

# THE CONNECTION

Weekly Newsletter



September 13, 2026



*The crafters club of Our Savior began handmade card sales to support the school's multipurpose sports court Sunday, September 6, 2026 (p.4)*



# SEPTEMBER



## SUN. 9/13

### **8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services**

Bible Study—9:15 a.m. | Kids Connect—10:30 a.m.

Board of Lay Ministry Meeting—12:15 p.m.

## MON. 9/14–TUES. 9/15

*Schedule open*

## WED. 9/16

Discussion Group—11 a.m.

Handbells Practice—6:30 p.m.

## THURS. 9/17

Round Table (Young Adults Discussion)—6 p.m.

## FRI. 9/18–SAT. 9/19

*Church office closed*

## SUN. 9/20

### **8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services**

Bible Study—9:15 a.m. | Kids Connect—10:30 a.m.

## MON. 9/21

Women's Group Meeting—6:30 p.m.

## TUES. 9/22

*Schedule open*

## WED. 9/23

Discussion Group—11 a.m.

Handbells Practice — 6:30 p.m.

## THURS. 9/24

Church Planning Council Meeting— 6 p.m.

## FRI. 9/25

*Church office closed*

## SAT. 9/26

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Crafters Marketplace—9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## SUN. 9/27

### **8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services**

Bible Study—9:15 a.m. | Kids Connect—10:30 a.m.

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Crafters Marketplace—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Birthday Club—12 p.m.

# PRAYERS

## **Prayers for the following OSL church**

**members:** Carol Chaddock, Marianne DeMinck, Roger Detwiler, Howard Fischer, Sue Franjione, Susan George-Kenyon, Karen Goth, Gerry Gruenbaum, Betty Hea, Bob Johnson, Prentis Johnson, Robert Latimer, James and Pam Leone, Jack Lowe, Carol (Coram) Ross, Beverly Smith, Robert Spencer, Linda Verdi, and Jan and Steve Withers.

## **Members & Family in the Armed Services:**

**Dustin Douglas** (son-in-law of Les and Juli Mellott) at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Tacoma, WA; **Brock Van Sant** at Officer Candidate School in Quantico Bay, VA.

## **Rehabilitation Home:** Ron Holub

*If you have prayer requests, please let us know by filling out a **Connect Card** or **colored prayer card** found in the pews. Our Prayer Team (Debi Bauer, Norma Miller, Robert Spencer, and Jodi Waldron) will gather the cards and pray for those needs. For personal prayers and/or additional spiritual guidance, please contact Pastor Tony at (954) 473-6888.*

**Judy and Roger Detwiler with their daughters Shelly and Maria, granddaughter Megan, and friend Debi Bauer celebrated Judy's 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday on a Royal Caribbean cruise.**

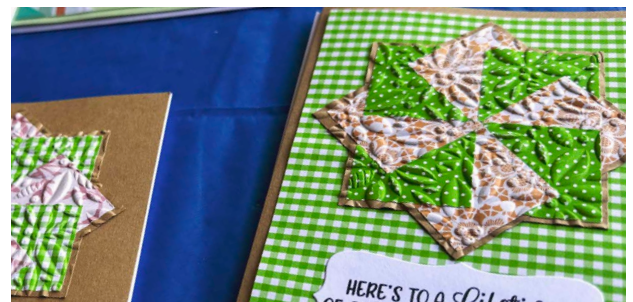




*From left to right: Lerryn Latimer, Chris Presson, Judy Watson  
(Not pictured: Agnes Karabetos, Arlene Lyth, Mary Ann O'Keefe and Nancy Volz)*

**CRAFTED TO GIVE: HANDMADE CARDS BY THE LADIES OF OUR SAVIOR** The ladies' card crafting group's first Sunday sale was a hit! Their one-of-a-kind handmade cards are selling quickly, with some designs already sold out. (Especially popular are cards with little surprises, such as packets of seeds and handmade bookmarks 🍷).

Featuring paper quilling, embossing, precision cutting, and personal touches, these high-quality cards are a lovely way to let someone know you're thinking of them. Get yours for \$5 after either worship service on Sunday! Cash only. All proceeds benefit the OSL School Multipurpose Sports Court Fund. Questions? Contact **Judy** at **(954) 473-6888**.



Let's Give & Play!

