

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

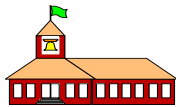
Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to  
love one another. 1 John 4:11

# The Flame

## *This Week at a Glance:*

- Today (11/09): Library Day & School Store  
3:30 Optional Boys Basketball Practice  
3:35 Knitting Club  
7:00 Divine Service  
7:45 Bible Study – *God's Grace in the NT*  
7:45 6th to 8th Grade Midweek/  
Confirmation Class
- Thurs. (11/10): 1/2 Day of School 11:45 Dismissal  
Popcorn Day  
**Subway order form due for 11/15**  
8:10 Chapel  
PTL Laser Tag Activity  
**P/T Conference 1:00 - 4:00 & 5:00 - 8:00**
- Fri. (11/11): **No School - Day Care Open**
- Sat. (11/12): **9:00 - 4:00 Harvest to Holiday Craft Show**  
**11:30-12:30 Jr. Choristers/Choristers**
- Sun. (11/13): 9:00 **Middle School Handbells** warm up  
9:30 Divine Service  
10:45 Sunday School & Bible Class  
12:15 New Membership Class
- Mon. (11/14): 8:10 Chapel  
3:35 Young Flames Piano Program  
Group B
- Tues. (11/15): Subway Day  
**8:30 Scrip order deadline**  
9:15 MOPS  
7:30 Adult Volleyball
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Confirmation Class

## *From the Principal's Office*



### Welcome New Students

Please welcome Anna and Katrina Kautz and their parents Julia and Timothy Kautz to Our Savior. Anna joined Mrs. Helmreich and Mrs. Johnson's class in 4<sup>th</sup> grade this week, and Katrina joined Mr. Arnold's class in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Please help them to feel welcome. Introduce yourself to the family when you have the opportunity.

**Parent/Teacher Conferences** are tomorrow Thursday, November 10. Parents with students in grades K-5 are asked to honor the scheduled time that was sent to

you via Fast Direct. Grades 6-8 conferences are on a "first-come, first-served" basis. Parents of grades 6-8 need to meet with Mr. Arnold to receive the first quarter report cards. Conferences are scheduled from 1:00-4:00 and 5:00-8:00. If you would like to meet with a teacher who is not your child's homeroom teacher, please contact that teacher for an appointment.

### Cold Weather Ahead

The days and nights are becoming colder and the need for warmer outdoor clothing is upon us. We will do all that we can to have your child spend at least some time each day outside, because recess is an important part of the overall school environment. The only times we will not go outside is if it is raining, lightning, the temperature is colder than 10°F, or the wind chill is below zero. This means that students need to be dressed and prepared to go outside at recess time. Coats, hats, mittens or gloves, are in order. Once the snow arrives, children wishing to play in the snow need boots. If they wish to roll around in the snow, they need snow pants. Please be sure that your child is prepared for the cold weather that is ahead.

### 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 10: 1/2 Day of School 8-11:45 p.m.  
Parent Conferences 1:00-4:00 & 5:00-8:00  
Laser Tag After School Activity
- November 11: No School
- November 12: Harvest to Holiday Craft Sale
- November 18: Red Cross Blood Drive  
Fun Run Spirit Day #1
- 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



## School News

### 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 \$1,559.12. With only three weeks left in November, can we reach \$2,000 or more for the Ferry family?

### 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.

### Middle School Handbells

This Sunday, November 13, the Middle School Handbells will be ringing for the 9:30 a.m. worship service at Our Savior. Remember, the children need to meet by 9:00 sharp in the Choir Loft. We need to warm-up and run-through music - all by 9:20!

### Jr. Choristers/Choristers

This Saturday, Nov. 12 the Junior Choristers and Choristers will be singing during the Craft Show being held at Our Savior. The children need to meet for warm-up in the Music Room (Room 202) by 11:30 a.m. The performance will begin on the gym stage at 12:00 and the students will be free to go at 12:30. Please be sure that your children are under your supervision at all times outside of the 11:30-12:30 time frame.

### 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 will bring home a flyer today 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.

### Social Ministry Benevolence Collection

The Social Ministry Committee of Our Savior Lutheran Church will be collecting 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 are given to needy people in our community. They have invited the students to participate again this year. Collection details are coming home today.

### 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!

### Fun Run Spirit Days

Achieving the Fun Run goal means that seven extra Spirit Days will be added to the school calendar; one extra day for each month of the school year. These dates are: November 18; December 16; January 13; February 17; March 17; April 28; and May 26. You can also find them on Mrs. Johnson's principal calendar on Fast Direct.

