

# Weekly Connections July 11, 2025

This weekend's Scripture reading: Luke 10: 25-37

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Thank you to our Scouts and DIY team members who helped build and install our Little Free Pantry outside Door 3 of the Our Saviour's Campus!

#### News & Notes

- Support Lutheran Disaster Response in its work to provide flooding relief in Texas: Donate at give.elca.org/page/85307/donate/1.
- Would you like to share your musical gifts this summer? We're looking for guest musicians for our 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday services! Fill out the form <u>HERE</u> or contact Nicholas Davis at <u>nicholasdavis@oursaviours.com</u>.
- On **Sunday**, **July 27**, we will recognize and thank Vicar Emily for her service to Our Saviour's as a pastoral intern. Join us at a special lunch July 27 in Nelson-Niemi Fellowship Hall following 11 a.m. worship
- On Sunday, Aug. 3, we will gather with our friends from St. Timothy Lutheran Church for a special outdoor worship service and service event at Loaves & Fishes Community Services, 580 Exchange Court in Aurora. Worship will start at 9:30 a.m.; food sorting will take place inside Loaves & Fishes from 10:30-11:30. Please bring your own lawn chairs and reusable water bottles! Childcare will be available on-site. No Saturday worship Aug. 2.
- Because of new flooring installation at the Our Saviour's Campus (see below), there will be only **ONE worship service** the weekend of Aug. 9-10, at **10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 10,** at Celebration Campus. **Join us for Jukebox Sunday!**

### New Flooring Project Gets Under Way!

We're thrilled to share that the long-awaited flooring project at Our Saviour's Campus is about to begin! Flooring installation and removal of the baptismal font will get under way the week of July 21.

Flooring installation will happen in phases throughout the building. We appreciate your patience during this process—please pardon our dust as we work to enhance and refresh our

space!

Want a sneak peek at the new flooring materials? Stop by the narthex this weekend to see samples on display at the "Pardon Our Dust" table.

Special thanks to **Scott Thompson, Fran Huff** and **Casien Murray** for helping paint the walls in Luther Coiurt and the Welcome Center! We're **still looking for a few more hands** to help with painting and freshening up some rooms while the flooring work is happening ~ if you're able to lend a hand, please contact Jean Jepson at jeanjepson@oursaviours.com.



Thank you for your support and enthusiasm as we continue to care for and improve our shared space!

### Spiritual Growth, Education and Wellness

 Mission & ministry leaders: Save the date for an OSLC Mission & Ministry Leadership Summit the morning of Saturday, Aug. 23. More details to come! Our Saviour's Mission & Ministry Leadership Summit

Saturday, Aug. 23 9A - 12P

more details coming soon!

### Serving Others

 Mozambique Ministry's next mission trip to Mozambique is scheduled for July 2026. You can be part of this life-changing trip! Walk side by side with our mission partners in Chimoio and join them in visiting and praying with patients in their homes. Help distribute life-saving nutrition supplements; participate in school activities; and worship and prepare a meal at the Lutheran church in Chimoio. Please consider if God is calling you to be a part of this journey. Informational meetings will take place <image>

Sunday, July 20, at 11 a.m. at Celebration Campus; Wednesday, July 23, at 7 p.m. at the Our Saviour's Campus; and Sunday, July 27, at 10:10 a.m. at the Our Saviour's Campus. Questions about the trip? Please contact Pastor Elisabeth at pastorelisabeth@oursaviours.com.

 Our Saviour's is excited to be launching a Little Free Pantry outside Door 3 of the Our Saviour's Campus later this month! Many thanks to the Scouts and DIY team members helping to construct the pantry! Little Free Pantries stock donated nonperishable snacks and other easy-to-prepare foods (cereal cups, sandwich crackers, jerky, granola/protein bars, nuts, etc.). Donations are welcome at church starting this weekend! (See below.)

# LITTLE FREE PANTRY PREFERRED DONATIONS

- EASY OPEN CANNED PROTEIN, VEGGIES, & FRUITS
- BREAKFAST CEREALS
- SHELF-STABLE MEALS SUCH AS: MICROWAVABLE MAC & CHEESE, CHILI, NOODLE CUPS, ETC.
- GRANOLA & PROTEIN BARS
- SHELF-STABLE & POWDERED MILK
- INDIVIDUALLY PACKAGAED SNACKS SUCH AS: POPCORN, NUTS, JERKY, DRIED FRUIT
- FRUIT CUPS, APPLESAUCE POUCHES

### **PLEASE DONATE ITEMS THAT ARE:** SHELF-STABLE & ABLE TO WITHSTAND HOT/COLD TEMPS; FULLY SEALED; EASY TO OPEN, PREPARE & EAT; & NOURISHING



## **PLEASE DO NOT DONATE:**

ANYTHING SHARP, EXPIRED OR HOMEMADE, OR MEDICATIONS



### **Engagement**

 OSLC families with young children are invited to meet up at Music on the Farm at McDonald Farm, 10S404 Knoch Knolls Rd in Naperville, at 4 p.m. Sunday, July 13, and Sunday, Aug. 10! Food trucks will be available; bring your own lawn chairs. Additionally, Alexandra Colaianni and Michele Larson are coordinating a text thread for informal meetups for families throughout the summer. To join, text Alexandra at 312-852-8480!



• Be part of a new, low-commitment music ensemble at OSLC! The Life Together ensemble will sing 4-5 times a year, with members meeting at the Our Saviour's Campus at 8 a.m. on

Sunday to rehearse a song that they will then perform during the 9 a.m. service. If you'd like to sing at church but can't commit to a weekly rehearsal schedule or are part of another musical group and would like more opportunities to sing, then the Life Together ensemble is for you! First meetup will be **Sunday**, **July 20**, **at 8 a.m.** No RSVP/registration required. Contact Nicholas Davis at <u>nicholasdavis@oursaviours.com</u> if you'd like to learn more!

### Children, Families and Youth

#### **Children and Families**

This coming week is True North VBS! We are so excited to explore our theme of trusting Jesus in a wild world. As a reminder, VBS runs from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, with an extra day for 4th- and 5th-graders on Monday, July 14. On Sunday, July 20, we will celebrate VBS Sunday during 11 a.m. worship. Children will sing songs from VBS; we'll recap the week; and Sno Problems will be in the parking lot after worship!



### Employment Opportunity

#### Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministry

Our Saviour's is seeking a dynamic, visionary leader to serve as Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry. The person in this position will lead faith formation from infancy through high school, working in close partnership with families, volunteers, and staff to cultivate a Christ-centered, inclusive, and life-giving ministry. This lay leadership role offers a meaningful opportunity to reimagine and revitalize a core area of congregational life. For a full description of the role, please click <u>HERE</u>. Questions? Contact Pastor Elisabeth at <u>pastorelisabeth@oursaviours.com</u>.

### Weekend Worship

- Our Saviour's Campus: 5 p.m. Saturday; 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday
- Celebration Campus: 10 a.m. Sunday

For livestreamed and recorded worship services, click HERE.

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