

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
5560 S. 2300 W.
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The Messenger

Nov 2023

Worship Services Schedule

9:30 AM – WORSHIP SERVICE
10:30 SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:30 AM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP (THROUGH 12 NOV)

The Antidote for Grumbling

By: Pastor Bruce Greutz

Grumbling – we all do it. Let's be honest. It's much easier to grumble than be thankful. As we come into November, how can we not think of Thanksgiving. One of my favorite holidays we stop long enough to at least enjoy a great meal of Turkey, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, rolls, cranberry sauce and whatever else the cook throws in the mix. And we can't forget the ever-present pumpkin pie or should I say, "pumpkin spice" pie. Where did pumpkin spice come from? I think a marketing person at Starbucks thought of this trendy flavor. Am I grumbling? Maybe I am.

Grumbling does have some plusses to it. If we grumble enough, we don't have to do anything, particularly if people reward our behavior. What do I mean? Well, others reward our negative behavior when they listen to our grumbling and agree that you've never had it so bad. Or better still they see you as some kind of triumphant victim, which takes you from victim to conqueror, with statements like, "I don't know how you deal with all this." No one would even know we were dealing with anything difficult if we hadn't grumbled within their earshot.

The Greek word translated grumble or complain in 1 Corinthians 10:10 is **gong good zo**. The word means to murmur, mutter, grumble, say anything against in a low tone, of the cooing of doves, of those who confer secretly together, of those who discontentedly complain. If you remember this word was used of the Israelites when they were in the wilderness. In 1 Corinthians 10:10 Paul tells us, **“We must not put Christ^[c] to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents,¹⁰ nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer.”** They didn’t like the manna God provided them in the wilderness nor did they obey his commands while getting sand in their eyes, hair, clothes and everywhere. Must have been rough but they forgot how good God had been to them by getting them out of Egypt and on their way to the promised land.

How could they have done better? Certainly, they needed a memory course on their deliverance from Egypt. The Passover meal was supposed to do that for them but true to form even with the Passover, they forgot how good God had been to them. Maybe rather than simply remembering what happened, they needed to do something that would improve their memories and their attitudes.

What was that for them and is that for us? Being thankful for everything God has done, is doing and will do in the future for us. Often, we want to know what God’s will is. There is at least one place where His will is explicitly stated – I Thessalonians 5:18. There Paul tells us what God’s will is. He says, **“give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”** Notice he says give thanks in **all** circumstances. All in the Greek means all. Yes, that’s right, even the bad times. Why be thankful for the bad times? Because **“we know that for those who love God all things work together for good,^[u] for those who are called according to his purpose.”** (Romans 8:28). We also know that even though people might mean things as evil against us, **God means them for good.** (Genesis 50:20)

Being thankful is the cure for grumbling. Paul was sitting in a prison in Rome and could have grumbled to God about what was happening to him. But he didn’t. Instead, he gave thanks for the believers he had established there. He opened his letter to them by giving thanks. He said this in verses 3-5, **“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy,⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.”** Paul could have grumbled about being in prison but instead he gave thanks to God for the believers at Philippi. Being thankful to God in all circumstances is the antidote to grumbling. As we enter November may we not only be thankful on Thanksgiving day but every day as Paul was for the believers at Philippi.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Bruce

OSLC COUNCIL PRESIDENT: John Deitsch

While my Newsletter articles the past few months have expounded on different parts of our Mission Statement, with this being November, the month of Thanksgiving, I want to shift gears a little bit and focus on gratitude. However, to stay true to the recent theme, I want to relate that gratitude to our Mission Statement.

“Our Savior’s Lutheran Church is a scripture based, 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 children of God everywhere, strive to love Christ and all others.”

