



HAPPY NEW YEAR! Hopefully 2025 is off to a great start for you and your family. When we remember that God the Father loves us, that Jesus Christ is always with us, and the Holy Spirit is guiding us, 2025 can be a great year for all of us!

JANUARY MESSAGE SERIES: “JESUS’ FIRSTS!” The Sunday morning Gospel readings in January will give us the opportunity to look at a series of “First Events” in Jesus’ ministry.

- 12th, First Public Appearances, Jesus’ Baptism Luke 3:15-22
- 19th, First Miracle, Wedding at Cana John 2:1-11
- 26th, First Rejection, Jesus in Nazareth Luke 4:16-30

IT’S TIME TO CONNECT or Reconnect with your Faith and Faith Family! You are invited to attend the “God Connects” series starting on Sunday, February 2nd, and running through March 2nd. This is a great time to review the basic teachings of the Christian faith and the Lutheran understanding of our faith. People interested in finding out more about the Christian Faith or joining Open Arms are encouraged to attend. Marty Moro and Dave Ferber will be leading the sessions so Pastor Larry can continue leading the 7th & 8th grade confirmation class.

We Are Not Alone: Engaging Your Community Together. If you’re looking for encouragement, spiritual renewal, and practical ways to connect with others in ministry, don’t miss this year’s Theological Conference. February 1, 2025 | Our Savior, Lansing 8:15 a.m. – 3 p.m. Register online at www.michigandistrict.org/theological25 to attend in person or online.

TEAM TIGER BACKBACK NEEDS

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| Pancake mix | Spaghetti |
| Pancake syrup | Canned fruit |
| Hormel Compleats | Oatmeal |
| Go Go Squeeze applesauce | Beans (bagged or canned - any kind) |
| Go Go Squeeze yogurt | Knorr pasta sides, potatoes, and pasta |
| Stove Top stuffing (any brand is fine) | |

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY – The January 2025 Men’s Bible Study sessions are scheduled for the Tuesdays of January 21st & 28th at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room. The men will be reviewing and discussing a DVD series titled, “Anxious for Nothing.” Please do not hesitate to bring a friend to the sessions. Contact Deacon Dave if you have any questions.

THE NEXT PASTOR CALL LIST FOR OPEN ARMS should be arriving at Open Arms soon. The Call Committee will begin reviewing the information after it arrives. Thanks to Tim Manthei for continuing to lead the Call Committee.

Lutheran Special Education Ministries is looking for a part-time resource room teacher position at St. Matthew Lutheran School in Walled Lake, MI. Applicants must hold a current Michigan Teaching License and have a special education certification/endorsement. Interested applicants looking for more information or wishing to submit a resume are asked to contact Richard Schumacher at (734) 748-5253 or email him at rschumacher@luthsped.org.

THE STORY Bible Study and videos continues through January 26th.

OPEN ARM DAYCARE is hiring a Part time staff, especially for the afternoons, and a teacher for Toddlers. Ask Director Greta Bower for more information or to give her a recommendation.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_xOMNiH7_w&list=PLyqFOkxicbM17Z7Z0NvGMTmLv3Dck8Kt **WORSHIP MUSIC PLAY LIST LINK**

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