

OUR SAVIOR EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL  
ANNOUNCEMENTS — 7 AUGUST A.D. 2016

✠ **CALENDAR** ✠

7 August to 14 August A.D. 2016

**TODAY**

**Divine Service** 9:30 A.M.  
Summer Sunday School (Cafeteria) 10:45 A.M.

**THIS WEEK**

**MONDAY**

English District Board of Directors Meeting 5:30 P.M.

**TUESDAY**

Adult Volleyball (Gymnasium) 7:30 P.M.

**THURSDAY**

Book Club Meeting 9:30 A.M.

**SUNDAY, 14 August**

**Divine Service** 9:30 A.M.  
Summer Sunday School (Cafeteria) 10:45 A.M.

**SUMMER SUNDAY Family Bible Study and Fellowship  
JULY 10 to AUGUST 28**

The Board of Christian Education has put together something special – a multi-generational effort that involves multiple pastors and church leaders in leading God’s people to better understand our lives together through faith in Jesus Christ as we learn about Hymns and Parables

**A SUNDAY MORNING CHURCH FAMILY  
BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP FOR EVERYONE!!**

**August** – a guest Speaker, a Parable, two Hymns, Summer Sunday School wrap up, and Balloon Launch

**ALL GENERATIONS**

**Study and grow in the Word of Christ together.**

**Did you know that Pastor Heckert is leading a tour to Germany entitled “In the Steps of Martin Luther” in celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation?** We have brochures available here at the church if you are interested in reading more about it and possibly participating. You may find the brochures on the shelf in the entranceway. The dates for the trip are November 1-11, 2016.

**As we gear up for a new school year** of activities, be sure to make plans this year to investigate the goings-on of your church’s day school. So much happens throughout the year, some of which I’m sure would be of interest to you and your family...even if you don’t have kids in the school. Remember, the day school is one of the primary mission efforts of this church. A lot happens through the efforts occurring in that building. Be a part of it. There are plenty of things to do, see, pray for, and enjoy as the Lord gathers the little ones and their families to hear His Word and to receive Christian instruction each day of the week!

**If you haven’t had a chance to join us for summer Sunday school**, you’ve been missing out on some wonderful discussion. Don’t forget that holy worship and Bible study go hand in hand. Summertime often becomes a time to tone down schedules, which unfortunately includes stepping away from study, but I highly encourage you to stay with it. The last of the summer sessions will be on August 28. Sunday School will resume after Labor Day.

**JOB POSTING**

**CALL COMMITTEE:** Per the direction of our president, a call committee has been established to call a part time teacher for grade 2 or 3. This person must be an LCMS member in good standing with a Bachelor’s Degree and a valid Michigan Teaching Certificate. The candidate should have a nurturing spirit, basic computer skills, and be a good communicator with parents and children alike. This is a morning position. Please contact Principal Andrea Johnson if interested. We pray that the work of the committee will serve to help move our congregation and her day school forward in faithfulness to our Savior. [ajohnson@oursaviorhartland.org](mailto:ajohnson@oursaviorhartland.org)

**SCHOOL NEWS—AUGUST 2016**

**Orientation Days**

The new school year begins on Monday, August 29, with an opening chapel service and a half day of school. In preparation for the new school year, orientation days have been scheduled for Thursday, August 18, and Tuesday, August 23. During orientation, school families will have the opportunity to meet briefly with teachers, fill out required paperwork, and learn about volunteer opportunities. Please plan on attending one of these days for approximately one hour between 3:00-7:00 p.m.

**Labels for Education**

The *Labels for Education* program is winding down. As of August 1, 2016, only UPCs with the *Labels for Education* logo will be accepted and redeemed for points. The process of removing the logo from products has begun, and there will be a limited number of products that contain these labels in stores through August 1, 2017. Once all *Labels for Education* logos have been removed from the products, UPCs will no longer be accepted.

