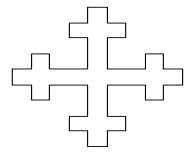


OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



INTERNS TAKE FINAL EXAMS, NOW YOU CAN TOO

For many of you, it has been decades since you were last in school. But, probably, for all of us, the fear of a Pop Quiz still gets our blood pumping. Relax, this isn't a Pop Quiz.

It's a **FINAL EXAM!**

Put your books and notes away, clear your desk from everything but this paper and a pencil. Do not be tempted to look at your neighbor's paper; God frowns upon cheating.

The name of your exam is, "Which Intern am I talking to?" For each question, the answer is either Daniel or DC.

There are 10 questions. "Which Intern am I talking to?"

1. The Intern I'm talking to says that he is married to another intern pastor. Which intern am I talking to?
2. This intern is known for his long sermons, whereby he walks around in front of the altar. Which intern am I talking to?
3. The intern I'm talking to has a beard and loves to go hiking and even mountain climbing. Which intern am I talking to?
4. The intern I'm talking to is holding his baby. Which intern am I talking to?
5. The intern I'm talking to says he loves Colorado. Which intern am I talking to?
6. The intern I'm talking to says that his internship project has been to redesign the church's website, and stream live video of our worship services. Which intern am I talking to?
7. The intern I'm talking to brought his dog to work. He says she's a labradoodle. Which intern am I talking to?
8. The intern I'm talking to says he married to a Dietitian. Which intern am I talking to?
9. The intern I'm talking to says that he used to run track at Luther College in Iowa. Which intern am I talking to?
10. The intern I'm talking to says that he studied Theatre at Arizona State. Which intern am I talking to?

Answers can be found *somewhere* in this Newsletter. Good luck.

If you scored 70% or better, you passed. Congratulations, you're ready for a new intern.

If you scored 60% or worse, well, there's always summer school.

(Questions and Answers provided by Intern Pastor Daniel Pugh)



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EM OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Friday
7:30 am - 12:00 Noon

AJ OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - Noon

GC OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9:00 am - Noon



To the good people of the Our Saviors Community,

This is Goodbye. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the love and kindness that you have shown my family and me over the past year. This year will always remind me of the first time anyone ever called me their pastor, and the first time I ever felt like one.

From the moment I arrived here at Our Saviors, I knew that I would be well taken care of. I am grateful for the undying support of the other office staff and pastors, the outpouring of excitement to host two interns, and the unyielding willingness to allow me to be me at my best, rather than squishing me into the mold of previous interns.

I would like to publically thank Pastor Mark for hand-picking me out of a crowd and bringing me back to the East Valley. I will be forever grateful for his leadership, role-modeling, and tutoring. I'd also like to thank Pastor Myron, Pastor John, and Intern Pastor DC for their exemplary servant hearts for this congregation, and their willingness to lay egos aside and work as a team. The teamwork in this place is outstanding. I'd also like to thank Jacky, Phyllis, Lorayne, Kim, and Jason for helping me smooth over my mistakes so that people could see me succeed.

Look, leaving is never easy and I'm no good at goodbyes. You never know what the future holds and saying goodbye always seems like closing the door when it's a beautiful day. I'm going back to school, that's all. I will miss you all greatly. But we all knew what this was: a one-year term where I'd immerse myself in your lives to where neither of us wants it to end.

I will tell you that I am excited about going back to school. In the fall, among other classes, I'm taking more biblical studies (a hobby of mine) and a class called, "Religion and Politics in America." Living here for a year - and listening to Pr. Myron's office rants - has given me plenty to write about in that class. I'm also anxious to get back to playwriting, something that brings me great joy.

I'm reminded of Martin Luther's quote, "this is not the end; this is the road. All does not yet gleam in glory, but all is being purified." For me, or any of us, we are not finished products, but rather travelers on the road of life. Thank you for traveling with me, sharing your stories with me, and gently guiding me into a bright future. You have made me hear God's call, and for that, I humbly thank you.



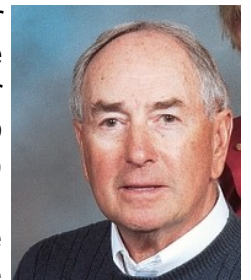
In God's eternal love,
Daniel Pugh, Jr.

PS: You'd better be careful what you say to me, because you may end up in a sermon of mine somewhere down the line.

