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# Living Logos

News for the members and friends of  
 Living Savior Lutheran Church  
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## A Note from the Pastor . . .

April 2019

Greetings to all:

This newsletter article has turned into an on-going missive that is probably going to consume my space in the newsletter. I had the opportunity at one point in my life to get to know and converse with the head editor of "The Lutheran Witness," and I asked him what I should write about in my newsletter articles. He smiled and said, "Imagine if you had the opportunity for everyone of your members to come and sit in your office for 20 minutes. What would you tell them? That's what you should write about!"

I have always loved that picture and concept. So here we go. Here's what I would say to you: As the people of God in this place, you have a wonderful opportunity before you this month. The Call Committee has been diligently working to complete the Self-Evaluation instrument that is recommended by the District Office. I spoke of this last month under point number three in my article saying:

3. *The Congregation enters into an information collecting stage and a thorough job needs to be done here because it will benefit the process down the road. The demographics of the congregation and the community should be collected including the ages, trends, history, financial information, debt load and mission opportunities that lie before the congregation. It might also be helpful to seek to identify the various strengths and challenges before the congregation at this present time.*



In an effort to build upon this, they (the Call Committee) have spoken with and secured the help of Mr. Jon Lorenz (who lives in Wisconsin). At one point Jon Lorenz worked for the Lutheran Church Extension Fund as a Facilitator for Strategic Ministry Planning.

Some of you will recall that he was the one who was sent to us back in 2005 to help the congregation decipher the future steps that we wanted to take. Much of what was written and agreed upon still stands within our midst: the Vision, Values and Mission Statement of the congregation. However, this is a good opportunity to revisit, reaffirm, tweak or even change direction.

The Call Committee has invited Jon to come and again facilitate a congregational gathering on Friday April 26 and Saturday April 27. It is hoped that you can participate in the process at some point that weekend. More details will follow as to exact times. All of this will help you as a congregation, to know who you are and where you would like to go so that you can call your next pastor.

You realize, don't you, how bright the future is? This is something we learn through the instruction of the Apostle Paul who was in chains as he wrote his letter to the Philippians saying:

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Pastor Brandt

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#### Sunday Morning Worship Schedule:

Traditional Worship ..... 8:30am  
 Sunday school/Christian Education classes ..... 9:45am  
 Celebration Worship ..... 11:00am  
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### April



- 7-14 Family Promise at Living Savior
- 7 Tualatin Valley Symphony Concert at LSLC
- 14 Palm Sunday
- 18 Maundy Thursday Worship
- 19 Good Friday Worship
- 21 Easter Sunday
- 26 Pastoral Call Assembly
- 27 Pastoral Call Assembly

### May

- 4 Preschool Mother's Tea
- 5 Bethesda Spring Fling
- 7-9 Oregon Pastors' Conference
- 16 Amazing Grays outing
- 18 Confirmation Dinner
- 19 Confirmation Sunday
- 27 Memorial Day

### The Mission of Living Savior Lutheran Church:

*Alive in Christ, we share the love of Jesus—we serve, care for, support and nourish each other, our community, and the world!*



## Important Dates and Times!

Friday, April 26 Evening  
Saturday, April 27 Afternoon  
Pastoral Call Assembly

As per Pastor Brandt's message on page 1, a congregational workshop is being put together for late April, 2019. This will conclude a busy month during which the pastoral call committee will be updating our congregational demographics and self-study (circa, spring 2018), plus the collection of the names of pastors suggested by congregants to be considered for our call list. We encourage every member to attend this workshop as your thoughts and input are needed as a vital part of the call process.

With a solid understanding of our congregation's needs and opportunities derived from the workshop, as well as the updated self-study and listing of congregants' suggested pastors, the call committee will be able to formally request from the Northwest District LCMS a list of potential pastoral candidates. We anticipate that it will be two to three weeks thereafter that we receive the call back from the District President, Paul L. Then, in early summer the process of narrowing the list, choosing final candidates and conducting interviews will follow.

