

## **Our Savior Lutheran Church & School**

# News & Announcements 2-28-21

#### Associate Pastor Call Extended

On Sunday, February 21, our congregation voted to call a seminary candidate, Chris Deneen, as our Associate Pastor. We now wait until Call Day, April 28, to see if Chris receives this call and is placed at Our Savior. We pray for Chris, all the seminarians (including our former vicars Brandon Wittig and Andrew Mussell) as they await their calls on April 28.

#### Digital Women's Retreat March 5-6

You are invited to a last-minute OSL digital women's retreat Friday, March 5-Saturday, March 6. Due to COVID, this retreat is a bit "out of the box" and last minute. It comprises of three things:

1) Getting away for a night at the location of your choice. (You decide times, accommodations, etc.)

2) Spending time in God's Word with OSL women via 1 hour Zoom Friday evening. (Email kristinwangelin@gmail.com to sign up for the link.)

3) Individually attending a digital "ABIDE-Virtual Prayer Retreat" from Visual Faith Ministries on Saturday (Register for FREE at https://www.visualfaithmin.org/event-details/abide-virtual-prayer-retreat)

Talk to Lexie Brown or Kristin Wangelin (517-599-7052) for more information.

#### Men of Courage and the Small Catechism

The men's small catechism class starts again Thursday night, March 4th, from 8-9pm via Zoom. In March we will go through sections of The Lord's Prayer during the first two weeks. The last two weeks will focus on The Sacrament of Holy Baptism. If you have not had a chance to join us, now is a great time! Every Thursday night from 8-9pm. Make sure you have a 2017 revised Small Catechism. Email Dave Wright to request a Zoom invite for the classes.

#### Easter Story Walk

Families are invited to join us for an Easter Story walk on Saturday, April 3rd, 10am-12pm! Take the journey of Holy week on our outdoor interactive story walk and read about Jesus and His journey to the cross and the good news of His Resurrection! Have fun with an Easter scavenger hunt along the way and many other fun surprises!

#### Palm Sunday Parade

Join us on Palm Sunday (March 28) at 9:45am as we hold a vehicle parade through our parking lot and the surrounding neighborhoods. Joyfully wave palm branches outside of your car window as we celebrate, commemorate and witness to our neighbors the fact that Jesus – our prophet, priest, and king – arrived peacefully in Jerusalem for you and me. Parking lot and street attendants will assist everyone and keep us all on the right path during this fun parade!

#### VBS – but different!

We need volunteers to help plan and lead a new style of VBS this year. Our Savior is planning a fantastic week for the whole family July 12-15. Join us for an hour of family fun on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of that week from 6:30-7:30pm each night. There will be outdoor singing, devotions, and skits as well as VBS style games and crafts for the kids. On Thursday, we will gather for some outdoor eats and cold snacks and Families with kids up to 5th grade are welcome to join us. We also need people to join the planning team! For more information, contact Dave Wright.

#### Fish Fry to Go!

This Lenten season we are going to offer fish fry dinners to go on Friday, March 26th from 4:30-7:00pm. These dinners must be ordered and paid for by Sunday, March 21. Grab an order form on the table in the church lobby or from the church receptionist desk. They are also available on our website.

Adult meals (\$12) include: 3 pieces of fried or baked cod, hush puppies, French fries or cheesy potatoes, tartar sauce, coleslaw, and dinner roll.

Kids meals (\$7) include 1 piece of fish and all the fixin's.

All proceeds will go to assist the ministry at St. Peter Confessional Lutheran Church in Middelburg, South Africa.

#### Midweek Lenten Series

Join us in-person or online each Wednesday in Lent for worship. Midweek Lenten Worship, at 7pm, includes "The R-words of Lent" series.

#### Lenten Daily Devotional

Check out the OSL Lenten devotions booklet this year, "Return to the Lord". These daily devotions are intended to keep us focused on our sin and God's forgiveness. The devotion booklets are available in the church lobby. If you already receive our e-news, you will also receive a daily devotion via email. Please email contact@oursaviorlansing.org if you would like to be added to the email list. We are thankful for the many OSL members who contributed a devotion for the Lenten devotional booklet.

#### **Discover Our Savior Class**

For those who would like to join our congregation, or are simply interested in learning more about the Lutheran Church, the next Discover Our Savior Class will begin on Wednesday, April 14th, 6:30pm in-person or online. Sign up by emailing contact@oursaviorlansing.org.

#### Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® By March 31

A friendly reminder that it's time to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars to further the mission and ministry of Our Savior. Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars® have until March 31, 2021, to direct them. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

#### 2021 Bible Read-a-thon

Let's read through the Bible together. Each time you finish a book of the Bible, click here or stop by the welcome desk in the church lobby to submit your name, which book, and the date you completed it. Totals will be shared weekly.

#### Our Savior Kindergarten Roundup 2021-22

Invite your friends and family to consider Our Savior Lutheran for their Kindergarten students for the 2021-22 school year. Enrollment for community members is now open! If you would like an enrollment packet to share with another family, contact the school office. At this time, visits/tours with Mrs. Seling and/or Principal Couser are being scheduled by appointment only and can be made by contacting Deb at dwalworth@oursaviorlansing.org.

#### Early Childhood Enrollment

Our Savior is opening enrollment to the community this coming week. Specifically, we have space in our Early Childhood (PreSchool and PreK) Kindergarten for next year. Mr. Couser and Mrs. Carroll are available for after-school tours to share our school ministry. Please share with someone who is looking for a Christ-centered education and let them know they can get more information at oursaviorlansing.org!

#### Thank You

A huge thank you to all who donated diapers and wipes to help the clients of Pregnancy Services, in celebration of Life Sunday. 3,620 diapers and 7,204 wipes were collected and will go a long way to making sure moms have these needed supplies!

#### Wednesday Bible Study

Weekly Wednesday Bible Study is held at 11am in-person and available online at 1pm. Head to Our Savior Live Stream each week or to view previous studies. Contact Pastor Wangelin for more information.

#### Worship Opportunities

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

Monday Worship Services will resume on Monday, January 4th: 7pm - in-person only.

In Person



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www.oursaviorlansing.org 517-882-8665 Last Week's Attendance

Live Stream Sunday 8:30am: 438 Sunday 10:30am: 350

Total Online: 788

### Total Worshipping: 1,039

Join our email list to receive the weekly news and announcements by sending a message to contact@oursaviorlansing.org

Sunday 8:30am: 118

Sunday 10:30am: 125

Total In Person: 251

Sunday Hmong 10:30am: 8