Final Exam Answers: 1. DC 2. Daniel 3. DC 4. Daniel 5. DC 6. Daniel 7. DC 8. Daniel 9. DC 10. Daniel



Most of the winter "Snow Birds" have returned to their summer homes like the swallows at Capistrano. We hate to see them go but we will welcome them back in the fall! With all of the strange weather throughout the entire nation we pray for their safe journeys. We also pray for all those who have suffered with injuries and for those who were killed in the tornadoes. God be with them!



A summer Time & Talent Sheet was handed out and returned on Sunday the 22nd of May. The response was great! We thank all of you for dedicating your time and talents in the areas of your choice. We need your help and it will be greatly appreciated now & in the future.

This past week a young 19 year, Dallus Merrill, was killed when he lost control of his motor scooter and was hit by an oncoming automobile. The following day at 5:00 PM at the same time that the accident had happened, a roadside memorial was held at the site of the accident. Our church opened it's doors and facilities for a large group of family and friends who held a prayer and remembrance service. A permanent memorial marker will remain on the site.

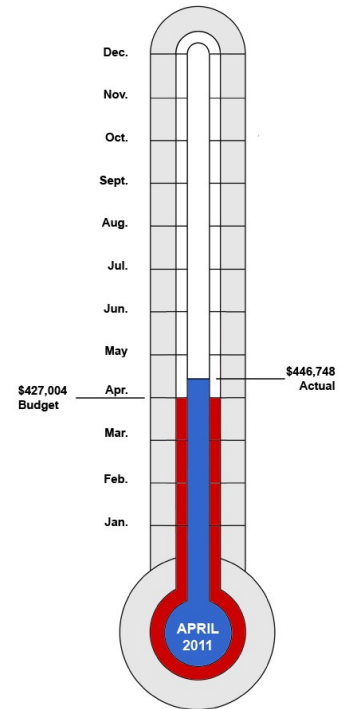
In Jesus Name,
Glen Mesker

NO MORE COUPONS, PLEASE

Our Savior's Lutheran Church is no longer collecting coupons.
Thank you for your past support.

PLEASE NOTE: Our mailing address has changed! We have a mailbox at the church. All correspondence should be mailed to:
**612 S Ellsworth Rd
Mesa AZ 85208**

If you have any checks set to autopay from your bank, please review the remit to address and adjust as necessary. Thank you.



2011 General Fund Contributions

INTERNATIONAL GROUP TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

BIBLICAL TURKEY *"In the Steps of St Paul and St John"*

This trip **leaves Monday, October 31st and returns November 11, 2011.** We fly from Phoenix to Istanbul, Turkey, round trip. Istanbul is one of the most fascinating cities in the world. St. Sophia's is the oldest Christian Cathedral still standing. Turkey was the site of so much that we read about in the New Testament letters. **This trip includes all tours, a guide who is with us throughout our trip, good lodging, all breakfasts and dinners, round trip from Phoenix for \$2,579, an excellent value.** Turkey is a safe country, friendly to the U.S. with Western and Eastern cultures side by side. Brochures are available in the church office or in the brochure racks at the East Mesa campus. **Approximately 6 openings still available.** Direct any questions about the trip to Pastor Mark Halvorson.

SCANDINAVIAN ADVENTURE, hosted by Pastor Mark and Karen Halvorson.

This trip **leaves Wednesday, June 27th and returns Tuesday, July 10th, 2012.** We fly Phoenix to Bergen, Norway, travel throughout Norway, including the most beautiful fjord country in the world. The trip continues through Sweden, and ends in Helsinki, Finland. **All breakfasts and dinners included. Our Scandinavian guide will be with us throughout the trip. Accommodations are some of the best. This is perhaps the most expensive part of the world to visit. Group travel makes the trip possible for \$5,000.** This is the third group trip to Scandinavia that Pastor Mark has led. His Norwegian family have helped plan a trip including sites you would not otherwise see. **Approximately 8 openings still available.** Brochures are available in the church office or brochure racks in the Narthex of the East Mesa campus.

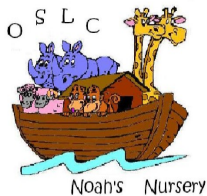
OSLC YOUTH & FAMILY

We are getting "Earred Up" for a pandarrific VBS! Parents and Grandparents: children entering Pre-K to 6th Grade can be registered for our **Pandamania VBS June 20 - 24**. Youth entering 7th Grade to Adult can register to volunteer. Go to oursaviorslutheran.org, to find the VBS registration link. Paper registration slips are available at the East Mesa campus on the sign-up table in the Narthex, but I encourage you to do this on-line. It's a lot easier, faster, and less paper for us to keep track off.