We ask for your prayers for wisdom and direction as we advance this undertaking. Please mark the dates and plan to join the conversation.

-Jon H., Chair  
Pastoral Call Committee



## DCE CALL— UPDATE

Call Committee Members of Living Savior voted unanimously on March 17 to issue a call to Paul W. to fill our position of Director of Christian Education. The call documents were sent to him and he is praying for God's direction for him and his family.

Paul and his wife will visit Living Savior on Palm Sunday, and we will be expecting a response from him some time after that date.

## Amazing Grays

Meet **Thursday, April 4**, 1:00pm at the church.

We will have our business meeting, refreshments and social time, as Pastor Brandt leads a program of knowledge and intrigue.

See you there for a great afternoon.  
-Dave C.



## ROBERT S.

Celebrated his 70th birthday at Living Savior on March 23. Here he is pictured with his never-ceasing smile as the party guests sang a birthday greeting to him.

A highlight of the event was hearing him sing (if not in audible words, but certainly in his heart and soul) *Amazing Grace*.

He wheelchair danced and was entertained by special guests, including Star Wars storm troopers and Han Solo.

## TUALATIN SCHOOL HOUSE PANTRY

Did you know that the Tualatin School House Pantry can use empty egg cartons along with your empty paper grocery bags? They are also currently collecting Safeway Monopoly stickers if you are not playing the game yourself. Place these items in the box in the Narthex along with your regular donations.

## APRIL DEVOTION

-JUDY C.

### COME AND SEE

*And He [Jesus] said to them, "Come and you will see."  
John 1:39*

Although desktop publishing and composing on the computer are a wonderful bonus for contemporary writing, there is one thing that is extremely annoying — auto-correct. Why the programs I use think they know when I want a capital letter, is a on ongoing frustration for me. Just because I hit "enter", it doesn't mean I am starting a new sentence, especially when I'm creating a card or announcement.

However, there are times when auto-correct is useful. Often it will transpose letters when my brain gets ahead of my fingers (or is it my fingers getting ahead of my brain?). Either way, I began to wonder what my life would be like if it had an auto-correct function. What if, every time I started to do something wrong, my decisions would automatically be corrected to do the right thing? How soon would I not even think about what is right and what is wrong? And would this be the world's definition of right and wrong, or God's? What the culture of our day assumes to be right is very often just the opposite of what God wants for His children.

The more we succumb to societies norms, the less we are convicted that this is not in keeping with God's best for us. Eventually, our conscience becomes dull and we no longer even think that our actions, our activities, our reading material, our TV and computer habits, our relationships are not healthy for us or are not bringing glory to God.

Is there an antidote for this kind of indifference and complacency? Of course! Jesus gives it to us in his own words, recorded in John 1:39~ *Come and you will see*. We are invited to come to Him in prayer and in His Word. As we spend time reading our Bibles, studying and sharing in a Bible study class or meeting with other Christians, we are reminded over and over of the blessings of our faith, beginning with the eternal life that is promised to all who believe in Him and put their trust in Him.

And because we are blessed to have this father/child relationship with God, our Father, we have this really good news to share with others. Like Philip said to Nathanael, "Come and see" (John 1:46), we have not only the opportunity, but the instruction to tell others to "come and see" for themselves that it is *God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.* (1 Timothy 2:4)

Psalms 65:5 invites us  
**Come and see what God has done:**  
*he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.*

Wisdom also invites us in Proverbs 7:15  
*So now I have come out to meet you,  
to seek you eagerly, and I have found you.*

When we have good news to share, we certainly want others to be made aware of it. We invite them to come and see for themselves what a blessing we have received.

Holy week services give us a wonderful opportunity to invite others to come to worship. From the jubilation of Psalm Sunday through the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, the humiliation, agony and death of Jesus on Good Friday to the hallelujah celebration of Easter morning, we have much to share with others as God has kept His promise to send His Son to pay the penalty for the sin which separates us from His holiness. Because Jesus lives, believers also have the assurance of eternal life with Him. (See 1 Corinthians 15 for this assurance.)

