

# Our Savior Lutheran Church & School News & Announcements

12-13-20

## Living Nativity

This year we will be hosting a Virtual Living Nativity. Spend the evening with your family in the comfort of your own home while participating in the Living Nativity. There will be a video of the journey along with some activities for kids and families.

# **Angel Tree**

Thank you to everyone who took a tag from the tree. Gifts are due back to the church by this Sunday, December 13th. Please contact the church office with questions.

## **Advent Yard Signs**

Share the "Reason for the Season" with your neighbors! Signs are available in the church lobby on Sunday mornings or in the front office Monday through Friday, 8am-4pm. These signs are provided to you at no charge due to the generosity of the Our Savior Endowment Fund.

# Christmas at Our Savior: Looking for a Sign

God has promised us hope, salvation and eternal life. But when things look dark or bleak, we want a sign that God is going to follow through. Jesus is the ultimate sign of God's love and faithfulness, and that is what brings us comfort and joy. Join us for the following worship services:

- -Christmas Eve Eve: Tuesday, December 23rd at 5pm In-person and Live Stream
- -Christmas Eve: Wednesday, December 24th at 4, 7 & 10pm All In-person. 7pm will be Live Streamed.

## Weekly Children's and Family Resources

Sunday, December 13 is the 3rd Sunday in Advent! Click on Children's Ministries to find the children's bulletin and an Advent coloring page!

## **Advent Devotions**

Jesse Tree Devotions are available in the church lobby or online for you to print at home.

# Women of Worth: Altogether Beautiful a Bible study of the Song of Songs

Women of all ages, married and single, are invited to join author Heidi Goehmann on an eight-week journey through the Song of Songs (through videos and a physical workbook), to draw near to God and His Word and discover just how much the God of the universe considers His daughters beautiful. This Bible Study will be facilitated by Lexie Brown and take place on Zoom each Monday night from 7:30-8:30pm from January 4 - February 22. Workbooks can be purchased either from CPH or Amazon. A limited number of copies will be available to purchase in the church office. Contact Family Life Intern Lexie Brown with any questions or for an invitation to each week's Zoom gathering.

#### Christmas & New Year Office Hours:

The church and school offices will be closed December 24 through January 1. If you have a pastoral emergency, you can reach Pastor Wangelin at 517-881-4074 or Sharon Atkinson at 517-321-6321.

## Year-End Giving:

If you would like to make a year-end gift to the ministry of Our Savior Lutheran Church and School, you may place it in the offering on Sunday mornings through December 27th or drop it off at the church office (weekdays, 8am-4pm) by Wednesday, December 23rd. If you prefer to mail any gifts, they should be postmarked by December 31st. As always, online giving is available at your convenience at www.oursaviorlansing.org/giving. All gifts are tax deductible.

# Memorial Garden Update

The Memorial Garden Committee has completed the approval process from Delta Township. The memorial garden is planned for the west lawn next to the church building. The committee will now focus on finalizing policies for burying cremains and landscape architectural design.

# Associate Pastor Call Update

The Associate Pastor Call Committee is looking for congregation members to submit names of pastors to be considered in the call process. Aside from regular pastoral duties, the main area of focus for the Associate Pastor will be ministering to young families and early childhood along with assimilating new members to the congregation. If you have a candidate in mind that would fit this role, please consider filling out a Candidate Information Form at the welcome desk and hand it in to the church office by January 10 or fill the form out online. The Call Committee is comprised of Jim Sundstrom (chair), Maria Giggy, Matt Sterneman (SLT), Donyelle Hayhoe, Bob Seidel (CET), Holly Kasper, Dave Wright (staff), Sarah Felsing, Pastor Wangelin, Jamie Lake, and Evy Cummins.

# Men of Courage and the Small Catechism

Men of Our Savior are invited to a careful study and discussion of the new and revised Small Catechism. This will begin as a Zoom meeting Each Thursday night from 8:00-9:00pm in January, March, and May. We will gather and — in the spirit of Martin Luther and the Reformation - raise a glass (or stein) of your preferred beverage for the night to God's word found in Luther's Small Catechism. So do three things:

- 1. If you do not already have one, purchase the 2017 Small Catechism.
- 2. Get a cool looking beer stein.
- 3. Request a weekly Zoom invite from Dave Wright.

Contact Dave Wright for an invitation to each week's Zoom gathering at dwright@oursaviorlansing.org or 517-282-4996.

# Wednesday Bible Study

Our weekly Wednesday Bible Study is held at 11am online. You are welcome to participate via Our Savior Live Stream. Contact Pastor Wangelin for more information.

## **Worship Opportunities**

Sundays: 8:30 & 10:30am - In-Person and Live Stream

Mondays: 7pm - In-Person only (No services on December 21 and 28th)

## **Last Week's Attendance**

 In Person
 Live Stream

 Sunday 8:30am: 94
 Sunday 8:30am: 448

 Sunday 10:30am: 90
 Sunday 10:30am: 416

 Monday 7pm: 14
 Wednesday 7pm: 180

 Total In Person: 198
 Total Online: 1.044

**Total Worshipping: 1,242** 



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