

# The OSWLC Experience

January 21, 2024

## THIS WEEK

### Open Arms Spirit Night

Open Arms Spirit Night fundraiser has been rescheduled to **Wednesday, January 24th, from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm** at IHOP, located at 44030 Pipeline Plaza, Ashburn.



Take a night off from cooking and come and enjoy a short stack and some good company! We hope to see you there!

### Church Center Update

Our Church Center app is full of the information and resources members and guests commonly look for. Here are some of the items you can find in the **Church Center app** or online at [oursaviorsway.churchcenter.com](https://oursaviorsway.churchcenter.com):



- Submit a Prayer Request
- Submit and Announcement/Event for Publication
- Reserve Space at OSW
- Register for Upcoming Events
- Browse current Small Groups
- Sign up to Volunteer with service groups and ministry teams
- Watch online worship
- Watch or listen to past sermons
- Check out your volunteer schedule
- See the church calendar

We know it can be hard to get used to new things, but this one is worth it! Try it out!

**WELCOME!**

*We are excited that God has brought you here to worship with us today!*

*Be sure to check-in to the service on the **Church Center app**.*

*While your there, see what groups you can join, register for upcoming events, submit a prayer request, and more. Download the app with this QR code now.*



## GET CONNECTED

Please check into church with our app or fill out the pew pad when it is passed during the service to let us know of your presence today. We would love to get you connected to our congregation.

If you are interested in membership, please contact the church office at (703) 858-9542 or email [churchoffice@oswlc.org](mailto:churchoffice@oswlc.org) and pick up a copy of the book, "Getting to know Jesus" at the Welcome Center.

## HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate Communion at every Sunday morning worship service. We invite all baptized Christians who recognize the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion to join us at the Lord's Table.

If you have a wheat, dairy, or corn allergy, wafers made from rice and potato flour are available from the elder in the center. For those who prefer, white grape juice is available in the center of the tray of individual glasses.

## CHILDREN WELCOME

If you have children, we have a nursery available for children age 3 and under. The nursery is at the bottom of the ramp to the left of the sanctuary.

Sunday School meets at 9:30 am. Preschool to 4th grade classes meet in the Great Room. Our 5th and 6th graders meet in Room LL4, middle school students meet in Fellowship Hall, and high school students meet in the Youth Room, all on the lower level.

*Forming Relationships*

*Experiencing Jesus Together*

*Sharing God's Love*

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Ladies Lunch Out

Attention Ladies: Come enjoy a time of food and fellowship with other ladies at the next Ladies Lunch Out on **Saturday, February 3rd, at 12:30 pm** at Bungalow Lakehouse in Sterling. We have reserved the Oyster Room just for us! Bring your girlfriends, neighbors, relatives, etc. Space is limited so sign up soon in the **Church Center app** or at [oswlc.org/LadiesLunch!](http://oswlc.org/LadiesLunch!) Registration closes at the end of the day, January 31st or when all spaces are taken.

## Parent's Night Out

Are you looking for an evening to celebrate Valentine's Day without the kids? Look no further than Parents' Night Out at Our Savior's Way on **Saturday, February 17th, from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm**. Sign up your kids to attend in the **Church Center app** or at [oswlc.org/PNO](http://oswlc.org/PNO). RSVP by February 15th!



Our Savior's Way middle and high school youth sponsor Parents' Night Out as a fundraiser for our summer Workcamp mission trip to East Bank, West Virginia. Email Emily Sonstroem-Seagraves at [Emily@oswlc.org](mailto:Emily@oswlc.org) with any questions.

## Early Communion Faith Stepping Stone

We will be holding our Early Communion Program beginning in February. Early Communion is for students in **5th and 6th grade** who are interested in participating in communion.

Parents and students attend the first orientation class on **February 11th from 12:30 pm to 1:30pm in the Great Room**, and then the students continue for four additional sessions. Classes for students will be held **February 18th and 25th, and March 3rd and 10th in Room 13**. Students completing the classes are invited to celebrate this Faith Stepping Stone on March 17th at the 9:30 am worship service.

