

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to
love one another. 1 John 4:11

The Flame

Two Weeks at a Glance:

- Today (11/16): Library Day & School Store
3:30-4:30 Boys Basketball Practice
7:00 Divine Service
7:45 Bible Study – *God's Grace in the NT*
7:45 6th to 8th Grade Midweek/
Confirmation Class
- Thurs. (11/17): Popcorn Day
8:10 Chapel
1:30 *LifeLight* Bible Study
- Fri. (11/18): **Fun Run Spirit Day #1**
Thanksgiving Benevolence Collection deadline
Wreath & Garland Sales Orders due
Pizza Day
Subway order form due
2:00 - 6:45 Red Cross Blood Drive
- Sun. (11/20): 8:45 Choristers Warm-up
9:00 Jr. Choristers Warm-up
9:30 Divine Service
10:45 Sunday School & Bible Class
12:15 New Membership Class
- Mon. (11/21): Winter Clothing Drive Ends
8:10 Chapel
3:35 Young Flames Piano Program
Group A
- Tues. (11/22): Subway Day
8:30 Scrip order deadline
3:30 - 4:45 Basketball practice
7:30 Adult Volleyball
- Wed. (11/23): **Half Day - 11:45 Dismissal**
Daycare is open
School Store & Library Day
7:00 Divine Service
7:45 Bible Study – *God's Grace in the NT*
- Thurs. (11/24): **Thanksgiving Day**
No School - No Daycare
10:00 Divine Service
- Fri. (11/25): **Thanksgiving Break**
No School - No Daycare
- Sun. (11/27): **First Sunday in Advent**
9:30 Divine Service
10:45 Sunday School & Bible Class
12:15 New Membership Class
6:00 - 8:00 Advent by Candlelight
- Mon. (11/28): **Red Wings Ticket Orders Due**
8:10 Chapel
3:35 Young Flames Piano Program
Group B

From the Principal's Office



Congratulations to Honor Students

First Quarter Honor Roll

High Honor Roll (3.75 - 3.99)
Logan Edmonds - 8th
Emersyn Kolonich - 8th
Matthew Zaremba - 8th

Honor Roll (3.5 - 3.74)

Gabriel Cappellano - 7th
Austin Combs - 8th
Ava Edmonds - 7th
Dominic Ripke - 8th
Lilley Schleif - 7th
Lily Wintland - 8th

Congratulations to Attendance Stars

First Quarter Perfect Attendance

"Perfect attendance means no tardies, absences, or early dismissals." - School Handbook

Frank Pies - 4th
Alyssa Leonard - 3rd
Henry Grupp - 2nd
Cameron Leonard - 2nd
Alexa Bronsberg - 1st
Amelia Ayers - K
Rosalind Roesner - K
Alexandra Wright - K
Stephen Belloli - P3
Larissa Bronsberg - P3
Charlotte Burd - P3
Fiona Osantowski - P3
Natalie Roesner - P3

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Thank you to all families for your attendance at parent-teacher conferences last week. We pray that the conversations will be beneficial for continued academic and spiritual growth of all of our students. While these conferences are scheduled each year at this time, if you have concerns that you wish to address with your child's teacher at anytime during the school year, please feel free to contact the teacher to meet again. Now that conferences are concluded the settings on Fast Direct have been changed that you may view, download, and print your child's report card if you misplace the copy you received during your parent-teacher conference.

FD Broadcast is a feature of our Fast Direct communication system that is designed to allow the school the ability to message the school community in multiple methods in case of an emergency or urgent situation. In order for parents to receive these messages they must have entered an email address, cell phone number, and cell phone provider on their parent information form in Fast Direct. A text notification and email forward are only sent if the appropriate fields are completed on the parent forms. If a parent has opted out of receiving text notifications or email forwarding, an FD broadcast will still be sent to that parent in all methods regardless of the parents' preferences. This is why an FD broadcast is ideal for urgent or emergency situations, as it overrides the parents' preferences for communication. Please check your parent form to see that all of these items have been completed even if you choose to opt out of receiving text and email forwarding of regular messages. Please contact the school office if you need assistance with this.