Louise Gahm
VBS Director



Nursery Coordinator Position

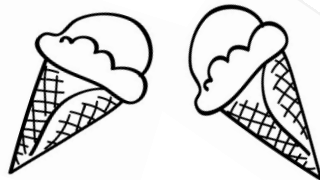


We are currently looking for a new Nursery Coordinator. Responsibilities include: finding volunteers to cover Sundays and special occasions, stocking the nursery with supplies, cleaning and organizing, reporting to committee, and newsletter articles. If you are interested, please submit resume to the church office. Please contact Amy Grosz at 480-332-0224 if you have any questions.

Fifties Ice Cream Social



Penny loafers, Buddy Holly shades
Saddle shoes were all the rage
Poodle skirts, and scarves in your hair
make the scene, you gotta be there!



3pm Sunday, June 12th, at Epiphany Friendship Hall



I AM PASSAGES

EAST MESA CAMPUS

8:45—9:45 AM
Community Room

June 5	— I Am Who I Am	July 24	— I Am The Good Shepherd
June 12	— I Am The Bread of Life	July 31	— I Am the Resurrection & The Life
June 19	— I Give The Eternal Water	Aug 7	— I Am The Way, The Truth, & The Life
June 26	— No Class - Farwell Intern Daniel	Aug 14	— I Am The Vine
July 3	— Religious Freedom in America	Aug 21	— No Class - Farewell Intern DC
July 10	— I Am The Light of the World	Aug 28	— No Class - Welcome Pastor Megan and Intern Eric
July 17	— I Am The Gate of the Sheep		

Substantial medical bills remain unpaid for young Thomas Pugh. If you would like to help, please make your check payable to Daniel & Ashley Pugh. You may place your check or cash gift in a pew envelope marked for Thomas. We will then, in turn, pass along all gifts to Intern Pastor Daniel and Ashley. Thank you and God bless.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP This group provides spiritual and emotional support for anyone who has been diagnosed with cancer, is receiving treatment for cancer, or is recovering from cancer treatment. It is our goal to reach out to everyone who is living with cancer. The group meets weekly on **Fridays at 10:30am in the Administration Conference Room**. If you have any questions about the Cancer Support Group, contact **Roy Castle (983.4745)** or Pastor Myron Nysether.

PRAYERS OVER MESA meets at 1:00pm, Monday, June 13 @ Red Mountain Christian Center. Join others to pray about matters concerning the City of Mesa and the surrounding area.

EPIPHANY-APACHE JUNCTION CAMPUS



WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Sunday
8:30am
Phone - 982-1569
Office Hours: M-F 9:00am - Noon



The Ordination of Katy Warren

Katy Warren, former OSLC intern, will be ordained Saturday, June 11th at Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church in Omaha, NE. Katy has been called to serve at St Paul Lutheran Church in Davenport, IA.

Cards for Katy can be sent to:

818 Valentine Lane
Papillion NE 68046



Communications

“Thank you very much for the beautiful handmade baby blankets. This selfless act that you do provides comfort to so many infants and young children that unfortunately have to come through our office. Some of these children who come to our office are only buried with a blanket that is made by you. You make it possible for these infants and young children to be buried with the dignity and respect that they deserve. Thank you for the time, effort and love that you have put into making these blankets. Just recently a young girl by the name of Shannon Amuck was identified, she died in 1992. She was exhumed to confirm her identity and then reburied with a blanket that was made by you.”

Sincerely,
Christen Eggers
Medicolegal Death Investigator
Maricopa County Medical Examiner

“On behalf of our Board of Directors and volunteers, we sincerely thank you for your *most generous* donation of \$477.81 to the Apache Junction Reach Out Food Bank. Your contribution is greatly appreciated and assists in the ongoing mission of the Food Bank to ‘help feed the hungry.’”

Sincerely,
Nancy Julian, Treasurer
Apache Junction Reach Out Food Bank

“A special thank you goes out to Gary & Judy Janousek for their generous contribution designated to Caring Hands. It will be used to support our program and it is very much appreciated.”

Caring Hands Team

GOLD CANYON CAMPUS—

5301 S Kings Ranch Rd, Gold Canyon

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Adult Forum - 8:00am

Sunday Worship 9:00am

Phone: 983-7774

Office Hours: M - F 9am - Noon



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COLUMBARIUM CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE.

