

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

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 (2/1): School Store & Library Day
3:30 - 4:45 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. (2/2): Popcorn Day
8:10 Chapel
1:30 *LifeLight* Women's Bible Study
- Fri. (2/3): Spirit Day
Pizza Day
- Sat. (2/4): 7:00 a.m. Elder's Meeting
9:00 Getting Organized Meeting
- Sun. (2/5): 9:30 Divine Service
10:45 Sunday School & Bible Class
12:15 New Membership Class
- Mon. (2/6): **February Subway Order Form Due**
8:10 Chapel
3:35 - 4:15 Young Flames Piano Program
Group A
- Tues. (2/7): Subway Day
8:30 Scrip order deadline
9:15 MOPS
7:30 Adult Volleyball
- Wed. (2/8): School Store & Library Day
3:30 - 4:45 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

*From the
Principal's Office*



Report Cards

You should have received your child's report card last Friday, January 27. Each K-8 student brought their report card home in an envelope. You may keep the report card, but please sign the envelope and return it to school with your child if you have not already done so. Report cards are also available for viewing on Fast Direct. If you have any ques-

tions about your child's report card, please contact your child's teacher.

Open House

The scheduled open house dates for this year are: **Thursday, February 9, Wednesday, February 22, Monday, March 6, and Tuesday, March 21.** They will be held during the school day to allow prospective families to see our classrooms in action. If you have family or friends that you would like to **invite**, speak to them and encourage them to visit or give their contact information to the office, and we will send them an invitation. Appointments are recommended, but not necessary. If these dates are not convenient, special appointments on other days can also be arranged.

In addition to the open houses, there will also be an Early Childhood Roundup on March 14 for families with children eligible for preschool, prekindergarten, and kindergarten. Please share names and contact information of families that have children ready for these classes with the school office so that we may share the information about this special evening.

Illness

We have been experiencing a higher than average number of students absent due to illness. Please be reminded of the expectations of parents and students from the School Handbook when your child is showing signs of sickness.

If your student is ill (sore throat, fever, upset stomach, etc.), please keep him/her home from school. A student may return to school once he/she is fever free for 24 hours without medication. If your student will not be at school (for illness or any other reason), please call the school office at 248-887-3836 to inform us.

- ◆ *Please keep a student home for 24 hours after experiencing vomiting or diarrhea.*
- ◆ *A student may return to school once he/she is fever free for 24 hours without medication.*

A Fast Direct message may also be sent to inform the school office when your child is ill.

Looking Ahead / Plan Ahead

- February 3: Spirit Day
February 9: Open House
February 17: Half Day of School 8-11:45
February 20: No School
February 22: Open House
February 28: Lutheran Schools Music Festival
March 1: Ash Wednesday



School News

Honor Students

Congratulations to the following students who received Honor Roll certificates at the end of 2nd quarter:

4.0 Honors

Matthew Zaremba - 8

High Honors - grade point average of 3.75 to 3.99

Austin Combs - 8

Ava Edmonds - 7

Logan Edmonds - 8

Katrina Kautz - 6

Emersyn Kolonich - 8

Lilley Schleif - 7

Madeline Thoma - 6

Lily Wintland - 8

Honors - grade point average 3.5 to 3.74

Gabriel Cappellano - 7

Dominic Ripke - 8

Perfect Attendance

Congratulations to the following students who had perfect attendance during second quarter, which means they were in school all day every day of the quarter; no absences, no tardies, no early dismissals.

Stephen Belloli - PS

Larissa Bronsberg - PS

Cameron Leonard - 2

Xavier O'Farrell - 5

Upon This Rock Display

The "Upon This Rock" display looks great. Lots of creativity was displayed by the families in preparing their rocks. Forty families contributed a rock, which is about 74% of our families. Luther House earned 47 points for their house with 88% participation. Second grade was the classroom with the highest percentage of participation with 100% of the students represented by a rock. Walther House earned 32 points for their participation in the display. We will leave the rocks on display for the remainder of the week.

LSW Service Project

The response to the service project for Lutheran Schools Week was once again very overwhelming. The students and their families contributed almost 800 items to fill the 90 Bless You bags on Friday night. Our partnership with Thrivent Financial helped us to purchase additional items on Friday afternoon to be sure that each bag was filled with similar items. During the week the students created cards with messages of hope and encouragement for the recipients. Devotional booklets were also included in the bags that were distributed by Christian agencies. This week the bags were delivered to Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, Open Door, and Love, Inc., who are very appreciative of our efforts and willing to distribute to homeless people who receive services through them. House points were given for each individual item that went into the bags. Luther House earned 464 points and Walther House earned 327 points. Thank you again for your support of the pro-

ject. Many people will be blessed by your actions.