WELCOME TO THE *Famous* MANDALAY BAYS

TOY DONATIONS NEEDED!

HELP US MAKE BINGO NIGHT A WINNING EVENT!

DONATE A TOY FOR **FAMILY** Bingo Night!

AT THE FAMOUS MANDALAY BAYS

PLEASE TURN IN DONATED TOYS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE *by* FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

SMALL DONATIONS MAKE A BIG IMPACT!

NEW, UNUSED TOYS FOR ALL AGES ARE APPRECIATED!

TOYS | GAMES | ACTIVITIES | PUZZLES | GIFT CARDS

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR OSL FAMILIES!

Whether or not you can donate, **FAMILY BINGO NIGHT**, hosted by the school's PTO, will be held **Saturday, September 19** from **6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

**All ages are welcome!**

If you have any questions, contact **Our Savior Lutheran School** at **(954) 370-2161**.



HELP FILL MIGHTY  
MITE-TILDA!



Our Women's Group is sending 9 ladies to the 2026 FL-GA LWML Convention, and Mighty Mite-tilda needs your help! Drop your spare change, cash, or mites into Mite-tilda over the next two weeks. Every bit adds up—even small change makes a big difference for mission grants!

Event:  
2026 FL-GA LWML  
District Convention

Dates:  
September 18–20, 2026

Location:  
PGA National Resort,  
Palm Beach Gardens



A WEEKEND OF  
**FELLOWSHIP  
CREATIVITY  
COMMUNITY**

ALL ARE  
*Welcome!*

# OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

## 3rd Annual CRAFTERS Marketplace

Join us for handmade treasures,  
warm hospitality, and community connection.



8001 NW 5th St,  
Plantation, FL



*Saturday*

SEPTEMBER 26TH  
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM



*Sunday*

SEPTEMBER 27TH  
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM



*Serving Christ.  
Serving Others.  
Changing Lives.*



### WE INVITE YOU!

Come shop, connect, and support local artisans while encouraging our ministry and reaching our community.

Join us for worship at 8:00am or 10:30am on Sunday and stay afterward to enjoy the Marketplace!



FOR VENDOR INFORMATION GO TO:

<https://form.jotform.com/oslfundraising/3rd-annual-craft-marketplace-2026>



HANDMADE  
CRAFTS & GIFTS



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*Questions? Call* (954) 347-0082  
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**CHURCH PLANNING COUNCIL DINNER MEETING (8.27.2026)** Last week, the Church Planning Council invited all board members to join a special kickoff dinner meeting at the Jim Ward Community Center, introducing the church to real people in our community to learn firsthand the needs of people closest to us. From the interview panel and discussions, they discovered the charms and warmth that drew them to Our Savior and how they looked forward to our reactive and progressive ministry efforts.



**DOG OF THE WEEK: SNOWBALL (LYNDA KYSE)** Meet Snowball, the sweet and adorable six-year-old Maltipoo belonging to church member Lynda Kyse! With her gentle personality, mellow nature, and love for people, Snowball has quickly become a favorite wherever she goes.

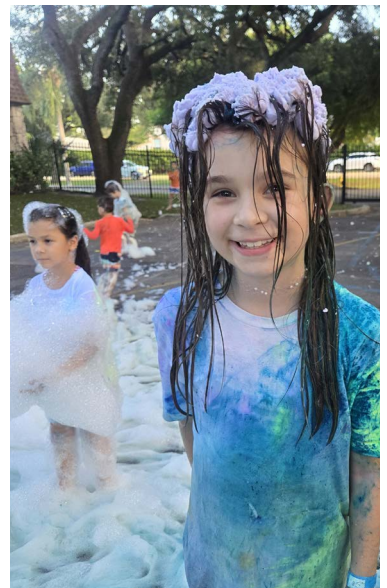
Last year, the school invited Lynda and Snowball to become special reading buddies for our first-grade students. Snowball's calm and loving presence makes her the perfect companion for young readers, providing a little encouragement and a lot of cuddles along the way. We're so happy to have this lovable little pup as part of the OSL family!

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL BUBBLE BASH & DUCK RACE!

Kids Connect families kicked off the new school year with an evening full of bubbles, color, pizza, and fun! On Friday, August 28, children enjoyed the Bubble Truck, a colorful Color War, snow cones, and plenty of time to hang out with friends.

