

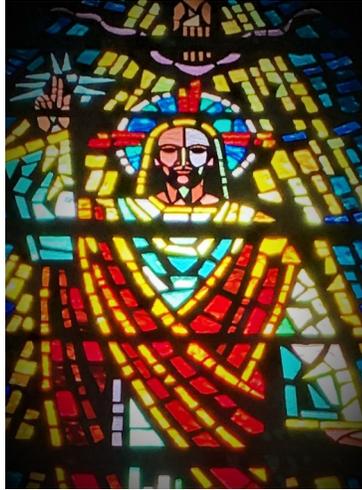
# PARISH VISITOR

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### Maundy Thursday

April 1st - 6:00 PM



### Good Friday

April 2nd - 6:00 PM



### Easter Sunday

April 4th

Sunrise Service - 6:37 a.m.

8:15 & 10:45

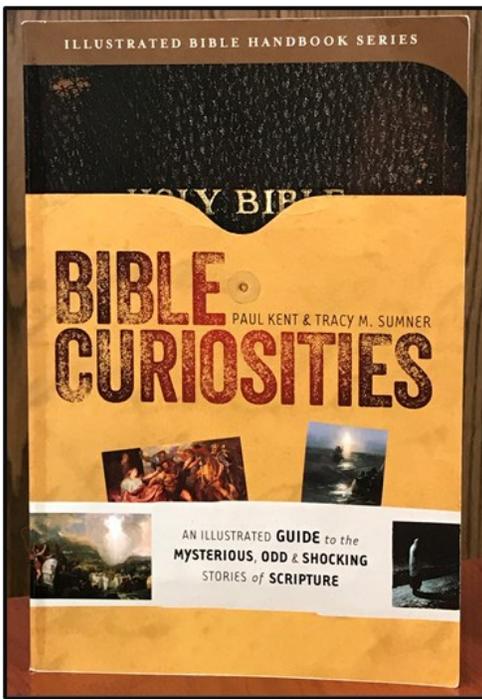
125 max. at each service.

Please call 597-3213 to reserve your spot.

**\*\*All in-church services will be live streamed.**

## SUNRISE WORSHIP SERVICE TO INCLUDE SEVERAL AREA CHURCHES

On Sunday, April 4th, OELC will join Trinity Parish and Upper Pigeon Creek Lutheran Church for an Easter Sunrise Worship Service at the Buena Vista scenic overlook south of Osseo. The service will begin as the sun first peaks over the horizon at 6:37 a.m. Come and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ at this community outdoor service which will be lead by Pastor David Christianson and Pastor Terry Lorenz. Please bring your own chairs and dress accordingly.



# A HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER

## *The Greatest And Most Shocking Of All The Bible Curiosities!*

I keep the book shown to the left handy in my study at church. It's a doozy, a self-proclaimed guide to the mysterious, odd & shocking stories of scripture. How could I resist when, as I recall, I spotted it on the bookshelf of an old bookstore in Stillwater, MN?

I admit that the cover is a bit reminiscent of the sort of publications available at a checkout line near you. But I also have to admit that there are things I've learned from this book that I never

learned at seminary. Some of the mysterious, odd & shocking things I've learned include the story about the other Noah - not the man who built the ark but the woman who stood up to Moses and sent him to God seeking gender equality with regards to land inheritance.

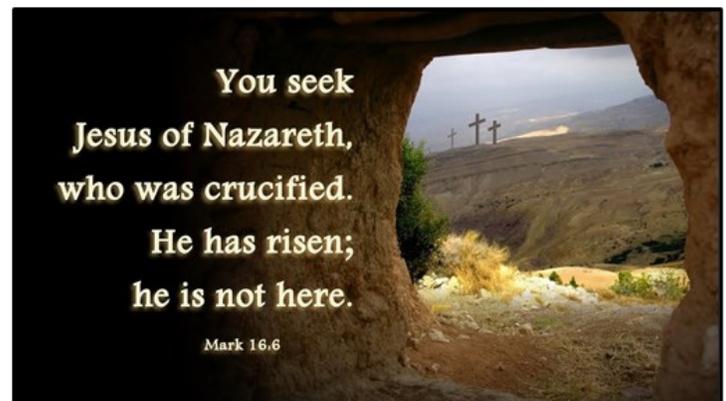
I knew the name of the one guy (Elijah) that got out of this world and into heaven without ever dying but I didn't know about the second one. His name is Enoch and according to Genesis chapter 5 one day Enoch went out for a walk with God and he "was no more because God took him".

