

Weekly Connections

April 19, 2024



CONNECTIONS
OUR SAVIOUR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Check out the April issue of **SHINE**, our stories-focused monthly newsletter, on our [News & Events page](#), or pick up a printed copy at church.

Find all happenings on both of our campuses at oursaviours.com/home/calendar.

WORSHIP NOTES

- Our **Gospel reading** this weekend is John 10:11-18.
- The **Naperville Women's Half-Marathon & 5K** will take place this Sunday, April 21, with the race's start/finish located at North Central College. (Good luck to all participants!) Please note that one northbound lane of Washington St. will be closed Sunday morning from Hobson Road north to Chicago Ave. A full list of road closures can be found [HERE](#).

ADULT FAITH FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP

- **Cycling & Movement Connections** will meet at 9 a.m. this Saturday, April 20, in the Celebration lobby for coffee and conversation, with an opportunity to cycle or walk afterward. For Cycling Connections' full schedule, click [HERE](#).
- **Dialogues in Faith** this Sunday hosts Week 2 of a four-week discussion series on the ELCA value statements. Learn more about what the church stands for and how we can live into it together. DIF meets Sundays at 10:15 a.m. in the Advent Room on the Our Saviour's campus.
- Join us again this Wednesday, April 24, at Celebration from 5:30-7 p.m. for dinner and **Courageous Conversations** with OSLC mission partner [Bright Stars of Bethlehem](#).
- The Banned Books Group will next meet Monday, May 13, to discuss "[The Sun Does Shine](#)" by Anthony Hinton, an autobiographical look at incarceration. Questions? Please contact Ann Ahlman at ann.ahlman@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **MEGA Garage Sale** will be here before we know it, and the MEGA team is looking for volunteers! Can you help with setup May 28, item dropoff and

placement May 30-June 5 (presale June 6), and or the sale itself June 7-8?
Email megagaragesale@oursaviours.com to say YES to being part of this great annual event!

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Get your tickets by this Sunday, April 21, for [Slovakia Ministry's Slovakia Dinner](#) on Saturday, April 27, at Celebration Campus! Join an evening with our friends Bohdan and Adrian from the Center for Christian Education in Martin, Slovakia, starting at 6 p.m. April 27. Purchase tickets [HERE](#).
- On Tuesday, April 23, all OSLC volunteers (wherever/however you volunteer!) are invited to **grab coffee and a treat** from 9:30 to 11 a.m. outside the Our Saviour's Campus in honor of National Volunteer Month. Thank you, volunteers, for all of the ways in which you support our church and our mission & ministry partners!
- **Women's Ministry's annual spring tea** will be Saturday, April 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Fellowship Center on the Our Saviour's Campus. Guests welcome; purchase tickets in advance at church or online [HERE](#).
- **SamaraCare** will host "A Night of Sangria, Tapas & Flamenco" at Meson Sabika in Naperville on Thursday, May 2, from 6 to 9 p.m. Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit SamaraCare's Affordable Mental Health Access program. For tickets, click [HERE](#).
- Get your flowers! The **Spring Plant Sale** will take place Saturday, May 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Our Saviour's Campus. Pick up your preorders at that time; additional flowers will be available for cash-and-carry purchase.
- OSLC's annual **Baccalaureate** will take place on Sunday, May 12, (Mother's Day) during 9 a.m. worship on the Our Saviour's Campus. Come celebrate our 2024 high school graduates and help surround them with love and prayer! High school graduates are invited to come to worship in their graduation gown. A light breakfast will follow for students and their families in Fellowship Center. To register your graduate or for more info, contact Kiki Lindflott at youthadmin@oursaviours.com.
- On Saturday, May 18, Our Saviour's will host the [Metro Chicago Synod's Lay Leadership Day](#). You're invited to attend this half-day event on the OS Campus, which will feature a keynote address and workshops on climate justice, church governance, motivating volunteers, and more. 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., box lunch included. Registration is \$10; sign up [HERE](#).

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

- Are your kiddos (and their friends!) signed up for SCUBA VBS yet? Register [HERE](#) and join us June 24-27! Questions? Contact Kim Walker at kimwalker@oursaviours.com.

The OSLC Finance Committee has released its semiannual report for the six fiscal months ended Dec. 31, 2023. Member giving was down vs. budget and vs. last year; average dollars per pledge increased slightly for 2024. Preschool tuition revenue was up vs. budget and vs. last year. For the full presentation, click [HERE](#).

Employment Opportunity: Director of Worship Arts

The director of worship arts will create dynamic, multigenerational worship experiences by leading, collaborating, and inspiring the worship team and faith community. This role will have a particular emphasis on helping reshape the 5 p.m. Saturday service and 11 a.m. Sunday service. For a full job description, click [HERE](#).

Please send resumes and cover letters to pastorbrian@oursaviours.com.

Church Council minutes

The March Council meeting minutes are available [HERE](#). Find minutes for the past six months of Church Council meetings on the [Council page](#) of our website.

Want to get in touch with Council? Email councilmembers@oursaviours.com.



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