### 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.

### Pizza Day

There will be no Pizza Day this week. Our next one will be **Friday, November 18.**

### LHNW High School Placement Test Day

Lutheran High School Northwest is offering a placement exam for prospective 2017-18 9<sup>th</sup> graders on Saturday, 11/19 from 9-12. The High School Placement Test (HSPT) is an achievement test required for all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> 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 100 Bagley, Rochester Hills, MI 48309. To register your child, please call the LHNW school office at 248-852-6677 or email mgutenkunst@lhsa.com

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

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

## Box Top Contest Update

At the end of October, \$203.70 worth of Box Tops were submitted to Box Tops for Education. A check will be received later this year. Luther House is the winner of the contest that began at the beginning of the school year. They submitted a total of 839 Box Tops. Walther came very close with 815 Box Tops turned in. The remaining 383 Box Tops were not designated as they were collected in either the church or school office. Each House was awarded a point for each Box Top they collected and a special prize was given to each student in Luther House for winning the contest. Thank you to everyone who contributed Box Tops so far this year. Continue to collect Box Tops to benefit Our Savior. Look for another contest coming soon.

**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 15.** Orders will be accepted until **8:30 a.m.** You can also order reloads through **Scrip Now!**

**Low Denomination Gift Cards Back!** 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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## Fun Run Celebration

The lunch period last Friday was a great celebration of the Fun Run success. With the help of a group of parents and food provided by a Fun Run donation from Meijer, the students enjoyed a great lunch as a part of the celebration. Due to some late prize donations, every student who participated in the Fun Run and collected at least \$25, was given a prize. Donations continue to come in and the most recent total for funds raised through student pledges is \$10,800. Later this month the students who collected \$100 or more will enjoy an after school Smoothie Party. Thank you again to everyone for your support of the Fun Run.

*Volunteers  
Lend a Hand!*



## Library Volunteers

for Wednesday, 11/15:  
for Wednesday, 11/16:

Jen Kolonich  
Jennifer Wiggins

## Popcorn Volunteers

for Thursday, 11/10:  
for Thursday, 11/17:

Carol Blazen  
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## Subway Volunteer

for Tuesday, 11/15:

Jessie Swett

## Pizza Bakers Volunteer

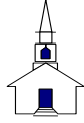
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## Many Helping Hands!

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

- ◆ Master Sargent Bonnie Wellbaum (grandmother to Ashton and Inez Grostick) who made a surprise visit to the Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade classrooms in uniform to share information about Veterans Day this week.
- ◆ Meijer for their support of the Fun Run. Their donations provided the food for the Fun Run Celebration last Friday.
- ◆ Dawn Schleif and Amy and Malachi Gallegos for organizing the Fun Run Celebration.
- ◆ Sharon Zarembo for planning the decorations for the Fun Run Celebration.
- ◆ Stephanie Grostick, Jen Kellaway, Jenn McClue, Gina Willingham, and Gina Wordelman for assisting with the Fun Run Celebration.
- ◆ Timothy Plummer for assisting in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade classroom on Tuesday this week.

## Congregational News



### Congregational Meeting

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

### Military Recognition Sunday

On Sunday, November 13, we will recognize our men and women who have served or are serving in the military. We thank God for you and for your service.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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 November 15, 2016. Please contact Kellie Roesner at (810) 397-3981 or [kkroesner@gmail.com](mailto:kkroesner@gmail.com) or Heather Belloli at (734) 765-4293 or [hhgemini23@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:pastorthoma@oursaviorhartland.org)

### 7th Annual Harvest to Holiday Arts & Craft Show

Please mark your calendar now and make plans to attend and possibly help out at this great fundraiser. The craft show will be November 12, 9-4. Jr. Choristers and Chorus will be singing between 12:00-12:30. For more infor-

mation, please contact Kim Whitehouse at 517-404-7143 or Karen Cottrell 248-685-1637. Thanks for your support of our youth and Youth in Missions!

### 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.

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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. Three sessions will be conducted this school year beginning with a study of the Gospel of Mark. 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.

### **Volunteers for the 7th Annual Harvest to Holiday Arts & Craft Show**

All junior and senior high youth consider volunteering your time either Friday, November 11, 4-7 during setup, or Saturday, November 12, 9-4 during the craft show. Please help to make this arts and craft show a successful fundraiser for our youth group!