The book contains another 56 stories that all fall into one of the categories mentioned above but it's the last story included in the book that fits the bill for all three categories. The story of Jesus Christ's resurrection on Easter morning is a story filled with unexplainable and unusual events that shocked and confounded many of Jesus' earliest follows. The motive for and method of accomplishing God's salvation of humankind remains a mostly a great mystery to Jesus' follows to this day.

According to the Apostle Paul, a man whose understanding of Jesus Christ was once quite misguided, when we say that we believe in what God has done in Jesus Christ we are walking by faith, not by sight. When the gospel writer John declares in chapter 3 that what was done in Jesus Christ was done simply out of God's great love for His creation. Our calling is to faithfully believe in the story of what God has done and accept the most gracious, mysterious gift I can think of – eternal life.

For the resurrection of the first born of the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, Thanks be to our incomprehensible, unexpected, and surprising God.

A blessed Easter to all.  
Pastor Terry Lorenz



# PARISH EVENTS

## 2021 SPONSORSHIPS!!!

**Security System** - \$25/month

**Newsletter** - \$40/ ½ month; \$75/entire month

**Bulletin** - \$14.00/Sunday

**Flowers** - \$25.00/Sunday **\*\* (new price)**

Many dates/months available!!!

See Molly in the office! Please consider giving this gift to the church.

## Worship at OELC

**Sundays at 9:00 a.m.**

This service is also Live Streamed. Go to [www.oelc.org](http://www.oelc.org) for the YouTube Channel link.

**Flagship Gathering at 10:30 a.m.**

2nd & last Sundays of the month in the Chapel. This service will be uploaded to the YouTube channel for future viewing.

## Sponsors for April...

Newsletter: Dale & Shirley Amundson in honor of Dale's 86th birthday on April 28th.



**MAKE A  
"JOYFUL  
NOISE!"**

**A NOISY OFFERING** is being collected the last Sunday of every month. This is a fun way for everyone to give some spare change to be donated to a selected mission or ministry of OELC or the Osseo Community. The children (& adults) can bring tin-cans of loose change and make some noise by emptying it into a large kettle as we offer our gifts to God. **You can even bring your change to the church during the week & we will throw it in for you!!!**



**Kwik Trip Cards  
make GREAT gifts!!!**

Profits from the cards will go into the Youth account, which is used for kids going to Luther Park Bible Camp or any TGIF activities. They are available in the office. Thanks for helping support the Youth at OELC.

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Carl & Nikki Holmen

### Financial Assistants



# CONFIRMATION

- Class will resume, in-person, on April 7th at 4:00pm
- Snack will not be provided for class
- 8th graders must turn in their faith statement April 7
- April 28th will be rehearsal & class photo at 6:00pm
- Affirmation of Baptism will be May 2nd at 10:45
- Please RSVP with your total attendees by the night of rehearsal. Each family is allowed up to 10 guests
- If not comfortable with in-person, please let us know & we will talk about an alternative plan



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# Giving is easy at OELC!

**Offering envelopes**—If you don't want envelopes sent to you, please let the office know.

**MAIL YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPE TO:**  
50351 Harmony St., Osseo, WI 54758

**Simply Giving**—Pick up a form in the office or on the OELC website.

**Text "OELC"** to 73256 and follow the prompts.

# Annual Meeting Highlights

## Church Council 2021

- President—Dennis Barka (year 2)  
Vice President—Tony Bohlinger (year 2)  
Treasurer—Emily Wilkinson (year 2)  
Secretary—Shannon Hasz (year 1)  
Student—Amara Wilkinson (year 1)  
Sheila Nelson (year 2)  
Jill Welke (year 1)  
Don Erickson (year 1)  
Ryan Olson (year 1)  
Linda Heiman (year 3)  
Brent McCune (year 3)  
Patty Hoffman (year 3)

## Endowment Fund Committee

- Jody Groell  
Stuart Dodge  
Deb Gregory  
Allyson Barka  
Dan Halverson

## Nominating Committee

- Brent McCune  
Linda Heiman  
Patty Hoffman  
Shannon Hasz  
Vern Larson

## Synod Assembly Delegates

- Jamie Lindell  
Cindy Hong  
Shannon Hasz

**Noisy Offering**—Last Sunday of every month bring your loose change to throw in the metal pot

**Request an invite to Realm**—This is our church software. You can do so in the church office or at [www.oelc.org](http://www.oelc.org)

**Thrivent Choice Dollars & Action Teams**—must be a Thrivent Member

**Amazon Smile**—go to [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) and look up their "Smile" program or visit our website for the link

# PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next Prayer Shawl Gathering will be Wednesday, April 7th from 1:00-3:00pm. Gatherings are on the first Wednesday of the month. All are welcome! For more information, call Lorna at 715-590-2159. Please stay safe & healthy!