Fast Direct BuzzBook

The BuzzBook is the school directory for parents and can be accessed from the bottom of your home page. Cell phone numbers and email addresses can be published for both parents. This is only possible if parents have allowed this information to be shared on their Parent Information form. Please view and edit your preferences by clicking "View/Edit Parent Information" at the top of your home page. In the lower right corner of this page are the options for information you would like published to the BuzzBook. Check the options that you want to share with other families in the BuzzBook.

Snow Callers and Weather Related Closings

Snow Callers received their lists a month ago. We ask that you call those families on your list ahead of time to verify the phone number. **We ask that you watch Channel 7 or Channel 6, or listen to WHMI (93.5 FM) or WJR (760 AM) radio for school closing information. Remember if Hartland Schools close, we are closed even if they do not read off our name. If Hartland goes on a delay due to snow, Our Savior will close for the day. When Hartland delays due to fog, we will still begin at 8 a.m.**

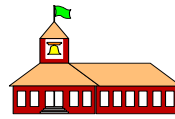
Until 7 a.m. parents are responsible for learning of school closings through the television, radio, or internet. Our snow calling list is in effect ONLY if the initial 'closing' announcement comes **after** 7 a.m.

Looking Ahead / Plan Ahead

- November 18: Red Cross Blood Drive
Fun Run Spirit Day #1
- November 20: Jr. Choristers/Choristers sing for Divine Service
- November 23: 1/2 Day of School: 8-11:45
- November 24: No School—Thanksgiving
- November 25: No School—Daycare Closed
- November 27: Advent by Candlelight
- December 2: Spirit Day
- December 6-8: Christmas Store
- December 9: 1/2 Day of School: 8-11:45

December 13: All School Christmas Service Dress Rehearsal

December 14: Children's Christmas Service 7 p.m.



School News

Wreath and Garland Sales

Students in Grades 5 - 7 are selling fresh wreaths and garlands again this year. The proceeds that each student earns goes to pay for their outdoor education next fall. **Students: *this project could pay for your whole camping experience.*** Order forms are due in the school office by **8:30 a.m. on Friday, November 18.** Wreaths and garlands will be delivered to school during the week of November 28. You will be notified of the exact delivery date. They will need to be picked up between 3:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. on the delivery date.

Jr. Choristers/Choristers Sing Sunday

This Sunday, November 20, the Jr. Choristers and Choristers will be singing for the 9:30 a.m. worship service at Our Savior. Remember, the Jr. Choristers need to meet by 9:00 sharp in the Chapel (corner room at the far side of the church narthex). We need to warm-up, run-through music, and take their place in the choir loft - all by 9:25!

Special Warm Up Time for Choristers:

Because I also need to warm-up with the Jr. Choristers, the Choristers need to meet earlier than normal, at 8:45 sharp in the Choir Loft. We need to warm-up and run-through music - all by 9:05! I will need a volunteer or two to supervise the students and assist with robes while I am working downstairs with the Jr. Choristers. Please let me know if you will help in this way.

Social Ministry Benevolence Collection

The Social Ministry Committee of Our Savior Lutheran Church continues to collect non-perishable foods and items such as peanut butter, jam/jelly, cereal, juice, paper products (toilet paper, tissue, paper towel), aluminum foil, personal hygiene items (shampoo, deodorant, etc.), laundry and cleaning products, and frozen turkeys to help us fill the Thanksgiving baskets that will be given to approximately 18 families in our community. We have 13 turkeys and could use a few more. If you donate a frozen turkey, be sure to notify someone in the school office so it can be labelled and stored appropriately. As of Wednesday morning, Luther House has collected 73 Points and Walther House has accumulated 85 points. Please be as generous as you are able. The collection ends this Friday.

PTL Winter Clothing Drive

PTL is also sponsoring a Winter Clothing Drive for Cesar Chavez Academy Elementary School in Detroit. The flyer that you received had all of the details. New or gently used coats, gloves, hats, scarves, and winter boots will be accepted until November 21. Items of all children sizes are accepted, but size 7 and up are of greatest need. The plastic bins for the winter clothing collection are in the school hallway near the library.