Battle for the Chalice

This new event for LSW was a lot of fun for the students thanks to the many parents that were here to assist with the competitions. Students were grouped into eight teams of 10-11 students of all grade levels. There were four teams for each house. Each student participated in at least one of six different *Minute to Win It* style events with students from the opposing house. Each event was either timed or a quantity counted after a one-minute period for scoring purposes. Prizes were awarded to the winning team in each event and points were awarded to winning houses. Luther Gold was the winning team overall and Walther Orange was the second place team. They earned coupons for a special dress day or a free homework coupon. Since Luther House was the overall winner, they will receive an after school ice cream party at a date yet to be determined in the next couple of weeks. Thanks again to the many volunteers that made this so much fun for everyone involved.

Mary Poppins Auditions

Does your son or daughter love to perform on stage? Lutheran High School Northwest will be holding auditions for 3rd-8th graders for their Spring Musical, *Mary Poppins*, to be performed May 17, 19-21. Auditions are mandatory but are NO CUT. We ask that you plan to attend both audition dates, to help us better place your child in the show, but attendance at both is not required. There is also a mandatory parent information session, where you will fill out all of the paperwork and go over the production specifics. The commitment is one day a week (yet to be determined, but probably Tuesday or Thursday) and Saturday mornings, plus tech rehearsals and performances. Tech week involves two late evening rehearsals. In addition to the three weekend performances, there is also a matinee performance on May 17, requiring the students to miss school (parent permission required – not excused!). The only cost to participate is in procuring the costumes. Auditions and the parent meeting will be held in the Music Room at LHNW, 1000 Bagley in Rochester Hills. Questions? Call Mary Gutenkunst at 248-856-0240 or email mgutenkunst@lhsa.com.

Auditions:

Tuesday, March 7, 4:30-6:00

Thursday, March 9, 4:30-6:00

Parent Meeting:

Thursday, March 16, 7:00

Chapel Offering Statements were prepared for students who used their chapel envelopes for chapel offerings during 2016. Envelopes with these statements were sent home with students on Friday, January 27, with the report cards.

Labels for Education

Mrs. Wintland will be sending in Labels for Education submission in two weeks. If anyone has any labels at home, please bring them to the school by Feb. 10. Remember, this is the last year of the program and only labels with the "Labels for Education" logo on them are being accepted.

Box Tops Update

Earlier this month we received our December payout of \$497 for all Box Tops submissions between March 2 and November 1, 2016. This includes \$293.30 from school year 2015-16. Thank you for clipping and submitting your Box Tops regularly. You are helping to make Our Savior a better place ten cents at a time!

Shopping at Walmart may help our school earn 50,000 Bonus Box Tops! Thanks to General Mills and Walmart, every Walmart-exclusive Box Tops Certificate that we clip and collect until 3/1/17 earns our school a chance to be one of 20 winners! That's \$5,000 for our classrooms!

To encourage you to continue clipping and submitting your Box Tops, **from January 20 to February 10, the student who collects the most Box Tops in each classroom will earn a comfy clothes day.** Make sure you label the Box Tops you bring in with your name. Also, all students will win a cookie day when we collect \$500.

Mission Opportunities

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 participated in the live online video feeds from Madagascar and St. Louis. Our accumulated chapel offerings for these months will support the mission work being done in this part of the world. The chapel offerings total as of last week was \$1,017.43.

Mission Cans Update

Our mission cans project this year is supporting the Ferry Family in their service in Southeast Asia. Mission cans are in the students' classrooms to collect their donations. Our January donations were \$11.61.

Scrip

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.)
- ◆ **Eighty percent of this amount of the rebate can be applied to your family's school fees such as registration.**
- ◆ **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.**

Our Savior Lutheran School shopwithscrip.com
Enrollment Code: B745A65B289L

An order form is available as a link on Fast Direct. The next regular order will be placed on **Tuesday, February 7**. You can also order reloads through **Scrip Now!** www.shopwithscrip.com




Mr. Peace

Mr. Peace was well received by the families who were there to hear his message. He sent a follow up email this week thanking us for inviting him to share his message with our families. He also provided an online link <http://www.mobileedproductions.com/report-card> for anyone that attended to share feedback on the presentation from Friday night. He did pass out business cards after the assembly to anyone that wanted one. If you did not get one or are interested in wanting to connect with him, his main website is: www.mrpeace.net

Upcoming PTL Activities

Mark your calendars for the upcoming PTL events:

- February 13:** "Breakfast for Lunch" Special Lunch
- March 10:** Showcase Night/Progressive Dinner/Talent Show
- March 9-16:** Scholastic Book Fair

Watch for details and information about ways that you can participate in helping to make these events a success.

