

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**  
**5560 S. 2300 W.**  
**Roy, UT 84067**

# The Messenger

June 2023

## Worship Services Schedule

9:30 AM – WORSHIP SERVICE  
11:30 AM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

## The Most Broken Commandment

By: **Pastor Bruce Greutz**

### The Most Broken Commandment

Yesterday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, the Durham report dropped. Former Attorney General William Barr deemed the report a success because “its purpose from the very beginning was to get to the truth.” . After three and a half years and 6.5 million dollars, we finally got to the truth about the Trump – Russia Investigation. Seems ridiculous, doesn't it? I'm not writing about this to say anything political. What is interesting to me is what has happened to the truth? It is no longer in plain sight. It hides behind obfuscations, distortions, deletions, generalizations and hyperbole that all obscure the truth. Now, it takes three and a half years and 6.5 million dollars to find it.

That's a far cry from Nathan's confrontation of David in 2 Samuel 12. David had committed adultery and murder. To not be exposed as the father of Bathsheba's coming child, he had Uriah murdered on the battlefield by pulling back his cover. But after that, David was going along with his life like nothing happened. Talk about being obtuse. God sends the prophet Nathan to him and he tells David a story about a poor man with a little lamb that a rich man takes from the poor man in order to feed a stranger. David became incensed and said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, <sup>6</sup> and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

David's response afforded Nathan an opportunity to link this story with David's behavior. He tells him, "You are the man." When confronted David responds, "I have sinned against the Lord." How refreshing is David's response. He didn't demand a lawyer or make excuses. He took responsibility for his behavior. He didn't become evasive in his responses. It didn't take three and a half years and 6.5 million dollars to get the truth.

Even though David was a bigger sinner than all of us – just kidding – he was committed to the truth. In this current age of misinformation, it seems like lying has become a language all its own. It's hard to know the truth from a lie nor do we know who to trust to be telling us the truth?

In John 8 when the Pharisees tell Jesus their father is Abraham, Jesus responds, "If God were your Father, you would love me. <sup>44</sup> You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies."

When we lie, we are not acting like Jesus or our heavenly Father, we are being motivated on some level by the devil. He is the father of lies. As the New International Version says, "When he lies, he speaks his native language..."

The most broken commandment from my perspective is the eighth. In his Small Catechism, Luther explains to us what the Eighth Commandment, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor," means. He says, "We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way." Unfortunately, lying and bearing false witness now seem to be the common language of politics. But it's not simply relegated to the political arena. The devil attempts to get everyone to learn his language of deceit. Hopefully, we won't find his language on the Babel app someday as it becomes more and more common.

In his investigation, John Durham found many who bore false witness against their neighbor. As believers and as the body of Christ, we are to be salt and light in a rapidly decaying culture. Salt preserves God's values, and light exposes the darkness of this world. May we, as Luther encourages us to be different from the world and defend, speak well of and explain everything in the kindest way when speaking of our neighbors

so the world may see the risen Christ through our love one for another. As Jesus is the way, the truth and the life, may we be about the truth in everything we do and say.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bruce

## **OSLC COUNCIL PRESIDENT: John Deitsch**

In my February Newsletter article, I was pleased to announce that Gail Gildemeister (McLaughlin) would be serving alongside me again for a 2<sup>nd</sup> term as Council Vice-President. Little did I know at that time what would come to pass, and that I would lose a friend, a partner, and a confidant; someone that I could call to talk about any issue and trust her to let me know if I was off track with my thoughts on a particular matter. While Gail and I didn't necessarily agree on everything, we were able to respect each other's views and we truly were a team. It was only with the help of her leadership and support that many of the accomplishments over the past year and a half were able to be achieved. The reorganization of our Ministries, getting approval for and identifying projects for the reallocation of Building Fund money, and the Stewardship Drive are just a few of the things Gail played a significant role in. She was an integral part of Council and will be sorely missed.

Obviously, I am not the only one dealing with the ramifications of Gail's untimely and very unnecessary death, and I know that there are those who are feeling the pain of her loss far more acutely than I. She truly touched so many of our lives in such a special way. However, as we were reminded on Ash Wednesday, death is part of life, and from dust we came and to dust we shall return. And as difficult as it may be, we must pick up the pieces and continue to move forward in faith, just as we have when we have lost other members of our church family. Gail will not be forgotten as we move forward, and her handprints will remain on much of what we do for some time to come, but we must continue honor our mission statement, to be a welcoming fellowship of believers who proclaim the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and who, through our support of and connecting with each other, the local community, and the children of God everywhere, strive to love Christ and all others. We must forge ahead serving our Lord and endeavoring to be the church that He wants and needs us to be.

