



Every Friday Note

March 30, 2018

Our Savior Lutheran School
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Holy Week and Easter Services at Our Savior Lutheran Church

Please join us at our services over Holy Week as we hear of Jesus Christ's life-giving work through His death and resurrection.

March 30 Good Friday Tre Ore Service 12-3pm
Good Friday Chief Service 7pm
March 31 Easter Vigil 8pm
April 1 Easter Sunrise Matins 6:00am
Easter Divine Services 8am and 11am

Offerings

Third trimester matins offerings will go to support the work of West Michigan Lutheran High School.

Baby Food

The beginning of every month OSLS gathers baby food for the Concordia Theological Seminary food pantry. Due to spring break, the next collection will take place on Wednesday, April 11.

Learn by Heart for the week of April 9 2nd Article of the Apostles' Creed Meaning

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

1 Corinthians 15:20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Spring Break is April 2-6.

Registration

Preschool and grade school registration packets have been sent home. To help our church and school with planning for next year, please return the completed packet as soon as possible.

Tuition Reduction forms are available from Pastor Swem or the office. The due date for the return of all documentation for approval by the school board committee that awards additional aid to families is May 29, 2018.

Learning Fair

Our 5-8 grade students have been hard at work completing their Learning Fair projects. Please come see the fruits of the labor. The Learning Fair will be held in the school gym on Friday, April 13 from 6-7:30 pm. Projects will be judged earlier in the day. We would love to have you come and see all the various topics our students have researched.

At 7pm that evening, the 3-4 grade class will perform individual recitations at the Night to Recite for their portion of the Learning Fair. The purpose of a recitation is to imprint the word of God on the hearts and minds of your children. These are verses and hymns that give comfort and strength in trying times. They are words of praise and thanksgiving for what God has given to us. What amazing words for our children to learn and memorize! We are looking forward to sharing these words with you on Friday, April 13th at 7pm.

Open House

Our Savior Lutheran School provides an education that makes a difference! The night of our Learning Fair, OSLS will be opening its doors to the community and hosting an Open House. The Open House will be on April 13 from 6:30-8:00pm.

Shorts

Students may wear shorts to school after Spring Break. The shorts must have a hem and be of appropriate length. Students are to come to school prepared with appropriate outerwear for recess.

Hot Lunch

Hot lunch will be Friday, April 13.

The menu is Hungry Howie's pizza, fresh fruit or veggie, and chocolate chip cookies.

1-8 grade students who have not submitted a Hot Lunch Order Form for 2018 should complete the hot lunch slip on the back of the EFN and return it to school with payment by the morning of April 10.

To help our hot lunch volunteers with shopping, prepping and serving the meals, orders with payment **MUST** be turned in no later than Tuesday, April 10. **Late orders will not be accepted.** Contact Mrs. Jodi Nicol if you have any questions.

National Lutheran School Accreditation

Taken from the LC-MS website...

"National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA) encourages and recognizes Lutheran schools that provide quality Christian education and engage in continuous improvement.

It helps Lutheran schools evaluate their academic quality and the spiritual dimension of the school. The standards and report forms are similar to other accrediting processes, both secular and religious."

For the past year Our Savior Lutheran church members, school board, and faculty members have been working on completing the reports necessary for our accreditation. On April 16-17 a visiting team made of principals, teachers, and pastors from across the state, will come to see our school in action. If you see visitors on those days, please warmly welcome them.

Field Trips

Kindergarten Field Trip

On Friday, April 13, the kindergarten students will travel to Wealthy Elementary School to see a performance of "Nugget and Fang". The students will leave OSLS at 9am and return at 11:30am.

Drama

Thank you

Mr. Roberts and the 7-8 grade students would like to thank everyone that came to the Dessert Theater last Friday. There was a great turn-out. They would like to thank the parents that assisted with costumes and make-up. Special thanks go to the parents that did such a wonderful job with the Dessert Theater. Thanks to everyone who helped by planning, shopping, baking, preparing drinks, serving, setting up and cleaning up.

5-6 Grade Play: A Walk in the Woods

Here are the tales of Goldilocks, the Three Bears, Red Riding Hood, the Three Pigs, and Hansel and Gretel, all blended into one delightful play while staying true to the original stories. Goldilocks, forest-savvy from having to survive in the woods without a family, is on the run from the Three Bears but takes time to help Red Riding Hood, who is leery of her stepmother's motivation in sending her out into the woods at dusk with a basket full of food and a bright red cloak. Along the way, they are saved by the Woodsman (who also happens to be Hansel and Gretel's father) and from the zany Wolf (the same canine who plagues the Three Pigs). By the time you bring in citizens of Mother Goose's village, including Jack Horner, the Butcher, the Baker and the Candlestick Maker, you can see why this fractured fairy tale is sure to be a hit.

Please join us for the 5-6 grade production of "A Walk in the Woods" on Friday, May 11 at 7pm.