- **Our Savior’s Lutheran Church** - I am thankful that we have a church to gather in to worship and praise our awesome God! And I am also thankful that we have Council leadership that acts responsibly and manages the affairs of our church.
- **Scripture based** – I am thankful that we have a pastor that has preached a message grounded in scripture, and that we have Bible Studies and Men’s Prayer Breakfast where members can gather together to study the Good News. I am also grateful for those of you who have shared devotional thoughts to help keep my daily life rooted in God’s Word.
- **Welcoming fellowship of believers** – I am so blessed to be part of the OSLC family, where we share a Lutheran faith and a love for our Lord and Savior. I know there will always be someone at church ready to greet me with open arms and with whom I am equally ready to greet with open arms. I believe with all my heart that if I stumble and fall that there are those in the congregation who will come to my aid and lift me up.
- **Through our support of and connecting with each other, the local community, and children of God everywhere** – I am so, so thankful for our Ministries and for all the volunteers who support and participate in those Ministries. Our Ministries, and our volunteers, are truly the foundation of our church, and they are the means by which we serve our God and help fulfill His plan. There are so many in our congregation who truly have a servant’s heart and who are ready to step up and do what needs to be done whenever the need arises.
- **Strive to love Christ and all others** – I am beholden to a God who is loving and full of grace, and to my Lord and Savior, who walked this earth, *who showed us the way*, and who died for our sins. And I am blessed to be a part of His wonderful creation, and to have the opportunity to share my journey to the foot of the cross with my brothers and sisters in Christ.

I would now like to share some encouragement. We are embarking on a new segment of our journey together as we enter the process to call a new pastor for our congregation. This process is as much about sustaining our church while we attempt to find a new pastor as it is about finding a new pastor. Fortunately, all those things that I expressed gratitude for above are the very ingredients required to be successful in sustaining, and potentially even growing, our church. We have strong Council leadership that will manage the affairs of the church and oversee the process to ensure that the needs of the congregation are met. We have amazing Ministries and amazing volunteers who will continue to step up and make sure that we don't miss a beat in connecting with and supporting each other. And we have a congregation that shares a Lutheran faith, believes in the power of prayer, and trusts in our Creator's plan for His church. There's a saying that says that when the going gets tough, the tough get going. I am not even sure how tough the going will get, but I am confident that our congregation is ready to get going. Please be on the lookout for opportunities where you can pitch in or fill a gap. We're all in this together, and **TOGETHER WE ARE OSLC STRONG!**

May God bless you, your loved ones, and our church family! We truly do have so much to be grateful for.

MINISTRY & TEAM REPORTS

Worship & Music Ministry:

Mark Nourse (Co-Chairman)
Minuette Grentz (Co-Chairman)

Alan Huss (Counsel Liaison)

Nothing to report

Grow Ministry:

VACANT (Chairman)

Adam Nourse (Council Liaison)

Nothing to report

Connect Ministry:

VACANT (Chairman)

Annie Baugh (Council Liaison)

Save the date! Save the date for the 2023 Advent Brunch and Secret Sister Reveal scheduled for December 9 at 9:00 am. This event will be in the fellowship hall and feature the reveal of the 2023 secret sisters, brunch, and a short devotional program. All ladies and teenaged girls are invited to attend – you do not need to be part of the Secret Sister program to attend, everyone is welcome. Sign-up sheets for food will be in the

narthex beginning November 5. Contact Vicki Ramirez, Pam Campbell, or Gail Campbell with any questions.

Women's Bible Study – Announcing a Women's Saturday Bible Study! The study will use the book, *Promised Rest, Finding Peace in God's Presence* by author Michelle Diercks. To kick things off, we'll have a meet and greet on Saturday, November 18th at 10am in the Fellowship Hall to introduce the study, gather interested participants, and begin to explore finding peace in God's name. This meet and greet is open house style from 10-11am and will showcase each of the names we'll be studying, share a treat, and provide sign-up sheets to order books and information on how to order directly from Amazon. For more information contact Vicki Ramirez.

