

OUR SAVIOR EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
ANNOUNCEMENTS — 09 OCTOBER A.D. 2016

✠ **CALENDAR** ✠

9 October to 16 October A.D. 2016

TODAY

Divine Service **9:30 A.M.**
Bible Study and Sunday School 10:45 A.M.
New Membership Class 12:15 P.M.
Board of Christian Ed Meeting 12:30 P.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.**
Women's LifeLight Bible Study 1:00 P.M.
Cantate Rehearsal 7:00 P.M.
Brass Ensemble Rehearsal 8:30 P.M.

SUNDAY, 16 October

Divine Service 9:30 A.M.
Bible Study and Sunday School 10:45 A.M.
New Membership Class 12:15 P.M.

"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: A study on *The Gospel of Mark* meets on Thursdays at the church while school is in session 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 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.

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.

God's Grace in the New Testament Bible Study, led by Pastor Heckert, has resumed Wednesday evenings at 7:45-8:30 p.m., 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!

FROM THE KANTOR

Although the Celebration Ringers could still benefit from ONE more member if there's one out there, we have had a few people step up and we are covered (if I play a couple bells while directing) at least for our service commitment in November! I know that we will have a need for two or three on Christmas Eve, so please let me know if you may be available even if it's just for that date and the rehearsals leading up to it.

MOPS IS HOSTING A MOM-TO-MOM SALE on Saturday, October 22nd from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. here at Our Savior. If you are interested in selling, 8 foot tables are \$20. Please email mops-momssale@yahoo.com for more information. Early bird admission is \$2 from 8:30-9:00 a.m. and general admission is \$1 after 9:00 a.m. Thank you for all your support!

THE YOUTH GROUP invites the Junior and Senior High Youth of Our Savior Church to a fun-filled adventure at Best Maze Corn Maze located at 3803 Noble Road, Williamston, MI 48895, on Saturday, October 22! Bring a friend or two!!!

We will meet at the church at 1:00 p.m. Parents who are interested in chaperoning, please contact Bill Mrozek. The cost is \$7.00 per person. Please sign up on the Youth Group bulletin board and turn in a permission slip with money as soon as possible by giving it directly to Mr. Mrozek or putting it in the Youth Box in the Church Office. We must have both turned in by October 16.

Contact Bill Mrozek for any questions or inquiries at bill_mrozek@yahoo.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Bring your children to Sunday School and join the adults for Pastor Thoma's Bible Study in the ECC area. **NEW:** Please drop off your children in the cafeteria, where they will enjoy a snack. You can pick them up in their assigned classrooms at the conclusion of Sunday School.

The following is the room and teacher information based on grade:

Pre-school & K	Room 212—Sue Kelly
Grades 1 & 2	Room 215—Rachel Bronsberg
Grades 3 & 4	Room 219—Michelle Nichols
Grades 5, 6, & 7	Room 205—Emily Helmreich
Grade 8	Room 206—Donna Hay
High School	Room 204—Bill Mrozek

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT HELPING WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL?

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!

School News — 09 October A.D. 2016

6th Annual PTL Fun Run

The excitement for this year's Fun Run is surrounded by its Superhero theme. Superhero Training Academy (STA) visited Our Savior on September 19, to kick off the Fun Run activities. The students learned the four strategies for being superheroes: Compassion, Fortitude, Wisdom, and Joy. Several Supervillains invaded the assembly to thwart the students' efforts to persevere against the problems they face.

Between now and the Fun Run dates of October 10-11, the students are asking family and friends to support them by making pledges for the laps that they will run either in the gym or outdoors. The PTL goal for this year is \$8100 to support the many programs and activities they sponsor throughout the school year. Congregation members are encouraged to support the students directly if asked to make a pledge, or visit the "shoe sale" table in the lobby before or after the service today if you do not know a student and would like to pledge your support for the Fun Run and PTL.

STA will return to Our Savior on October 11, the day of the afternoon Fun Run, with obstacles to impede the students' attempts to achieve their goals. Will our students rise to the challenge to use their superpowers as they run to fight bad behavior, promote good character, and promote overall health and wellness, as well as raise the necessary funds for PTL? Congregation members are welcome to join us at 10:00 on Monday, October 10, when the Prekindergarten (P4) and Kindergarten students run their laps. On Tuesday, October 11, the Preschool (P3) students will run at 10:00 and grade one through eight students will run at 2:30. Join us for the fun and encourage the students to run as many laps as possible.

CONFERENCE THANK YOU: So many people helped with the recent conference, and so we wanted to take a moment and try to remember and thank EVERYONE who worked so hard to make the day a success. Special thanks goes out to: Dorothea Bruzek, Sue Combs, Joanna Daniels, Mike Daniels, Ed Dietrich, Mark & Bev Elling, Jane Faught, Bonnie Felix, Lisa Glasco, Nancy Greene, Lorraine Haas, Su Hausch, Tom & Donna Hay, Joyce Hicks, Joel & Julie Hornick, Harry & Kit Jock, Kim Leonard, Jennifer McClue, Dillon Mrozek, Vici Mrozek, Bill & Trish Mrozek, Kent Nelsen, Kurt Pochert, Adam Pushman, Gerry Radke, Jason Roesner, Georgie Rhodes, Julie Schulte, Crystal Schupbach, Georgine Shelton, John & Felicia Shirk, Alexis Shirk, Nicole Spangler, Shirley Sturkin, Kantor Swett, Joshua Thoma, Jennifer Thoma, Kathy Were, and Karen Whiting.