As always, I ask for your prayers for myself and the rest of the Council team, that we may serve our God and provide the leadership that you all deserve.

## MINISTRY & TEAM REPORTS

### Worship & Music Ministry:

**Mark Nourse (Co-Chairman)**  
**Minuette Greutz (Co-Chairman)**

**Alan Huss (Counsel Liaison)**

Nothing to report.

### Grow Ministry:

**Justine Ashcraft (Chairman)**

**Adam Nourse (Council Liaison)**

There will be no Sunday School until the fall but we have Vacation Bible School just days away!! On Sunday, June 4th, after church, we'll be decorating and setting up for the big event! If you're involved with VBS in anyway, please come! We'll have all the adult volunteer T-shirts by then to hand out also. Please bring with you any props you may have to decorate a park scene. Some items include: silk flowers in a pot, rocks, trees, and also stuffed animals such as dogs, cats, birds, fish etc. Contact me if you have any questions! Thank you!

Justine Ashcraft

### Connect Ministry:

**VACANT (Chairman)**

**Annie Baugh (Council Liaison)**

Happy June! Well, we hope it will be happy and warm but not too warm we need that snow to melt slowly. Connect has been a bit busy over the last month. We held our planning meeting and still need to figure out a few more things, and a BIG Thank You so much to all of you that took time to come.

So Far, here we are:

- Friday June 9<sup>th</sup> Vacation Bible School
- Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup> Vacation Bible School and perhaps a closing potluck

- Friday June 16<sup>th</sup> Wine and Cheese More information to come.
- Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup> Start of the School Supply Drive.
- Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> Deadline for all School Supplies.
- Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup> Men's Prayer Breakfast.
- Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup> Put School Bags together.
- Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> Family Steak Fry.
- Saturday Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Mens Prayer Breakfast.
- Sunday Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> Rally Day
- Saturday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Sylvia Jones Memorial Golf Tournament
- Saturday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Fri-Sun Oct. 13-15 LCMC Annual Meeting Idaho Falls, Idaho
- Friday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> Trunk or Treat
- Saturday Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Sunday Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> Alpha Food Drive Starts
- Saturday Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Sunday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Alpha Food Drive Ends
- Sunday Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Deliver Alpha Food Drive
- Sunday Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> Childrens Christmas Program
- Sunday Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

We are still looking at some summer stuff, be it Music in the Grass or just a family fun day for the kids. I did not add the Roy Days Parade, that is the first weekend in August. In talking with Justine, she would love to help with the Parade but does not have the time to put it all together this year. If you would like to take the lead on the parade, please reach out to myself or Justine.

Please keep your eyes out for so fun things to come.

Blessings and Prayers to all,

Annie Coyle  
801-808-1999

## Service & Outreach Ministry:

**Ashley Kaiser (Chairman)**

**Leo Seeber (Council Liaison)**

As we head into summer I want to remind you of the many service opportunities at OSLC: The Home Communion Team, Prayer Team, Open Hands, and Family Promise. There are also baskets in the narthex for non-perishable food items and hygiene products.

Lastly, the 2nd Sunday offering on June 11th will go to Family Promise of Ogden. Family Promise is an organization that gives hope and opportunities to families with children that are experiencing homelessness.

### **JUN HOSPITALITY TEAM**

**Jan & Steve Saterlie – Coordinator**  
**Gerri Wessner**  
**Joyce Bellucci**  
**Al & Sue Heiskanen**  
**Beth Cooper**  
**Kim Hastings**  
**Doris Pancich**  
**Rod & Sharon Hallsten**

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**3 Jun Amelia Carpenter**  
**7 Jun Steve Scholtec**  
**7 Jun Mallory Carpenter**  
**8 Jun Kinley McLaughlin**  
**11 Jun Bunny Griffey**  
**13 Jun Jim Campbell**  
**15 Jun Ed Gerry**  
**19 Jun Abigail Anopol**  
**21 Jun Bruce Greutz**  
**28 Jun Evan Kaiser**  
**28 Jun Joey Carpenter**