Find out more information or sign up in the **Church Center app** or at [oswlc.org/EarlyCommunion](http://oswlc.org/EarlyCommunion). Reach out to Ray at [Raymond@oswlc.org](mailto:Raymond@oswlc.org) with any questions.

# UPDATES & INFORMATION

## Become A Prayer Partner

The OSW Prayer Group would like to invite anyone who is interested in praying for those who request prayer to join us. Requests are private and we pray for each request according to the need. We are envisioning a group that will not only pray individually as requests are received but that we will expand our ability to reach out through prayer in new and different ways this year.

If you would like to become a Prayer Partner, fill out the Make a Difference! Join a Serve Team form at [oswlc.org/Volunteer](http://oswlc.org/Volunteer), and select *Prayer Chain* under Ministry Teams toward the bottom of the form.

If you have any questions about our Prayer Group, please reach out to Anita Born at [anitabellborn47@gmail.com](mailto:anitabellborn47@gmail.com).

## Souper Bowl Food Drive

As the big game approaches, we will be collecting canned food items to benefit Loudoun Hunger Relief. There will be two boxes in the Narthex on **Sunday, February 4th, and Sunday, February 11th - Super Bowl Sunday**, where you can place your canned items in the box of the team you want to win the Super Bowl. Maybe your favorite team isn't going to be in the Super Bowl, but people in need will be the winners with your help.



Thank you in advance for your generosity! If you have any questions, please contact [Lydia Sorenson](mailto:Lydia.Sorenson@oswlc.org).

## GriefShare

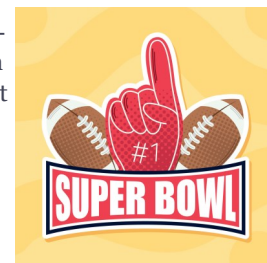
GriefShare is designed to provide people who grieve with helpful tools that will strengthen them for their own grief journeys and to foster healthy relationships among those who are grieving together, in an effort to create a Christian support system built of individuals who understand the pain of loss.

On **January 22nd**, we will be covering *Session 3*, and the topic will be "*Loneliness and Sadness*." We will discuss how sadness can slow you down in assessing where you're struggling and what might help. Sadness lessens as you make adjustments in your life, and making meaningful connections eases loneliness. Anyone who is struggling with the loss of a loved one is invited to join us **Mondays at 7:00 pm** in the library.

## Young Adult Super Bowl Party

Our annual Young Adult Super Bowl Party will be happening again this year! Plan to join us **February 11th at 6:00 pm** at a group member's home to enjoy food and watch the game. Sign up in the **Church Center App**.

Contact Emily Sonstroem-Seagraves at [Emily@oswlc.org](mailto:Emily@oswlc.org) with questions.



## Thank You for Supporting Social Ministries

Our Savior's Way continues to support the Loudoun Homeless Center with meals and supplies. Since the Cold Weather Shelter (CWS) opened on November 15th for the winter, groups and individuals from our church have provided meals for 75 to 90 residents plus drop-ins. We have also supplied 2,000 Styrofoam cups, 16 gallons of milk, 18 dozen eggs, 12 pounds of coffee, plus creamer, 10 pounds of sugar, 500+ water bottles, and 240 detergent pods.

Many thanks to our members who have also donated non-perishable, canned goods! Please continue to help support our community by signing up to provide a meal or donating to the Benevolence Fund. Your assistance and donations allow us to help with utility bills and keep our community fed, warm, and in their homes.