Who can you invite to "come and see" during this Easter season? Who needs to see and hear that God has a plan for our lives? We don't have an auto-correct on our lives, but we have a God of love and forgiveness who wants to be so important in our lives that we will find joy in serving Him — automatically.



# APRIL At Preschool

April is the first full month of Spring. The flowers are in full bloom, the trees are budding, and the birds are singing. Everything is awakening after a long winter. Spring is a wonderful reminder of Jesus' death and resurrection at Easter.



The Promise of Easter Heaven.

For this month's **Bible stories**, both the 3s and 4s will learn of Jesus' love, forgiveness, and sacrifice as we hear the Easter story. The first week we start at the beginning of the Easter story as we learn of Palm Sunday and Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We then learn of Jesus' time with his disciples at the last supper and the events of Good Friday. We know the story doesn't end with his death, so we celebrate Jesus rising from the dead Easter morning. The following week we hear how Jesus spent his time with his disciples and friends after his resurrection. The last week we will hear about Jesus' ascension into Heaven.



"I AM GOING TO THE FATHER."

**Secular topics** this month include Easter, Spring and growth.



The **dramatic play** area will allow children to explore church and house. The first two weeks, as we prepare for Easter, the children will get to participate in church. Singing, leading worship, and dress up are all part of the church. The last two weeks the children will have the opportunity to cook and take care of babies in the house.

Happy Easter!  
Alleluia! He Is Risen!  
from  
Denice and the Preschool Staff



Are held each Wednesday before Lenten Worship. Sign up in the Narthex for Lenten Soup Suppers.

We again invite people to bring soup, rolls or bread, and cookies or desserts to share with others. Volunteers to help with setup and cleanup are needed. We truly look forward to this time of fellowship with friends and members of Living Savior before each Worship Service.



Sunday,  
April 14  
(Palm Sunday)  
9:45-10:45am  
Fellowship Hall

Plan to attend this event to see the ministries offered at Living Savior. Tables from various boards and committees will highlight many of the activities of our congregation and there will be opportunities to ask questions and/or volunteer in a new way. You may find a new place to serve or just be encouraged to continue your service to our Lord and to others.

We express our sympathy to **Gloria M.** and her family on the death of her husband, **Kent M.** A memorial service was held at Living

Savior on March 9.

Our sympathy is also extended to **Vicki S.** and her family on the passing of her husband, **Herbert S.**, on March 7.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE for LENT & EASTER

Wednesdays April 3 and 10. Holden Vespers -7:15pm

Palm Sunday April 14 - 8:30 & 11:00am Worship  
Ministry Fair—9:45am

Maundy Thurs. April 18 at 7:15pm

Good Friday April 19 at 7:15pm

Easter Sunday April 21 - 8:30 & 11:00am Worship  
Continental breakfast—9:45am

## Assisted Listening

Audio Everywhere Wi-Fi is here:

The latest upgrade to the Assisted Listening System at church is up and running on the church's Wi-Fi intranet.



You can now download an app from either the Apple Store or Google Play called "**Audio Everywhere**" (by ExXo-thermic Inc) for your phone, tablet or other Wi-Fi enabled device. With this simple app you can either listen to at church the Sanctuary or Fellowship Hall audio using your own ear buds or with Blue Tooth enabled hearing aids. You might need to use the app's "Scan" button on first use. This app may also work in other venues outside of LSLC.

-Arnie C.

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Apple Store

## MISSION AND SERVICE

-SHARI R.

### Community Partners for Affordable Housing

20th Annual HomeWord Bound : a Literary event fundraiser Friday April 5th from 6-9pm at the Oregon Zoo. It includes dinner, a silent auction, wine bar and a dozen NW authors for sale and signing of their books. Featuring Willy Vlautin; Don't Kip Out on Me. Contact Doug P., Pat B., or Shari R. at the church office.

