

WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

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OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Week of September 6-13, 2012

It's Rally Day Weekend!

Join us this weekend for kick off to the Church School and Youth Programs! If you have not registered yet, please know that all children and youth are welcome, and we can help you register when you arrive.

*Note Surge and Ignition are meeting at the Grand Pavilion, in Downtown Naperville, for this week only.



DAVE RAMSEY'S

FINANCIAL *Peace*

UNIVERSITY



Looking for a plan for your money? Join us for the FREE Previews - This weekend September 8 and 9 after the worship services at both campuses

Financial Peace University (FPU) is that plan! Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be.

This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more! Classes start on Thursday, September 20, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Fellowship Center, Main Campus.

Contact Joel Truemper at joeltruemper@gmail.com or 630-357-3629.



Evangelism Workshops - Show Yourself

Wednesday September 12 - Market Place, Main Campus

Led by Brian Zehr of Intentional Impact. Each of us knows how essentially important our faith is to each of us, but do we feel ready to tell someone else about it? These workshops are designed to open the doors and drive opportunities to begin to expand our comfort level in sharing our faith stories, and maybe even move all the way to excitement about finding opportunities to “give an account of the hope that is in us” (1 Peter 3:15).

Coffee with Leadership

11:30 am-12:45 pm

Sunday, September 23

Pastor Tom's Office, Main Campus
Come and find out more about membership at Our Saviour's! Contact Jamie McCarthy at 630-281-4216 or jamiemccarthy@oursaviours.com for more information.

Alpha Small Group

Starting Sunday, September 30, Main Campus, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. Come and explore the meaning of life! Contact Jamie McCarthy at 630-281-4216 or jamiemccarthy@oursaviours.com for more information.

Looking for a Unique Adult Learning and Discussion Group?

Check out *Exploring Our Faith*. Meets Sundays, starting September 16, 9:00 and 10:30 am in the Fellowship Center, Main Campus

- Note: September 30 will meet in the Adult Learning Center, Celebration!

First Class:

“The Purpose and Meaning of Jesus’ Parables” September 16, 23 and 30

Jesus taught almost exclusively in parables. Professor Amy-Jill Levine believes she knows why: parables are powerful, they do not have just one meaning, and they provoke discussion and debate. All sessions are FREE, and there is no required reading. Contact Bill Wentz at wwentz@huckbouma.com or 630-344-1119 or 630-961-3961.

55 Plus Fall Evening Potluck

Saturday, September 22, 6:00 pm

Fellowship Center, Main Campus

All seniors are welcome! Contact: Judy Healy at 630-961-0326 or judyph@sbcglobal.net.

Sprint Through the Bible

With Mark Witt and Pastor Tom

Saturday, September 29, 8:00 am - noon
Adult Learning Center, Celebration!

Campus. Join us as we go through the highlights of the Bible. Contact: Pastor Tom at pastortom@oursaviours.com or 630-355-2522.

Looking to connect with a small group?

Being a part of a Small Group can open doors in your spiritual thought process as weekly conversations occur with fellow members. Form stronger bonds with God and others. Contact Pastor Mark for more information at 630-281-4224 or pastormark@oursaviours.com.

Here's a list of the small groups:

- Sermon series discussions for singles and couples interested in growing their connection with God and the Church Family. Meets Mondays, starting September 10, 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Temple Room, Main Campus
Leader: Sue Ellen Hollingshead
- All are welcome to this discussion about the scriptures for the worship weekend. Meets the first Thursday of each month, starting Thursday, September 6, 7:00 pm at the Celebration! Campus.
Leader: Pastor Tom Grevlos
- Faith Matters - This is a place for women to gather and discuss faith, life, family, and their own spirituality. Meets Wednesdays, starting October 3, 9:15 - 10:30 am, Main Campus
Leader: Jeanne Grevlos
- Men's Group - This small group is for men trying to figure out what it looks like to grow their faith. Meets Wednesdays, 6:00 am in the Adult Learning Center, Celebration! Campus
Leader: Pastor Mark Borgetti

- Alpha - New Members, plus all people interested in growing their faith and connecting with others. Meets on Sundays, Starting September 30, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm (lunch is served) Leader: David Ashcraft and Bruce Riley
- Woman's Small Group - Focusing on the current sermon series. Starting date and time to be determined. Will meet in the Adult Learning Center, Celebration! Campus. Leader: Debbie Park

Galaxy (Young adult professionals) Sundays, September 16 and October 21

6:30 - 8:00 pm at Pastor Tom and Jeanne Grevlos' Home
Looking to integrate faith and life through conversation, fellowship, and questions? Young adults connect with each other and a growing image and understanding of who God is at this time in their lives. Discussions are free-flowing, non-judgmental, and open. Contact Jeanne Grevlos at 630-281-2217 or jeannegrevlos@oursaviours.com.

