



# Our Saviour's *Lutheran Church*

DECEMBER 2023 | ORANGE, CA



## Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 24  
5:00pm

Join us for a magical service with  
candlelight, Holy Communion, and  
special music by our Chancel  
Choir, Bell Choir and  
Brass Quartet

# Presidents Message

Can you believe that Christmas is almost here? The new church year starts on December 3<sup>rd</sup> with that being the first Sunday in Advent. December is always a wonderful time of the year with many gatherings and most importantly the celebration of the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

The council approved the draft budget for 2024. You should have received a letter from me with the draft budget for your review so that we can vote and approve it at Part I of our congregational meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup> after church. You also should have received a Stewardship letter asking for your pledges by the 26<sup>th</sup> of November, which hopefully you all have submitted. As you will note from the draft budget it is a negative budget. The prediction is that we will spend more than the projected offering before the pledges were received. Hopefully with the pledges received, the offerings will be more. Pray for the church and its finances for 2024.

The second item of business for part 1 of the meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup> is election of three council members. We lost two council members due to illness during 2023, Heather Wilkens and Lawton Miller. (Both are missed but are with our Lord.) The third council position which completes this year is Christine Garcia. Christine has agreed to run again along with Nelly Walker and Jon Davis. If any one of you know of someone else that would run for council, please let me know.

We will be having the Living Nativity on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> from 5-8PM. We have invited Getsemani Apostolic Church to be a part of the Nativity by being part of the cast. The nativity always brings out the neighbors as they all want to see the live animals. Hopefully you all can come by also.

The Great Thanksgiving Feast was wonderful. Over 64 persons participated which included 5 from Christ Lutheran Church. The food was wonderful, especially the turkey. A collection for Lutheran Disaster Response, in particular the Maui disaster, was taken during the feast and \$960 was collected. We are only \$40 short of our \$1,000 goal, so if any of you still wish to contribute, please do so. Thank-you to all who gave to LDR.

There will be a cookie exchange after church on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Bring your favorite cookie to share. Cookie plates will also be made and brought to and shared with our shut ins.

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Some good news, the Synod provided us a Pastoral candidate to consider for OSLC. The council will be meeting with that person in the next couple of weeks. If all goes well, there may be a “meet and greet” scheduled within the next month, and then a vote would be taken. Pray for this process and that this person may be the right fit.

Looking forward to seeing you all on December 3rd at church for part 1 of the congregational meeting, and every Sunday as well as on Christmas Eve. If you cannot be at church, hopefully you are watching on the church’s YouTube channel, “bit.ly/oursaviourslutheran” or on the church’s Facebook site, “Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church-Orange”. Also, as a reminder current and past services maybe be watched via the church’s web site, “www.orangeoslc.org”,

Blessings to you all and I wish you all a Very Merry & Blessed Christmas!

Steve



## Staff

**Director of music:** *Chelsea Dehn*  
**Bell Choir Director:** *Sarah Moreno*  
**Office Administrator:** *Melissa Pool*  
**Accompanist:** *MinJung Seo*

**OSLC Phone:** 714-639-9390  
**OSLC Email:** office@orangeoslc.org  
**OSLC Website:** Orangeoslc.org  
**OSLC Facebook:** *Our Saviour's Lutheran Church-Orange*  
**Children's Center Director:** Jennifer Gates  
**Children's Center Phone:** 714-771-5040

## Council Members

**President:** *Steve Vennier*  
**Vice President:** *Jan Johnson*  
**Secretary:** *Carol Youngman*  
**Treasure:** *Bob Hunter*  
*Christine Garcia - Violet Yoshizumi*  
*Steven Yoshizumi*  
*Melissa Pool -Jeanine Singer*

## Committee Heads

**Adult Fellowship:** *Melissa Pool*  
**Christian Ed:** *Sarah Moreno*  
**Finance:** *Bob Hunter*  
**Men's Ministry:** *Steve Vannier*  
**OSCC Board:** *Nelly Walker*  
**Personnel:** *Steven Yoshizumi*  
**Property:** *Steve Vannier*  
**Stewardship:** *Carol Youngman*  
**Social Ministry:** *Janice Bosecke/ Betty Dierking*  
**Women's Ministry:** *Jan Johnson*



# Chelsea Celebrates 20 years As Music Director



November 5th we celebrated Chelsea and her 20 years here at OSLC. She has been such a bright light leading our Chancel choir and making sure we have wonderful music flowing each Sunday. We look forward to working with Chelsea for another 20 years.

“ I am so blessed to be the Music Director at such a wonderful church! Our congregation is filled with people who are caring, loving, and supportive. Your outpouring of love and appreciation for me on my 20th anniversary was overwhelming and beautiful. Thank you for such a wonderful celebration. I am blessed!”

