RISEN SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY NEWS & ACTIVITIES

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January 21 - January 28, 2024

2024 CHURCH COUNCIL

Chris Williams Council President: Council Vice President: **KC Roberts** Tom Mack Treasurer: Secretary: Reagan Sowders Financial Secretary: Shana Duncan Board of Adult Ministries: Ramona Peshek **Board of Caring Ministries:** Holly Thiessen Board of Children's Ministries: Kristen Freed **Board of Youth Ministries:** Angie Cox Board of Outreach Ministries: Marilyn Cook Board of Properties Ministries: Darrell Doesken Board of Worship Ministries: Chad Harmon



<u>PLEASE NOTE</u> - Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14!! It's early this year!

If your Connect Group is interested in hosting a Lenten Meal, please contact the church office ASAP, see page 5 for available dates.

OFFICE HOURS - The Church Office is open on Wednesdays & Fridays from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm and Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. When coming to the office, please use entrance #1!

TODAY

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS - Get your Blood pressure checked in the Health & Wellness office on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. This is provided by member volunteers who are medical personnel! It is offered from 9—9:20 and 10:15—10:30 am.

FEBRUARY INFORMATION DUE - Get your February information to the church office by Sunday, January 21st if you'd like it to be included in the February 2024 Calendar and Announcement Pages.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - Pastor CJ leads a study on the book "Beautiful Outlaw" - Experiencing the playful, disruptive, extravagant personality of Jesus. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall from 9:15—10:15 am.

GOOD "FOYER" SOUL - Darrell Doesken leads this Bible study on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am in the Gathering Place. This group listens to a song, then they study the Scripture behind the song and how it pertains to us today. For questions, please contact Darrell Doesken at mbd55@hotmail.com.

THE "PRIME" GROUP - (mid-20s-40s - People Right In the Middle of Everything) meets in room 110 on Sunday mornings from 9:15—10:15. Contact Chris or Jennifer Williams if you have questions.

MONDAY

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED - Church office closed on Mondays. Staff work remotely.

FELLOWSHIP HALL & ROOM 106 RESERVED -

Fellowship Hall & Room 106 are reserved from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm for Department of Correction Workshop.

ROOM 100 RESERVED - Room 100 is reserved on Monday at 5:30 pm.

WESTSIDERS CONNECT GROUP - This group is studying Proverbs. They meet on Mondays at 6:30 pm at various homes on the west side. If you are interested in joining them, please reach out to Nancy Larson by text @ 316-516-7350 with questions.

TUESDAY

FELLOWSHIP HALL & ROOM 106 RESERVED - Fellowship Hall & Room 106 are reserved from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm for Department of Correction Workshop.

TOGETHER IN HIS WORD - This connect group meets from 10—11:30 on Tuesday mornings. During their weekly meetings, their time includes prayer, Bible study, card ministry, serving, fellowship and a freewill offering for Missionaries Tim & Beth Heiney. Friends are welcome! They are studying the Book of John. Coffee and water are available and feel free to bring snacks to share! Contact Ramona Peshek (ramonapeshek@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or would like to participate.

BOARD OF CARING - Their January 16 meeting was rescheduled to Tuesday, January 23rd at 11:45 am.

BOARD OF PROPERTIES - They will meet on Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 pm. Please contact Angie Fischer if you cannot attend the meeting.

FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVED - The Fellowship Hall is reserved on Tuesday from 7—9 pm for HOA Meeting.

WEDNESDAY

FELLOWSHIP HALL & ROOM 106 RESERVED -

Fellowship Hall & Room 106 are reserved from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm for Department of Correction Workshop.

STAFF MEETING - The church staff meets at **11 am on Wednesdays**. Please refrain from calling the church office during this time.

PRAISE TEAM REHEARSAL - Praise Team will rehearse at 5:45 on Wednesday evening to prepare for the Sunday morning worship services. See Alan Sevart or Chad Harmon if you have questions.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MINISTRIES - Join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 pm. There is something for people of every age! Please use entrance #4 as those doors will be unlocked until 6:45 on Wednesday evenings. Please call the church at 683-5538 if the doors are locked and you need in.

