

OUR SAVIOR EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
ANNOUNCEMENTS — 11 SEPTEMBER A.D. 2016

✠ **CALENDAR** ✠

11 September to 18 September A.D. 2016

TODAY

Divine Service **9:30 A.M.**
Bible Study and Sunday School 10:45 A.M.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

Office of Matins **8:10 A.M.**

TUESDAY

Women's Guild Bible Study (Cafeteria) 9:30 A.M.
Adult Volleyball (Gymnasium) 7:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Mid-Week Divine Service **7:00 P.M.**
Celebration Ringers Rehearsal 7:30 P.M.
6th to 8th Grade Midweek/Confirmation Class 7:30 P.M.
Adult Bible Study 7:30 P.M.

THURSDAY

Responsive Prayer/Liturgics **8:10 A.M.**
Social Ministry Meeting 9:30 A.M.
Women's LifeLight Bible Study 1:00 P.M.
Social Ministry Meeting 9:30 A.M.
Cantate Choir Rehearsal 7:00 P.M.
Brass Ensemble Rehearsal 8:30 P.M.

SUNDAY, 18 September

Divine Service **9:30 A.M.**
Bible Study and Sunday School 10:45 A.M.
New Membership Class 12:15 P.M.
Quarterly Congregation Meeting 3:00 P.M.

"NEW MEMBER ADULT CLASS" – The newest class will begin this Sunday, September 11 at 12:15 p.m. for anyone considering membership here at Our Savior. Also, it's worth noting that even if you are already a member, you may join the class. It would be an opportunity for a refresher in the Christian basics. The first class will meet in the ECC right after the regular adult Bible Study hour.

FROM THE KANTOR

Though worth a try, your strategy of waiting for OTHER members of the congregation to step up and join the Celebration Ringers (Adult Handbell Ensemble) has FAILED! Now, I implore you to adopt the strategy in which YOU volunteer to join us!! We are unfortunately at the point where we don't have enough people to facilitate an ensemble; but with just a couple more volunteers we will be able to provide service music once again utilizing two out of the three octaves of handbells that we have. There is no need to fear if you have little or no experience with handbells or with music in general—I teach beginning children every year and they do quite well; the same is possible for you! Please see me so that I can get you caught up before joining the rest of the group at our next scheduled rehearsal this Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the choir loft. Thank YOU!

"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*, starting on 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.

School News — 9.11.2016

The teaching staff for the 2016-17 school year is:

PS/Kdg. Enrichment: Mrs. Kurth
K: Mrs. Tougas
1: Mrs. Hausch
2: Mrs. Miscovich
3: Mrs. Hempel
4/5: Mrs. Helmreich & Mrs. Johnson
6/7/8: Mr. Arnold
Catechesis: Pastor Thoma
Music: Kantor Swett
Principal: Mrs. Johnson
School Office Administrator: Mrs. Hornick

Ruth Hempel, our new 3rd grade teacher, is being installed today. PTL is hosting a reception for her in the cafeteria after the service. Please come, introduce yourself to her, and welcome her into our church and school family.

Our Savior has three other special teachers that you may not see unless you are in the building during the week. Mrs. Linda Schrupp is our Resource Room teacher. She comes to us from Lutheran Special Education Ministries (LSEM) and supports those students who need additional help in reading, math, and study skills when she is at Our Savior on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

We are blessed to have Mrs. Karen Gebarowski returning for the fourth year as our computer/technology teacher. She teaches K-8 students on Mondays and Thursdays. Mr. Corey Walsh is our new physical education teacher for K-8 students when he is here on Tuesdays and Thursdays. These two teachers are our Shared Time teachers through our partnership with Brighton Area Schools.

Our Savior Spirit Wear

PTL is accepting orders for Spirit Wear for their first order of the school year. Both school families and congregation members may purchase items from the order form which are available in the school office. If you would still like to order any items, please submit the order form to the school office with payment by **Friday, September 16**. Order forms are also available as a link on Fast Direct.

God's Grace in the New Testament Bible Study, led by Pastor Hecker, will resume Wednesday evenings at 7:45-8:30 p.m., beginning September 7, following the Divine Service. 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!

ATTENTION PARENTS OF JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH YOUTH! Please join us with your family on Sunday, September 18 at 1:00 P.M. The board of youth is hosting a BBQ at the Bronsberg's house- 10126 Abrams Fork, Brighton, MI 48114. We will be presenting our calendar of events for the school year. Please join us for food, fellowship, and filling up your calendar with fun! If you have any questions, please contact Rachel at 517-410-3121.