## Worship Assistants

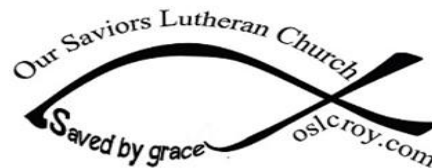
Date	Time	Acolytes Sheila Courtney 385 626-8291	Greeters	Ushers Pat Simonson 801 721-7678	Projectionist Antonio Ramirez 801 425-3356	Camera Barb McFarland 801 668-9709	Altar Guild Sandee Isaacson 801 388-6694
<b>4 Jun</b>	9:30		Ashley Kaiser	Russ Smith			
<b>4 Jun</b>	11:30		Stacy Ames	Stacy Ames			
<b>11 Jun</b>	9:30		Ashley Kaiser	Schmids			
<b>11 Jun</b>	11:30		Mary L	Diane Nath			
<b>18 Jun</b>	9:30		Katherine Redwine	Pat S Katherine R			
<b>18 Jun</b>	11:30		Mary L	Diane Nath			
<b>25 Jun</b>	9:30		Mary L	Campbells			
<b>25 Jun</b>	11:30		Stacy Ames	Stacy Ames			

### CONGRATULATIONS, BLESSING & THANK YOUS

**QUILTER'S-** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE BEAUTIFUL QUILT FOR OUR BABY BOY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND TALENTS SO MUCH. THE CARPENTER'S

## 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Offerings

January	Journey Clinic
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	LCMC District Support
February	Open Hands
March	Lantern House
April	Ogden Rescue Mission
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	LCMC District Support
May	OSLC Quilters
June	Family Promise
July	Utah Food Bank
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	LCMC District Support
August	Open Hands
September	Intervarsity at Weber State
October	Lantern House
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	LCMC District Support
November	Ogden Rescue Mission
December	Family Promise
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	LCMC District Support





## **Church Wide Info**

### **Mens Prayer Breakfast**

The Men's Prayer breakfast is taking a summer break, we will resume on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your participation this past year. Have a wonderful summer.

### **Summer Youth Camp**

Summer youth camp is being held July 10-14, at Big Canyon in Wanship. It is for Jr. and Sr. High youth. The cost is \$300.00-\$325.00 for the week. It is sponsored in part by Good Shepherd Church in Sandy, there are other LCMC churches and some other churches participating in this Camp. If you are interested in going and need some financial assistance, the Men's prayer breakfast group has some money available to assist you. Contact John Deitsch or Dan Kartak for more information. This is a very fun and invigorating experience for our youth.



### **Congratulations Graduates**

Adelyn Carpenter, Parkside Preschool

Brietyn Underwood, Roy High School

Brady Kaiser, Leadership Learning Academy

Devyn Taylor Mich'l, Weber High School

Garrett Baker, Ogden High School

Katelynn Ylan Wall, Crimson Cliffs High School

Lexi Claire Grentz, Leadership Learning Academy

## June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> 6:00p Girl Scouts Troop #807  6:00p Praise Band Practice	<b>2</b> 5:30p Girl Scouts Troop #1710	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> 8:15a Band Practice  9:30a Worship Service  11:30a Contemporary Worship	<b>5</b> 5:30p Girl Scouts Troop #773	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 12:00p Bible Study Fellowship Hall  5:30p Girl Scouts Troop #970  6:00p Band Practice  7:00p Prayers of the People - Facebook	<b>8</b> 9:00 Quilters  5:00p Girls Advisory Board (GSA)  6:00p Girl Scouts Troop #578  6:00p Praise Band Practice  6:30P Church Council Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9:00a Open Hands Food Pantry
<b>11</b> 8:15a Band Practice  9:30a Worship Service  11:30a Contemporary Worship	<b>12</b> 5:30p Suncrest Service Unit (GSA)	<b>13</b> 6:00p Girl Scouts Troop #111	<b>14</b>   12:00p Bible Study Fellowship Hall  5:30p Girl Scouts Troop #970  6:00p Band Practice  7:00p Prayers of the People - Facebook	<b>15</b> 6:00p Praise Band Practice	<b>16</b> 5:30p Girl Scouts Troop #1710	<b>17</b>
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**Jun Lectionary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1st Reading</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>2nd Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
4Jun	Holy Trinity Sunday	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	Psalm 8	Acts 2:14a, 22-36	Matthew 28:16-20
11 Jun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	Hosea 5:15-6:6	Psalm 119:65-72	Romans 4:13-25	Matthew 9:9-13
18 Jun	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost	Exodus 19:2-8	Psalm 100	Romans 5:6-15	Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-20)
25 Jun	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 20:7-13	Psalm 91:1-10 (11-16)	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:5a, 21-33