

JANUARY USHERS' SCHEDULE

8:00 am, Sunday Team 3E: Dan Sauer, Len Collyard, Nate Grulke, Jon Grulke, Lucas Grulke, Caleb Grulke, Mike Sauer
10:30 am, Sunday Team 2L: George Edwards, Cliff Anderson, Matt Schiller, Bill Tschanz, Ben Polheber
Thursday, 7:00 pm Team 2: Dick Blank & Bill Wessel

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD

Becky Baughman, Denise Jamrozy, Angie Schiller

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 29TH

8:00 am Sauer Family 10:30 am Colleen Taylor

CHURCH CLEANERS FOR JANUARY 29TH

Cliff Anderson Family

ALTAR ASSISTANTS FOR FEBRUARY 2ND & 5TH

7:00 pm Doug Schnell
8:00 am Tom Hering & Marty Dierker
10:30 am Jim Brich & Andrew Nemmers

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Thursday	44	38
Sunday Early	150	130
Sunday Late	<u>135</u>	<u>104</u>
Total	329	272

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News & Notes

January 22, 2017

MAKE A FRESH START – January 8 – February 5. Adult Sunday Morning Study at 9:15am. I find it difficult to start over. Do you? Maybe I'm just too impatient and don't like doing things twice, but my real problem is letting go of the past. Past failures, past attempts, unkind or hurtful words spoken by "helpful" people, past disappointments, past defeats. Actually the past can be one of our worst enemies when trying to make a fresh start. Instead of focusing on what was, let's see what God's Word has to say about what is. It's a new year, so let's learn together from Scripture how to make a clean break in our habits and relationships and go God's way! Child care will be provided for ages 0-3. Sunday School is available for all other ages.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - 1 Samuel – A Bible study on Tuesday evenings now meets at 7:00 pm in the classroom which is located near the copier room in the lower level school hallway. Come join us as we look at the kings of Israel and discover the lessons we are to learn from their life stories. A participant says, "I realized how much value there is in sharing with the class and applying what we learned from one another." We meet from 7:00 – 8:30 each Tuesday evening. Bring your point of view because you will be able to give it during our discussions.

SENIOR ADULT BIBLE STUDY – Book of Ruth. In our study of the book of Ruth, we will see a wonderful story of selfless love; a reminder and encouragement of how we too can reflect love in response to God's perfect love to us in Christ. This study will be taught by Staff Minister Hering in the Church Office Classroom. We will begin a study of Galatians on February 7th and continue meeting into the spring.

PLEASE JOIN US - For the Our Savior Lutheran Early Childhood Event on **Monday, January 30, 2017 at 6:30pm**. Parents of children who will be age three to five prior to September 1, 2017 are welcome to come and learn about our 3K, 4K, and Kindergarten programs. The best way to bring new people into our school is by our parents' recommendation. Do encourage, and spread the news!

OUR SAVIOR SCHOOL PTF MEETING – All parents, grandparents, teachers, and friends of Our Savior are invited to the PTF meeting. Come and learn about the PTF, discuss what things are coming up, offer any new ideas, and meet everyone. The meeting will be held on Monday, January 23rd from 6:00 – 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Childcare is available!

2016 OFFERING STATEMENTS – The 2016 offering statements have been sent out. If you have any questions about your statements please contact Andy Koffman at andrew@koffman.org or 920-948-6011. If you would like to have your statements emailed to you please contact the church office to make the change.

TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND - Our Savior has a tuition assistance fund to support members of our congregation who attend either **Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary or Martin Luther College** in order to prepare for full-time Gospel ministry (pastor, teacher, staff minister). This fund offers our congregation members an opportunity to provide financial support and encouragement to those who are preparing to become pastors, teachers and staff ministers. Please consider a gift of support. Envelopes are on the table in back of church in a box labeled "Tuition Assistance Fund."

OUR SAVIOR NIGHT ANNOUNCED: The Board of Stewardship is pleased to invite all members and friends of Our Savior to our special annual fellowship and activity night on **Friday, February 24, beginning at 6 pm.** The primary emphasis is FELLOWSHIP. Basketball, volleyball and the "bounce house" will be available in the gym while ping pong and tables for games will also be played in the lower lobby (byog – bring your own game). Snacks and beverages will be provided. There is no cost to attend. Come one, come all... and enjoy the fellowship of brothers and sisters in Christ!

PRAYER CIRCLE - Special prayers for our members and friends are available in printed form on a clipboard hanging from the prayer box that is next to the mailboxes. You can also have the prayers emailed.

2017 ALTAR FLOWERS - The Flower Chart for 2017 is on the table in the back of church. Please consider providing flowers for the front of church for your wedding anniversary, birthdays, in memory of a loved one, etc.

HEARTS-TO-HANDS - Grab your hooks and needles and join Hearts to Hands for an evening of crafting/crocheting/knitting, Monday, 1/23, at 6:30pm in the mezzanine of the school building. If you're not a knitter/crocheter drop in to see what we're all about. We have needles, hooks and yarn to spare and would love to have you join us. We start at 6:30pm but come any time you want. With questions, call Laurel Polheber @ 262-483-2102.

OTHER AREA NEWS...

KLM DRAMA PRODUCTION - What do you get when you cross the randomness of Monty Python with the calamity of Shakespeare's *King Lear*, while using familiar fairy tale characters? The tale of an aging king of a magical kingdom who decides to split his empire between his three daughters, Cinderella, Belle, and the Snow Queen (who in no way resembles a copyrighted character). Terrible tragedy ensues – terrible, hilarious tragedy! Gut-wrenching plot twists, soul-numbing despair, and a growing body count combine to keep you laughing to the bitter end. Public Performances: **Friday, February 17, 7:00 p.m., Saturday, February 18, 7:00 p.m., Sunday, February 19, 2:00 p.m.** All performances will take place in the KMLHS Performing Arts Center. General admission tickets will be sold at the door starting 45 minutes before each performance. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students (K-12) and seniors (65+).

MARRIAGE RETREAT - *"There is no more lovely, friendly or charming relationship, communion or company, than a good marriage."* - **Martin Luther.** A weekend to keep the focus on just you and your spouse... It's just what you need. Plan early to take care of conflicts with work, children, etc. Set the email aside, forget about everything that needs to be done at the house and focus on the most important earthly relationship you will ever have: the relationship between husband and wife. Most importantly, it's weekend to re-dedicate yourself to loving your spouse as Jesus loves us. A Godly marriage is a healthy marriage. These lessons are important for married couples as well as those planning to be married. It's why we've opened it this year to engaged couples as well! It's a packed weekend that even the guys will enjoy... we promise! Make your plans now to attend "With this ring..." **March 3-5, 2017 : St. Mark Church : De Pere, WI! Go to <http://www.withthisringretreat.com/> for more information and to register.**