## Volunteering Heartland Hospice

Friendly Visitor Volunteers are needed in our area. As a volunteer, you help determine which tasks are best suited for you and the patient. Training & education are provided.

For more information, call 715-214-2485 or email [Melissa.Peterson@hcr-manorcare.com](mailto:Melissa.Peterson@hcr-manorcare.com)

# TRI COUNTY FOOD PANTRY

3rd Saturday of the Month  
At Osseo Rural Fire Station behind Stockman's  
10:00-11:00 am



2nd Tuesday of the Month  
At Osseo Rural Fire Station behind Stockman's  
3:00-4:30 PM

It will be outdoor drive through if weather permits and drive through inside the fire station if weather is bad. Guests donate \$20 for one share of food. Limit of 2 shares per car.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please come help at 1:30, if possible, or when you can get there.

# 2021 Giving at OELC

### January 2021

#### Simply Giving

General=\$3,860  
Mission=\$284  
Debt=\$363  
C-YA=\$40  
**Total=\$4,547**

#### Online Giving

General=\$1,735  
Service Fees=\$22.46  
**Total=\$1,757.46**

#### Mail-in/Sunday Offering

General=\$18,813  
Mission=\$190  
Debt=\$100  
**Total=\$19,103**

#### GRAND TOTAL Jan. 2021

\$25,407.46

#### Grand Total Jan. 2020

\$21,070.34

### February 2021

#### Simply Giving

General=\$3,445  
Mission=\$274  
Debt=\$358  
C-YA=\$40  
**Total=\$4,117**

#### Online Giving

General=\$655  
Service Fees=\$2  
Lent=\$50  
**Total=\$707**

#### Mail-in/Sunday Offering

General=\$10,994.28  
Mission=\$198  
Debt=\$50  
Ash Wed.&Lent=\$892  
**Total=\$12,134.28**

#### GRAND TOTAL Feb. 2021

\$16,958.28

#### Grand Total Feb. 2020

\$22,284.78

### March 2021 as of 3/29

#### Simply Giving

General=\$3,390  
Mission=\$324  
Debt=\$388  
C-YA=\$40  
**Total=\$4,142**

#### Online Giving

General=\$620  
Lent=\$50  
Easter Lily=\$13  
Service Fees=\$2  
**Total=\$685**

#### Mail-in/Sunday Offering

General=\$11,744.46  
Mission=\$218  
Debt=\$50  
**Total=\$12,012.46**

#### GRAND TOTAL March 2021

\$18,932.46

#### Grand Total March 2020

\$25,679.12

Lent=\$1,528  
Palm Sun.=\$315  
Easter=\$250  
**Total=\$2,093**

# April Birthdays

**1st**

Terrilee Bratsven  
Peter Ottestad  
Julia Simpson

**2nd**

Violet Konop  
Nick Morales

**3rd**

Dionne Anderson  
Jody Groell  
Makena Koch  
Peggy Lundberg  
Steve Seefeldt  
Jane Stanek  
Croix Zawacki

**4th**

Anika Hestekin  
Steve Krienke

**5th**

Jackie Frase  
Hannah Hallum

**6th**

Millie Herman  
Ginger Hong  
Marshall Laumann  
Brian Zimmerman

**8th**

Jenny Lange  
Everett Shaffer  
Eileen Stensen

**9th**

Matt Torpen

**10th**

Ada Nelson

**11th**

Lorraine Allen  
Sawyer Anderson  
La Vonne Larson



**12th**

Larry Bagley  
Danika Kuehn  
Joe Tietjens

**13th**

Payton Bertrang

**14th**

Steve Gibboney  
Devyn Vojtik

**15th**

Brantley Hallum  
Steady Holden  
Samuel Jacobson  
Andrea Volbrecht

**16th**

Addie Hoffman

**17th**

Darlene Seefeldt  
Steve Velie  
Emily Wilkinson

**18th**

Cale Boettcher  
Becky Larson  
Matt Vold  
Laurie Zimmerman

**19th**

John Balliett  
Lucas Bowerman

**20th**

Butch Boettcher

**21st**

Mitchell Halvorson  
Kanon Kittelson  
Taylor Volbrecht

**22nd**

Iris Bemis  
Brycen Higley



**23rd**

Harvey Baumbach  
Eddie Miske

**24th**

Mike Bemis  
Sandy Bertrang

**25th**

Colton Bertrang  
Olivia Biesen  
Sophia Biesen  
Shirley Holmgreen  
Chase Nelson  
Gordon Vradenburg