### Lutheran World Relief

Living Savior supports LWR with the use of Eco-Palms in our service on Palm Sunday. Eco-Palms supports the livelihood of the farmer with fair compensation and harvesting methods which protect the environment

**Ministry Fair** is Sunday April 14. Investigate all the activities of Living Savior and share your talents in our Ministry to each other, the community and the world. See related article on page 3.

**National Drug Take-Back Day** Saturday April 27th

**Pin Pals:** Join us in tying a no sew fleece blanket after Soup Supper and before the Lenten service. These blankets are part of Lutheran World Relief Quilt Project.

**Sharing Jesus' Love through Action:** In your Lenten devotionals add reading one of the Gospels chapter by chapter. Provide storybook Easter devotions to share for family involvement. Support someone who may have been a victim of domestic violence or child abuse

**LWML West Hills Zone Rally** Saturday April 6th at Grace Lutheran, Scappoose starting at 9am. (See the invitation on pg. 9)



### Family Promise Coming to Living Savior

During the week of April 7-14, Living Savior Lutheran Church will welcome our first Family Promise guests to stay overnight in our church. Working closely with the local school districts, Family Promise is an organization that helps school- aged children and their families regain housing and independence by providing temporary shelter, meals, job and resource assistance, and sustainable housing. Along with 11 other churches in Tualatin, Tigard, Sherwood, and Lake Oswego, we will open our doors in rotation to these families until they regain their footing. Since its inception in 1986, Family Promise now operates in 44 states and has an 82% success rate in placing participating families within nine weeks of beginning the program. Currently there are 209 homeless children attending school in the above mentioned school districts. The Promise in Family Promise is a deep and passionate pledge to link those in need with those who want to help. Thank you to the LSLC congregation for your support.

-Karen R.



### THESE NUMBERS HAVE FACES

Each quarter we ask our students a question, then upload their answers to our website for their Impact Circle supporters and others to read.

When asked to define servant leadership, how that applies to his life now, and his future career, Innocent said: "Servant leadership is a philosophy in which the main goal of the leader is to serve people. The way I see myself implementing leadership in my future career is through the involvement in different groups at my university. For instance, I'm a leader in my choir and I am also a leader in my class. Based on this, I think that it is my beginning to start practicing in leadership to have experience."



## BOOK CLUB



Lovers of books come together the **second Saturday of the month, 10:00-11:30am** in the Jericho Room, September-May. A lively discussion of the book occurs, fellowship is shared and we are refreshed with morning goodies, coffee or tea. Please consider joining the group when you can and invite a friend! There is no obligation to attend every month and no pressure to have the right answers because there are NO right answers. The following is a listing of the books that will be read and discussed.

**April 13** *Albanian Escape: The True Story of U.S Army Nurses Behind Enemy Lines* by Agnes Jensen Mangerich  
**May 11** *Love to Water My Soul (Dreamcatcher Series #2)* by Jane Kirkpatrick



### SUPPORT GROUP AT LIVING SAVIOR

We invite you to connect with others at Living Savior who are giving care or have given care to a loved one. Those who are in the midst of care giving could greatly benefit from those who have gone before them. We meet the third Saturday of the month, **10:00am** to share resources, encourage one another and fill our spiritual cup. **Please join us!** Friends of Living Savior Lutheran are welcome to join us as well. You may know someone in the work place or community who would benefit from our group. Questions? Call Karen H. at the church office.

Saturday, April 20, 10:00am  
Library  
Living Savior Lutheran



### You're Invited

Saturday, April 6 — Registration at 9:00am  
*Sing Praise to the Lord!*  
West Hills Zone Fall Rally  
Grace Lutheran Church, Scappoose, OR

Pastor Dennis Bohren presents the "Go Share Jesus" Mission trip to the Dominican Republic. See the poster in the Fellowship Hall for more info. Or contact Judy Chase to carpool from church.

Enjoy this opportunity to meet and greet members from other Lutheran congregations in our area.