KIDS & YOUTH MINISTRIES

- * A preschool/nursery room Childcare for this age group is currently not available—If you would like to volunteer, contact the church office.
- * **King's Kids** is for children in Grades K-5. Children participate in activities to strengthen their relationship with God and with each other. **PARENTS** Please stop by room 100A to pick up your children by 7:30.
- * Confirmation is for grades 6-8. This class prepares students for their eighth-grade confirmation. This class meets in rooms 106 & 107. Parents remember to meet your youth at entrance #4 at 7:30.
- * **IMPACT!** is for grades 9-12 which includes Bible studies, community building, servant activities and fun! Meet in rooms 108 & 109.

ADULT CONNECT GROUP MINISTRIES

Adult Connect Groups meet from 6:30—7:25pm

- Adult Praise Choir will meet on Wednesdays, from 6:30—7:25 pm in the Worship Center. Contact Valerie Mack & Nancy Wesche if you have questions.
- Adult Bible Study: Based on the book "Trustworthy: Overcoming Our Greatest Struggles to Trust God" by Lisa Terkeurst. Jeana Jones will lead this study in room 110 from 6:30—7:25 pm.
- "Bell Choir The Adult Bell Choir meets on Wednesday evenings from 7:30—8:15 in the Worship Center. This choir could use 2 more ringers. Contact Joyce Woods (dandjkeasey@yahoo.com) if you are interested or have questions.

THURSDAY

FELLOWSHIP HALL & ROOM 106 RESERVED

- Fellowship Hall & Room 106 are reserved from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm for Department of Correction Workshop.

MEN'S BASKETBALL - Every Thursday evening at 6:00 pm, there is recreational basketball for men 21 y/o and older in the multipurpose room. Contact Tim Steinert at 210-3335 if you have questions.

<u>FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVED</u> - The Fellowship Hall is reserved on Thursdays from 6—9 pm for Jazz Band Practice.

FRIDAY

#6 OVER EASY - This men's connect group meets each Friday at 8:00 am at Fairmount Coffee Co. They are studying the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome. Contact Pastor Wiechman with questions.

NEXT SUNDAY

INSTALLATION OF ELECTED COUNCIL

MEMBERS - During both worship services on Sunday, January 28, **ALL** Elected Council Members (those newly elected and those continue their service) will be installed during both worship services.

CONNECT GROUP LEADERS MEETING

Connect Group Leaders will meet on Sunday, January 28th at 6:00 p.m. Please be sure your Connect Group is represented at the meeting. If you are unable to attend, please contact Pastor CJ.

COUNCIL MEETING - The Church Council will meet on Sunday, January 28th at 7:15 p.m. Please contact Chris Williams if you cannot attend the meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DONATIONS FOR GAMMON ELEMENTARY -

Gammon needs donations of individually packaged crackers (no sugary snacks) for their Newcomers Program (they have a late lunch and have difficulty focusing when hungry). Please bring donations to the church office. If you would like to serve by delivering donations, contact Laurie Casey.



HELP WITH EASTER FAMILY FUN! - Easter Family Fun is scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd from 3:30 -5pm. Well over 225 guests have joined us for this community event and your help is needed. Many hands make light work! This year we would like individuals, groups of people, or Connect Groups to take responsibility for organizing elements within our event. Please consider helping in the following areas:

- Crafts
- Toddler Crafts
- Sugar Cookie Decorating
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Games
- Face Painting Vickie Lohman
- Guess-N-Win Jars
- Temporary Tattoos
- Picture Backdrop
- Colored Hair Spray
- Palm Weaving Maggie Newton
- Pretzels & Lemonade

...any other additions you think would make our event better! For more details, contact Laurie Casey.

THIRD TUESDAY BOOK CLUB - The Book Club meet on the third Tuesday each month from 1—2 pm in Room 110. Risen Savior graciously allows us to meet at the church. All are welcome to come and join in the discussion or just sit and listen. Feel free to bring a friend or two. If you like, you don't have to come to all but can attend only those months you are interested in the book selected. Direct questions to Marilyn Cook at 706-7442.