**Our Savior's Way**  
**January 21, 2024**

## OUR WORSHIP TODAY

**8:00 am & 9:30 am**

**Traditional Worship**  
**(Divine Service Two, p. 167)**

Prelude

**Brethren, We Have Met to**  
**Worship (Holy Manna)**  
**Fairest Lord Jesus with As the**  
**Deer**

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Hymn

**WOV #793**

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Introit

Hymn of Praise

**This is the Feast**

Salutation and Collect

Epistle Reading

**Ephesians 3**

Children's Message

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel

**Mark 1:14-20**

Hymn of the Day

**WOV #745**

Apostles' Creed

Prayer of the Church

Offering

**What A Friend We Have in**  
**Jesus**

Offertory

Preface to Holy Communion

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion Hymns

**WOV #702, WOV #730**

The Dismissal

Post-Communion Canticle

**Thank the Lord**

Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Closing Hymn

**WOV #797**

Postlude

**Allegro Vivace**

**from the "Water Music" Suite**

*Organist: Rachel Raphael*

*Pianist: David Kayden*

**11:00 am**

**Praise & Worship Service**

Welcome

Gathering Songs

**House of the Lord**  
**Way Maker**

Invocation

Confession and Absolution

Children's Message

Epistle Reading

**Ephesians 3**

Message

Message Song

**Lead Me to the Cross**

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Apostles' Creed

Words of Institution

Communion

**Remembrance**  
**I Will Follow**

Dismissal

Offering/Announcements

Benediction

Sending Song

**Battle Belongs**

*The Praise Band*

### Altar Flowers for the Glory of God

*If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please sign up at [www.oswlc.org/Flowers](http://www.oswlc.org/Flowers) or email [churchoffice@oswlc.org](mailto:churchoffice@oswlc.org). The cost is \$85.*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:00 am
PASTOR	Pastor John Scott	Pastor John Scott	Pastor John Scott
LITURGICAL ASSISTANT	Pastor Tyson Labuhn	Pastor Tyson Labuhn	Pastor Tyson Labuhn
ELDER OF WORSHIP	Mike Meese	Heather Novak	Heather Novak
USHER	Danette Troxell Patricia Seiler Ramona Meese Stu Dunnett	Donna Davis Jeff Greene Lance Sitter	Joe Lupia Robin Vander Voort Will Davis
JUNIOR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	Faun Folta	Jair Prabhu Zane Asher Creason	Willy Doble
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Bob Pownall Jonathan Halls	Annette Ensley Susan Thistlethwaite	Aida Toledo Joe VanDyke
SCRIPTURE READER	Debra Stolar	Elaine Senft	Syam Pilli
ALTAR GUILD	Anita Born Donna Yeh Ruth Pownall		
TECH TEAM	Jared Hutchins Max Noh	Karl Lenz Max Noh	Miles Scott Max Noh
GREETER	Marie Carlsson	Kirsten Richter Michael Schuster	JoAn Fowler Ollie Fowler
WELCOME CENTER		Amy DiPrete Emma DiPrete	Walt Jensen
HOSPITALITY	Amy Alexander Beth Lawall	Joan Schaub	Carol Jensen Katrina Davis

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### Our Savior's Way Families

Ford Family Forstner Family

### Open Arms Families

Hollingsworth Family Horton Family

### Open Arms Staff Member

Rani Parapoil

**Health Concerns:** the mother of Rani Parapoil (OA Teacher), Zach, Sandy, Ian, Pam, and Pastor Wiechmann.

**Those Grieving:** The family and friends of Charles Thornburgh ( Shari Bank's father), Francisca Aguilar (OA Teacher Antonieta's Mother), Priya Kannath (OA Teacher Ria's sister-in-law), Bertha Sjaarda (Chad Sjaarda's Grandmother), and Gordon Sonstroem (Emily Sonstroem's Grandfather).

**Those with Cancer:** Mark (brother-in-law of Robin Vander Voort), Irene (Mother-in-law of Belinda Haagsma), Art (Father-in-law of Belinda Haagsma), Payton (niece of Ann Marie Randolph), John (cousin of Sean Noble), Julia, James (brother-in-law of Flora

Liu), Steven, Father of John Scherbenske, Diana (Aunt of Diana Kane), Erin (Daughter in law of Connie Burch), Pearce (Friend of the VanDykes), Chuck (Father of Katja Kelpy), Ray (Relative of Don Roth), Mike S. (Friend of the Pfancuffs), Gary, Ethan (Cousin of Matt Niermann), Jake (Dave & Diana Allison's son), Bill K., Mark W., Daniel J., Ed G. (Friend of Linda Hathaway), Joan W., Karen J., Terri E., Anne B., Mike W., Sharon T., Joyce W., and Lolita F.