**26th**

Dawn Daffinson

**27th**

Hoken Hestekin  
Mavis Rathjen  
Destiny Eide

**28th**

Dale Amundson  
Abby Mulcahy

**29th**

Camryn Christopherson  
Michelle Diehl  
Riley Nix

**30th**

Allyson Barka  
Greg Dahl  
Laura Eide  
Kristin Flury  
Cayden Guntner  
Kennedy Vold

\*\*If you have a birthday in April and your name is not listed, it may not be in the church database. Contact the church office to update your information.



# Luther Park Bible Camp Info.



[www.lutherpark.org](http://www.lutherpark.org)



[www.facebook.com/  
LutherPark.Chetek/](http://www.facebook.com/LutherPark.Chetek/)

## You Tube Channel

YouTube.com  
Luther Park  
Bible Camp-Chetek, WI

**Be sure to view LPBC  
YouTube videos for faith-filled  
learning, songs, and lots of fun!**

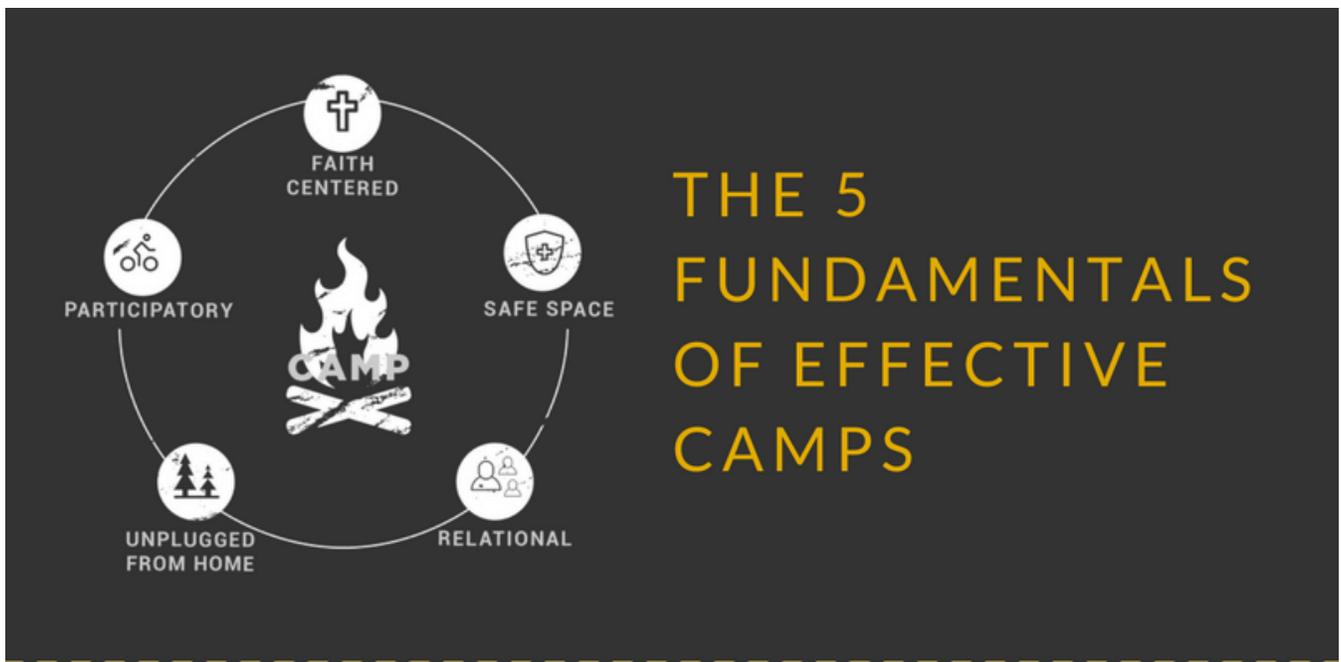
**Ministry Center  
Building Dedication:  
June 5, 2021**