Books for the 2024 Third Tuesday Book Club

Feb. 20 A Man Called Ove, Frederick Backman (Fic)

Mar. 19 Killers of the Flower Moon, David Grann (Hist Fic)

Apr. 16 **Born a Crime**, Trevor Noah (Hist Fic)

May 21 Dessert and Decisions on Books for 2024-25

GRIEFSHARE - Upcoming Classes:

- Loss of Spouse Seminar Loss of a Spouse is a 2-hour seminar for people grieving a spouse's death. The seminar features a video with practical, encouraging advice from counselors, pastors, and widowed men and women, followed by a small-group sharing time. Participants will learn what to expect in the days ahead, how to handle the loneliness, and how to find the strength to go on. Everyone who attends receives a booklet with over 30 short readings on how to live with grief and eventually rebuild your life. Invite someone you know who might benefit by participating in this seminar. Flyers are located in the Gathering Place. Please register by calling the church office at 683-5538.
- GriefShare 13-week Class Tuesdays, March 5, 2024 -Tuesday, May 30, 2024 (Joan Streck & Rusty Peterson)
 Pick up information in the Gathering Place. See the above individuals with questions.

LWML UPCOMING EVENTS - Please contact Kris Alvarez (krisalvarez18@cox.net) for questions. Save the dates for the following LWML events:

- Mar 2, 2024 Women's Retreat, Holy Cross, Wichita
- April 12-14, 2024 Kansas District LWML, Double Tree Airport, Wichita
- Jun 26-29, 2025 LWML Nat'l Convention, Omaha, NE

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL - We're having fun and learning a lot at Sunday School! Grades K-5 meet in 100A & B, the Preschool Class meets in room 102 and the Nursery is in room 104. Parents with children through grade 8 should accompany their children to the classroom at 9:15 am and pick them up from their classrooms at 10:15 am.

WEDNESDAY EVENING KING'S KIDS - King's Kids is for children in Grades K-5. Children participate in activities to strengthen their relationship with God and with each other. PARENTS - Please stop by room 100A to get your children by 7:30. Nursery/Preschool age class is not available at this time. If you are interested in helping contact Brianna Burns (appelbp01@gmail.com).

KING'S KIDS PANCAKE/SAUSAGE LENTEN

MEAL - The King's Kids and their parents will be hosting the Ash Wednesday meal on February 14. Watch for a signup email to help with this meal! Contact Sarah

Ashbrenner if you have questions. Thrivent will be providing the funding for most of the food!

JR. YOUTH - GRADE 6-8

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Grades 6-8 meet in rooms 106 and 107. Parents should accompany their Jr. Youth to the classroom at 9:15 am and pick them up from their classroom at 10:15 am. See Ellen Blomberg or Jed Heath if you have questions.

CONFIRMATION SERVANT HOURS - There are all kinds of servant hours available here at Risen Savior! Contact the church office.

CONFIRMATION CLASS - This class meets on Wednesday evenings for those in grades 6-8 from 6:30-7:30. Please bring your confirmation notebook, Bible, Catechism and a pen or pencil. The 6th Graders meet in the Library, the 7th Graders in room 105 and 8th Graders in rooms 106 & 107. Contact Set (set@risensavior.net) if you have questions.

JR. YOUTH QUAKE - This event for Jr. Youth will be held February 2-4, 2024 at the Hyatt Regency here in Wichita! The family cost is now \$180 plus 1 meal (you will also bring your 2 breakfast meals with you). The registration fee pays a portion of two nights at the Hyatt, programing expenses, a pizza meal and a t-shirt! Our Jr. Youth Account will pay for the rest of the expenses! Those registered to go are Kale Castaneda, Chloe Carpenter, Elijah Jaso, Kaitlyn Jones, Natalie Perkins, Tyson Schotte, Corbin Williams and Knox Wilson. Please contact Shane Saathoff at shane@thesaathoffs.us for questions.

2024 MIDDLE SCHOOL HUDDLE - The 2024 Middle School Huddle event is Friday, April 19 (6:30 beginning time) - Saturday, April 20 (2:00 ending time) at the Rock Springs 4H Center near Junction City. Middle schoolers (6th – 8th grade) and adult leaders from across the Kansas District will come together for worship, Bible study, service, and fellowship. **PARENTS:** The registration email was sent out on January 17! **Registration deadline is March 13!** The family portion of the registration fee is \$40 plus travel meals/stops. Be sure to get your payment to the church office as soon as you register (checks made out to Risen Savior or you can pay through our website)! Contact Shane Saathoff if you have questions.

LENTEN MEAL - The Jr. Youth and their parents will host the Lenten Meal on Wednesday, March 6! Jr. Youth families are asked to provide desserts and help with the setup, serving and cleanup. Watch for a signup email to help provide food and service! This is a great way you can help support our Jr. Youth Ministries!