**At Home & Assisted Living:** Madge Christian, Jim Brewer, Lois Moser, Jane Davis, Judith Fraine, and Pastor Wiechmann.

**Missionaries:** Jacob & Lauren Fraher, FaithAid, Kenya; Dr. Franco in Haiti.

**Local Missions:** Yvette Moy, Salaam Isa;

Lamount Potter/Bryant Waters, Crisfield, MD; Pastor Wilkins, Richmond/Emporia, VA.

### In the Military:

**Army:** Helen Boyles, Chris Hollingsworth, Shane Palmer\*, Zachary Polega, Luke Schaub, Thomas Seiler, Jordan Temme, and Andrew Temme\*.

**Marines:** Matthew Kidder, Ethan Phillips, and Magdalena Phillips.

**Navy:** Philip Hawthorne.

**Air Force:** Jordan Carder, Max Daniel, John Labuhn, and Victoria Perez.

**Air National Guard:** Noah Carder

**Coast Guard:** Coles Wetmore and Blake Novak.

\* Deployed

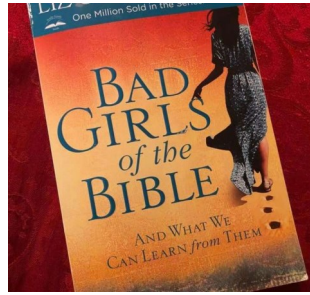


# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Join the Golden Girls

The Golden Girls are starting a new Bible Study on **January 17th** titled *Bad Girls of the Bible (and what we can learn from them)*. This book, by Liz Curtis Higgs, follows ten of the Bible's infamous Bad Girls — Eve, Jezebel, Delilah, Lot's Wife, and more, all who point to a God who majors in mercy.

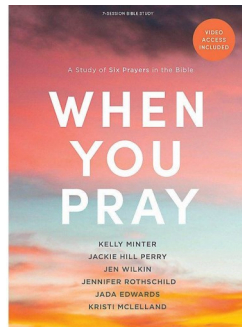
This group meets on the **first and third Wednesdays** of the month at **10:30 am** in the church library. If you have any questions, reach out to Martie Dunnett in the **Church Center app** under the Groups tab/Small Groups & Bible Studies and "Request to Join." Otherwise just come and join them!



## Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

Join us for the Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study starting **January 23rd at 7:00 pm in the church library**. We will be studying *When You Pray: A Study of Six Prayers in the Bible*, co-authored by six different writers who bring their perspectives on different types of prayers and how we can pray to draw nearer to God.

If you have any questions, reach out to Ramona Meese or Lydia Sorenson in the **Church Center app** under the Groups tab/Small Groups & Bible Studies and "Request to Join."



## Angel Tree Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Angel Tree Christmas program this year!

We were blessed with another successful year because of Our Savior's Way members. Your generosity enabled us to serve over 150 children. All of you were instrumental in the success by purchasing gifts, filling out angel tree tags, sorting and bagging the gifts for delivery, providing monetary donations and prayerfully supporting us.



One OSW member, who is also a Thrivent member, provided a Thrivent Action Team gift card of \$250 which helped us to serve 10 additional children.

God Bless all of you for your participation. Wishing you all a joyful and blessed 2024!

## Join the Morning Glories

The Morning Glories invite you to join them for Bible study and fellowship on **Thursday mornings at 10:00 am** in the church library. They just started the video-based, six-week study *What Happens When Women Say Yes to God* by Lysa TerKeurst. She invites us to look at the "mess"iness of our lives and turn it into "Mess"iah moments, and to realize that God's goal is not to make us comfortable, but rather comfort—"able" in sharing His love.



