



Our Savior Lutheran Church  
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**November 12, 2017**

## Events and Announcements

**\*\* new announcement**

**PURE: BY GOD FOR GOD - TODAY AT 3PM!!!** We invite any 7th through 12th grade students AND their parents to come and be a part of this inspirational and Christ centered event! The afternoon includes: great music by 2nd Mile, presentation by Travis Hartjen, food & refreshments, prize giveaways, teen & parent purity resources. The cost is \$10 per person or \$25 for a family. Registration at the door is welcome! Bring friends, teammates, relatives, and other parents!

**THANKSGIVING BASKETS:** OSL is supporting families in need at Thanksgiving again this year. Our goal is to provide 225 families with Thanksgiving Dinner. Tables are set up in the Church Lobby for donations of the following items (amount needed): Boxed Mashed Potatoes (171), Boxed Stuffing Mix (159), Cans of Green Beans (146) and corn (141), Jell-O (175), Cake Mixes (143), Frosting (157). Monetary donations are also requested (need approx \$1,000) for the purchase of frozen Turkeys, Milk, Rolls and Margarine. Donations are due by Friday, November 17th. If you know anyone who could use a meal, or have questions please contact the church office.

**ELECTION SUNDAY:** Today, November 12<sup>th</sup> members of Our Savior age 18 and older will be voting in both services for members of the Board of Directors, Spiritual Life Team, and Christian Education Team. Thank you to all those willing to serve!

**\*\*ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT:** Saturday, December 2, at 4 p.m. This year's theme is "CHRISTmas Around The World." Thank you to the many who signed up to host a table. The afternoon will be a time for ladies and guests to share in the joy of our Lord and Savior's birth around the world. Be sure to sign up in the lobby to attend.

**LIVING NATIVITY 2017!** Join us to celebrate the birth of our Lord at our Living Nativity on *Saturday, December 16 from 5-7pm*. Make this special event a part of your family's Christmas tradition and invite your friends and neighbors. There will be live animals, crafts, refreshments and a guided journey outside where you will experience the true story of Christmas. Volunteer sign up is available at the Living Nativity display in the church lobby. Contact Jane Whitacre at [janeywhitacre@gmail.com](mailto:janeywhitacre@gmail.com) or 517-290-1128 for more information.

**FALL CLEAN-UP DAY - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - 9AM-12PM:** volunteers are needed to help beautify the sanctuary, lobby and chapel in preparation for Advent. Snacks will be provided. Sign up in the church lobby or online at [oursaviorlansing.org/events](http://oursaviorlansing.org/events). For more information or questions call the church office.

**FOOD BANK NEEDS:** The Food Bank is in need of personal care items. Travel and regular size items are welcome! Gently used and clean household and clothing items as well as non-perishable food and personal care items are also accepted. Any donations may be dropped off in the food bank corner of the church lobby.

**HOPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS – GRIEF SHARE:** As we approach the holidays, the process of grief intensifies. Pastor Steve Massey will be giving a presentation on grief Thursday, November 30, 6:30-8:00 p.m., based on his devotional book *Songs from the Pit*. Kathy Davenport will be leading GriefShare sessions the following Thursday evenings, December 7, 14, and 21, 6:30-8:00 p.m. for anyone who is dealing with grief this time of year. A sign up sheet for each event is in the church lobby. Contact Pastor Wangelin for more information.

**FAMILY SERVICE SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 19TH, 9:30-10:30AM:** Come be a part of this family service opportunity during our Sunday Bible class hour. *Service projects include:* assemble Thanksgiving food baskets, make blankets and pillows for Lansing area families, Little Dresses for Africa Project, family service project commitment station and make Christmas cards for shut-ins. For questions, please contact Dave Wright at [dwright@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:dwright@oursaviorlansing.org).

**\*\*ADVENT BY BONFIRE:** Join Our Savior's Men of Courage is Saturday, December 9, from 6:30-8:30pm, Dinner (pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans, pasta salad, cheesy potatoes), Michigan craft beer sampling, Prize giveaways, Jesus time led by a special guest speaker and a bonfire, of course! Location is 7607 Williams Rd., Lansing (Home of Matt & Meghan Sternemann) and cost is \$10/person. Sign up in the church lobby or email Dave Wright: [dwright@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:dwright@oursaviorlansing.org).