## PUZZLES!



The church library is offering puzzles for lending. We use the honor system so please return a borrowed puzzle in a timely fashion so others may use them. If you have quality puzzles, no pieces missing, that you would like to share with others, place them in the plastic tub to the right of the puzzle shelf in the library.



## Come Check Us Out!

In addition to the regular library material,

### DID YOU KNOW THAT?.....

- There are Easter books and DVD's for the children?
- There are multiple copies of "The Passion" DVD?
- We have a bookshelf dedicated for books that the Living Savior Book Club has read?
- We have a bookshelf of puzzles for you to check-out?
- We have reference material, Bible studies, children's craft and learning idea books?
- We have devotions that you may take home and use for as long as needed?

The library is located on the second floor, next to the Upper Room (arched entries). There is self-check out.



### Tualatin Valley Symphony will provide a Family Concert at 3:00pm on Sunday, April 7

Members of Living Savior may pick up a ticket for free admission at church on Sunday morning. There will be music from *Pirates of the Caribbean*; *Harry Potter & the Sorcerer's Stone*, *Black Panther*, and *Pink Panther* (And more!)

Plan to attend this afternoon of musical entertainment at Living Savior.



Many thanks to those who have been contributing items in the purple bag in the corner of the entrance into the Fellowship Hall.

#### Most needed items, no missing parts:

- Pots & Pans *Clean; no excessive wear*
- Baking Pans & Dishes *Clean; no chips, cracks or broken parts*
- Toasters/Toaster Ovens *Working condition*
- Can Openers
- Dressers *Good condition; 6 foot or smaller*
- Mattresses *15 yr. or newer, stain free*
- Kitchen Tables/Chairs *Good condition, 5ft. or smaller*
- Sleeping Pillows *Free from stains & tears*
- Blankets *No electric, no stains & tears*
- Alarm Clocks *Working condition*

Community Warehouse is like a food bank – only they focus on household goods and furnishings. They are located in Tualatin at 8380 SW Nyberg Street 503-612-0020 M-F, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm + Sat.-Sun. 10:30 am – 4:00 pm

We will continue to collect smaller items that will fit in or next to the purple bag in the fellowship hall. If you are looking for a worthwhile organization to donate furniture that truly serves needy people in our community, this is a great place. You can either drop it off yourself or they will pick up large items at your house for \$30.

For information about Community Warehouse go to: [www.communitywarehouse.org](http://www.communitywarehouse.org)

## Lutheran Women in Mission

### NOLA 4H: Hearts for the Hungry, Homeless, and Hurting - \$100,000/ paid

Hurricane Katrina was the largest residential disaster in United States history. Twelve years later there is no more federal aid, and many inner-city communities are still hurting. New Orleans has the third highest homeless rate in the nation with 1,700 homeless persons every night, much of this due to the hurricane and loss of homes. Entire neighborhoods were wiped out. Many residents lost friends and family and still suffer from loneliness and depression. Six inner-city LCMS churches, their pastors, leaders, and members have come together to serve Christ by serving their neighbors and providing food and shelter. The NOLA 4H churches work closely with other organizations to support various outreach ministries such as food banks, clothing, toiletries, Bibles, prayer books, counseling, and clinics. Funds will go towards these ministries and equipping each of the fellowship halls in the six churches to serve more people.



Shown here is Donna, who is homeless, attends Gloria Dei Lutheran Church regularly and volunteers in the food pantry, helping pack food bags for hundreds of hungry families served twice a week.

More information about LWML Grants can be found at [LWML.org/mission-grants](http://LWML.org/mission-grants). The 2017-2019 goal: \$2,075,000

New mission grants will be voted upon at the LWML Convention in Mobile, Alabama in June.

Information about Oregon District LWML can be found at [LWMLOR.org](http://LWMLOR.org). A list of OR Dist. 2018-2020 Mite Grant Projects is posted on the bookcase by the exit doors of the Narthex, along with a large Mite Box in which you may put your donations. (Just put your whole mite box in and take another if you would like.)



