Our Savior Lutheran Weekly News and Announcements 12-4-22

Advent by Bonfire - New

All OSL men are invited to join us for Advent by Bonfire 2022. Bring a friend, dad, brother, son, etc, as we gather in the pole barn and back yard at Matt Sternemann's house. There will be great fellowship, food, beverages, Christmas gift brown bag auction, and a devotion around the bonfire. This year we are asking everyone to bring a new item wrapped in a brown paper bag (\$20 value) to be auctioned off after dinner and devotions. We suggest bringing a new or useful item to be auctioned. No one will know what each bag has inside. This will add to the fun of bidding for something. You may bid for as many brown bag Christmas gifts as you would like. There will not be a cost of admission this year. Simply bring your brown bag item (suggested value - \$20 and up). Dinner menu: pork loin, homemade bacon & jalapeno mac and cheese, brats & sauerkraut, salad, desserts. For more information, please contact <u>Dave Wright</u>.

Women's Conference - New

All OSL women are invited to attend the Christian Women's Conference Saturday, January 23, 9am-4pm (doors open at 8) at St Lorenz in Frankenmuth in the worship and events center. There will be two keynote addresses, worship, lunch, and breakout sessions during this event. The cost is \$39/ person. For more information or to register contact <u>Tina Ferris</u> or check out the table in the lobby.

School Christmas Concerts - New

All are welcome to join our students as they present 3 Christmas Concerts.

Sunday, December 4 at 4pm: Early Childhood & Kindergarten

Thursday, December 8 at 7pm: 1st-4th Grades Thursday, December 15 at 7pm: 5th-8th Grades

These programs will be live streamed for those unable to attend in person. You can watch on our <u>YouTube channel</u>. Please note, there are no services or programs on Wednesday evenings this year.

Living Nativity Volunteers and Donations Needed

Our celebration of the true story of Christmas will be December 17, from 5-7pm. Volunteers are needed as a costumed character, to sew costumes, help with crafts, provide refreshments, or sing Christmas carols. We are in need of donations of cookies, candy canes, hot chocolate and monetary donations to cover the cost of the animals. For more information or to sign up, <u>click here</u>, see the table in the church lobby, contact <u>Chris Manning</u>.

Angel Tree

Thank you to everyone who selected an Angel Tree tag. Please make sure to bring the unwrapped gift back to the church by December 11th. Please contact the church office with questions or if you are not able to purchase the gift from the tag you took.

Year End Gifts - New

If you would like to make a year-end contribution to Our Savior, the last in person opportunity is Christmas Eve, December 24th, and Christmas Day, December 25th, and any mailed or <u>online</u> offerings must be received by Friday, December 30th. Thank you!

LWML Family Gift Bags - New

Help us pack 40 Christmas Family Gift Bags for Living Word and Friendship House families on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 10:00 AM in the Church Lobby. Items especially needed are canned fruits and vegetables, rice, beans, boxes of mac 'n cheese and noodles. Bibles will be included in these celebration gift bags. Special thanks for enriching these family celebrations!

Advent Devotion Booklets

This year, Our Savior will be making available Advent devotions written by Our Savior members. We pray that you and your family will be blessed through the reading of God's word, some meditational thoughts about the coming King, and a prayer for you each day during Advent. These daily devotions are emailed each day. Hard copies are available in the church lobby. To be added to our email list, please send your name and email address to contact@oursaviorlansing.org.

Election Results

On Sunday, November 20, our congregation held elections for church leadership. Those elected to the Board of Directors are: Wendy Boyce, Mark Moeller, Phil Trapp. Those elected to the Spiritual Life Team are: Bill Burmeister, Stan Ferris, Jordan Miller, Jim Sundstrom, Nate Wagner. Those elected to the Christian Education Team are Zane Goucher, Shelly LaFeve, Brooke Miller.

Lutherans for Life Meeting

Our pro-life ministry team is meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Anyone is welcome to attend if you would like to learn more about how we can support life ministries.

Church Mailbox Update

Our church mailboxes in the lobby are being condensed and relocated in January. If you would like to continue having a church mailbox, please email contact@oursaviorlansing.org or notify the church office by January 8th.

Lutheran Witness Renewal

The Lutheran Witness offers 11 issues of important news, helpful articles and more. Keep up-to-date with the LCMS with a subscription. Subscription price is only \$12 per year when ordered through your congregation. (Individual subscription is \$19.99/year) Please give your name, address and payment to Sue Sundstrom in the church office by Wednesday, December 11th. Make checks payable to Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Food Bank Needs

The food bank is in need of new or gently used children's and school aged kids winter clothing and gear. They are also in need of plastic grocery bags. These donations and any non-perishable food can be dropped off to the food bank bin in the church lobby.

Worship Opportunities

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

Office Hours

The church and school office hours are Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm.

Bible Study Opportunities

Tapestry Bible Study

All ladies are invited to Tapestry on Fridays at 10am, beginning September 30th, in the Bickel Fellowship Room. This fall we will be discussing the book of Ephesians.

High School Youth Group

High schoolers have 2 opportunities to gather together for fun and fellowship! Sundays from 9:30-10:30am, is Breakfast with Jesus and Thursdays is Youth Group from 7-8:30pm. All high schoolers are invited!

Wednesday Bible Study

Join us for our Wednesday morning Bible study. Each week will start at 10:30am with fellowship and coffee with the class beginning at 11am in the Bickel room.

	Last Week's Attendance		
		In-Person	Online
OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN	8:30am Worship:	130	210
Church and School	10:30am Worship:	172	172
Learn, Live, ShareChrist	10:30am Hmong Worship:	15	
www.oursaviorlansing.org		317	382
517-882-8665	Total: 699		

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