The highlight of the evening was the Rubber Duck Races, where kids used water shooters to send their ducks racing down the inflatable track for a chance to win a \$25 Target gift card. It was a fun-filled evening and a great way to start the new school year together!







## OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL Annual Fund 2025-2026

### IT'S TIME TO MAKE A CHANGE!

Help turn this dusty play field  
into a **Field of Dreams!**

Currently, the permit is being  
processed, so please join in to  
help us make this a reality by  
donating today.



You can contribute by **making checks payable to Our Savior Lutheran School** with the memo line **"Multipurpose Sports Court"** or **scan the QR code** to make an online payment.

**\$38,991.94**

RAISED

**57**

DONATIONS

**\$150,000**

GOAL

**SATURDAY  
10. 24. 2026**

# Trunk or Treat

**3-5:30 P.m.**



**OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL  
8001 NW 5<sup>TH</sup> ST. PLANTATION, FL 33324**

Questions? Contact **Judy** at (954) 473-6888.

We give thanks for the faithful life of our sister in Christ, **Marianne DeMinck**, who went home to be with Our Lord on **September 4, 2026** at the age of **87**. While we grieve her loss, we rejoice knowing she is now peacefully reunited in Heaven with her beloved husband, David, who preceded her last May.



Devoted members of Our Savior Lutheran Church since 1975, Marianne and David left an enduring mark of love, faith, and fellowship on our church family. Reflecting on her legacy, her son shared his deep gratitude to Our Savior for her full, blessed life and the cherished childhood memories that filled their home. May the peace of Christ comfort her family during this season, even as we praise God for the sweet assurance of eternal life.

### BIRTHDAYS

#### SEP 1

Addison Westby

#### SEP 4

Carole McClure

Cheryl Walters

Judy Watson

#### SEP 10

Robert McClure

#### SEP 13

Tony Linley

#### SEP 16

Craig Chaddock

Bill Presson

#### SEP 18

Pamela Leone

Kathy Thurn

#### SEP 19

Neil Topalian

#### SEP 20

Heyabey Kifle

Jodi Waldron

#### SEP 23

Harry Haeseker

#### SEP 25

Frank Ahrens

Lauren Bhalai

#### SEP 26

Anne Chiaro

#### SEP 27

Nancy Volz

#### SEP 28

Dorothy Royce

#### SEP 30

Emmanuel Kifle

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

#### SEP 1

Tom Mahle & Gail McGowan (31)

#### SEP 2

Robert & Carole McClure (59)

#### SEP 10

Paul & Maria Krug (43)

#### SEP 20

Carol & Bruce Ross (2)

#### SEP 21

Tony & Junko Durante (32)



### ALTAR FLOWERS UPDATES



Kindly fill out the Chancel Flower Sign-Up slip and include it with your payment. These are found on the back of the newsletter or in the pews (green slip). Please include it with your payment. Please notify us if you are paying via VANCO.

**The flowers adorning the chancel this Sunday were graciously provided by the Flower Fund.**

**PLEASE NOTE: All altar flowers will be gathered and held in the church office immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service. This will ensure that flowers paid for by members are received by the intended recipients. Thank you!**

### HELP US UPDATE UR DATABASE

If you are a member and have not seen your birthday or anniversary listed in our newsletter, kindly contact **Mika** at, (954) 473-6888.

Not sure if you're a member? Contact us. We'd love to help you find out!



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## ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS



Kindly fill out the **Chancel Flower Sign-Up** slip and include it with your payment. These are found below or in the pews. We currently only accept checks, cash, or VANCO payments. Please notify the church office when giving through the VANCO app or website.



## CHANCEL FLOWERS SIGN-UP



If you would like to have flowers on the altar on a given Sunday in honor of someone, in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate a birthday, etc., all you need to do is fill out this form and put it in the offering plate. The cost is \$25.00 per order; two pieces would cost \$50.00. Call the church office if you have any questions, (954) 473-6888.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date you would like flowers: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor, Memory, Celebration, or Thanksgiving of \_\_\_\_\_



*Check this box if you would like to collect your flowers after the 10:30 a.m. service.*

**We will hold them in the church office.**

*Any unclaimed flowers will be donated to a local nursing home. Thank you.*

FOR OFFICE:

# of bouquets \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Paid \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_