

# OSL Weekly News:

## Sunday, October 5, 2025

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### This Week

#### *Today:*

**10:30 a.m.** Worship

#### *Monday:*

**9:30 a.m.** Book Study in Fireside Room

**9:30 a.m.** Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall

#### *Tuesday:*

**9:00 a.m.** Quilters in Fellowship Hall

#### *Wednesday:*

**9:30 a.m.** Morning Prayer in the Fireside Room

**7:00 p.m.** Choir rehearsal in the loft

#### *Thursday:*

**9:30 a.m.** Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall

#### *Next Sunday:*

**10:30 a.m.** Worship

### **Community Use of Building:**

During the week we welcome a number of outside groups into our building: Narcotics Anonymous on Sunday at 7:00 p.m., Friday at 6:00 p.m., and Saturday at 6:30 p.m.; Alcoholics Anonymous on Monday at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. & Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.; Gamblers Anonymous on Thursday at 6:15 p.m.; Forever in Motion on Monday at 1:00 p.m.

**Welcome to all those worshipping** with us today. Please come again. You are always welcome! If at some point, you would like to talk to a pastor – to find out about this community of faith, to find a listening ear, or simply to have a friendly visit – please call the church office. Regular office hours are Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

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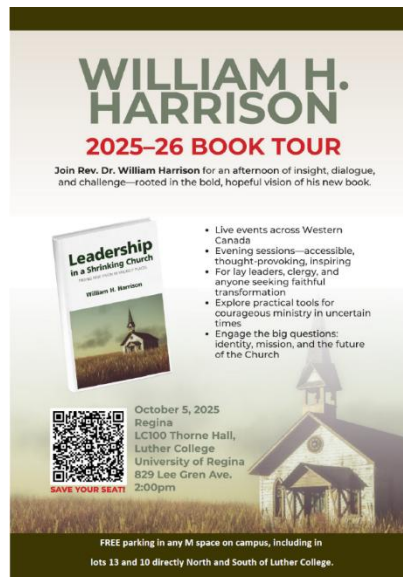
- Bishop Sid Haugen** is our three quarter time interim pastor to the end of January 2026. He is regularly in the church office and can be contacted via e-mail at [BishopSid@oslregina.com](mailto:BishopSid@oslregina.com), by calling the church office, or in case of urgent care, by phone at 306-530-4328.

2. **Children's Church:** All are welcome to join their instructors in the Fireside Room following the Prayer of the Day and the Children's Message. They will return to the service in time for the celebration of communion.
3. **Wednesday Morning Prayer:** All are welcome to join Pastor Sid in this weekly gathering to ponder the text(s) for the upcoming Sunday and pray for the needs of the community. We will meet in the Fireside Room.
4. **Flowers behind the altar:** For those wanting to donate flowers for Sunday worship, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please note flowers need to have little or no scent. Write your name beside the date to which you are committing, and optionally the reason why (e.g. In honour of someone's anniversary OR In memory of a loved one).
5. **Hearing Assistance** headsets and receivers are available in the narthex. Please check with the ushers if you would like to try one out a set.
6. **Regina Lutheran Refugee Committee:** An anonymous donor has given us a matching grant! Any donations that come to us in October will be matched up to \$10,000. E-transfers can be sent to [stmarksdonations@myaccess.ca](mailto:stmarksdonations@myaccess.ca) and cheques should be written to St. Mark's Lutheran Church and marked "For Refugee Support". St. Mark's will send donors their tax receipts early in the new year.
7. **Envelope and Loose Offering:** Envelope and loose offering is being collected as you enter the Sanctuary. Prior to worship, please note the offering plate is on the table at the entrance to the Sanctuary. Please place your offering there as you enter. The plate will only be passed during the service on special occasions.

## Events

1. **Rev. Dr William Harrison, President of the Lutheran Theological Seminary** has written an important new book "Leadership in a Shrinking Church: Finding New Vision in Unlikely Places". He will be in Regina **Sunday October 5, 2pm**, at Luther College at the University of Regina in the Rex Schneider Auditorium to launch his book. Please come to meet Dr Harrison and hear about his work.
2. **October Book Study:** Welcome to our monthly Book Study **on Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Donna Gartshore will lead discussion of Chapter 12 called "The Practice of Pronouncing Blessings" from *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Come for a time of reflection and fellowship.
3. **Indigenous Christian Fellowship:** 4-5 volunteers are needed to help with breakfast on **Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**. If you are interested in volunteering, please provide your name and phone number on the Sign-up Sheet located on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

4. **October 19<sup>th</sup> Special Congregational Meeting:** to vote on accepting our new constitution and bylaws. See the email last week for more detail. There are copies of both the current and new constitution on the usher's table in the narthex.
5. **My Little Plastic Jesus playing Oct 24-26** in a living room near you. **Burnt Thicket Theatre's** hit comedy is touring western Canada, inviting Christians to alter how we engage with culture, and those who are 'done' with church to hear God's voice of love. "We all have baggage," says the play's creator Tim Bratton, "mine just has a 'Honk if you love Jesus' bumper sticker on it." In this house concert-style solo show, Tim unpacks his upbringing in evangelical pop culture, examining its folly and redeeming its faith, from a posture of critical loyalty and hope. Oct 24-26 in Regina living rooms. Tickets, trailer and details at [MyLittlePlasticJesus.com](http://MyLittlePlasticJesus.com).
6. **Save the Date!** On **Sunday November 2, 2025** at 2:00 p.m., Luther College's new President, Dr. Tom Phenix will be installed. Official invitation to follow.



#### **Our Council:**

**Ann Marie Melvie** Chair  
**Dave Solheim**, Vice-Chair  
**Bev Tastad**, Secretary, Treasurer  
**Nancy Hognestad**  
**Barbara Jones**  
**Murray Knuttila**  
**Daryl Nelson**  
**Linda Nilson**  
**Bert Ottenson**  
**Ken Stalwick**

#### **Liaisons:**

**Finance:** Daryl Nelson, Bev Tastad  
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**Justice and Peace:** Barbara Jones  
**Property:** Bert Ottenson  
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**Worship:** Linda Nilson, Dave Solheim, Ann Marie Melvie  
**Children's Ministry:** Nancy Hognestad  
**Youth Ministry:** Ken Stalwick  
**Technology:** Dave Solheim