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# FALL NEWSLETTER

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August 2020 - November 2021

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## Welcome Back to School!

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We are happy you have chosen to be a part of our Open Arms Christian family. We look forward to partnering with you to nurture your child's emotional, social, cognitive, physical, and spiritual development. We feel as though open lines of communication between parents, students, and teachers is the key to promoting an educational climate that is conducive to learning.

The teachers have been busy preparing their classrooms, and are excited for the year to begin!

## Some Reminders:

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- Please be courteous to those who are handicapped by not parking in the handicapped spaces.
- Please do not park in the circle, as it is used for the school buses and emergency vehicles.
- Closing due to inclement weather: [www.WTOP.com](http://www.WTOP.com)

**Visit Our Updated Website at** [www.openarmslaurel.org](http://www.openarmslaurel.org) : for the latest news, the Parent Handbook, and much MORE!



### **Our Savior Lutheran Church is**

**VIRTUAL:** If you are looking for a place to worship, Our Savior welcomes you to virtually attend our Sunday service! Please visit: <https://oslclaurel.org>

### **School-Age Programs for the 2020-2021 School Year:**

During School Hours, we will support the children with their virtual studies to the best of our ability. Similar to helping them with homework after school, we will provide a quiet environment for them to be able to focus and learn. For the children who do not have school work to do we will plan age appropriate and engaging activities. Having 1 teacher to 14 children, we will not be able to provide 1 on 1 tutoring or instruction, but we will assist them as best we can. The children will need to bring their own devices and headphones. This is a collaborative effort, as parents will also have responsibility at home to ensure their children are completing their schoolwork and staying on track. Parents will be asked to provide an outline from their child's teacher that explains their course of virtual studies. **The Afternoon Program** will consist of structured social time, play, and activities to help in developing social/emotional, physical, and cognitive areas of development. (We will continue to update our program according to the local school districts' decisions in order to continue to meet the needs of our Open Arms school-agers.) Visit **our webpage** or call (240)568-9352

**The CDC & MSDE regulations on health and safety** for staff and students during this pandemic will be followed. Visit: [CDC School guidelines](#) & [MSDE Covid Guidelines](#)