**Box Tops for Education**

General Mills is celebrating 20 years of supporting schools through their Box Tops program. Thanks to General Mills and Walmart, every Walmart-exclusive Box Tops Certificate that we collect and submit by November 2 will earn Our Savior a chance to be one of 20 winners of 50,000 Bonus Box Tops—that’s \$5,000 for our school! When shopping at Walmart, please look for the certificates on specially marked products. A list of the products is available in the church and school offices and will be distributed to all school families at orientation.

**FROM THE KANTOR**

To complete the music library organization that our previous Kantor began, we are in need of some more filing boxes for choir music. I plan to combine several sets of music into large boxes rather than each title having its own small box which will save a considerable amount of money. For this project to be completed, we are in need of 36 large (4-5” wide) boxes. These custom boxes are heavy duty and acid free. Will you help to purchase some of these? The cost (including the lid, label, and shipping) is \$11.00 per box. Please let myself or Pastor Thoma know if you can help in this way - your generosity will be much appreciated and will help to protect and preserve the choir music so that it can be used for many years to come! Thanks be to God for a family’s generous pledge of \$100.00 last week - **\$296.00** is now needed to complete this project!

**BOOK CLUB**

This month’s meeting will take place on Thursday, August 11 @ 9:30 a.m. at the church. The book, *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern, a fantasy title, will be discussed. A brief discussion on *Mr. Penumbra* will also take place. Contact the church office or Alexis Shirk ([shirk@commercelibrary.info](mailto:shirk@commercelibrary.info)) for more information, including upcoming book titles.

**Our dear sister in Christ, Mary Ann Brueggeman, had surgery on her back** a few weeks ago and is recovering at home. While Pastor Thoma is going over to see her once a week, we’re wondering if there might be a few folks here and there who may be willing to check in on her every now and then as well, perhaps to stop in sometime in the evening to help her with dinner or something along those lines. If you are interested and able, please let Pastor Thoma know, or if you know Mary Ann and want to reach out on your own, feel free. Thanks so much!

**OUR STEWARDSHIP IN CHRIST:  
Attendance, Tithes, and Offerings**



**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE — July 31, 2016**

9:30 Divine Service Total Worship Attendance: 212  
Summer Sunday School: 42

**Week of 07 August to 14 August**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Shaun and Christine Mann	08/10/2002
James and Elona Harrison	08/11/1978
Stan and Bonnie Felix	08/13/1960
Dale and Kathy Belmas	08/14/1965

**BIRTHDAYS**

John Grupp	8/8	Kendall Paige	8/12
Emma Haponek	8/8	Amie Thibodeau	8/12
Danny Justice	8/8	Christina Witt	8/13
Kellen Pies	8/8	Barbara Bain	8/14
Kaylie Fletcher	8/9	Ava Gallegos	8/14
Ryan Murrell	8/10	Ralph Ives Jr.	8/14
Rev. Stephen Stahlhut	8/10	Johanna Nordin	8/14
Cameron Leonard	8/11		

**ATTENDANCE in HOLY WORSHIP:** Christ declares that Christians are made by baptizing and teaching, that is, *Word and Sacrament* (Matthew 28:19). The Apostle John declares that this same Lord makes His presence among His believers and strengthens them in the faith through the means of Baptism, the Lord's Supper, and the Word of the Gospel, pronounced, read, preached, and taught (1 John 5:6-12).

Jesus, the Light of the World (John 8:12) declares that by His Gospel given through Word and Sacrament, Christians become lights in the world around them (Matthew 5:16). History proves that attendance numbers do not change by programs or gimmicks. Such things do not truly introduce people to Jesus. By way of the Gospel, His Christians do! The Lord sends His Gospel invitation into all nations through you, His church. Invite your friends and family to hear the Gospel so that they may believe in Christ as you do and be joined with the Savior for eternal life!

**CAN YOU HELP?**

**NEW ITEM**

**CARPET:** The daycare area was recently cleaned. The church and school carpet areas now need to be addressed. Church - lobby, narthex, offices, library and ECC area: \$499.36. School - prioritizing the rooms that the students eat in; pre-school, kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade rooms: \$504.32

**SIGN UP TO PROVIDE A MEAL FOR GEORGINE SHELTON** while she recovers from surgery. Please call the church office for more information.