Chelsea

# Happy Birthday

- 12/1 Sarah Dunn
- 12/14 Orlan Grunklee
- 12/14 Michelle Johnson
- 12/17 Kristin Tolentino
- 12/19 Jeanine Singer
- 12/27 Tara Scully



## December

December food and donation collection

### Friendly Center

- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Oatmeal
- Cereal

### Children's Center

- Nutragrain Bars
- Chex Mix
- Ritz Crackers
- Animal Crackers

## IT'S MEXICAN FIESTA TIME!

ALL ARE WELCOME TO TAKE A BRAKE FROM HOLIDAY SHOPPING AND COME FOR HAPPY HOUR  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH 5PM

RODRIGO'S MEXICAN GRILL  
MEET INTHE BAR.

SEE YOU THERE!  
THIS IS NOT A FUNDRAISER,  
JUST FUN SOCIAL TIME.



# Our Saviour's Children's Center

Merry Christmas from the OSCC staff! I can't believe this year is almost over. Time has flown by so fast this year. Last month we had our Thanksgiving celebrations with the toddler classrooms through the PreK classes. Each class did something a little different this year from snack celebrations to lunch celebrations to baking pies! Pictures are posted on our facebook page if you would like to see some of the fun!

This month our Christmas program will be held on Wednesday, December 6th at 4pm in the sanctuary. The preschool children will be performing songs that they have been rehearsing for the past few weeks. The preschool children have been invited to sing in church on Sunday, December 10th, so we hope to see some of them there.

OSCC will be closed from Friday, December 22nd through Monday, January 1st. We will return back to school on Tuesday, January 2nd.

We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



## Please Keep in Prayer

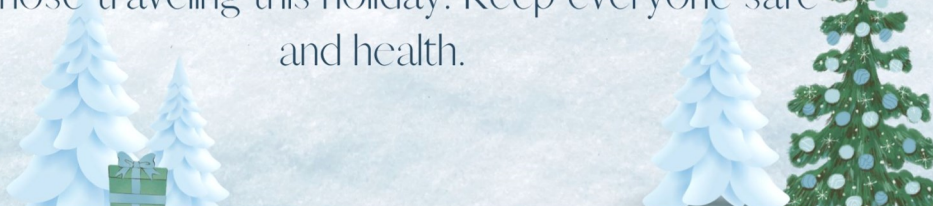
**Holly DiBella**, (Daughter of Janice Bosecke)

**Joan Theilen**, dealing with Ataxia.

**Darlene Steege, Helen Werner**

**Wes Hayes** (next-door neighbor of Janice Bosecke)

All those traveling this holiday. Keep everyone safe  
and health.



# Living Nativity

Saturday, Dec. 16

5-8pm

Come and experience in a recreation of the Living Nativity of Christ.  
With live animals, costumes, and treats.  
Bring the whole family to share in this special event.

On the front lawn, corner of Lomita and Cambridge  
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
800 N. Cambridge St  
Orange, Ca 92867  
714-639-9390  
Orangeosl.org



## CHRISTMAS TREATS

JOIN US FOR COOKIES, COFFEE, & HOT CIDER

SUNDAY DEC. 17

IT IS THE SEASON WHEN SUGAR, SPICES AND EVERYTHING NICE BEGINS TO FILL OUR HOMES IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS. ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17TH REFRESHMENT WILL BE IN MORELAND HALL. PLEASE BRING COOKIES TO SHARE AND PREPARE A PLATE OF COOKIES TO BRING TO OUR SHUT-IN FOR CHRISTMAS. ALL SHUT-INS WILL RECEIVE A VISIT AND PLATE OF COOKIES. A SPECIAL TIME OF CHEER TO GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

## Christmas Poinsettias

Poinsettia plants will adorn the Sanctuary of our Church on Christmas Eve.  
You may reserve one or more plants to be designated in honor or in memory of a loved one.  
Please place this form with your check, payable to Our Savior's Lutheran Church in the offering or drop it off in the church office Please indicate "Poinsettia" in the memo line.

Cost per plant \$10.00

Plants may be taken home following our Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 pm.

### DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 17!

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

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In Honor/Memory of (circle one)

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Number of Poinsettia Pots \_\_\_\_\_

# December

2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3 10a Church 11a SS	4	5	6 4p OSCC Christmas program 5:30p Confirmation 7p Bells 8p Choir	7	8 5p Happy Hour at Rodrigo's	9
10 10a Church 11a SS	11 4p OSCC Board Meeting	12	13 5:30p Confirmation 7p Bells 8p Choir	14 7p Council Meeting	15	16 5p-8p Living Naivity
17 10a Church 11a cookie exchange	18	19	20 7p Bells 8p Choir	21	22	23
24 10a Church 5p Christmas Eve Service	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28	29	30
31 10a Church 11a SS	1	2	3	4	5	6



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Join us Sunday mornings at 10am for our worship service.

Live streaming on YouTube: [bit.ly/OSLCOrangeCA](https://bit.ly/OSLCOrangeCA)

Videos are also uploaded to our website – [orangeoslc.org](https://orangeoslc.org)

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