There are 192 columbarium niches available for purchase by members and non-members of OSLC. Each niche is 12x12x12 inches and holds two urns. The columbarium is located at our Gold Canyon Campus on King's Ranch Road. The price for one niche for members is \$1,000.00 and for non-members \$2,000.00. Inscription costs are not included. These are introductory prices for the first 50 niches purchased. These prices are well below comparable niche spaces at area cemeteries.

Please call the church at 984-5555 to discuss your needs and complete the forms required to secure a niche for yourself and your loved ones. Selection of niche location is on a first purchased basis.



FOR THE RECORD

MEMBERS & ASSOC MEMBERS:

JUNE BIRTHDAYS (80+)

Eva Harapat	6/1
Manny Oyen	6/2
Audrey Peterslie	6/3
Dottie Weber	6/5
Norma Seaton	6/6
James Regnet	6/9
Chet Aldridge	6/10
Ellen Cooke	6/11
Robert Malo	6/11
Elaine Schultz	6/11
Nyle Wisted	6/11
Arthur Beenken	6/12
Gladys Engelen	6/12
Dorothy Kunst	6/13
Beverly Norman	6/13
Anthony Roberto	6/13
Robert Savre	6/13
Ralph Walker	6/15
Merle Fisk	6/16
Vern Nelson	6/18
Mary Lou Oyen	6/19
Izetta Jensen	6/20
Lois Mickelson	6/20
Pauline Keep	6/22
Arlene Grimes	6/23
Lloyd Kiel	6/24
Carl Saari	6/24
Nilus Ihle	6/25
Don Jacobson	6/27
Lester Schmidt	6/28
Leroy (Barney) Seaton	6/28
Delora Nathan	6/29

JUNE BIRTHDAYS (90+)

Virginia Bernard	6/13/17
Audrey Beeck	6/16/20
Beryl Heltne	6/16/19
Vernita Youde	6/25/21
Gladys Anderson	6/29/19

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES (50+)

Herbert & Verna Jensen	6/1
Wyman & Hazel Peterson	6/2
Duane & Elnora Rannow	6/3
Craig & Kay Tjaden	6/3
Allan & Viola Geving	6/4
John & Beverly Anderson	6/4
Rodger & Connie Wallace	6/4
Otto & June Bervik	6/5
Dale & Dixie Harvey	6/5
Rollie & Verna Jensen	6/5
Carl & Carla Hillmer	6/6
Gordon & Charlene Jorgensen	6/9
David & Lorayne Thompson	6/10
Frank & Avis Farrell	6/11
Richard & Jean Stensrud	6/11
Theodore & Kay Hanson	6/11
Dick & Mary Lou Augustine	6/14
Ken & Evie Gregersen	6/14
Delwin & Marcia Sweeney	6/14
Ronald & Sharon Roles	6/15
Loren & Shirley Hovland	6/17
Daryl & Patricia Hagberg	6/18
Wilton & Barbara Swenson	6/18
Don & Phyllis Jacobson	6/19
Lowell & Karen Jensen	6/19
Donald & Dorothy Wygle	6/19

Arthur & Marlene Beenken	6/20
Dayton & Patricia Mortenson	6/20
Clarence & Doris Williams	6/20
Larry & Edna Flanigan	6/21
Robert & Barbara Scheitlin	6/21
Curtis & Marilyn Lindberg	6/23
Carl & Diane Saari	6/23
Delmer & Margieann Voss	6/23
Dave & Sandy Brown	6/25
Milton & Virginia Glass	6/26
Jim & Janet Shevling	6/28
Richard & Zoma Edstrom	6/29
Don & Nancy Coles	6/30

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES (60+)

Alvin & Esther Herman	6/1/47
Alan & Marion Adams	6/4/47
Jerome & Shirley Hamre	6/10/50
Lloyd & Penny Dobratz	6/12/49
James & Norma Regnet	6/12/48
Harold & Colleen Soderberg	6/18/47
Edward & Merell Plank	6/19/48
Allen & June Simonson	6/23/51
Warren & Betty Burnam	6/27/48
Nathan & Shirly Puffer	6/28/47

DEATHS IN MAY

Marge Corsbie	5/15
Doris Knutson	5/22
Will Unger	5/23
Clarence "Shorty" Grasse	5/23



CHECK OUT OUR LIBRARY FOR SOME GREAT READING MATERIAL

FICTION

- Wish You Well** by David Baldacci
- Crown of Fire** by Craig & Janet Parshall
- Scarlet Feather** by Maeve Binchy

