

# OWLS MINISTRY

## **A. Ministry Purpose:**

Older Wiser Lutheran Seniors (OWLS). The OWLS Ministry provides fellowship for Holy Cross members that serve the purpose of enjoyment and spiritual growth among attendees, stimulating activities, opportunities to take day trips and support all the ministries of Holy Cross.

## **B. Responsible To:**

The Senior Pastor

## **C. Job Description:**

Since OWLS purposes are for mutual satisfaction with meetings and activities, each member participates in planning and executing meetings at church, activities and day trips away from church. Each plan is specific to the individual who has volunteered to carry it out and involves other OWLS who will enjoy whatever the plan involves.

For meetings at church, one person will volunteer to provide a devotion, dessert and beverages for the meeting. Everyone who comes joins in cards, games, conversation and fellowship.

For activities and day trips, one person posts the information and invites others to sign up. That person then makes whatever arrangements are necessary to provide a good experience for everyone who signs up.

## **D. Time Commitment:**

OWLS meet at church for three hours on the first Thursday of each month. Activities and day trips are usually scheduled on the third Thursday of the month, but may change to a different day as necessary. The timing is planned according to the activity.

## **E. Length Of Commitment:**

There is no set commitment to OWLS and no officers who serve a set period of time. Members attend and participate according to their own likes and dislikes.

## **F. Training Provided:**

OWLS members have enjoyed a lifetime of training in all phases of church membership and support for ministries.

When OWLS participate in a program, such as Feed My Starving Children, training is supplied by the program at the time of our volunteer service.

## **G. Skills / Qualifications:**

OWLS possess a love for our Lord and Savior and the joy of involvement in His church. OWLS find satisfaction in fellowship with one another and caring for the seniors of our church and community.

## **H. Benefits to you as a volunteer:**

OWLS gain personal satisfaction in their interactions with one another, their work in support of other ministries of the congregation and outreach to seniors in the congregation and community. Activities and day trips offer opportunities for learning and expanding their enjoyment of all that God has given to us.

## **I. How can I get involved?**

Watch the church bulletins and newsletters for meeting times and details, then come and join us. Or you can call the church office for the current primary contact.