

Wednesday, February 8, 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 (2/8): 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
- Thurs. (2/9): Popcorn Day  
8:10 Chapel  
1:30 *LifeLight* Women's Bible Study
- Fri. (2/10): Spirit Day  
Pizza Day
- Sun. (2/12): 8:45 Middle School Handbells Warm-up  
9:00 Choristers Warm-up  
**9:30 Divine Service**  
10:45 Sunday School & Bible Class
- Mon. (2/13): 8:10 Chapel  
3:35 - 4:15 Young Flames Piano Program  
Group B
- Tues. (2/14): Subway Day  
**8:30 Scrip order deadline**  
9:15 MOPS  
7:30 Adult Volleyball
- Wed. (2/15): 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*  
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Confirmation Class

*From the  
Principal's Office*



## Prayers Requested

The Lord has seen fit to call home His child in Christ, Coleen Miller--Julie Hornick's mother. Coleen had been battling various health issues for the past few months, and according to the Lord's good and gracious will, she went to rest in His arms early on Saturday morning. The funeral was this morning. Please keep Julie and her family in your prayers. He will hear us, and He will answer with the might of the Gospel comfort that all who live and die in the Lord will live eternally.

## Open House Tomorrow

The first school open house is tomorrow, **February 9**. Additional open house days are scheduled for **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.

## OSLS Re-enrollment 2017-2018

It is that time of year that we begin to prepare for schoolyear 2017-18. You will be receiving re-enrollment forms today, February 8. If you have a sibling that will also be attending Our Savior next year, please include their names on the forms. Please review all the information and return the completed forms along with a minimum \$100 nonrefundable payment of the \$495 registration fee by Monday, March 13. This will ensure your child's place in his class. The balance of the registration fee is due by June 1. As in the past, current families and siblings of current families are given priority for re-enrollment. It is important that we complete this process for our current families before we admit any new families. Your cooperation in completing reenrollment for your children in a timely manner is greatly appreciated. If you have questions after you receive the papers, we will be happy to help you in the office.



## School News

### Looking Ahead / Plan Ahead

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
March 2:	Parent Conferences
March 10:	Showcase Night/Talent Show

### Middle School Handbells

This **Sunday, February 12**, the Middle School Handbells will be ringing for the 9:30 a.m. worship service at Our Savior. Because the Choristers also need to prepare for the service, the handbell students will need to meet earlier than normal, by **8:45 sharp in the choir loft**. They need to warm-up and run-through music - all by 9:05!

### Choristers

This **Sunday, February 12**, the Choristers will be singing for the 9:30 a.m. worship service at Our Savior. Remember, the children need to meet by **9:00 sharp in the chapel** (corner room at the far side of the church narthex). They need to warm-up, run-through music, put on robes, and take their places in the choir loft - all by 9:25!

### Mary Poppins Auditions

Does your son or daughter love to perform on stage? Lutheran High School Northwest will be holding auditions for 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 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@lhhsa.com](mailto:mgutenkunst@lhhsa.com).

### Auditions:

Tuesday, March 7, 4:30-6:00  
Thursday, March 9, 4:30-6:00

### Parent Meeting:

Thursday, March 16, 7:00

### Labels for Education

Mrs. Wintland will be sending in Labels for Education soon. 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

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.

### God at Work in Lutheran Schools!

As you probably already know, Lutheran Hour Ministries took students across North America on a virtual mission trip to Madagascar during National Lutheran Schools Week. Here is a glimpse at how God worked through this eye-opening experience. An estimated 50,000 students participated from 461 schools, home schools, and Sunday schools. Approximately 900 videos were downloaded or live streamed each of the five days. Our chapel offerings for the months of December, January, and February will be sent to help achieve the Lutheran Hour goal of \$30,000 to support the radio, youth, and holistic ministry that is being done in Madagascar. So far, Our Savior students have collected \$1,xxx.xx.

### 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** [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com)
- ◆ **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

Enrollment Code: B745A65B289L

An order form is available as a link on Fast Direct. The next regular order will be placed on **Tuesday, February 14**. You can also order reloads through **Scrip Now!**

[www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)

PTL



## 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.

## 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](http://www.mrpeace.net)

## Upcoming PTL Activities

Mark your calendars for the upcoming PTL events:

- February 13:** "Breakfast for Lunch" Special Lunch  
**February 17:** Skyzone After School Activity  
**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.

## Breakfast for Lunch

The next special lunch for students and staff is on Monday, February 13, when the awesome PTL special lunch crew will be serving "Breakfast for Lunch" with a Valentine theme. Flyers are coming home today with all the details. Orders are due by Friday. Contact Cheryl Wintland through Fast Direct if you can help with preparation, serving, and / or cleanup afterwards.

## Skyzone After School Activity

A group outing to Skyzone in Brighton has been arranged for the next half day, **Friday February 17**. The details for this special event are on a flyer that your family messenger is bringing home today. You must sign up and prepay in advance because PTL is required to make one payment for the entire group. The sign up form and payment are due on Tuesday, February 14. Join your friends and school mates for an afternoon of fun.

## 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](mailto: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.



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...

- ◆ Georgine Shelton and Nikki Spangler for supporting the school office this week in Julie Hornick's absence.
- ◆ Jenn McClue for volunteering in the school office this week.

## 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:

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

**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 10:45 a.m.

## Congregational News



### New Testament Bible Study

The Wednesday evening Bible Study continues their study of the New Testament with 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

On February 23<sup>rd</sup> LifeLight Women's Bible Study will begin their spring session studying the books of Ruth and Ester. LifeLight involves personal study, small group discussion and prayer. We meet Thursday afternoon from 1:30 p.m. to 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.

*"But Ruth said 'Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge, your people shall be my people, and your God my God!'" Ruth 1:16*

## 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](mailto:kkroesner@gmail.com) or Heather Belloli at (734) 765-4293 or [hgemini23@gmail.com](mailto:hgemini23@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)

## 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.