NON-FICTION

- Passionsspiele Oberammergau 1634-1984** donated by R & J Mantz
- Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World** by Joanna Weaver
- My Jesus is... Everything** by Anne Graham Lotz
- Heaven: My Father's House** by Anne Graham Lotz
- The Purpose Driven Life** by Rick Warren
- The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus: A Clear and Simple Explanation of the World's Best Seller** by John R Cross
- Vision of His Glory** by Anne Graham Lotz
- Loving God with All Your Mind** by Elizabeth George
- Trusting God: Even When Life Hurts!** by Jerry Bridges

YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL AT WORK

OSLC COUNCIL MEETING, MAY 17, 2011

Call To Order: Bob Keller

Present: Bob Keller, David Anderson, Stan Lehman, Intern Pastor Daniel Pugh, Pastor Myron Nysether, Tracie Curtis, Pastor Mark Halvorson, Glen Mesker, Carol Meshefski, Bobbi Salzbrun, Jennifer Uphoff, John Malmberg, and Keri Young

Absent: Intern Pastor Daniel Carlson, Ron Nordin.

Devotions: Stan Lehman

Approval of Min: April Council Meeting, 2011. **MSC approved minutes of the last meeting.**

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Tax Exempt paper work still in process for GC exemption with Pinal County.
2. Pastor Mark, Ron & Layle Nordin, and Keri Young will be Synod Assembly Attendees.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consensus on three Reserve Fund Expenditures reviewed and approved by Executive Committee. Repair, seal, and stripe Epiphany parking lot; Install carpet tiles in narthex, main hallway, and overflow area at EM campus; Repair leak in roof at Epiphany Friendship Hall. **MSC approved replacement of the roof for Epiphany Friendship Hall for \$11,200.**
2. Report on video project, Daniel. Meeting tomorrow with video team and they are engaged to launch. Video camera and laptop have been purchased for the project. Contract is for one year, \$153 a month. PayPal account set up for donations on the website. Will need two platforms built for smooth videotaping of the sermons.
3. Agreement to combine July/August council meetings to just one meeting in August.

TASK FORCES:

1. None to report

FINANCIAL REPORT/REVIEWS: John Malmberg

April was a strong month even with many of our winter visitors leaving. Online worship will be a new line item in the budget. Electricity problem seems to have been solved in Gold Canyon. **MSC approved financial report as presented.**

REPORTS FROM PASTORS:

Pastor Mark stated he was pleased with the attendance that has been surprisingly high for this time of year. He will meet with the new interns for next year this week. Questions about the computers in all 3 campuses with solutions should be formed by the June meeting. Minor remodeling solutions for the front office at EM campus were discussed. Preparations and planning for next year's ministry is in process. Jason Gahm, Administrative Manager, is a creative addition to staff with fresh ideas.

Pastor Myron- We continue to have too many memorials. Home communions at about 45 for the month. I-Help is getting great support with as many 15 homeless women spending Monday nights at the EM campus. 64 new members were received in January.

Intern Daniel- 70+ people attended the Bible studies. The website will be updated monthly with Louise Gahm as 'Editor-in-Chief' starting July 1. The thermometer reflecting the budget is on the website. Last day for Daniel will be June 30th.

Intern DC- no report

LEADERSHIP REPORTS:

Administration- Dave

Care- Carol learned the Doorkeepers give rides to non-members as needed to and from services. Stephen Ministers will continue to meet once a month.

Discipleship- Jennifer- Nursery for the summer months has been extended up to 4th grade. Getting ready for Pandamania VBS. Donations are being accepted for backpacks/kits. Space for youth to meet Sunday mornings at EM campus was discussed.

Epiphany- Stan- no report

Gold Canyon- Glenn- request for Lion's Club to put a box in the church for eye glasses. Approved since there is already a box for the same purpose at the EM campus.

Mission- Ron- School kit collection started. LAMP may be next year.

Welcome- Keri- 31 people at the hike with members from all campuses. Memorial Day Potluck on the 28th. Time & Talent sheets will be at GC campus this weekend and then in the fall for all campuses. Greeters are needed this summer. Summer coffee hosts are also needed for the summer.

Worship- Bobbi- new members are helping out with the Alter Guild.

ELCA women- Louise- no report

Vice Pres- Steve- no report

Meeting location was reviewed and approved as is.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

June Council Meeting- June 21, 2011, 7:00pm.

Grand Canyon Synod Assembly – June 10-11, 2011 in Phoenix

June 2011 Devotions - Glen Mesker

Newsletters- June 2011 issue - Glen Mesker; July/August combo 2011 Kerri Young

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT: 8:19pm

CLOSING PRAYER