If you have any questions, please contact the leaders in the **Church Center app** under the Groups tab/Small Groups & Bible Studies and "Request to Join" or feel free to drop in on a Thursday.

## 2024 Homeless Shelter Dinners



OSWLC provides meals on the **first Tuesday of each month** at the Homeless Shelter in Leesburg. We need assistance to provide meals to be dropped off no later than **4:30 pm** on those days. All plates, cups, napkins and silverware are provided through

the shelter. We are especially looking for families or groups for **March 5th**, as this date coincides with the cold weather shelter. **Usually, we provide 40 to 65 meals, but in these cold months, we are preparing for 75+.**

If you are interested in providing a meal or want more information, please contact Gwen Kennedy at [Kennedygm@gmail.com](mailto:Kennedygm@gmail.com).

## Comfort Dog Ministry

Amos was able to visit the second and third floors of Maple Grove at Ashby Ponds and visit these friends for the first time since before the holidays.

As we move through the halls, sharing fellowship with those who invite us to visit, the work of the Holy Spirit is with us. We see smiles and faces light up, or we hear "I missed you" and "Come back soon," and we know that they have felt God's love. When we take time for God and others, people see Christ in us.



# THIS WEEK @ OSWLC

## Sunday, January 21st

8:00 am Traditional Worship Service  
 9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
 9:30 am Worship Service / Online Service  
 9:30 am Sunday School / Youth Morning Bible Study / OSW 56  
 11:00 am Praise & Worship Service  
 6:30 pm High School Youth Group

## Monday, January 22nd

8:00 am Monday Men's Group  
 11:00 am Christian Fellowship Meeting at at Ashby Ponds  
 1:00 pm Confirmation Retreat Returns  
 7:00 pm Griefshare

## Tuesday, January 23rd

10:00 am Ladies' Online Bible Study  
 11:30 am Senior Staff Meeting  
 1:00 pm Staff Devotion  
 1:30 pm Bible Study at Lansdowne Woods  
 6:30 pm BOG Meeting  
 7:00 pm Ladies' Bible Study  
 7:30 pm Elder Meeting  
 7:30 pm Boy Scout Troop #2970  
 8:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study

## Wednesday, January 24th

10:30 am Potomac Bible Study at

Lansdowne Woods  
 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal  
 7:00 pm Financial Peace University  
 7:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

## Thursday, January 25th

6:30 am Men's Bible Study  
 10:00 am Staff Book/Bible Study  
 10:00 am Morning Glories  
 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice  
 7:30 pm Boy Scout Troop #2970

## Friday, January 26th

8:00 am Pinewood Derby Pack 1483  
 7:00 pm Mid-Life Grace

## Saturday, January 27th

8:00 am Pinewood Derby Pack 1483  
 7:00 pm Recovering Couples Anonymous

## Sunday, January 28th

8:00 am Traditional Worship Service  
 9:30 am Adult Bible Study  
 9:30 am Worship Service / Online Service  
 9:30 am Sunday School / Youth Morning Bible Study / OSW 56  
 9:30 am Rousu Baptisms  
 11:00 am Praise & Worship Service  
 6:30 pm High School Youth Group  
 6:30 pm Confirmation

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

1/28 Rousu Baptisms  
 2/5 Comfort Dog Team Meeting  
 2/6 Outreach Committee Meeting  
 2/13 MMSLG Meeting  
 2/10 Men's Breakfast  
 2/11 Gibson Baptism / Early Communion Orientation / Young Adult Super Bowl Party / Souper Bowl Food Collection  
 2/17 Schleede Memorial Service / Parents' Night Out  
 2/14 Ash Wednesday  
 2/24 Sew & Serve Event  
 2/27 St Paul's Lutheran High School Choir Concert  
 3/24 Palm Sunday



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## SUNDAY SERVICES

**January 28th**  
 8:00 am — Traditional  
 9:30 am & 11:00 am — Contemporary

**February 4th**  
 8:00 am & 9:30 am — Traditional  
 11:00 am — Contemporary