MOPS Community Service Project

MOPS will be collecting new coloring books and crayons from now until December 6 to donate to Carriage Town Ministries of Flint. Carriage Town will be gifting these items to children of the Flint area during the Christmas season. We would love your help with this cause! If you are able to donate, please drop off your items in the school office. Thank you so much for your support!

American Red Cross Blood Drive

We will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive **this Friday**, November 18. To schedule an appointment, log on to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: OurSaviorHartland or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Walk-ins are welcome if space permits.

Family Arch Book Club from CPH

Concordia Publishing House is offering a special two-year subscription to their very popular Arch Books. Four times per year, you will receive 10 of the newest and best-selling Arch Books for 25% less than you would pay for individual purchases. That's an 80-book library! This subscription makes a great gift for grandchildren, godchildren, or any family with young children. Traditionally, this favorite series is used in the home, school, and church with children ages 5-9. But the blessing of Arch Books isn't limited to any age! The Family Arch Book Club is a two-year program that fits busy lifestyles and makes Bible learning a family priority.

The perks:

Save 25% as a subscriber! You pay \$1.87 per Arch Book—just \$18.68 (plus shipping) per package. Enjoy a free wooden bookshelf that arrives with the first shipment!

Go to this link to learn more and sign up: [TheFamilyArch-BookClub](#) Use this link to learn more about Arch Books before signing up: [LearnMoreAboutArchBooks](#)

Red Wings Fellowship Night

The Red Wings have offered Our Savior a group rate on tickets for their January 31 game against the New Jersey Devils. This could be one of your last opportunities to see the Red Wings play at Joe Louis Arena at this special price. They have guaranteed us 150 tickets at two different price levels. Students have a flyer with all of the details and ordering information. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. All orders must be received by November 28.

LHNW High School Placement Test Day

Lutheran High School Northwest is offering a placement exam for prospective 2017-18 9th graders on Saturday, 11/19 from 9-12. The High School Placement Test (HSPT) is an achievement test required for all incoming 9th graders at LHNW. While not an entrance exam, the test is used to help determine course selections next spring. There is no charge for taking the test or for the materials, which will be provided to the students on exam day. The test will be given at Lutheran High Northwest, which is located at 1000 Bagley, Rochester Hills, MI 48309. To register your child, please call the LHNW school office at [248-852-6677](tel:248-852-6677) or email mgutenkunst@lhsa.com

Lutheran High School Westland

LHWL "Winter Wonderland" Arts and Craft Show Dec. 2-3 Located 33300 Cowan Rd., just 1/2 mile east of the Westland Shopping Center. The show features more than 100 artisans presenting fine handcrafted items. The show also includes a bake sale, face painting, hourly door prize drawings and the famous Maurice Salad which is available for purchase along with other lunch items. Entertainment will be provided by Lutheran High Westland music groups, as well as numerous Lutheran grade school choirs and bands.

Mission Opportunities

The mission cans have returned to the classrooms. These small canisters are placed in a visible location in each classroom and are used to collect loose change and sometimes larger amounts of money to support their work along with all of the chapel offering money for the months of September through November. So far chapel offerings are \$1,609.47. With only two weeks left in November, can we reach \$2,000 or more for the Ferry family?

Thank-Scrip-ing Day is Tuesday, November 22!

Mark your calendars- Thank-Scrip-ing™ Day is on Tuesday this year! We wanted to help you get ready for all your Black Friday and Holiday Shopping a little earlier this year, which is why our favorite holiday, Thank-Scrip-ing Day, will be on Tuesday! Don't miss 24 hours of incredible Scrip-Now®, Reload, and ReloadNow® bonuses from dozens of your favorite retailers. As always, our list of retailers is TOP SECRET, so you'll have to wait until the promotion begins to see who's participating.