5-6 Grade Drama Schedule:

Monday, April 9 3:30-5:00pm pages 1-14

Tuesday, April 10 3:30-5:00pm pages 15-31

Volunteers

Part of what makes Our Savior Lutheran School so special is the crew of volunteers who give of their time to serve at school. If you would like to help with activities in April, please follow [the link:](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a45acad2ca4fe3-april)
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Music

Fine Arts Festival and Recital

Friday, April 27 Voce Solida and the advance band students will be going to Christ Lutheran School in Stevensville, MI for a Fine Arts Festival. Students will perform a selection for judges who will evaluate them.

You are invited to come to a Pre-Festival Music Recital given by the student musicians. It's an opportunity for the soloists to perform their selections in front of an audience before being judged at the Fine Arts Festival. The concert is on Wednesday, April 25 at 7pm in the OSLS gym.

PTL

Pre-order Flower Sale

What are you getting your mom for Mother's Day this year? Do you need some flowers to brighten up your front porch?

Our Annual Flower Sale is coming up! Information will be coming home on April 13. This information will include a description of the available flowers as well as the order forms. Please feel free to gather orders from your friends as family. Orders will be due with payment on April 27.

Flowers will be delivered to the school on Thursday, May 10 for pick up-- just in time for Mother's Day and Grandparents Day! Funds raised from the Flower Sale will go into the PTL's general fund and will help pay for Circle Theater membership and school plays. Thank you for supporting our school and our students!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Jen Havemeier.

Calvin 5K Spring Classic

What event combines the balmy West Michigan spring air on your face and a chance to grow in fellowship with your OSLS family? The Calvin 5K Spring Classic race! Our Savior Lutheran School would like to put a team of runners together for this race! This is open to family and friends, even if they don't attend OSLS. This race is on Saturday, April 28th at 8:30am.

Registration Fees 5K RUN/WALK

- \$15 student: ages 10–24
- \$25 adult: ages 24 & up, by April 1
- \$35 per adult April 2–21

FAMILY FUN RUN

\$8 per child: children ages 3–9; distances range from 100 yards to ½-mile, divided by age group

Please go to www.calvin.edu/events/spring-classic to register for this. After you have filled in your personal information, you will be asked if you are participating in the D&W School challenge. Click 'Yes' and select Our Savior as the school you are representing. Pick that from the drop down menu and you will be included in our team! This is a great opportunity to use the bodies God has given us to exercise, laugh, and grow in fellowship together! Come decked out in all your Our Savior Lutheran School spirit wear! Can't wait to see how fast LutheRANs can run! Please email Miss Alayna Brandt with any questions.

Athletics

OSLS Running Club

Students, are you ready to start running? Would you enjoy setting and achieving personal goals? Would you love to get in some great practice for track season?

All of those things can happen during Running Club. The Running Club will begin after Spring Break. **This is a separate event from the PTL Fun Run/Walk-a-thon.** The Running Club is a fun event for students in 1-8 grade. The students may choose to run or walk a ¼ mile course during their lunch recess. The course is laid out around the playground and soccer field. For every 5 miles (20 laps) completed, the children receive a small prize.

Adult volunteers are needed to help supervise the running club. The volunteers also keep track of the number of laps the students complete. It would be wonderful if a parent/grandparent could pick one day to come for the duration of the running club. What day of the week can you help? Please visit SignUpGenius to volunteer (<http://bit.ly/2nLOV9j>). Please contact Mrs. LaDene Lyon if you have any questions.

West Michigan Lutheran High School

Celebrate

Let's fiesta! Come "Celebrate" West Michigan Lutheran on Friday, April 20! "Celebrate" is a night that recognizes WML contributors. Whether through financial gifts, goods, or services, we appreciate what you do for us and for our school.

The evening will start with a silent auction at 5:00pm. Perhaps you will bid on a donation that will allow you to try a food from around Grand Rapids, including Rockwell Republic, the Beltline Bar, Grand Coney Diner, or Pete's Grill & Tavern. Look for a basket donated by staff and students!

Starting at 6:15pm we'll enjoy a themed meal. The evening will include National Honor Society inductions and performances by our band and choir.

"Celebrate" will take place at the school's address (601 36th St. SW, Wyoming, MI 49505). Please RSVP to Mrs. Bell in the office (616.455-2200 or secretary@wmlhs.org)

Thank you for helping us "Celebrate" our Lutheran High School!

Hot Lunch – Friday, April 13

The menu is Hungry Howie's pizza, fresh fruit or veggie,
and chocolate chip cookie.
(Limit 3 servings)

_____ pepperoni

_____cheese

\$2.50 1st serving _____

\$1.00 each extra serving _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Return by **Tuesday morning, April 10.**

Please return the slip with money in an envelope labeled with the student's name and grade. Please make checks payable to Our Savior Lutheran School (OSLS).

NAME _____ Grade _____

**Please note that forms turned in after April 10 will not be accepted.