STEPHEN



MINISTRY

## READY? SET? MINISTER?

## STEPHEN MINISTRY SUNDAY

Riding a bike, using a new computer program, ironing a shirt.....training is important whenever anyone learns a new skill. Training is important in Stephen Ministry too. Before Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers begin their work, they go through extensive training. When they start their official ministry, they're ready. Living Savior will be training another class of Stephen Ministers beginning September, 2019. To learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister, talk with one of our Stephen Ministry leaders:

- Karen H.
- Valorie W.
- Andrew W.
- Pastor Brandt
- Pastor A.

### March 31, 9:45 AM, Fellowship Hall

Pastor A. will be commissioned as a Stephen Ministry Leader in both services. Following the first service, there will be a brief presentation in the Fellowship Hall by the Stephen Ministry team outlining our ministry. We will inform you about:

- Training to be a Stephen Minister
- Criteria for requesting a Stephen Minister
- Resources available for the congregation

Please join us for this 15-20 minute presentation and enjoy some cake and coffee.

### STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING BEGINS SEPTEMBER, 2019

Training to become a Stephen Minister begins September 5, 2019. Contact the Stephen Ministry leaders for questions about the training or the ministry.

## Our Missionaries

Along with Innocent, the student we support through These Numbers Have Faces, Living Savior supports **Carol H.** who serves the LCMS in Hong Kong and **Pastor Mark Rabe** who is serving in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. It is possible to receive newsletters from both Carol and Mark through email. Mark's March newsletter is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.



Carol recently traveled to Cambodia to hold a Sunday School Teachers' Training Program. Attending were 23 Sunday school teachers from 7 different cities or towns. Her hand

out materials had to be translated first to English from Chinese (which she uses in Hong Kong, and then into Khmer.

Please pray for their ministries as they share the love of Jesus to those who do not yet know Him and with those who desire to know Him better.



## Save the date!

Jane Kirkpatrick, award winning historical-fiction author, will be speaking at Living Savior on

### THE POWER OF PIONEERING WOMEN: Historical, Contemporary and Personal

Saturday, June 1, 2019  
1:30 pm  
Fellowship Hall  
Refreshments Served

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Contributions through March 18, 2019 are as follows:

### General Fund:

Received: \$ 119,743  
 Budget: \$ 123,750  
 Variance: \$ - 4,007



**Building Fund Contributions: \$9,860**

### Thank you for your faithful giving!

- On behalf of the Stewardship Board, I am pleased to announce that we now have the option of electronic giving. This program is provided through the Joyful Response program with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). This program is entirely voluntarily, and gives members of the congregation the ability to make regular contributions without having to remember to write a check. Contributions can be scheduled to occur weekly, monthly, or even annually, and can be supplemented via a regular offering envelope with a personal check as is presently done. There is no requirement to use this method of giving, and if you prefer to continue to give via your traditional means, you are more than welcome to continue to do so. To participate in this program you will need to fill out a form and attach a voided check. The forms will be made available in the church office, or contact me directly and I can make one available to you via email. To ensure the security of your bank account information, please submit your form to me or Roberta in the office.
- While the new tax laws have made things a little more complicated for some, there is one simple tax break that some members of the congregation have requested that I make aware to others. For those that are over age 70 ½ and have an IRA with a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), you can bypass paying taxes on any proceeds that are gifted to a charity/religious organization/501c3. For example, instead of receiving the RMD, paying the full tax, and then making your regular offering contribution, you can instead have some portion of your RMD transfer directly from your IRA to a 501c3 organization (like Living Savior) and avoid paying taxes on that gift. For example, with a 30% marginal tax rate, every \$1,000 gifted would translate to \$300 in tax savings. If you would like more general information about this, please contact me. For anything more specific or detailed, please consult your tax advisor.

If you have questions, please contact me at the church office.

Thank you.  
 Adam W.



