



Notes from Pastor Ned

Wow!

Can you believe it's already a month since my arrival at OSLC? The saying must be true that "time flies when you're having fun" because it sure doesn't seem like a month to me! I am so thankful for the time, though. It is one in which, each week, you welcome me into the life of your church and your

families. I enjoy getting to know all of you and how each of you experiences your faith and life at Our Savior's. It's amazing to me how many are part of the various ministries that serve the congregation and the community.

Since I've arrived, each week I meet the group of faithful stitching quilts together. I've worked with the church's Council and participated in your Annual Meeting – where I heard of your many plans for your future. Then there's those who participated in "Loaves and Fishes" and the "Gay Pride Parade" and other community happenings. At staff meetings, I learned about all this congregation does for children, youth, and families; how you responsibly reach out through Creekside Commons and offer your site for use by non-profits, Springstone School, Scout Troop 200, Peter Pan Foundation, and the Mount Diablo Peace and Justice Center, just to name a few. Then there's all the smaller community events and the Community Supported Agriculture & Fisheries and Riverdog Farm deliveries. And, of course, let's not forget all the music lessons for many budding musicians! WOW! What a congregation bursting with and guided by the Holy Spirit!!

And there's Sunday mornings: Worship; Fellowship Time with one another over coffee and delicious treats; the "After Party" Bible Study for those interested in diving a bit deeper into Scripture. Sundays at OSLC are definitely a time of remembering who we are, rejoicing in whose we are, and being renewed for the week ahead. I'm grateful to be a part of your Sunday morning rituals.

And I look forward to getting to know even more about you in the weeks ahead. God is good!



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