EASTER BREAKFAST - The Jr. & Sr. Youth and their parents will be hosting the Easter Breakfast on Sunday morning, March 31! Parents, watch for a signup email to help! Everyone's help will be needed! Parents, if you can help "head up" this meal, please contact Shane Saathoff asap! PLEASE NOTE: Set up for the breakfast will be Saturday morning, March 30 at 10 am.

<u>UPCOMING ACTIVITIES</u>

February 2-4: Jr. Youth Quake March 6: Lenten Meal

March 30: Set up for Easter Breakfast

March 31: Easter Breakfast

April 19-20: Middle School Huddle, Rock Springs

May 5: Confirmation Sunday

SR. YOUTH - GRADES 9-12

SUNDAY SCHOOL - The Sr. Youth meet in rooms 108 and 109 each Sunday morning. Bring your Bible! See Marc Jones or Set Saathoff if you have questions.

IMPACT! - The Sr. Youth meet weekly on Wednesday, from 6:30-7:30 pm in rooms 108 and 109. Please contact Shane Saathoff at shane@thesaathoffs.us for questions.

LENTEN MEAL - The Sr. Youth and their parents will host the Lenten Meal on Wednesday, February 28! Sr. Youth families are asked to provide desserts and help with the setup, serving and cleanup. Watch for a signup email to help provide food and service! This is a great way you can help support our Sr. Youth Ministries!

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LCMS YOUTH GATHERING 2025! - The 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering will be held in New Orleans July 19-23, 2025! Start saving your \$\$ now - if you begin saving \$5-\$10/month now you will have a good start on your of funding for this event!

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March 6: Lenten Meal

March 30: Set up for Easter Breakfast

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July 19-23, 2025: LCMS Youth Gathering

FAIRMOUNT MINISTRIES

COLLEGE AGED - A Bible Study Group for all college students and college aged young adults meets at Fairmount Coffee Co. on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP - Fairmount Ministries Young Adult Group is for recent grads, grad students, and young professionals. Contact Maggie Goering at 620-952-1422 if you would like to get involved!

FOOD FOR FAIRMOUNT - Thank you for your generosity towards the Fairmount Blessing Box! They are requesting pull-top canned goods or easy open pouches. Some very popular items are individual Mac-n-cheese containers, cereal and ramen.

T.O.T. (formerly Theology on Tap) - Pastor Scott Goltl from Ascension Wichita will lead the discussion on Sunday, Jan. 21st 6 to 8 pm at Old School Tap House in Kechi (210 Kechi Rd).

CHICKEN N PICKLE GIVE BACK NIGHT - On Tuesday, Feb. 6th from 6 to 8 pm, 10% of all food and drink purchases at Chicken N Pickle will be donated to Fairmount!

OTHER INFORMATION

FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

- If you would like to provide flowers for the Altar on a particular Sunday, please sign up on the flower chart, located by the information table. Please order the flowers to be delivered to the church by noon on the Friday before. If you have any questions or would like to use vases from the church, call the church office (316-683-5538).

SEE SOMETHING THAT'S BROKEN? - Toilet not flushing? Burnt out light bulb? Door not latching properly? If you see something around the church that needs fixed, please email: fixit@risensavior.net.

<u>PICTURES!</u> - If you have pictures you would like to send in to the church office of your Bible study or church activity, you may send them to: pics@risensavior.net.

<u>DILLONS COMMUNITY REWARDS</u> - Thank you to all who have enrolled! Your help supports our Youth Ministries and has been a great blessing! Pick up the blue instruction sheet at the information table or contact Shane Saathoff (shane@thesaathoffs.us) for help. When you shop at Dillon's and swipe your Plus Shoppers Card, Risen Savior receives a portion of your purchase.

REACH OUT FOR OUTREACH - Handmade cards are available at the church for a Suggested Donation (noted on each card) with ALL proceeds supporting Risen Savior's Community **OutReach**. Please see the Rotating Rack outside the church office to select your cards. Many types of cards are offered. Please see Carol Garrett with any questions.

<u>DIRECTORY UPDATES</u> - If you would like information about our online directory, go to <u>www.risensavior.net</u> and click on "Membership Directory" under News & Events.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR RISEN

SAVIOR - You can view the complete plan in a manual located at the sign up table in the Fellowship Hall and in the church office. If you would like to be a part of the Emergency Response Team, or have any questions, please contact Angie Fischer or Laurie Casey.