To participate, you just need a ShopWithScrip® account, and you must be able to login to place online orders. [Click here](#) to learn about PrestoPay™, our secure online payment system. Sign up ASAP if you haven't already so you can receive your ScripNow eCards and add funds using ReloadNow in minutes, or use Reload to add funds overnight! Plus, with PrestoPay you can place your Thank-Scrip-ing Day order with MyScripWallet™, our mobile scrip experience. You can still participate and receive bonuses if you pay by check, as long as you place your orders within the 24 hours, you just won't receive your scrip until your coordinator releases the order.

Scrip is here again this year and is a great way to support our school **without costing you anything extra! An order form is available as a link on Fast Direct. The next order will be placed on Tuesday, November 22. Orders will be accepted until 8:30 a.m.** You can also order reloads through **Scrip Now!**

Low Denomination Gift Cards Back and will be available until 11:59 p.m., Dec 16 or until supplies last. Scrip has a limited number of special small denomination gift cards available, perfect for stocking stuffers and holiday gift-giving! These cards will only be available while supplies last, so don't wait to place your orders. The following cards are available:

- Albertsons \$10
- Amazon.com Gift Cards \$10
- AMC Theatres® \$10
- Applebee's \$10
- Barnes & Noble \$5
- CVS/pharmacy \$10
- IHOP \$10
- Meijer \$10
- Olive Garden \$10
- Outback \$10
- Panera Bread® \$5
- Red Lobster \$10
- Regal Entertainment Group \$10
- Starbucks \$5
- Target \$10
- Supervalu \$10

These low denomination gift cards make great gifts for the special people in your life. [Click here](#) to view all our low denomination cards and place your order before they're sold out!

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Shoparoo

We recently received a check for \$79.80 from Shoparoo because a few of our families are snapping pictures of their everyday shopping receipts using the Shoparoo app. With more families doing this we could earn even more money for our school. Spread the word to your family and friends.

What is Shoparoo? It is a hassle-free fundraiser that earns money for Our Savior Lutheran School. This free mobile app lets you earn cash donations for our school just by taking pictures of your shopping receipts. It's easy and only takes a few seconds. The best part is that it doesn't matter where you shop or what you buy—every receipt counts. Join us in this fundraising activity today. Download the free app: www.shoparoo.com



Sports

Boys Basketball Season is underway practices will be Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:30.

PTL



Fun Run Smoothie Party

Students who qualified for the Fun Run Smoothie Party will receive your official invitation today. The **Smoothie Party will be tomorrow, November 17, from 3:30 pm - 4:30 p.m.** Parents should have been already notified by email or Fast Direct if their children have qualified for this

special event. Congratulations to the 58 students who collected over \$100.00 in Fun Run donations!

Christmas Store

The annual Christmas Store that allows students to shop for Christmas gifts for family and friends will be **Tuesday through Thursday, December 6-8**. Volunteers are needed. Consider helping with this popular student event and contact Joanna Daniels at ptl@oursaviorhartland.org to ask how you can help. A flyer and Signup Genius will be available next week.

*Volunteers
Lend a Hand!*



Library Volunteers

for Tuesday, 11/22:

Jenn McClue

for Wednesday, 11/23:

Trish Mrozek

Popcorn Volunteers

for Thursday, 11/17:

Carol Blazen

Subway Volunteer

for Tuesday, 11/22:

Malachi Gallegos

Pizza Bakers Volunteer

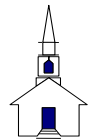
For Friday, 11/18: Zaremba, Wintland, Edmonds

Many Helping Hands!

Thanks to Volunteers many things are getting accomplished. Special thanks to...

- ◆ Parents who provided food for the teachers on the day of Parent-Teacher Conferences: Kerry Graney, Kellie Roesner, Gina Wordelman, Jen McClue, Jennie Bosley, Isabel Mortz, Cheryl Wintland, Rachel Bronsberg, Sharon Zaremba, Jolene Burd, and Joanna Daniels
- ◆ Heather Moldenhauer for taking the field trip thank you letter to Diehl's Orchard
- ◆ Jessie Swett for being a Super Subway Driver this week due to the funeral which meant that the sandwiches needed to be delivered to the classrooms. Thanks for going the extra mile!
- ◆ Amy Kurth and Mary Tougas also assisted Jessie to be sure milk and sandwiches were in classrooms at the proper time.