Library Book Sharing Groups begin in October

Our Saviour's Library invites you to join a Book Sharing Group. No meetings involved. Receive a book a month to read from our fine collection of Fiction, Christian Life, and Biographies. Please join us by signing up on the Opportunities For You to Serve this week-end or in the library. Contact Wilma Roose at 630-896-0971 or wjroose@aol.com.

Children and Family

Volunteer to teach or shepherd in The Village Church School

Please register online at oursaviours.com\registrations. Contact Janine if you have questions at janinenorgaard@oursaviours.com

Kindergarten Bibles

On Saturday, September 15 (5:00 pm) and Sunday, September 16 (9:00 and 10:30 am) at our Main campus or at 10:00 am at Celebration! Bring your Kindergartner to worship, pick up a Bible storybook from outside the sanctuary and present it to your child during service. Contact Janine at 630-281-4233 or christianed@oursaviours.com for more information.

Communion Stepping Stone – Grade 5
Fifth Graders and their parents meet for three sessions (9/16, 9/23 and 9/30) to study the meaning and origins of this special sacrament. On October 14, 5th graders will celebrate communion during worship services. This class is held at 9:00 and 10:30 am in the Temple Room. Even if your child receives Communion, they are asked to attend this program.

Communion Instruction

Communion Instruction class will be held on September 30 from 12:30-2:00 pm. It is a class designed for parents and children (younger than 5th grade) to learn about Holy Communion together.

Contact Janine at 630-231-4233 or christianed@oursaviours.com.

Open Book at the Open Door

Wednesday, September 19, 11:45 am - 12:30 pm

Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae

A fun craft will follow!



Baby Care Kits

**Sunday, September 30,
9:00-11:00 am**

**Fellowship Center Main
Campus**

Families are invited to come assemble baby care kits (baby clothes, soap, diaper pins) for babies in need around the world. No experience needed and all ages are welcome!

DONATIONS Are Still Being Accepted

Gently used or new clothes
size 0 - 2T.

We are looking for:

- Lightweight cotton t-shirts
- Gowns and sleepers without feet
- Sweaters or sweatshirts
- Baby caps
- Blankets
- Flat fold diapers
- Diaper pins
- Dark colored hand towels
- Bath size bars ivory soap in original wrapping

Contact: Jennifer Schuler at jcshoes@wideopenwest.com or 630-579-1658.

General Information - Fall Program Start Up Dates for Children and Youth

Children and Families

- Children's Choirs - Wednesday, September 12 - 4:30 - 5:30 pm (MC)
- Family Pizza Nights - Wednesday, September 12 - 5:30 pm (MC)

Youth:

- Surge starts to meet regularly - Sunday, September 16 - 12:15 - 1:30 pm (C)
- Ignition starts to meet regularly - Sunday, September 16 - 6:00 - 8:00 pm (C)

Adults

- Leadership Huddle - Wednesday September 12 - Time TBD (MC)
- Financial Peace University Previews- Saturday, September 8 - After the 5:00 pm worship service (MC) and Sunday, September 9 - After 9:00, 10:30 am (MC) and 10:00 am (C) worship services.
- MOPS (Moms of Preschoolers)- Starts Monday, September 10, 9:00 -11:00 am
- Lunch for Seniors - Monday, September 10 - noon (MC)
- Stephen Ministers Supervisory - Monday September 10 - 7:00 pm (C)
- Bach Ringers Handbell Choir - Tuesday, September 11 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm (MC)
- Bach Bells Handbell Choir - Tuesday, September 11 - 1:15 - 2:15 pm (MC)
- Exploring Our Faith "The Purpose and Meaning of Jesus' Parables" Sundays, September 16, 23 and 30 - 9:00 and 10:30 am (MC) except on the 30th (C)
- Adult Music Ministries Potluck Picnic Sunday, September 16 - 4:00 pm (Panosh House)
- Financial Peace University - Thursday, September 20 - 7:00 - 8:30 pm (MC)
- Coffee With Leadership - Sunday, September 23 -11:30 am - 12:45 pm (MC)
- Alpha Small Group - Sunday, September 30 - 11:30 am - 1:00 pm (MC)
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study - Starts October 2, 9:30 am (MC)



The Children's Center Preschool

Eating Out For The
Children's Center
Tuesday, September 18
Lou Malnati's
Downtown Naperville

The Children's Center will have a fundraiser at Lou Malnati's in downtown Naperville starting at 11:00 am continuing until 10:00 pm. 20% of your total sales will be donated to The Children's Center and the money raised will be used to help purchase the new benches for our playground area. You can dine in or carry out.

Please stop by the church office or preschool office to pick up the Lou Malnati's flyer and bring it with you!