PRAYER PAGES - Please keep our Prayer Pages updated by contacting the church office with changes.



PLEASE NOTE OUR INCLEMENT WEATHER

PLAN - In the event that services or events need to be postponed, it will be publicized in the following ways:

- 1. Sunday Worship will be announced on Channel 12 and...
- 2. An email announcement will be sent and...
- 3. It will be posted on the Risen Savior website and Facebook.

FAMILY MAILBOXES - Check your family box each week! Family mailboxes are located in the hallway next to the coffee bar in the Gathering Place.

<u>PLEASE CHECK FIRST</u> - Please make sure to check with the church office before scheduling an event at the church to avoid conflicts with other scheduled activities.



Ash Wednesday - February 14
Lenten Services - February 21, 28, March 6, 13, & 20
Palm Sunday - March 24
Maundy Thursday Service - March 28
Good Friday Service - March 29
Easter Sunday - March 31



Family Lenten Meals: 5:30-6:15 p.m.

February 14 - King's Kids & Parents: Pancake & Sausage Supper!

February 21 - Open (Please contact the church if you would like to host this meal.)

February 28 - Sr. Youth & Parents: Potato Bar and More!

March 6 - Jr. Youth & Parents: Tacos and More!

March 13 - Open (Please contact the church if you would like to host this meal.)

March 20 - Open (Please contact the church if you would like to host this meal.)

Celebrations This Week!

Please take a moment to note those who are celebrating Birthdays, Baptismal Birthdays, and Wedding Anniversaries and acknowledge them on their special day. If your special day is not listed, please contact the church office so we can update our records.

	<u>Birthdays</u>		Baptism Birthdays			
1/22	Doreen Scheuerman	1/25	Reece Burns			
1/25	Reece Burns	1/25	Mike Carson			
1/28	Ted Blosser	1/26	Chad Harmon	1 January		
1/28	Pastor Terry Wiechman	1/27	Henry Miller	BIRTHDAYS		
		1/27	Rhett Miller			

General Fund Offerings	Phase 3 Offerings	Monthly General Amount Needed	Monthly Phase 3 Amount Needed
November 2023	November 2023	for 2023 Work Program	for 2023 Work Program
\$60,613.61	\$8,093.00	\$68,915.67	\$18,508.72

Schedule of Ministries and Events at Risen Savior this Week!

January 21 - January 28, 2024

TODAY:	Worship Services with Holy Communion	8:00 & 10:30 am
	Information for February Due to the Church Office	
	Blood Pressure Checks - Health & Wellness Office	9:00 - 9:20 am & 10:15 - 10:30 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	9:15 - 10:15 am
MONDAY:	Office Closed—Staff work remotely	
	Fellowship Hall & Room 106 Reserved for Workshop	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
	Room 100 Reserved for Fairmount Call Committee	5:30 pm
	Westsiders	6:30 pm
TUESDAY:	Fellowship Hall & Room 106 Reserved for Workshop	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
	Together in His Word - Room 100	10:00 - 11:30 am
	Board of Properties Meeting	6:30 pm
	Fellowship Hall Reserved for HOA Meeting	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY:	Fellowship Hall & Room 106 Reserved for Workshop	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
	Staff Meeting	11:00 a.m 12:00 pm
	Praise Team Rehearsal	5:45 pm
	Wednesday Evening Ministries	·
	King's Kids - Grades K-5 - Room 100A	6:30 - 7:30 pm
	Confirmation - Grades 6-8 - Room 106/107	6:30 - 7:30 pm
	IMPACT! - Grades 9-12 - Rooms 108/109	6:30 - 7:30 pm
	Adult Praise Choir - Worship Center	6:30 - 7:25 pm
	Adult Bible Study - Room 110	6:30 - 7:25 pm
	Bell Choir - Worship Center	7:30 - 8:15 pm
	Fellowship Hall & Room 106 Reserved for Workshop	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
	Men's Basketball - Gym	6:00 pm
	Fellowship Hall Reserved for Jazz Band Practice	6:00 - 9:00 pm
FRIDAY:	#6 Over Easy @ Fairmount Coffee Co.	8:00 am
SUNDAY:	Worship Services	8:00 & 10:30 am
	Installation of Elected Council Members	
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes	9:15 - 10:15 am
	Connect Group Leaders Meeting - Room 110 Church Council Meeting - Room 110	6:00 pm
	Church Council Meeting - Room 110	7:15 pm