

Wednesday, November 30, 2016

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

The Flame

This Week at a Glance:

- Wed. (11/30): Library Day
3:30 - 4:30 Boys Basketball practice
3:35 Knitting Club
7:00 Mid-Week Advent 1 - Evening Prayer
7:45 Bible Study – *God's Grace in the NT*
7:45 *6th to 8th Grade Midweek/ Confirmation Class*
- Thurs. (12/1): Popcorn Day
8:10 Chapel
1:30 *LifeLight* Bible Study
6:00 PTL Meeting
- Fri. (12/2): **Spirit Day**
Pizza Day
Spirit Wear Orders due
Subway order form due for Dec.
Milk order form due for Dec.
- Sat. (12/3): 7:00 a.m. Elder's Meeting
- Sun. (12/4): **Second Sunday in Advent**
9:30 Divine Service
10:45 Sunday School & Bible Class
12:15 New Membership Class
- Mon. (12/5): 8:10 Chapel
3:35 Young Flames Piano Program Group A
6:30 School Board Meeting
- Tues. (12/6): Subway Day
8 - 11:30 Christmas Store
8:30 Scrip order deadline
3:30 - 4:30 Basketball practice
7:30 Adult Volleyball
- Wed. (12/7): Library Day
8 - 11:30 Christmas Store
3:30 - 4:30 Basketball practice
3:35 Knitting Club
7:00 Mid-Week Advent 2 - Evening Prayer with the Great O' Antiphons
7:45 Bible Study – *God's Grace in the NT*
7:45 *6th to 8th Grade Midweek/ Confirmation Class*

From the Principal's Office



Christmas Service

All Our Savior school children and Sunday School children will be singing in the **7:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Service on Wednesday, December 14.** On **Tuesday, December 13,** we will have a "dress rehearsal" starting at

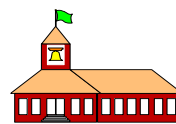
9 a.m. As in the past we are inviting seniors and other members and friends to come and worship at this final rehearsal. *If you know of anyone who isn't able to get out in the evenings and might like to attend the Tuesday morning dress rehearsal, please invite them!*

Gift Exchanges

Each class will exchange names with classmates. We ask that these gifts be kept under \$5 or homemade. We understand a child may want to do more, but in the interest of those with several children, please keep it simple. We also ask that students refrain from exchanging personal gifts with their friends at school – unless they bring something for everyone in their class. This will help prevent hurt feelings.

Looking Ahead / Plan Ahead

- December 1: PTL Meeting
December 2: Spirit Day
December Milk & Subway Orders due,
Spirit Wear Orders due
December 6-8: Christmas Store
December 9: 1/2 Day of School: 8-11:45
After School Activity at Bounce Gymnastics
December 13: Dress Rehearsal
December 14: Children's Christmas Service
December 21: Christmas Lunch and Classroom Parties
Dec. 22-Jan. 2: Christmas Break- No School or Daycare



School News

Spirit Wear

Our Savior Spirit Wear order forms were sent home with family messengers on Monday. You will notice an attachment to the order form offering athletic pants as a new item. There are samples of this item in the school office without the logo for you to determine size. This new item can be worn on Spirit Day as an alternative to regular school pants or jeans, but other athletic pants may not be substituted. The order needs to be placed soon to ensure that delivery will take place before Christmas. If you are interested in ordering, please complete the order form, attach the payment, and return to the school office by **Friday, December 2.** If you have questions, please contact Joanna Daniels at ptl@oursaviorhartland.org

December Subway Orders

The Subway order form for December is due on Friday, December 2.

December Milk Orders

The milk order form for December is due on Friday, December 2.

Mission Opportunities

During the first three months of the school year, all chapel offerings were designated to the Ferry family bringing the Gospel to the people in Southeast Asia. A total of **\$2,078.90** was collected in chapel offerings and will be sent to support their work as they return to the mission field after being home this fall to share their experiences from their first two years of service. Thank you for generous support of the Ferry family through your chapel offerings. In addition to these chapel offerings, the mission cans located in each classroom will continue to be available for the remainder of the school year to collect coins and other donations to add to this total.

Chapel offerings for the months of December, January, and February are designated for The Lutheran Hour Ministry's online mission trip to Madagascar. Our Savior will participate in the live online video feeds from Madagascar and St. Louis during Lutheran Schools Week at the end of January. Our accumulated chapel offerings for these months will support the mission work being done in this part of the world.

Christmas Concert at LHNW

Lutheran High Northwest presents its annual Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 17, at 7p.m. Please join us for this celebration of the birth of our Savior! LHNW is located at 1000 Bagley in Rochester Hills (near Livernois and Auburn). A free-will offering will be received. For more information on the school, please call [248-852-6677](tel:248-852-6677) or visit www.lhnw.lhsa.com.

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

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 sea-

son. 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!

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.

