



THE BOARD MEMBERS AND ELDERS will be introduced and installed at the worship service this coming Sunday, January 19th.

President Zach Schultz
Treasurer Ken Kincaid
Dave Ferber
Bayo Adebajo, Elder
Tom Griffin, Elder

Secretary Christina Wurm
Will Cantrell
Brandon Underwood
Ted Bower, Elder
Marty Moro, Elder

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Katy O’Kelley and Tim Manthei who have both completed their terms on the church board and were not eligible to run for re-election.

THE BOARD OF ELDERS usually meets on the second Tuesday of the month.

THE CHURCH BOARD usually meets on the third Monday of the month.

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.

- 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” Bible Study on Sunday, February 2nd, and running through March 2nd. This is a great time to learn about 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. Christ Our King Lutheran Church in Saline will be hosting a simulcast. Contact the church at 734-429-9200 for more information.

TEAM TIGER BACKBACK NEEDS

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)	Meat packets (Tuna / Chicken)

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 arrive before the end of the month. The Call Committee will review the information after it arrives and decide which Pastors to interview. An application for a Seminary Graduate to be placed at the church has also been submitted. Both paths can be followed at the same time. A Voter's Meeting should be schedule in March to decide how to proceed. Watch for more information. 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 Part time staff, especially for the afternoons, and a teacher for Toddlers. Contact Director Greta Bower for more information or to give her a recommendation.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY UPDATE: <https://cuaacoalition.com/index.cfm>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_xOMNiH7_w&list=PLyqFOkxicbM17Z7Z0NvGMTmLv3DCk8Kt **WORSHIP MUSIC PLAY LIST LINK**

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