Any questions email Eileen at eileenlindgren@oursaviours.com.

Do you find yourself forgetting your weekly offering or are you looking for an additional way to give? Check out our New Giving Kiosks available at both of our campuses that give you an easy way to help further God's ministries and missions here at Our Saviour's. There's also a **FREE APP** for your phone, just go to the APP store for your phone and type in "secure give".

Looking to discover your spiritual gifts and how to align your life with your gifts? Contact Jamie McCarthy at jamiemccarthy@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4216 . She'll talk to you more about a special gift assessment that can help guide and direct your life in many areas.

Small Groups: Are you looking to connect with others and explore your faith in new ways?

- Are you interested in exploring the basics of Christianity in a fun and thought provoking way? Whether you are exploring your faith or have been a Christian for a long time, come and see what Alpha is all about! Contact: Jamie McCarthy 630-281-4216 or jamiemccarthy@oursaviours.com.

Missions: Do you have a heart for reaching out and helping those who are in need?

- Refugee Needs: DVD players, tall kitchen trash cans, blankets, rug, tray, ironing board, paper towels. Contact Anne Wentz, 630-961-3961 or annecwentz@wideopenwest.com .

Prayers:

We lift up in prayer Pete and Sue Harvey and family at the death of Pete's mother, Eileen Harvey and Nancy and Marty Rench at the death of Nancy's brother, Michael Tatak .

Check Out What is Going On This Week

Monday, September 10

MOPS - 9:00 am (MC)
Senior Lunch - noon (MC)
Men's Bible Study - 7:00 pm (MC)
Stephen Ministers - 7:00 pm (MC)

Tuesday, September 11

Ruth Circle - noon (MC)
Bach Bells - 1:15 pm (MC)
Hearts in Puppetry - 6:30 pm (MC)
Bach Ringers - 7:00 pm (MC)
BSA Troop 107 - 7:00 pm (C)

Wednesday, September 12

Men's Small Group - 6:00 am (C)
Cherubim Choir - 4:30 pm (MC)
Children's Choir Parent Meeting
- 4:30 pm (MC)
Seraphim Choir - 4:30 pm (MC)
Family Pizza - 5:30 pm (MC)
Leadership Team - 5:45 pm (MC)
Praise Express - 5:45 pm (MC)
Evangelism Workshop
- 6:00 pm (MC)
Percussion Ensemble - 6:30 pm (MC)
Eagle's Wings - 7:00 pm (MC)
Take 2 - 7:00 pm (MC)
Praise Bells - 7:15 pm (MC)

Thursday, September 13

CARE Worship
Tabor Hills - 10:00 am
Oasis - 12:30 pm (C)
Men's Chorale Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm (MC)
Women's Choral Rehearsal
- 6:45 pm (MC)
Financial Peace - 7:00 pm (MC)
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 pm (MC)

Friday, September 14

Saintly Stuffers - 9:00 am (MC)

Saturday, September 15

Career Transition - 8:00 am (C)
Council Meeting - 8:00 am (MC)
Worship - 5:00 pm (C)

Sunday, September 16

Worship - 8:00, 9:00, 10:30 am (MC)
and 10:00 am (C)
Church School - 9:00, 10:30 am (MC)
And 10:00 am (C)
Surge - 12:15 pm (C)
Ignition - 6:00 pm (C)

(MC) - Main Campus

(C) - Celebration!



Main Campus

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Naperville, IL 60540



Celebration! Campus

919 S. Washington Street
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Worship Services

Saturdays - *5:00 pm (Main Campus)

Sundays - 8:00, *9:00 and *10:30 am (Main Campus)

*10:00 am (Celebration! Campus)

*Nursery Provided

Holy Communion is offered weekly at each worship service. We practice open communion so all are welcome. Children are invited to come forward for Communion or a blessing.

Coffee with Leadership - Learning More About Membership

- Jamie McCarthy, jamiemccarthy@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4216

Holy Baptism Information

- Judy Brandt, judybrandt@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4220

Care and Support Ministry:

- Jane Kahle – Professional Counselor
janekahle@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4269
- Dawn DeBoer - Advocate Parish Nurse
dawndeboer@oursaviours.com or 630- 281-4215
- Pastor Al Creighton - Visitation Pastor
pastoral@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4222

Student and Family Ministries

We offer many ways for young children, youth and families to connect with others.

- Janine Norgaard - Director of Children and Family Ministries
janinenorgaard@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4233
- Dan Beirne - Youth Ministries Director
danbeirne@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4266
- Kelly Gilligan, Director of The Celebration Children's Center Preschool
kellygilligan@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4280

Adult Ministries

- Jeanne Grevlos - Director of Adult Ministries
jeannegrevlos@oursaviours.com or 630-281-4217