## Shut In Ministry

*"You are those who have stood by me in my trials." -Luke 22:28*

Living Savior has an active team of people who have a heart for those who are unable to attend church because of illness or disabilities. As a visitor to shut ins, they have an opportunity to make a positive difference in someone's life by visiting and bringing to them fellowship and love from the congregation.

Would you like to visit Shut Ins or know of someone we can visit? Volunteers are trained for this ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry or have questions, please call the church office.

Peggy H.  
 Lola E.

### Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend

May 31—June 2, 2019  
 Renton, Washington

For more information call Carl & Dallas Presley, 206-522-6849 or email them at [menorthwest@gmail.com](mailto:menorthwest@gmail.com).

Or call Brent & Sandy B. at the church office.

Or visit [www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org)

Brochures are available in the brochure rack.



### Dinners of Eight

*Thank you to all hosts of the Dinners of Eight. We had a wonderful turnout for each dinner and thank all those who participated.*



## YOUTH NEWS

### JR. YOUTH CREW

Did you notice the church has an extra sparkle and shine? The Jr. Youth met to have a cleaning contest (the dirtiest rag won!), followed by a time of fellowship. Thank you, Ginger Leas and crew!

Guys! Come and help set up the Youth table on Saturday morning, April 13 around 10:00am because April 14 in our long awaited new and improved Ministry Fair! We'd love to see all your shining faces promoting our great group!

**April 20:** We need all of our Sr. Youth—teens and parents— to come help prep the food and tables for the following BLESSED EASTER Sunday.

The Sr. Youth will host this year's Easter Continental Brunch on SUNDAY, APRIL 21, from 9:45 to 10:45am. Just a light bite and conversation enjoyed by us all. Watch for more details to come via email.

-Jennifer K. :-)



### SPRING INTO SCRIP!



Scrip is a year round program that helps raise funds to bring down the mortgage for LSLC. It is so simple and doesn't cost you anything more than what you spend in your regular shopping budget. It is dollar for dollar. Buy a gift card at face value and LSLC makes \$\$.

There are over 200 vendors to choose from. Check out the order forms at the Scrip counter or the Scrip Mailbox in the narthex. Choose the items you want, submit a check or cash for the full amount, and you will get your gift cards the following Sunday. It is as easy as that. If you need something now, check out the Scrip counter in-between services to buy from the items we have in stock. Our goal is to raise \$9,000 for a calendar year, which equals to about 1 mortgage payment. Help us achieve our goal.

**Support the Scrip program and Living Savior, buy Scrip today.**



## News from Bethesda Auxiliary

### Group Home

A big "Thank You" to Pastor Phil A. and Tom H. for the items they donated as part of the silent auction to the traveling gift table on Bethesda Sunday. Those items were a big blessing as they contributed almost half of the money we raised at the event.

Bethesda is opening a new house in Cornelius. Several kings of technology will help the residents in independent living. Several items are still needed at the house. They are requesting six new sets of pots and pan, sheets and pillow cases for a double bed, as well as towels, napkins, facial and bathroom tissue.

There will be a clothes basket under the table in the entrance to the fellowship hall if you would be able to donate any of these items. Thank you in advance for your participation.

-Sylvia S.

Sharing and caring is the theme of this year's Bible lessons. We have been studying how God cares for us and each month we talk about things we do to care for each other. In April we celebrate Easter and listen to how God shared his Son for us. Jesus loves us so much that he died for us rose from the dead and continues to love us and forgives us our sins if we believe in him. We share, care and love because Jesus first loved us. We will be having a special Easter meal and craft. Four Easter desserts are needed. Please sign up on the board facing you as you go into the Fellowship Hall. Please mark the desserts with BGH and leave them in the kitchen on Palm Sunday. Each home has about 7-8 people that will enjoy the desserts. Thank you for Sharing and Caring.

Save the Date: **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, Sunday afternoon from 1:45 to 4:00 -**Spring Fling** with Cinco de Mayo theme the youth are hosting. Everyone is welcome. Our special quest will be BJ the Clown. Children will really enjoy his show.

Happy Spring and a Very Blessed Easter

-Kathye G.