



St. James Journal

Thursday, December 6th, 2018



Legal Announcement:

In accordance with state laws, this notice is to show that St. James Lutheran School, admits students of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.

Hot Lunch for the next week:

Monday, Dec 10 – Tacos with all the trimmings, Mexican rice, refried beans, fresh fruit

Tuesday, Dec 11 – Ham & cheese casserole, corn or green beans, peaches, cheese slices

Wednesday, Dec 12 – Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas or carrots, cookies

Thursday, Dec 13 – Crisпитos, cottage cheese, salad bar, pineapple slices

Friday, Dec 14 – CKN nuggets, tri tators, broccoli, pears or mixed berry cups

Recess Parents: (Noon Duty)

Mon: Dean Krueger; **Tues:** Dean Krueger;
Weds: Robert Gajewski; **Thurs:** Layla Janssen;
Fri: Bill Berken

School Mission Statement: Connecting people to the love of Jesus Christ in: Our families, Our community, Our world.

They are all in it together NOW!!! I called for an all-out assault on Sixth and Eighth Grades' monopoly of the St. James Super Saver program. They have now enlisted the Second Grade (Schingeck) class as St. James has a three-way tie for the blue pig. The Second Graders were awarded the blue pig for the week. Congrats to Miss Grace Opperman for filling her savings book this week.

I AM LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN to help collect offering at our St. James Lutheran School Christmas Program. I will need a total of 12 men for each program. If you have done this in the past, I would love to hear from you. If you are willing to help serve St. James for a few minutes during the programs, I would also like to hear from you. Please call the school office. I will find

out who did it in years' passed to see if you are able to help St. James out again.

St. James Lutheran School would like to make an announcement. We would like to officially welcome Pastor Mark Dregler to our spiritual family. He was installed last Sunday evening. Thank you to those people who came to the installation service. When you have a chance, please make sure to stop into the church office and introduce yourself to him. We are thankful God led him to St. James to shepherd His flock.

ONE MORE WEEK!!! Next Monday is IT! There is only one more time that Ms. Vandevort will be ordering SCRIP: **Mon, Dec. 10th**. This will ensure that your order will make it to you before Christmas. Please have orders to the school office with payment by 9 AM on Monday.

Joke: Mr. Allen was walking into his classroom with his Ipad when he had to jump out of the way because students were running for their snacks. Unfortunately, he fell into his Christmas tree. I walked into his room and asked...

A message from Mr. Berndt, the St. James Rockin' Band Director: Those students in Pep/Jazz Band, please bring your instruments to the gym right after school **NEXT WEEK**. You will be playing in the gym at 6 PM on Fri., Dec. 14th. Ed. Note – Mr. Kaiser has heard the band playing several songs and cannot wait to hear them Friday evening at Parents Night!!!

There will be Christmas Caroling on Friday, December 7th at the St. James Childcare steps from 5:30-6 PM, Parade to follow at 6 PM. We hope to have just as many people Christmas Caroling on Friday as we did last Saturday, if not more. It truly was a blast. Please remember to bundle up. There are still those people who are hoping for a White Christmas. I would prefer a Green Christmas with 70 degrees (God, that is all I want for Christmas – PLEASE!!!).

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Here is the upcoming music schedule:

Third & Fourth Grades sing, Sunday, December 9th at Celebration Service @ 10:30 AM

Third & Fourth Grades sing, Wednesday, December 12th at Advent service @ 3:30 PM. **Please note:** Students will stay after school and report to music room, parents need to pick up their child by 4:30 PM.

Seventh & Eighth Grade Chimes (2 groups) play at St. Jakobi, Wednesday, December 12th @ 6:30 PM

St. James Sunday School Christmas Program, Saturday, December 15th @ 5:30 PM (takes place of worship service for the evening)

Seventh & Eighth Grade Chimes and 6, 7, 8 Band - Required Attendance at St. James Christmas Concert, Sun., Dec. 16th @ 9 AM.

Here is the schedule for Christmas Program:

St. James Christmas Program, Wednesday, December 19th, family and friends of students whose last names begin with L-Z **AND All Kindergarten students (First Grade will not perform at this program)** @ 5 PM. Preschool students perform only at designated time and families **attend** that service.

St. James Christmas Program, Wednesday, December 19th, family and friends of students whose last names begin with A-K **AND All First Grade students (Kindergarten will not perform at this program)** @ 7 PM. Preschool students perform only at designated time and families **attend** that service.

St. James Christmas Program, Thursday, December 20th - SNOW DATE ONLY!!!

CHRISTMAS BREAK from Dec. 21 until Jan. 2

Christmas Eve Services at St. James, 1:30 PM Celebration Service, 4 PM Church Service, 7 PM Candlelight Service, 11 PM Candlelight Service with Communion

Christmas Day Service at St. James, 9 AM Church Service with Communion

To the St. James MEN and Men-In-Training

(Men from Grade Six on Up...): I will be holding a Garage Bible Study starting on Sunday, December 16th, at the Marien family garage at 5:45 PM (for dinner) and the Bible study at 6:30 PM. This will be on the third Sunday of each month. You and any man (friend, family, neighbor, co-worker) are invited to attend. Please think about having a positive impact on your son's faith life while building a stronger faith with God too. You do not need to be a member of St. James in order to attend this Bible study.

A special person replaced me on Monday at school. Miss Grace Opperman was the Principal for the Day. She received this honor because her parents were the highest bidders at the Dinner Gala earlier this year. While on the job, she took over my outdoor duties, helped purchase some materials for a preschool program, tested all the children at St. James to see if they knew the school mission statement, had a business lunch, rewarded her class with a few unique activities, and was instrumental in putting up the Christmas tree in the library. Thank you, Miss Grace, for allowing me to take the day off as you filled in for me.

You know I would not keep mentioning this unless it was very important to me – **Please** take every opportunity to attend church with your child. We (you and St. James) only have so long to impress Jesus upon his/her heart before they grow up (It happens really quickly) and make their own decisions. Thank you.

Punchline: "Are you trying to make a pineapple?" (Quit groaning Joel Delzer!)

Please continue to monitor your child's grades on Fast Direct. Together, we will make a difference on the life of your child. We need to work as a team to make this happen. Please make sure to call the office by 9 AM if your child is sick. If not, it is marked as unexcused.

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I have an idea that I saw on the Interweb

which many people have adopted as a spiritual commitment. Starting on December 1st, read one chapter of Luke per night with your family. By the time you reach December 24th, your family will have read the entire book of Luke. You will then see the real reason for the season. That would be our sinful nature crucifying Jesus on the cross and the best Christmas gift anyone could ever ask for. Are you able to step forward and make that commitment for your kids?

To end the newsletter each week, I would like

to make sure that you have a prayer you may share with your family. In addition to the prayer, if you would like to borrow a devotion book, I have devotions from little kiddos up to the older students in my office.

We pray:

Lord, I thank You for coming to earth so You could redeem me. When I think of the extent to which You were willing to go in order to save me, it makes me want to shout, to celebrate, and to cry with thankfulness. You love me so much, and I am so grateful for that love. Without You, I would still be lost and in sin. But because of everything You have done for me, today I am free; my life is blessed; Jesus is my Lord; Heaven is my home; and satan has no right to control me. I will be eternally thankful to You for everything You did to save me! I pray this in Jesus' name!

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