Volunteer Incentive Points Update

How are your family's incentive points adding up? Keep an eye out for an email within the next week from the PTL notifying you of your family's progress at the half way point of the year. Much work has been provided so far this year so please make sure to complete your Volunteer Incentive Receipts or email ptl@oursaviorhartland.org to let them know when and where you have volunteered and assisted with school activities.

PTL Donations

Recently PTL made the following donations from the Fall Fun Run proceeds: 10% Church Tithe - \$1,200, Scholarship Fund - \$1,000, Ferry Family Mission - \$250, Capital Improvements Fund - \$500. In addition to these donations, a donation of \$750 was given to Our Savior in December for Christmas gifts to the staff.

PTL Meeting

The next PTL meeting is **Thursday, February 9**, at 6:30 in the cafeteria. All parents are invited to attend. Come help plan the next big events coming in March, the Scholastic Book Fair, Showcase Night, and Talent Show. We are looking for new faces with new ideas to make these events successful.



Boys Basketball Season is underway. Basketball practices will be **Tuesday-Wednesday** from 3:30 - 4:45.

Volunteers Lend a Hand!



Library Volunteers

for Tuesday, 2/7:

Jenn McClue

for Wednesday, 2/8:

Kristie Hargreaves

Popcorn Volunteers

for Thursday, 2/9:

Carol Blazen

Subway Volunteer

for Tuesday, 2/7:

Dana O'Farrell

Pizza Volunteers

for Friday, 2/3: Mortz, Cappellano, Zaremba

for Friday, 2/10: Wintland, Edmonds, Kindig

Many Helping Hands!

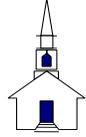
Thanks to Volunteers many things are getting accomplished. Special thanks to...

- ◆ Thank you to everyone who helped to make Lutheran Schools Week a highlight of the school year last week. We have tried to list as many people as possible of which we are aware that helped in some way. Please forgive us if we missed someone or let us know and we will add them next week.
- ◆ Michelle Pushman for the many hours devoted to organizing the Battle for the Chalice.
- ◆ The many families that donated prizes and supplies for Battle for the Chalice.
- ◆ Gina Wordelman, Gina Willingham, Jennifer McClue, Cheryl Wintland, Kristie Hargreaves, Patrick Smith, Jennifer Wright, Kelly and Zoe Kindig, and Dawn Schleif for help with the competitions.
- ◆ Cheryl Wintland and Sharon Zaremba for organizing the wonderful German Lunch on Thursday and the many helpers who helped with the German Lunch: Ron and Cheryl Wintland, Julie Edmonds, Kelly Kindig, Ellie Pierson, Carmen Pushman, Michelle Pushman, Sharon Zaremba, Zoe Kindig, Dillon Mrozek, Jenn McClue and her sister Arlene Thorton, Amy Terao, and Trish Mrozek
- ◆ The many families that generously donated the 790 items that went into the Bless You bags, and also those people that helped to fill the bags on Friday evening.
- ◆ The Kellaway family and Emily Helmreich for helping with the setup of the assembly line for filling the Bless You bags.
- ◆ Amy Terao for making the contact to the agencies that will distribute the bags to the homeless, and also for delivering the bags to the agencies.
- ◆ Joanna Daniels for the many hours of work planning and recruiting volunteers for the Late Night/Overnight on Friday night.
- ◆ Stephanie Grostick, Dana O'Farrell, Rachel Pies, Amy Terao, Kerry Ann Graney, Cheryl Wintland, Joanna Daniels, and Jen Combs who donated food and supplies for the Late Night/Overnight.
- ◆ Inga Daniels, Aneesa and Nick Cappellano, Sharon

and Brian Zaremba, Dawn Schleif, Amy Terao, Michelle Pushman, Erick Graney, Joanna and Matt Daniels, Cheryl Wintland for helping with games on Friday night.

- ◆ Joanna Daniels, Brian Zaremba, Nick Cappellano, Dillon Mrozek, Henry Combs, Nathaniel Corcoran-Miller, and Ray Schleif that stayed late and came in early to supervise the students who stayed all night.

Congregational News



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. Children may pick up a snack as they pass through the ECC on their way to Sunday School. Parents can pick up their children 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-Harry Jock

Grades 5-7: Room 205-Michelle Nichols

Grade 8: Room 207-Emily Helmreich

High School: Room 204- Bill Mrozek

Child Care: Room 206

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.

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

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.

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

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 February 7, 2017. 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.

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.