Men's Prayer Breakfast – Men's Prayer Breakfast will be on November 4th. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 AM. The Prayer Breakfast is open to all men, young and old, members and friends of OSLC. Come one, come all! Great food, a Devotional, and good Christian discussion (and usually some fun bantering back and forth can be expected) by all who attend. Dan Kartak.

Service & Outreach Ministry:

Ashley Kaiser (Chairman)

Leo Seeber (Council Liaison)

It is the time of year for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Box. This year, filled shoeboxes are due by November 19th. Fill a shoebox with items to bless a child. Items can include small toys, school or art supplies, t-shirts, socks, hygiene items, etc. Food and liquids are not allowed. Labels for the boxes will be in the narthex. If you have any questions see Ashley Kaiser. Information can also be found on Samaritan's Purse website.

The second Sunday offering for November will go to Ogden Rescue Mission on November 12th.

Blessings to all,
Ashley Kaiser



Church Wide Info

1. Effective November 19th we will be going back to one Worship Service, with the 11:30 Worship Service being discontinued.

2. We need to announce that we are forming a Call Committee and that we need to identify 4 to 6 voting members of the Congregation to be on that committee. Anyone interested in nominating themselves or someone else to be on that committee will need to let either myself or Dan Kartak know by November 13th so that the Council can consider them when approving the final committee. You can include the sections below from our Bylaws in the announcement.

B10.02 Call Committee:

a. The Congregational Council is responsible for establishing a Call Committee.

b. The Call Committee will consist of 6 to 8 members, of which 2 will come from the Congregational Council. The remaining members will be voting members of the Congregation.

c. Nominations to the Call Committee may come from any voting member of the congregation. The Congregational Council will approve the final committee.

NOV HOSPITALITY TEAM

**Lisa & Trent Schmid – Coordinator
John & Su7zanne McFadden
Pat & Marty Simonson
Sarina Wolfe
Mark & Susan Smith
Teri & Ryan McCloy**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**2 Nov Karen Larsen
2 Nov Shelly Nielsen
3 Nov Sandee Isaacson
5 Nov Anita Morgan
5 Nov Marilyn Gour
9 Nov Mark Nourse
10 Nov Shirley Cooper-Aguilar
11 Nov Everly Nourse
12 Nov Wendy Nelson
15 Nov Wyatt Colvell
15 Nov Leo Seeber
16 Nov Dawn Scholtec
17 Nov Mary Leschke
17 Nov Katie Colvell
17 Nov Andrea Anopol
20 Nov John Crossfield
20 Nov Liam Nourse
21 Nov John Showman
22 Nov Carson Ames
27 Nov Barb Mickelson**




Alpha Food Drive - Time Line:

Nov 6th - December 3rd. - Give Generously!!

1. Please be thinking of and submitting names of individuals, families and social entities that are in need of food and household items.
2. Submit names to the office or to Renae Schmid - see Application form.
3. Hospitality Team Leaders begin calling/texting/emailing your team - and ask them to provide the items on your monthly list.
4. Bring food and household items to church - tables are set up in the Fellowship Hall.
5. Food will be boxed up week of December 3rd.- Feel free to volunteer to help:-)
6. Perishables will be purchased on December 9th
7. Deliveries will be made after church on Sunday, December 10th. It is helpful if you could make arrangements to deliver to your applicants.

Thank you all so much for your continued generosity to this project! Food boxes are ALWAYS welcomed and appreciated.

