Our Savior Lutheran Weekly News and Announcements September 1, 2024

Regular Worship Times

We will be switching from the summer to regular worship schedule on Sunday, September 8th. Sunday worship services will be 8:30 & 10:30am and will be in-person and online.

Oktoberfest - September 14 - Get your tickets!

This year we are incredibly excited to host OSL Oktoberfest on Saturday, September 14, from 3pm-7pm. Join us for some great food, fun, and fellowship under the big tent. There is something for people of all ages – kids and family activities and games, bounce house, face painting, awesome German food, giant pretzels, hot dogs, desserts, beverages for adults and kids, great music, and all the fun of Oktoberfest! To purchase tickets, <u>click here</u> or stop by the front office. Do you want to be a part of the planning and set up? Would you or someone you know like to become a sponsor? For more information about this exciting event, go to: <u>oursaviorlansing.org/Oktoberfest</u>.

Connect Worship Begins Sunday, September 8

Join us for an informal, interactive, and connecting worship experience at 10am in the School Commons on the 2nd and 4th Sunday each month. This worship service includes movement, kids, noise, and the Gospel. We want you to come as you are. We want you to be here with us, and feel comfortable as we have authentic, family-oriented worship time to our God. This service is in addition to our regular Sunday worship services at 8:30am and 10:30am in the sanctuary.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study - New

You are invited to a two-week study on the Prodigal Son led by Pastor Chris in the Bickel Room on Wednesday Sept. 4 and September 11. Coffee and fellowship starts at 10:30 with teaching time 11-noon.

LifeLight Bible Study - New

Starting September 18, join with a small group on Wednesday mornings or Wednesday evenings (or your regular small group time) to study the book of Hebrews for 9 weeks. Study Guides with daily readings are available for \$10 in the church lobby or at cph.org.

Confirmation Meeting - New

A conformation meeting for parents of 7th and 8th graders (both OSL and PSI) will be Wednesday September 11, at 7 p.m. in the Music Room. A meeting about the 8th grade class trip will take place immediately following.

Ringer Needed for the Adult Handbell Choir

If you are an experienced ringer, we need you. Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm, starting on September 3. Contact John Horak at or talk to him on Sunday morning.

Offices Closed

The church and school offices will be closed on Friday, August 30 & Monday, September 2, in observance of Labor day.

Tapestry Women's Bible Study

Women of the congregation are invited to Tapestry on Fridays at 10am, in the Fellowship Room, beginning September 27th . This fall the study will focus on the Lord's Prayer. If you have questions, please call Jo Boss at 517-721-1388.

Family Life Resource

As we begin a new school year, it might be a good time to get back into Sunday worship. <u>Click here</u> to take a look at some suggestions to help make worship more enjoyable for children and more of a regular part of their week.

Line of Credit Repaid

The temporary line of credit (\$100,000) that was drawn on in June has been repaid in full. Thank you for the continued generosity to support the mission of our church and school. A fiscal year-end financial report will be shared at the congregation meeting on September 29.

Thank You Pen Pals - New

Thank you to everyone who signed up to be a pen pal this year for first grade. We have enough for the students! A communication will be going out soon with information about the coming year.

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, September 18th, 6:30-8pm. Sign up at the welcome desk in the lobby, or contact Sue Sundstrom for more information at <u>ssundstrom@oursaviorlansing.org</u>.

High School Youth Group Updates

- Youth Group Informational Meeting: There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, September 8, at 9:30am in the Bickel Fellowship Room.

- Youth Group Resumes: Youth group will meet every Thursday night starting on September 5. Youth group will meet at 7p.m. in the Bickel Room and will end at 8:30 p.m.

Geistliche Abendmusik Organ Recital

Join us on Thursday, October 3, 2024, 7 p.m. for an organ recital by John Horak. This Geistliche Abendmusic, A Worship Service Through Music consists of a series of scripture readings and hymns. The adult choir will be leading the singing of the hymns with the congregation. Each hymn has an introduction and then verses of the hymns are sung to different settings. Interspersed are verses of scripture which will be read before the hymn is sung.

Thank You

"We are overwhelmed with gratitude by your outpouring of love and generosity – both through this last year and especially our last Sunday at OSL. I praise God for the ways He has worked through you to prepare me for future ministry. Thank you for your continued prayers as I study in Germany. If you would like to receive our monthly newsletter, please send your request with your name and email to <u>contact@oursaviorlansing.org</u>. Aufwiedersehen!" – Vicar Noah Pieper

Funeral Luncheon Coordinators Needed

OSL is in need of 2 more funeral luncheon coordinators. This volunteer position requires the ability to work with OSL volunteers and families who are planning a loved one's funeral. You will not be asked to coordinate each and every funeral luncheon, but will work in a team of three coordinators, taking turns coordinating volunteers and food for funeral luncheons. Duties include:

- Helping set up a monthly rotational schedule
- Keeping track of basic luncheon supply inventory and requesting items for Dave Wright to order
- Contacting families to determine the number of people for which to plan
- Contacting OSL lay people for help setting up, serving, and preparing food

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Dave Wright in the church office at 517-882-8665 ex 105 or <u>dwright@oursaviorlansing.org</u>.

Youth Haven Ranch Work Day

Plan to join us on Saturday, October 5 for the Youth Haven Ranch Work Day. All (men and women) high school age and up are welcome to attend. We will be spending the day working on projects to help update the ranch facility. In addition, there will be great food, fellowship and growth in God's Word. More information will be forthcoming on the schedule, kinds of projects and what you should bring. Youth Haven Ranch is located at 3796 Perrine Road in Rives Junction, MI 49277. Check out their website at <u>youthhaven.org</u> for more information on what Youth Haven Ranch does for kids. If you have any questions or would like to sign up to work that day, please email (<u>jhorak@oursaviorlansing.org</u>) or talk to John Horak on Sunday mornings.

Michigan College Students

A network of campus ministries and local congregations from the Michigan, English, and North Wisconsin Districts are ready to support your college students this fall. Campus Ministry provides a nurturing environment where students can thrive and find belonging within a faith community during their time at school. Join us in creating meaningful connections and fostering spiritual growth among the next generation of leaders. Interested in getting connected? <u>Click here for more information and to fill out a contact form</u>!

Summer Worship Opportunities

Our summer worship schedule will conclude on Sunday, September 1st. There will be no Monday evening worship on September 2nd. Regular worship times resume on Sunday, September 8th (8:30 & 10:30am)

- Sundays at 9:30am in-person & online
- Sundays at 10:30am (Hmong worship) in-person in the music room
- Mondays at 7:00pm in-person only

Online Connecting Card

If you are away or joining in worship from home, you can now connect with us by <u>clicking here</u>. We would love to hear from you, who is worshipping with you and if you have any prayer needs.

Office Hours

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



In-Person Online 9:30am Worship: 319 274 10:30am Hmong Worship: 12 7:00pm Monday Worship: 36 367 274

Last Week's Attendance

Total: 641

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