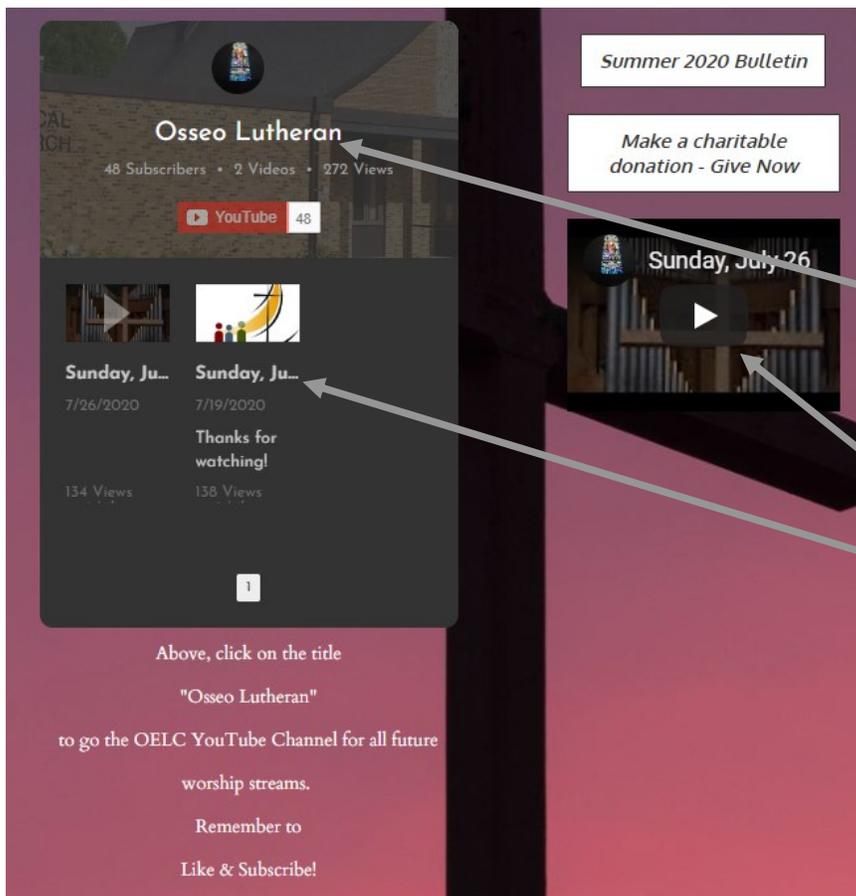


Call or email the church office:  
715-597-3213  
[oeic@trivest.net](mailto:oeic@trivest.net)  
for information on  
**“CAMPERSHIPS”**

<http://lutherpark.org/complete-camperparent-info>

Click/go to the above link for downloadable forms & information on Summer 2021 Camp opportunities.





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Make a charitable donation - Give Now

# Subscribe to our YouTube Channel

Go to [www.oelc.org](http://www.oelc.org)  
 Click on "Osseo Lutheran" which will take you to OELC's YouTube Channel.  
 Click "Subscribe"

**OR**

Click the service you want to watch

Above, click on the title

"Osseo Lutheran"

to go the OELC YouTube Channel for all future

worship streams.

Remember to

Like & Subscribe!

## eGiving Helps You and Osseo Evangelical Lutheran Church

*"All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God."*

– DEUTERONOMY 16:17

### BENEFITS FOR YOU:

1. Give from anywhere using a computer, tablet, or smartphone.
2. No need to find a check or stop by the ATM.
3. Use your Checking / Savings Account or your Debit / Credit Card.
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5. Give to one or more funds at any time.

### BENEFITS FOR YOUR CHURCH:

1. Reduces administrative work allowing more time to focus on the ministry.
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4. More regular and predictable giving makes planning easier.



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9:00 am  
Pastor: Terry Lorenz  
Our Mission at OELC:  
to share our faith and bring people  
to Jesus Christ,  
to love our neighbors as ourselves,  
and to minister to the needs of ALL people.

April 1st	Maundy Thursday
April 2nd	Good Friday
April 4th	Easter Sunday
April 7th	Prayer Shawl Gathering
April 28th	Confirmation Class (in-person)
April 28th	Confirmation Rehearsal & Photo
May 2nd	Affirmation of Baptism
May 13th	Red Cross Blood Drive

  
**COMING SOON**

