will be held **October 21-23** at the Grand Hotel in **Ocean City, MD**. The retreat speaker and music leader will be Dina Vendetti. Retreat registration is \$79 (includes materials and 4 meals). Hotel rooms are \$89 per night for up to 4 persons. Contact Mary Miller for more information: 703-729-1308/mikemary79@adelphia.net.

- 9/24 Kristine MacDonnell
- 9/24 Nathan Picot
- 9/25 Leonard Crain
- 9/25 Jack Folta
- 9/25 Steve King
- 9/26 Kim Hathaway
- 9/27 Powell Benedict
- 9/27 Scott Boyd
- 9/27 Stephanie Davis
- 9/27 Katherine Hayden
- 9/27 Grayson Kemper
- 9/27 Arlene Wilson
- 9/28 Alan Battershell
- 9/29 Craig Buckley
- 9/29 Hunter Horton
- 9/30 Joseph Clarkson
- 9/30 Hillary Garthwaite
- 9/30 Danielle Meyer

Trip Information

Attention ladies who have tickets to see "Ruth" at Sight & Sound Theatre on **Saturday September 17th!** Please be ready to depart on the church bus at 9 am from the church parking lot. Bring a bag lunch to eat on the way. Remember dinner is at an Amish restaurant. Dress comfortably. We will return by 9 pm. Any questions? Call Sally Mann 703-729-2286

Arlene Wilson Celebrates Birthday

Arlene Wilson will celebrate her birthday at the National Lutheran Home for the Aged on **September 27th**. Each month, the Home's Auxiliary sponsors a birthday party for all of the residents who are celebrating birthdays. It is always a special occasion, with cake, favors and decorations provided by the Auxiliary. Birthday cards are always appreciated by the residents, as are visits from congregational members. Please remember Arlene in any way that you can, including prayers. Her address is: National Lutheran Home, 9701 Veirs Dr., #132 Virginia Wing, Rockville, MD 20850-3462 and her phone number is 301-340-2753.

Northern Virginia Training Center Auction

On **Saturday, September 17th**, Parents and Associates of the Northern Virginia Training Center, along with the Fairfax Civitan Club, will be holding their 5th Annual Benefit Auction at 9901 Braddock Road, Fairfax. Doors will open at **8AM** when the **Silent Auction will begin**; Silent Auction winners will be determined between noon and 12:30PM. The **Live Auction will start at 10AM**. Hundreds of items and gift certificates will be auctioned off. All money raised will support the residents of NVTC, a residential facility for adults with severe or profound mental retardation and other disabling conditions. Food will be for sale. See the website for a growing list of donations: www.parentsandassociatesnvtc.com Call Elaine Senft for more information: 703-726-0965.

Who's in the Pew?

Two months ago you saw a new column called Who's in the Pew. That was a preview of things to come (hopefully every month). My plan is to interview a mix of three families or single members each month. I'll try to mix it up so we'll have old members, new members, church officers, elders, committee members. So be prepared. I'll either contact you by email or by phone. I hope you would like to participate, but I won't be in the least offended if you decline (but I hope you won't). I'll just be asking for some general information and you can also share something unique about yourself or your favorite Bible verses. I think it will be fun to get to know each other better.



Here is my husband Stuart and I. We have been married for 36 years. We are both from Illinois (Chicago area) and have lived in St. Louis; Stafford, VA; Columbus, OH; and back here in Virginia. We both work for the Government and have been members of

OSW for just a few years. We have two lovely daughters and two great sons-in-law. Carrie and John and Melissa and Kevin both live in Leesburg, about 10 minutes from us in Ashburn. We have two grandchildren, Andrew who is three and Rebecca born just this June 21. I like this saying: "Just when parents think their work is done they become grandparents, but oh what fun." Something not many people would know about Stuart is that he is one of nine children and a twin. One of my favorite Bible verses is: "I can do all things through Him who gives me strength." *Philippians 4:7.*

Have a great day and enjoy the rest of the summer. —Martie Dunnett

Small Groups

Beginning this September we are making a determined effort to increase the number of small groups at Our Savior's Way. Our goal is to have every member of the congregation involved in our small group ministry.

What are small groups?

Small groups are small Bible studies, between 8-15 people, that meet during the week to pray, worship, and study the Bible. One of the purposes of small groups is to build friendships among the members and make the church more intimate.

Why are small groups important?

The importance of small groups cannot be overemphasized. Within a group, you will be able to get deeper into God's Word than a Sunday service could allow for; you will make friends as you can build up each other up and encourage one another to walk closer to God. You will be blessed being able to share, pray, and learn with others and will have opportunities to grow and minister together as a group. There are small groups for all ages and genders, and even general groups for people whose only bond may be their love for Christ. Don't put off getting plugged into a small group. You won't regret it.

How do I join a group?

Finding and joining a small group is very simple. If you know someone at Our Savior's Way who is already in one, then ask to tag along to the next meeting. Otherwise, here are steps we recommend for getting involved.

1. **Browse the sign up sheets in the church lobby.** Find a group that meets your needs. Consider day of the week, time of day, and location as they pertain to you.
2. **Call up the host or facilitator.** The facilitator will be able to answer questions you have about the group. Confirm with the facilitator where the next meeting will be held. You may also call the host if you have any questions about directions to the meeting place.
3. **Attend the small group.** Remember to bring your Bible. Small groups are always happy to have somebody new show up. If you feel nervous at first, don't worry; most people do. The facilitator of the group can help to make you feel more welcome.

If you have any other questions about small groups, please call the church office at 703-858-9254.

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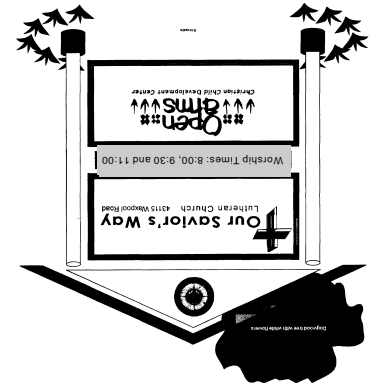
Denise Meyer

How to Become a Member of Our Savior's Way Lutheran Church

- 1) Worship with the people of Our Savior's Way on Sundays at 8:00, 9:30 or 11:00 am.
- 2) Participate in one of the Sunday School classes at 9:30 am on Sunday.
- 3) Transfer from another Lutheran Church by having a transfer letter sent from your former church.
- 4) If you are a new Christian, please speak to one of the Pastors about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.
- 5) If you have questions about the life and ministry of Our Savior's Way, please phone the church office at 703-858-9254.



Come Worship with us Sundays at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am



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