**TRANSPORTATION NEEDED** for one of our members 2-3 times per month to get her mother back and forth to Ann Arbor. Please contact Diane Peck or the church office for more information.

**IF YOU ARE NOT ON THE CONGREGATION EMAIL LIST, YOU ARE MISSING OUT ON A LOT OF HELPFUL INFORMATION!!!** There are about 215 people on the list. Are you on there? To get on the list, just send an email to:  
[pastorthoma@oursaviorhartland.org](mailto:pastorthoma@oursaviorhartland.org).

**The Prayer of the Church**

***Today, the people of God pray for:***

1. For all believers in Christ and for all of mankind according to its needs;
2. For this nation, for those given the privilege of governing her, for those who stand ready to serve and protect in our police, fire, and military forces;
3. For the Christian churches across the world, for this Christian church here in Hartland, for faithfulness to God in the stewardship of all that He has given and will continue to give us, for all pastors of the churches, all those in auxiliary service, for all missionaries sent into foreign nations;
4. For the following member families of this congregation:

Joey and Christina Goyt; Cailey & Skyler  
Bill and Kelly Grant  
William and Lynda Grant; Alexander  
James and Carol Greania; Christopher, Jayson, Amie, & Angie  
Chris and Zella Greene; Christopher, Scott, & Jonathan  
Wade Greene  
Wayne and Nancy Greene  
Ron Griffin; Jessica  
Bonnie Griffin; Tim  
Terry and Joyce Griner  
Gale Grundy  
John and Elizabeth Grupp; Henry, Michael, Gretta, & Heidi  
Janel Gryc; Kenneth & Tessa  
Lorraine Haas  
Sherry Haines  
Shannon Haines; Kayden  
David and Cheryl Hajciar; Hannah, Benjamin, & David  
Mark Halliday  
John and Kathleen Hangstefer; Kristine

5. And we pray humbly for God's care for those who suffer and mourn, especially Pat and Sue Kelly and family as they sorrow over the death of Sue's mother, Jeanne Hagen; and for Shawn and Christina Witt and family as they sorrow over the death of Shawn's grandfather, Randy Kennedy .

**✠ PRAYERS ✠**

**THE SICK, THE SHUT-INS, THOSE IN ADVERSITY:** Adrian Atkinson, Ingeborg Bailey, Jack & Barbara Bain, Alex Bak, Christopher Bolton, Kelly Bowman, Susan Brandt, Mary Ann Brueggeman, Bruce Bunevich, Sylvia Cole, Liz Dean, Carole Doll, Jim Faight, Kevin Haas, Conrad Huntly, Avery Hyatt, Marsha Johnson, Sharon Johnson, Bill Kirkpatrick, Kayla Marcum, Charles McCloskey, Pam Miller, Helen Oliver, Racheal Pies, Kathy Pump, Cindy Pushman, Cindy Quinkert, Georgine Shelton, Donna Talsma, Randi Talsma, Edwin Thoma, Joan Thompson, Monica Tkac, Jace Waldorff, Rev. John Wurst, and Frances Wyckoff.

**MILITARY:** Fletcher Armstrong, Jennifer Baca, Ramone Baca, Drew Barber, Brandy Bates, Robert Bell, Corry Brennan, Tom Buller, Brian Chapman, Mark Ciero, Norma Jean Cottrell, Jonathan Cross, Kenneth Eyer, Sgt. Paul Harrison, Drew Helmreich, Chad Libby, Neil Lipon, Richard McManamon, Meighan Mills, Nick Morley, Jonathan Mrozek, Matthew Niendorf, Chris Robosky, Steve Roeske, Samantha Russell, Jake Simkins, Albie Therrien, and Alex Young.

**MISSIONARIES:** Rev. Charles Ferry and family, and Rev. Steven Mahlburg and family.

**MOPS IS IN NEED OF CAREGIVERS** for the upcoming year. MOPS meets from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning September 13th. Please contact Kelly Roesner (810-397-3981/kkroesner@gmail.com) or Heather Belloli (734-765-4293/hhgemi23@gmail.com) if you are interested.

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Mr. Jonathan Swett, Kantor  
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