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Band tour to stop at Our Redeemer

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On Friday, March 27, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church will host the Saxony Lutheran High School Band for a performance at 7 p.m.

Saxony Lutheran High School, established in 2000 and currently celebrating their 20th anniversary, is located in Jackson, Missouri. It has grown to 240 students and stands on a hill along I-55 just north of Cape Girardeau. The band program has received consecutive exemplary honors for their performance, and band members and leaders say they are excited to be sharing their repertoire at Our Redeemer.

The band has prepared everything from energetic marches to leisurely ballads for their tour. Some of their pieces include "Yorkshire Ballad," which originates in Ireland, while "Discovery Fantasy" by Dutch composer Jan de Haan is a multiple movement piece with different themes, including a ballad, a march, and ending with a mixture of the three different ideas as a finale.

Along with these pieces, the band also plans on playing music inspired by different hymns, including a rendition of "Amazing Grace," which uses different instruments such as the flute, clarinets and oboe to imitate the bagpipes. Additionally, the band will be playing "Nicea," an interpretation of "Holy, Holy, Holy." "St. Florian Chorale" is an expressive chorale written by Thomas Doss of Austria that uses romantic language and relies on musicians' skill sets for the building moments of climax and response. On the other end of the spectrum, the band will be playing a high-energy march by Karl King called "The Avengers March."

Director Tyson Wunderlich says he is excited to share this talented group of students with the local community of Clinton. He is currently serving his fourteenth year at the high school and acknowledges that this is one of the most collaborative groups of students to ever play for him. Wunderlich, a native of Altenburg, Missouri, also leads the band program at two of Saxony's partner schools – Trinity Lutheran in Cape Girardeau and St. Paul Lutheran in Jackson.

On their way to New Orleans, Louisiana, the band hopes that those in the area will be a part of the audience and support them on their mission to "Serve Others and Serve God."

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. and is free to the public. A free will offering will be taken to help fund the band's tour.

For more information, call the church at 601-924-9999. The church is located at 1799 Clinton-Raymond Road.