Renae:-)
801-391-2537. ??or comments

	<h3 style="margin: 0;">APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE</h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Answer all questions completely and return this form immediately.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 100%; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">First letter of head of household's last name</p>
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="font-size: x-small;">  <p style="margin: 0;">Our Saviors Lutheran Church 5560 S. 2300 W. Roy, UT 84067 801-825-6552 oslcroy@aol.com</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>		
<p>NAME _____</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(First) (Last)</p>		
<p>MAILING ADDRESS _____ APT# _____ PHONE () _____</p>		
<p>CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____ E-MAIL _____</p>		
<p style="font-size: x-small;">Include your food delivery address. If it is different from your mailing address, or if your mailing address is a Rural Route, Post Office Box, or trailer court lot #. Please give delivery instructions here: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>		
<p style="font-size: x-small;">Family members in the home: _____ Family Income: \$ _____ per month</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Income Source(s): _____ Place of Employment: _____</p>		
<p style="font-size: x-small;">Release. I hereby authorize Friend-In-Deed to investigate this application for assistance. I understand that any false information, or misrepresentation of facts, or delay in responding may result in denial of this application.</p>		
<p>Signed _____ Date _____</p>		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p style="margin: 0;">OFFICE USE ONLY Food _____</p> </div>		

Alpha Food Drive
Nov. 6th- Dec. 4th, 2022
Food Delivery Dec. 11th, 2022

<u>Month</u>	<u>Leader</u>	<u>Food Items</u>
January	Tedi Morlan 406-580-0576	Laundry Detergent, 50 Lo \$3 for perishables
	<u>Last Name</u> Bennington	Morlan Cooper/Aguilar Engen Kartak Smith, Cat
February	Kim Sparkman 801-644-5011	Peanut Butter, 28 oz Spaghetti Noodles, 2 # \$3 for perishables
	<u>Last Name</u> Lange	Sparkman Colvell Ashcraft Showman Carpenter Ruechart
		March
	Mary Harris 801-643-4551	Cereal – 2 boxes \$5 for perishables
	<u>Last Name</u> Gour	Harris Schaffert Allen Heman Leschke McComb
April	Joan Underwood 801-645-4100	Toilet Paper, 6 pk Graham Crackers 1bx Dish Soap, 24 oz
	<u>Last Name</u> Sojourner	Underwood Ames Boll Cross Crossfield Lund Toone Baldor Nielsen
May	Rena Schimid 801-391-2537	Canned Meat, 2 cans Canned Veges, 6 cans Spaghetti Sauce, 24oz
	<u>Last Name</u> Griffey	Guenther Kapinos Mister Tow Isaacson Baugh Larsen
June	Jan Saterlie 702-325-3659	Minute Rice, 28 oz Canned Fruit, 6 cans Rice a Roni, 2 boxes
	<u>Last Name</u> Cooper	Saterlie Hastings Wessner Pancich Bellucci Hallsten Heiskanen

July

Lucie Smith
801-389-0658

Mac & Cheese, 3 boxes
Bottle Juice, 96 oz.
Hand soap, 2 bars OR
1 body wash

Last Name Smith, Lucie Larson, Tammie Risen
Redwine Barrett Scholtec, S Kaiser Moulding

August

Andrea Anopol
801-391-8774

Cookies, 1 pkg
Jelly/Jam, 1 32 oz
Instant Mashed Potato
1 box
\$2 for Perishables

Last Name Anopol Boe Courtney Frey
RSchmid Jones, E Hall Cairns

September

Kim Fasig
801-628-2616

Toothpaste, 1 tube
Hot Choc., 1 box
Instant Pudding, 2 sm
Jello, 3 sm boxes

Last Name Fasig Junk McFarland Nath
Seeber Wolfe, D Fasig, G

October

Kathy Tisdale
435-272-6713

Peanuts, 12 oz jar
M/W popcorn, 6 pkg.
Canned Meat, 2 cans
Pork & Beans, 2 cans

Last Name Tisdale Chellson Nourse, M
Nelson Nourse, A Grentz Kern

November

Lisa Schmid
801-644-9011

Hamburger Helper, 1
Soup, 6 cans
Instant Oatmeal, 1 bx
\$3 for Perishable

Last Name Schmid, L McFadden Simonson
Wolfe, S Smith, M McCloy

December

Gail Campbell
801-510-1953

Saltine Crackers, 1 bx
Ketchup & Mustard 1 btl
Sham & Cond. 1 btl each
\$2 for Perishables