Congregational News



Advent by Candlelight

Sunday, November 27, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the school gym, is the time to set aside the hustle and bustle of holiday preparation and focus your heart and mind upon the birth of Christ. All women of Our Savior Lutheran Church are invited to host a table or sign up as a guest at a table. They are encouraged to invite mothers, grandmothers, sisters, and friends to prepare their hearts for Advent.

The theme this year is "The Lutheran Reformation". The theme verse for this event is **John 8:31-32**. *So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."* Our guest speaker, Natalie Sabol, will be presenting "*The Life of Katharina (Katie) vonBora Luther*".

Please mark your calendar and join us for Advent by Candlelight as a hostess or as a guest on Sunday evening November 27.

Thanksgiving Baskets

If you or someone you know is interested in being a recipient of grocery items for Thanksgiving, please email the Board of Social Ministry with contact information at social-ministry@oursaviorhartland.org or call the church office (248-887-4300). Food "baskets" are offered to anyone in need, but we must have information on family size, special needs, etc. for planning purposes.

New Member Adult Class

The class starts at **12:30 p.m. (right after the adult bible study)**. As always, if you or someone you know would like to join the fellowship, or perhaps you would like a refresher course on what we believe, teach, and confess as Lutherans, then consider joining the class.

Congregational Meeting

Our quarterly congregational meeting will be Sunday, December 11, immediately following the 9:30 service.

Sunday School/Bible Class

Sunday mornings after service at 10:45 a.m., bring your children to Sunday School and join the adults for Pastor Thoma's Bible Study in the ECC area. Please take your children to the cafeteria where they will enjoy a simple snack. You can pick them up in their assigned classrooms at the conclusion of Sunday School. The location of each class and teacher are as follows:

The Gospel According To Saint Matthew with Pastor Thoma leading the discussion. This has proven to be a lively study full of great discussion. You are encouraged to join to see for yourself! The study group meets in the ECC entrance room, and God willing, starts right at 10:45 a.m.

Preschool-K: Room 212-Sue Kelly
 Grades 1-2: Room 215-Rachel Bronsberg
 Grades 3-4: Room 219-Michelle Nichols
 Grades 5-7: Room 205-Emily Helmreich
 Grade 8: Room 206-Donna Hay
 High School: Room 204- Bill Mrozek

MOPS

They meet from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. The next meeting is December 6, 2016. Please contact Kellie Roesner at (810) 397-3981 or kkroesner@gmail.com or Heather Belloli at (734) 765-4293 or hhgemini23@gmail.com if you are interested.

Congregation Email List

If you are not on the email list you are missing out on a lot of helpful information!!! To get on the list, just send an email to:

pastorthoma@oursaviorhartland.org

LifeLight Women's Bible Study

Lifelight Women's Bible Study continues at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church in Hartland. Lifelight involves personal study, small group discussion and prayer. We are currently studying 1st and 2nd Peter. Lifelight begins at 1:30 p.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. Materials are available upon request. The cost of the book is \$10.00. Childcare will be provided as needed. Please let us know if you will be bringing a little one as soon as possible. Their new meeting place is Room 206.

All women are welcome and encouraged to attend. Call Carol Caswell for more information or to register (248) 296-1140.

"From the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, and I love him. Listen to what he says!" At once the disciples looked around, but they saw only Jesus." Mark 9:7

New Testament Bible Study

The Wednesday evening Bible Study continues their study of the New Testament with the Gospel of John and the book of Acts. The members of the committee invite all members of the congregation to come and experience the power of the Triune God at work through the person of the Holy Spirit in the word. This study is not primarily a matter of information, although it is that, but a matter of the Holy Spirit impinging on our life restoring us to the Triune God and empowering us to live as his people according to the will of the heavenly Father.

Youth News

Senior High Bible Study

The Senior High youth will be examining each Sunday's readings. Join them in room 204 during the Sunday School hour for this engaging study.