**OUR SAVIOR WISH LIST:** If anyone feels so moved, here are a few ministry needs that we currently have on our wish list: new projector for music room \$400, projector for Bickel room \$400, Lawn mower repair \$800, new weed whip \$250, dry erase arrow sign \$75, white copy paper, ivory cardstock.

**\*\*MEMORIAL GIFT:** A gift has been given by Dennis & Judy Williams in memory of Ben Smith

**FACETED-WINDOW BOOKS:** If you ordered a faceted-window book, it has been placed in your church mailbox. If you haven't had a chance to order one, there are a few extra in the church office available for purchase for \$15.

**MESSAGE OF HOPE SCHOLARSHIP FUND:** We received our first large gift (\$5,000) for the Message of Hope Scholarship Fund, which supports students attending Our Savior Lutheran School. Praise God for gifts large and small. Informational brochures on the scholarship fund are located throughout the church lobby and offices.

**SAVE THE DATE - 2018 AUCTION:** Mark your calendars for the 2018 Church and School Auction on Saturday, March 3, 2018. If you are interested in donating your time, talents or treasures to this event, please contact Becky Grocki at [bgrocki@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:bgrocki@oursaviorlansing.org) or 517-882-8665.

**THRIVENT \$250 COMMUNITY IMPACT CARDS:** Did you know that all Thrivent members are eligible to be granted a **\$250** gift card at least once every calendar year (and up to three times depending on membership type) to use as seed money for charitable causes? These Thrivent "Community Impact Cards" can be applied for easily online, and come at no additional cost to you! If you aren't currently using this benefit, please prayerfully consider contacting the church office to see if you can allocate your card(s) to one of the ministries here at Our Savior.

**ONLINE GIVING CARDS:** If you give online and would like something to place in the offering plate each Sunday, please stop by the welcome desk and pick up a few! For more information or questions about online giving, contact the church office.

**WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE:** can be found inside each of the sanctuary doors. To request a prayer to be added to the weekly guide, please contact the church office at 517.882.8665, email [bgrocki@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:bgrocki@oursaviorlansing.org) or by adding them to the back of your connecting card on Sunday morning.

**SERMONS ONLINE:** You can listen to sermons from Our Savior anytime by visiting [OurSaviorLansing.org](http://OurSaviorLansing.org) and clicking on "sermons."

## **Bible Studies for All Ages**

**TAPESTRY BIBLE STUDY:** meets on Fridays, from 10 to 11am in the fellowship room. This 9 week series will cover the fruit of the Spirit. For more information, please contact Jo Boss at 517-694-9532.

**CHRIST CONNECTIONS:** Sunday morning children's bible hour (9:30-10:30am). Preschool to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade children are invited to experience a morning of hands-on activities, songs, devotions, & interactive Bible learning to bring the Scriptures to life.

**\*\*SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS – JOY TO THE WORLD: GOD'S GIFTS OF CREATION & CHRISTMAS:** When someone mentions the doctrine of creation, what do you think of? Odds are you picture a debate on evolution or the Big Bang, but not much else comes to mind. Yet the doctrine of creation is so much bigger than that! Vicar Weeks will be walking through this neglected teaching of Christianity that is so closely connected to Christ's redemptive mission. Join us and see God's gifts of creation and Christmas like never before! Classes will be held from Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in the Music rm.

**SENIOR BIBLE STUDY:** The Senior Guys and Gals invite you to join us for Bible study with Pastor Wangelin Wednesday mornings. We gather for a brief time of coffee and fellowship at 10:30, and the class starts promptly at 11:00. If you have any questions contact Sharon Atkinson at 321-6321 or via e-mail at sharatkin9@aol.com.

**MEN OF COURAGE BIBLE STUDY & BREAKFAST:** is on the *first and third Friday* of each month at Mike's Village Restaurant in Dimondale at 6:30am. Please contact Dave Wright at dwright@oursaviorlansing.org with questions.

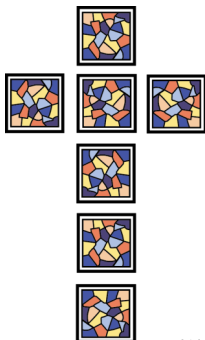
**GROWING AND LOVING SERVANTS** women's bible study meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, at 6:45 in the fellowship room. For more information, contact Tina Ferris at 517-230-3051 or tferris26@live.com.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP AT OUR SAVIOR:** All high school students are welcome to join us each Thursday from 7-9pm in the Music Room. For more information, contact Dave Wright at dwright@oursaviorlansing.org or at 882-8665.

**SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDES AVAILABLE:** Study guides based on the sermon text for each Sunday can be picked up each week in the lobby near the coat racks, or downloaded from our website under "Resources."

## Other Events

**ORGAN CONCERT:** The Lansing chapter of the American Guild of Organists invites you to a concert of organ music today, Sunday, November 12 at 3 p.m. The concert will be at Trinity Lutheran Church 501 W. Saginaw St., Lansing, MI 48933. The program, "Festival Music", will include music by Bach, Janacek, Mendelssohn, Holst (arr. Blersch), Langlais, Locklear, and others. Performers this year include Our Savior alumni, Timothy Nechuta and Minister of Music, John Horak. This is a free event, but a free will offering will be collected for the benefit of the Guild education and programming fund.



### **LAST WEEK'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

Sunday 8:00am Worship Service: 186  
Sunday 10:45am Worship Service: 308  
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**Total # Worshipping: 541**

### **GIVING**

**General Fund**  
Received this week: \$26,092  
Year to date over/(under) budget: \$(39,726)

### **Church & School Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 8am - 4pm  
Weekly staff prayer and planning meetings are every Tuesday at 1pm

## **Serving Our Lord This Week**

### **Sunday, November 12, 8:00am (Team 3)**

**Elder:** Jim Sundstrom & Steve Boyce

**Assistants:** John Eldridge

**Ushers:** Tom Friedrich, Joe Sturdevant, Seth Sturdevant, Nathan Sturdevant, Taylor Smelker, Austin Smelker, Cadence Conner, Arlene Smith & Jana Kittilson

**Altar Guild:** Jan Maran, Linda Brzak, Michelle Matt

**Prayer Warrior:** Wayne & Heidi Joubert

**Greeter:** Bill & Crystal Bliese

**Welcome Desk:** Michelle Knauff

**Sound:** Dennis Sohn

**Screens:** Matthew Schaedig

### **Sunday, November 12, 10:45am (Team 2)**

**Elders:** Stan Ferris & Brad Ritter

**Assistants:** Jim Leonard & Steve Grulke

**Ushers:** Jaimee Figueiredo, Jude Paxton, Bornwell Legabu, Daniel Legabu, Evan Grulke, Joshua Wangelin, Charlotte Werth & Corban Ferris

**Prayer Warrior:** June Tidd

**Greeter:** Gene & Sue Wilson

**Welcome Desk:** Jill Endelman

**Sound:** Dave Wyatt

**Screens:** Lisa Ortuist

## **Serving Our Lord Next Week**

### **Sunday, November 19, 8:00am (Team 4)**

**Elders:** Matt Sternemann & Ryan LaFeve

**Assistants:** Curt Lake

**Ushers:** Jerry Goschka, Jim Whitacre, Michael Moldenhauer, Ben Trapp, Austin Lee, Phil Trapp, & Gary Lake

**Altar Guild:** The Johnson and Huffman Families

**Prayer Warrior:** Bill & Judy Skiba

**Nursery:** Meghan Sternemann

**Greeter:** Mike & Pam Bardon

**Welcome Desk:** Arlene Smith

**Sound:** Dennis Sohn

**Screens:** Charlotte Werth

### **Sunday, November 19, 10:45am (Team 3)**

**Elder:** Jim Sundstrom & Steve Boyce

**Assistants:** John Eldridge

**Ushers:** Tom Friedrich, Joe Sturdevant, Seth Sturdevant, Nathan Sturdevant, Taylor Smelker, Austin Smelker, Cadence Conner, Arlene Smith & Jana Kittilson

**Prayer Warrior:** Jana Kittilson

**Nursery:** Mary Ann Paxton

**Greeter:** Glenn & Karen Kopper

**Welcome Desk:** Joan Schray

**Sound:** Dave Wyatt

**Screens:** Frank Luginbill

### **Wednesday, November 22, 7:00pm (Team 4)**

**Elders:** Matt Sternemann & Ryan LaFeve

**Assistants:** Curt Lake

**Ushers:** Jerry Goschka, Jim Whitacre, Michael Moldenhauer, Ben Trapp, Austin Lee, Phil Trapp, & Gary Lake

**Prayer Warrior:** June Tidd

**Greeter:** Gene & Sue Wilson

**Welcome Desk:** Jill Endelman

**Sound:** Dave Wyatt

**Screens:** Matthew Schaedig