We're sorry if we forgot anyone. So many helped, and with that, it was hard to keep track. If we did forget anyone, we'll add those folks and get to it in next week's newsletter. In the meantime, know without a doubt that you are appreciated and your help was an absolute blessing!!!

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

Weekly Financial Report 2 October A.D. 2016

General Fund Income week of 10/02 \$ 21,653.23

General Fund Register Balance 10/04 \$ 14,030.15

CURRENT NEEDS OVER THE NEXT THREE WEEKS:

Bills on Hold	\$	0.00
Week of 10/09	\$	24,162.89
Week of 10/16	\$	2,887.58
Week of 10/23	\$	<u>32,201.23</u>
Total	\$	59,251.70

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES BASED ON THE 2017 BUDGET:

Week of 10/30	\$	16,000.00
Week of 11/06	\$	<u>21,000.00</u>
Total	\$	37,000.00

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE — October 2, 2016

9:30 Divine Service Worship Attendance: 223

6:30 Wednesday Divine Service Worship Attendance: 22

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study: 96

Week of 9 October to 16 October

ANNIVERSARIES

Ryan and LeAnna Quillan	10/11/1997
William and Catherine Neuroth	10/13/1984
Denis and Diane Peck	10/15/1994
John and Ashley Sanburn	10/16/2010

BIRTHDAYS

Victoria Mrozek	10/12	Scott Dibert	10/15
Joachim Cummings	10/13	Jeffrey McGovern	10/15
Melanie LaCasper	10/14		

The Altar Guild is looking for volunteers. Please contact Donna Rose at 248-231-6376 if you are interested.

Paul wrote something rather interesting in Romans 15. Here's what he said...

"I myself am convinced, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, complete in knowledge and competent to instruct one another." (v.14)

What did he mean by this?

Well, first he meant what it sounds like he meant—that by the power of the Spirit at work through the Gospel in each of them, they were full of goodness—and this means that even while they wrestled with the sinful nature each and every day, through faith in Jesus they had an ability to produce the fruits of faith made ready by the Gospel. We know what those fruits are, since Paul already told us that the fruits of the Spirit are peace, patience, kindness, goodness, etc. These particular fruits produce thoughts, words, and deeds in the world around us that emanate in a variety of ways.

The second thing he meant—at least partially—is that we are gathered together as a fellowship which knows these things and are fully competent for encouraging one another and building one another up according to faith in Jesus.

This is no small thing in our midst, especially since we are more and more taking the lead in our local and broader communities for standing immovably upon the Gospel of Christ in an ever-changing and often threatening world.

We need one another. We need each member to work together—to take the gifts of knowledge and skill that God has seen fit to give and to share it where appropriate throughout the church. If you are a carpenter, ask how you might put those skills to use in the church. If you are a skilled seamstress, let us know. We have vestments that could use your help. Are you wise with finances? Teach us how to reach out within the fellowship in order to gauge our directions and make sturdier long term plans.

As a believer, by God's grace, you are full of goodness. This is an uplifting truth, and for that I am grateful.

—Pastor Thoma

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. In thanksgiving for Mark Rudd and Kelsey Preston joined in holy marriage yesterday afternoon;
5. For the following member families of this congregation:

John and Ashley Sanburn
Raymond and Dawn Schleif;
Raymond, Lilley, Gianna, & Isabella
James and Carol Schneider; Andrew, Robert, & Reba
Steve and Kae Schorling;
Chad, Jessica, Rebecca, & Spencer
Julie Schulte; Christopher, Carly, Skyler, & Tara
Crystal Schupbach
Daniel and Kelly Seaman; Taylor
Joseph and Katy Settecerra; Abigail & Rachel
Georgine Shelton
Robert and Susan Shipe; Robert & Michelle
John and Felicia Shirk; Alexis & Cassandra
John and Catherine Short; Michelle
Jeffery Sims
Brian and Heather Slater; Ashton & Sebastian
Paula Smith; Randy
Matthew and Michelle Smith; Sydney & Brendan
Richard and Nicole Spangler; James & Solomon
Kevin and Kimberly Spoutz

6. 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, Sylvia Cole, Carole Doll, Kevin Haas, Lucas Hemeyer, Conrad Huntly, Marsha Johnson, Teresa Kaminsky, Bill Kirkpatrick, Kayla Marcum, Charles McCloskey, Coleen Miller, Helen Oliver, Racheal Pies, Kathy Pump, Cindy Pushman, Cindy Quinkert, Howard Schrock, Doris Shirk, Carey Smith, Donna Talsma, Randi Talsma, 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.

CAN YOU HELP?

DO YOU HAVE BOYS CLOTHING, size 18-24 months, that you are no longer using? Please contact Becky at 248-773-1834 or the church office if you are able to help.

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