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, December 6. 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, \$50
- Barnes & Noble \$5
- Chuckie Cheese \$10 (2)
- CVS/pharmacy \$10
- IHOP \$10
- Land's End \$25 (2)
- 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! www.shopwithscrip.com

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Consider Scrip for Holiday Shopping

Scrip is a great way to support our school **without costing you anything extra!**

- ♦ **Scrip is safer than using credit cards.**
- ♦ **Scrip earns more rebates than credit card rewards** (Scrip rebates average 5.5% compared to the usual .5% to 2% from credit card rewards.)
- ♦ **Scrip accommodates last minute shopping.** (ScripNow eCards make ordering online simple; families just need to copy and paste the code when they checkout, and they will earn the same rebates that they would in the store. Families can even send ScripNow eGifts whenever they want without having to worry about sending gift cards in the mail.)
- ♦ **Scrip can be used for everything you need.**

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



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



December PTL Meeting

The next PTL meeting is this Thursday, Dec 1, at 6:00 p.m. Topics for discussion include the upcoming events in December and January, especially the Christmas Lunch on December 21. House points will be given for each parent in attendance. Your input is greatly appreciated.

Nativity Displays

Get your creative minds thinking again! The PTL is hosting a 3D Nativity Design contest. This is a wonderful opportunity to share the meaning of Christmas with others and spend some quality time as a family. Your 3D Nativity is a project that can be saved and shared every year. Students can enter the contest as an individual or as a family. See the flyer that family messengers brought home for all of the other details. Nativity displays should be brought to school between December 8 and December 14. They will be on display in the school for the Children's Christmas Service on Wednesday, December 14. Prizes will be awarded for Best Design, Most Creative, and Students' Pick. Judging will take place by staff and a few parent volunteers. Students will also get an opportunity to vote for their favorite.

Christmas Store

The PTL is excited to set up its annual Christmas Store during the week of December 6-8. Students will have the opportunity to shop for gifts for their family members in a safe, supervised environment. Being able to shop by themselves and surprise mom or dad and other family members with specially chosen gifts makes the Christmas Store a wonderfully exciting experience for the students. Items in the store will be provided by "The Holiday Shoppe". Christ-

mas Store flyers and envelopes with more information are coming home today with shopping being next week. Students in Preschool, Kindergarten and Grades 2 and 3 will shop on Tuesday. Students in Prekindergarten and Grades 1, 4-5, and 6-8 will shop on Wednesday. Thursday is reserved for those students who did not have an opportunity to shop on Tuesday or Wednesday and to pack up the remaining items to be returned to the vendor. Volunteers will be needed to assist the students while shopping and wrapping their gifts. The link to sign up is: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f45a9ae23abfc1-childrens>

After School Activity at Bounce Gymnastics

PTL is planning an afternoon activity at Bounce Gymnastics of Hartland on Friday, December 9, from 12:15 to 1:30. The cost is \$5 per person. Family messengers will bring home a flyer with the details today.

Winter Clothing Drive Update

Thank you to the many families that donated new and gently used winter clothing for the students that attend Caesar Chavez Academy in Detroit. The clothing was delivered over the weekend and will be given to the students in need this week. Over 125 items were donated including 30 coats, 37 pairs of gloves, 26 hats, 16 scarves, 6 snow pants, 8 snow boots, 1 pair of ear muffs, 2 vests, and 1 infant snow suit. Thanks to your generosity, these families and students will be warm this winter.

Thank You to Fun Run Sponsors

In so many ways the following list of sponsors contributed to the success of the Fun Run. Some made monetary donations that were used to offset expenses. Many others donated prizes that were awarded to the students at the Fun Run Celebration. The total value of the donations was \$3363. Please read the following list of sponsors; then determine to visit them and show your appreciation by purchasing their products or services. Speak up and thank the owners for their support. Your unsolicited gratefulness may encourage them to participate again next year.

Alpine Valley	Lakeland Ice Arena
And The Cherry On Top	Meijer
Bakers of Milford	Michigan Quality Electric
Beale Street Smokehouse	Midwest Plumbing
BBQ	Oriental Trading
Big Boy of Hartland	Peak Physical Therapy
Bounce Gymnastics	Pushman Construction
Brighton Stair Company	Puzzled Escape
Buffalo Wild Wings	Rollerama
Castaway Play Café	Shot Box Photo Booth
Chuck E. Cheese's	Sky Zone
Dairy Queen	Spinneweber Landscaping
Emagine Theatre	Stars & Stripes Kids Activity Center
Gordon Food Service	State Farm
Hands On Health Chiropractic	Steeped Tea
Hartland Gymnastics	Subway
Huron Valley Pools & Fitness	Suite 34 Salon
JD Karting	Tony Sacco's
Jen's Gifts of Love Coffee	Tropical Smoothie Café
K-L Sealcoating Company	US Foods
Kahuna Coffee	Zap Zone
Lakes Area Highland Dance	
Kristina Lee Photography	

Volunteers Lend a Hand!



Library Volunteers

for Tuesday, 12/6:

Jenn McClue

for Wednesday, 12/7:

Kristie Hargreaves

Popcorn Volunteers

for Thursday, 12/01:

Gina Wordelman

Subway Volunteer

for Tuesday, 11/29:

Trish Mrozek

for Tuesday, 12/6:

Jen Kolonich

Pizza Bakers Volunteer

For Friday, 12/02

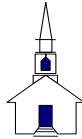
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Many Helping Hands!

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

- ♦ Sandy Brandt for assisting in the school office and classroom projects for teachers.

Congregational News



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.

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

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

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.

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. "Peter 1:23

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.