Last Name Campbell, G Gibson Huss
Ramirez Bourgoine Campbell, P Deitsch

VIA DE CRISTO NEWS: Our Savior's Roy hosted a Via de Cristo Ultreya on 20 August 2023. There were approximately 35 people in attendance. We enjoyed wonderful worship, great music and terrific fellowship and the Holy Spirit was definitely present among us. I love any time I spend with the Via de Cristo community. God's love is evident on the face of each person and felt with each abrazo (hug). Ultreyas renew the memory of the mountain-top experience I had during my weekend. I had never felt so loved or so close to God. Do you remember it?

We were pleased with the attendance numbers, but they pale in comparison to the actual size of our community. Participation in Via de Cristo activities have declined since COVID. If you are a member of the 4th Day Community who has not been active, what keeps you away? What has replaced Via de Cristo in your life? Don't you miss the fellowship and the renewal of the Holy Spirit? We are reviving Via de Cristo in the greater Salt Lake City area. I would love to talk with anyone who may have ideas regarding renewal of our community or to discuss issues you see as problems which keep you away. I look forward to hearing from you.

The next Ultreya will be hosted by Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Holladay. It is planned for 3-5 p.m. on 5 November 2023. Mark your calendar and plan to join us. I just learned that Utah Via de Cristo has a Facebook page which can be reached at "Utah VDC". Check it out for the latest information re Utah Via de Cristo. God Loves You so very much and so do I! Janet Tow, 801-309-6969, montysmrs@gmail.com

Utah Via de Cristo

Ultreya

Sunday November 5, 2023, 3pm -5pm

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

2500 East 3900 South, Holladay, Utah

- Plan on fun and fellowship –Abrazos and renewed friendships
- Anticipate a worship service including music and communion
Hear Pastor Reba Kiger-Kolasch's story -- "Resistance"
Participate (as desired) in an aspect of worship
- Please bring a dish to pass – we will enjoy a potluck meal
- **Following the meal, we will gather at the firepit for something unexpected and special.** (Weather permitting. Please bring the matches distributed at our Last Ultreya, if possible)

Dear member of the Via de Cristo community,
Your secretariat is excited to announce this Ultreya, the second for our organization this year! We trust that it is God's will that VdC be restored and that its activities be once again eagerly anticipated. That can happen if we target having fun as we serve, if we focus on faith and fellowship, and if we allow the breaking of bread to deeply nourish our souls.

The 2024 secretariat will meet at 2:00 and all are most welcome to attend. Your secretariat has a goal to more than **MATCH** the enthusiasm for our Lord each time we gather. (Pun intended!) A highlight of 2024 will be the National Gathering for Via de Cristo to be held in Las Vegas. How about carpooling to Vegas beginning July 23? 2024 will include Ultreyas during the months of January, April, August, and October. Details on all these events are to come.

GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO WE!

Check out our Website (Utahvdc.org) and like us on Facebook!

November 2023

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			1 12:00p Bible Study Fellowship Hall 5:30p Girl Scout Troop #970 6:00p Band Practice 7:00p Prayers of the People - Facebook	2 6:00p Praise Band Practice 6:00p Girl Scout Troop #807	3 5:30p Girl Scouts Troop #1710	4 8:00a Men's Prayer Breakfast
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Nov Lectionary

Date	Sunday	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
5 Nov	All Saints Sunday	Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17	Psalm 149	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12
12 Nov	24 th Sunday after Pentecost	Amos 5:18-24	Psalm 70	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
19 Nov	25 th Sunday After Pentecost	Zephaniah 1:7-16	Psalm 90:1-12	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
23 Nov	Thanksgiving Day	Deuteronomy 8:1-10	Psalm 67	Philippians 4:6-20	Luke 17:11-19
26 Nov	Christ the King	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	Psalm 95:1-7a	1 Corinthians 15:20-28	Matthew 25:31-46