

# Our Savior Lutheran Weekly News and Announcements

## January 21, 2024

### First Bible Milestone - This Sunday

1st grade first Bible milestone class will be Sunday, January 21, at 9:30-10:25 in the commons. Parents of 1st graders are invited to bring their 1st grader with them to this class. Each participating family will receive a Bible for their 1st grade child. Contact [Dave Wright](#) for more information.

### Last Chance for Early Bird Ticket Prices! - New

#### 2024 Auction - Saturday, March 2 at 4:30pm

Get your auction tickets by Friday, January 26 at early bird pricing. [Order them online here!](#) Are you ready for some March Madness at the annual Auction? Get your collegiate gear ready for a fun evening of fellowship, food and of course, bidding on your favorite items! You can reserve your spot today by filling out an RSVP card in the front office or go to: [oursaviorlansing.org/auction](https://oursaviorlansing.org/auction)! Early Bird pricing through January 26th, \$35/person or \$240/table of 8 (\$30 per person). Donations of new items, services, etc. are needed! For more information, contact [Becky Grocki](#).

### Lenten Midweek Fellowship Meals - New

Join us each Wednesday during Lent for fellowship and yummy food before going to the Midweek Lenten Worship service at 7pm. Dinner will be available in the commons from 5:30 to 6:45pm. Cost for the Fish Fry is: Adults - \$15, Children 10 and under - \$5, Family rate - \$40. A free will donation will be taken for the remaining meals. February 14: Fish Fry; February 21: Sloppy Joe's & Cheesy Potatoes; February 28: Taco Bar; March 6: Pulled Pork & Macaroni & Cheese; March 13: Spaghetti & Meatballs; March 20: Chili Cook-Off.

### 4th Grade Technology Milestone - New

We invite all families with 4th graders to the Our Savior Lutheran Church 4th Grade Technology Milestone. Please join us on Sunday, February 4th, from 9:30am-10:20am in the 4th grade classroom at Our Savior (between worship services). In this discussion-based classroom forum, we will be sharing insights about the joys and danger technology offers. We will also spend some time discussing the times and locations that technology is allowed within our homes. In addition, there will be conversation about cell phone privileges of our kids and cell phone agreements between parents and kids. This class is for parents and students. You do not have to be a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church to join us! This will be a great opportunity for the OSL family life staff and parents to share strategies with each other and celebrate successes in appropriate use of technology within the home. For more information, please contact Dave Wright - Minister of Family Life. [dwright@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:dwright@oursaviorlansing.org).

### Auction Donations Needed - New

Donations of new items, gift cards, services, etc are needed for the 2024 Auction on Saturday, March 2nd! If you or someone you know would like an easy way to donate, we have created an [Amazon wish list](#). Anything purchased can be shipped directly to OSL. Please contact Becky Grocki at [bgrocki@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:bgrocki@oursaviorlansing.org) with questions. The donation deadline is Friday, February 23rd.

### Lenten Dinners: Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help with Lenten dinners this year. They begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and continue each Wednesday through March 20th. Please consider helping with afternoon food prep or serving or cleanup on Wednesdays during Lent. You can even bring a dessert! (Food prep - 3:00pm-5:00pm). (Serving - 5:00pm-6:30pm). (Cleanup - 6:30pm-7:30pm) The volunteer sign up table is in the church lobby. Contact Dave Wright for more information at [dwright@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:dwright@oursaviorlansing.org).

### Women's Conference - Register Today!

Women of Our Savior: Join us on Saturday, April 13, from 8:00am-3:00pm for the You be You conference here at Our Savior. Special guest speaker Karen Reincke will walk you through ways to embrace your identity in Christ. He is the vine, and we are the branches. The cost for the day is \$35 and includes morning snacks, refreshments, and lunch. Registration is available [online](#) or at the sign up table in the church lobby. For more information contact Tina Ferris at [trferris26@gmail.com](mailto:trferris26@gmail.com).

Word of Hope Ministry - New

The OSL Life Team would like people to know about the Word of Hope ministry, a free, confidential online counseling service for anyone who has participated in or is contemplating an abortion. This wonderful service is a branch of the National Lutherans for Life. Look for Word of Hope contact information on the [Community Resources](#) page of our website.

Congregational Meeting

A congregation meeting for all members and supporters of Our Savior will be held on Sunday, February 4th, 9:30-10:30am in the Commons.

Year-End Giving Statements

The 2023 Year-End Giving Statements will be mailed by Wednesday, January 31, 2024. If you moved in 2023 and haven't updated the Church Office, please email [ssundstrom@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:ssundstrom@oursaviorlansing.org) or call (517) 882-8665.

Debt Reduction Fund

Starting in January, all gifts to Debt Reduction (mortgage), the parking lot, and Together Campaign will go into the Debt Reduction Fund. This fund will be used for principal-only payments to our two mortgages (the building and the parking lot) as determined by the Board of Directors. This consolidates the Together Campaign funds into one. We have made tremendous headway in tackling our loans!

Bible Reading Plan for 2024

Get ready for the New Year, pick up the daily Bible Reading Plan for 2024 in the church lobby or you can view it on our website at [oursaviorlansing.org/faith-resources](https://oursaviorlansing.org/faith-resources). May God bless your new year!

Sermon Study Guides Available

Each week, our pastors write a study guide based on the sermon text and theme for group or individual use. These are available on our website under Faith Resources or from the church office. If your small group would like copies made of the study guide, you may request them from the receptionist, [kwaldie@oursaviorlansing.org](mailto:kwaldie@oursaviorlansing.org).

Winter & Spring Bible Study Opportunities

Check out the new Bible studies that will be going on after the first of the year. [Click here](#) to view more information on Wednesday Bible study, Men's and Women's studies, Faith & Fellowship Nights, and more!

Theological Conference "Love Talks: Daring Conversations Toward Reconciliation"

Registration for the the 2024 Theological Conference, Love Talks: Daring Conversations Toward Reconciliation, is now open. The conference will take place on Saturday, February 3, 2024 here at OSL. All are welcome to attend this exciting event as we come together to explore new ways of building bridges towards reconciliation with those in our lives, churches, and communities. [Click here to register](#) or if you would like to volunteer there is a sign up sheet in the church lobby.

Sunday Worship Opportunities

- 8:30am (traditional) & 10:30am (contemporary) in-person & online
- 10:00am (Connect Worship) in-person in the commons on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month
- 10:30am (Hmong worship) in-person in the music room

Office Hours

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



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Last Week's Attendance		
	In-Person	Online
8:30am Worship:	89	406
10:00am Connect Worship:	40	
10:30am Worship:	131	194
10:30am Hmong Worship:	14	
	274	600
	Total: 874	

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