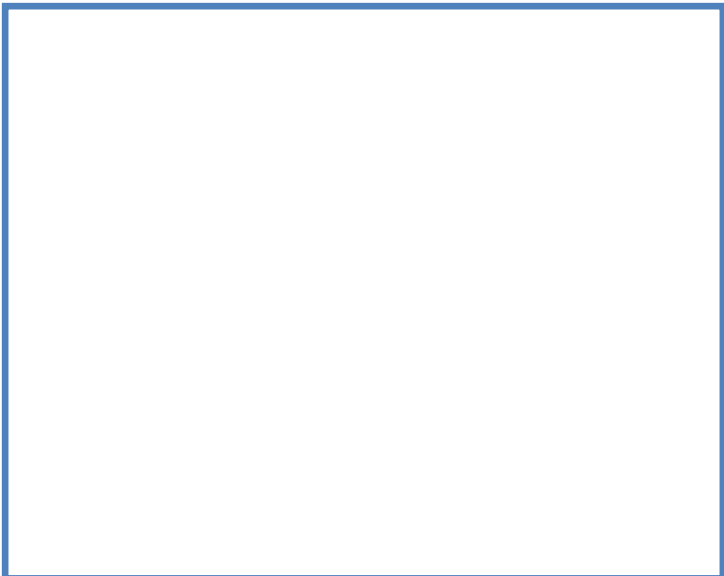
EVER THOUGHT ABOUT HELPING WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL?

First, we welcome Laurie Bliese on board as our new Sunday School Superintendent! Thank you Laurie for your willingness to serve and support the Gospel efforts of this congregation in such a way!

Second, we still need a *"Craft Coordinator."* If you are a creative, imaginative, resourceful, inventive...(I'm using as many synonyms as come to mind for "creative")...then the Sunday School needs your help! Let me (Pastor Thoma) know if you are interested. This year is looking to be a wonderful new year of study in the Lord with a great group of faithful, loving, and dedicated servants of the congregation!

You should be a part of it!

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



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE — September 4, 2016

9:30 Divine Service Total Worship Attendance: 206
Summer Sunday School: N/A

Week of 11 September to 18 September

ANNIVERSARIES

Ryan and Sarah McCollough	09/12/2014
Steve and Kathy Felix	09/13/1986
Jeremiah and Nancy Cowden	09/14/2010
Richard and Nicole Spangler	09/16/1995

BIRTHDAYS

Stephanie Werner	9/12	Jason Leonard	9/16
Glen Williams	9/12	Caleb Ferry	9/17
Aneesa Cappellano	9/13	Blake Pfenning	9/17
Parker Dean	9/13	Andrew Combs	9/18
Alex Bak	9/14	Erica Haponek	9/18
Khloe Lowman	9/14	Dillon Mrozek	9/18
Glenn Trapp	9/15	Spencer Timmons	9/18
Tara Johnson	9/16		

QUARTERLY CONGREGATION MEETING

Our quarterly congregation meeting has been scheduled for **Sunday, September 18 at 3:00 p.m.** Mark your calendar so that you can participate in the discussions and decision-making. There's plenty to discuss! Praise God for His continued care of this congregation and our efforts to be the salt of the earth and lights in the world! *By the way*, there was talk some time ago about scheduling the congregation meetings during the Bible study hour immediately following our single service. The hope was that more folks would attend and become more attuned to the business of the church. Any thoughts on this? Obviously we're not doing it this time around, but we may begin scheduling as such with the meeting in December. Keep the idea in mind, and if you have any questions or concerns, be sure to let Pastor Thoma know.

CAN YOU HELP?

Microwave For Daycare Kitchen: If anyone has a used, but in good condition, microwave or would like to purchase a new one to donate to the daycare, please contact our Daycare Director, Amy Thompson at daycare@oursaviorhartland.org. Thank you!

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.

Conference Curtain: The backdrop curtain that we use for the conference must be rented for \$270. Can you help with this expense? Or perhaps you willing to spearhead a group willing to build our own so that we don't have to continue to rent it. Talk to Pastor Thoma if you can help.

Mini Refrigerator For Preschool Room: Mrs. Kurth is in need of a small refrigerator for the preschool room. If you have one in good working condition that you would be willing to donate please let the school office know.

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:

Jason and Casandra Maronen; Camden, Connor, & Rachel
Landon and Lisa Martens
Dean and Karen Masser; Andrea & Mitchel
Ryan and Sarah McCollough
Jeffrey McGovern
John and Lynn Meissner; Alicia & Jonathan
Matthew and Jennifer Michaels; Emily & Daniel
Carolynn Michelis, Jayden
Paul and Katherine Mika; Rachele, Katy, & Jacob
Martin Miller; Christopher
Jason Miller; Peter
Andrew and Heather Moldenhauer; Calla, Albert, & Bennett
Rebecca Molnar
Jim and Suzanne Molnar

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

✠ 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, Bruce Bunevich, Jeff Charder, Marc Charder, Lori Cokely, Sylvia Cole, Carole Doll, Kevin Haas, Lucas Hemeyer, Conrad Huntly, Marsha Johnson, Teresa Kaminsky, 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, 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.

MISSIONARY NEWS!

Pastor Ferry and his family will be with us on Sunday, October 9. Pastor Ferry will preach and then he and his family will share with us during the Bible study hour their Gospel efforts in Southeast Asia. Join us!

Also, Rev. Rohwer with P.O.B.L.O. and several of POBLO's Muslim missionaries would like to join us on Sunday, November 20 for worship and study. Please be sure to be with us then, too!

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 20th. 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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