

OUR SAVIOR EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
ANNOUNCEMENTS — 14 AUGUST A.D. 2016

✠ **CALENDAR** ✠

14 August to 21 August A.D. 2016

TODAY

Divine Service	9:30 A.M.
Summer Sunday School (Cafeteria)	10:45 A.M.
Board of Christian Ed meeting	12:30 P.M.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

Adult Volleyball (Gymnasium)	7:30 P.M.
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SUNDAY, 21 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.

Summer is rapidly coming to a close as well as our Summer Sunday Family Bible Study and Fellowship. Join us for the last three sessions on the 14th, 21st, and 28th of August before we make way for our regular fall classes. Our rally day balloon launch will follow the bible study on August 28th to celebrate both the end of our summer classes and the beginning of our regular fall sessions. Please fill out the Sunday School Registration form insert for all school aged children and turn it in to the church office by August 29.

God’s Grace in the New Testament Bible Study, led by Pastor Heckert, will resume Wednesday evenings, beginning September 7, following the Divine Service from 7:45-8:30 p.m. A brief overview brochure is available on the shelf in the narthex. Please make plans to join us for worship and Bible Study this fall!

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!

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

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 three generous pledges so far - we only need **\$126.00** more to complete this project!

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.

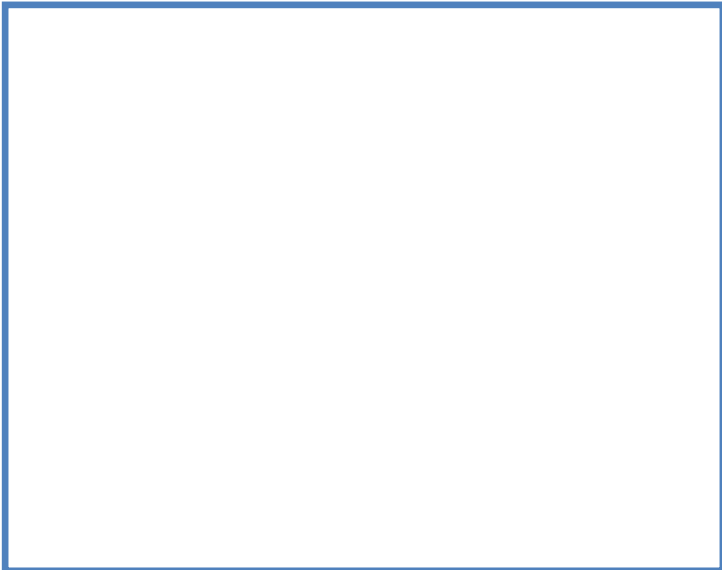
“From the cloud a voice said, ‘This is my Son, and I love him. Listen to what he says!’ At once the disciples looked around, but they saw only Jesus.” Mark 9:7

LIFELIGHT WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY will begin a study on *The Gospel of Mark*, beginning Thursday, September 8. We meet at the church from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Our time together is spent in small groups, prayer, and discussion of the previous week’s lesson which should be completed at home.

Materials will be available in the lobby of the church two weeks prior to our first meeting. The cost of the book is \$10.00. Child-care will be provided as needed. Please let us know if you will be bringing a little one as soon as possible.

All women are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have any questions feel free to contact LifeLight’s director, Carol Caswell at 248-296-1149.

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



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE — August 7, 2016

9:30 Divine Service Total Worship Attendance: 190
Summer Sunday School: 55

Week of 15 August to 21 August

ANNIVERSARIES

Shawn and Jennifer Kolonich	08/16/2001
Harold and Helen Oliver	08/18/1955
Jeff and Ann Tryon	08/18/2001
Mary Kay and Samuel (Shahid) Balluff	08/19/2005
Scott and Georgie Rhodes	08/20/1988
Alex and Jane Bak	08/21/1991

BIRTHDAYS

Logan Terao	8/18	Rosalind Roesner	8/20
Sylvia Cole	8/19	Heidi Bierer	8/21
Luke Dibert	8/19	Hannah Hajciar	8/21
Steven Leonard	8/19	Kennedy Ives	8/21
Kathy Felix	8/20	Katelyn Preston	8/21
Steve Felix	8/20		

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?

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.

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 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!

DO YOU HAVE BOYS CLOTHING, size 12-18 months, that you are no longer using? Please contact Becky at 248-773-1834 or the church office if you are able to help.

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 Heidi Elizabeth Grupp baptized this morning in the Divine Service;
5. For the following member families of this congregation:

- Gregory and Allie Haponek
- Douglas and Pamela Haponek; Erica, Andrew, & Eliza
- Christopher and Ashley Haponek; & Emma
- Machell Harrison; Crystal Schupbach
- James and Elona Harrison
- Tom and Donna Hay
- Rev. Jakob and Ilona Heckert
- Sandy Heino
- Emily Helmreich
- Thomas and Julie Herrington; Nicole, Brittany, Natalie, & Jacob
- Michael and Joyce Hicks
- Eric and Karolina Hicks; Claudia

6. And we pray humbly for God's care for those who suffer and mourn.

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.

✠ PRAYERS ✠

THE SICK, THE SHUT-INS, THOSE IN ADVERSITY: Adrian Atkinson, Ingeborg Bailey, Jack & Barbara Bain, Alex Bak, Beverly Berry, Christopher Bolton, Kelly Bowman, Susan Brandt, Mary Ann Brueggeman, Bruce Bunevich, Marc Charder, Jeff Charder, Sylvia Cole, Liz Dean, Carole Doll, Jim Faught, Kevin Haas, Conrad Huntly, Avery Hyatt, Marsha Johnson, Sharon Johnson, Bill Kirkpatrick, Kayla Marcum, Charles McCloskey, Helen Oliver, Racheal Pies, Kathy Pump, Cindy Pushman, Cindy Quinkert, Carey Smith, 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/hhgemini23@gmail.com) if you are interested.

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