



St. James Journal

Thursday, November 29th, 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 3 – Tator tot casserole, corn or broccoli, pear slices, cheese slices

Tuesday, Dec 4 – Hot turkey on a bun, potato smiles, green beans, peach slices, fresh fruit

Wednesday, Dec 5 – Cheese quesadillas, salad bar, strawberry cups, raisins

Thursday, Dec 6 – Meatballs/gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, applesauce, white cake w/ peanut butter frosting

Friday, Dec 7 – Hamburger on a bun, hash browns, baked beans, fruit salad, cheese slices

Recess Parents: (Noon Duty)

Mon: Dean Krueger; **Tues:** Dean Krueger;
Weds: Laura DuChesne; **Thurs:** Layla Janssen;
Fri: Bill Berken

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

I feel there is a conspiracy afoot at St. James. Again, the Sixth and Eighth Grades have joined forces and share the title of St. James Top Savers. These are the same classes that won the honor a few weeks ago. Eighth Grade has graciously allowed the 6th Grade to retain the blue piggy bank. Congrats to Mr. Trevor Schwartz for filling his savings book this week.

There is a pressing matter that I would like to inform the entire St. James spiritual family. I know that it is just after Thanksgiving Break and it is a hard to get students back into the routine of classroom procedures. However, there is a great population of students who are not turning in their homework to teachers. Please hold a conversation with your child about the

importance of completing AND turning in homework to their teacher(s).

IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON SCRIP GIFT CARDS, here is information for you. Ms. Vandevort will be ordering TWO MORE TIMES: Mon, Dec. 3rd, and 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 each Monday.

Joke: How many reindeer does Santa have?

I would like to invite all families from St. James to attend the installation service of Pastor Mark Drengler. He will be installed as our newest pastor of St. James Lutheran Church. This will be taking place on Sunday, December 2nd. The service will take place at 5 PM. Following the service, there will be a small reception in the newly remodeled fellowship area of St. James. I hope you would take time to come, introduce yourself to Pastor and his family.

Because this is important to me, I want to continue to invite you to church at St. James or your home congregation. I have over 200 little children who I need to make sure have the opportunities to hear about God's plan of salvation for them. St. James Lutheran School can only do so much. The habit of church attendance starts with you at home. Please make a conscious effort to attend church with your child every Sunday.

Wolf River Lutheran HS will be hosting a Christmas Cookie Extravaganza! This will be taking place on Dec. 2nd from 9 AM – 1 PM. There will be a plethora of cookies, fudge, candy, brownies, bars, and other Christmas favorites from which to choose. Come and get your Christmas cookies and don't forget to bring your camera. Santa will be in attendance for photos. Wolf River is located at W7467 River Bend Road in Shawano.

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Just a reminder to parents that the basketball game that was scheduled for here at St. James on Friday has been switched to an away game. We want to thank Mr. Fosheim for catching this scheduling error. The Parent Recognition Night will be rescheduled for a later game. From the desk of Mr. Fosheim: I transferred all of Nov. 30th's parent sign-up spots to Friday, Dec. 14th. If you are unable to cover those spots that day, please let me know and I will cancel that assignment so that it is open for other parents. I am also looking for anyone who has connections to officials for the Dec. 14th game. If you have any leads, please contact me. Thanks, Mr. Fosheim.

You received an email earlier this week about events at St. James. Here is that listing again:

Christmas Caroling to shut-ins, Sat., Dec. 1st in school library @ 12:15 PM **Please note:** Children are welcome with a parent

First Grade sings, Sunday, December 2nd at Celebration Service @ 10:30 AM

Pastor Drenkler Installation Service, Sunday December 2nd @ 5 PM

First Grade sings (again, please and thank you), Wednesday, December 5th 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.

Youth Soup Supper, Wednesday, December 5th in cafeteria from 4 - 6 PM

Christmas Caroling and Parade, Friday, December 7th at the St. James Childcare steps from 5:30-6 PM, Parade to follow at 6 PM.

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.

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

Mrs. Raddant and Mrs. Dobberstein wanted me to announce that the youth in grades 6-8 will be making crafts and playing games with Oak Haven residents. Students are to meet in the parking lot under the canopy at 6:15 PM. They will return at 7:45 PM. Because this is an off-campus event, a youth permission slip form needs to be filled out and placed on file. The form is good for one year from May to May. A copy of the form is attached to the email.

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To the St. James MEN and Men-In-Training (Boys: Grades 6-8): 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.

From Mr. Ralph Mueller: We feel blessed that you have chosen St. James to educate your child. We also hope that your child is having a great year in their new surroundings. Just wanted to let you know, as new students, how you can fit into our Praise Program here at St. James. Our Praise program allows you to accrue and apply the certificates earned at your former school to our program. All you need to do is to supply Mr. Mueller with the listing of those certificates and he can do the rest. Sometime when you can find the time, please hunt them up, unless you have faithfully already saved them. Any questions, please send a FD to Mr. Mueller and he can answer your questions. Blessings to you and your family especially during this Advent and Christmas season. Congratulations to Catalina Vue, Jace Conradt, and Lauren Harkey for receiving their St. James letter during chapel on Wednesday.

I want to remind members of St. James to please keep filling out the church attendance cards. There is a small box under the member box which you should be checking to state you have a child that attends St. James. I have asked teachers for their church attendance records for the month of October. Since I have said that strengthening your child's faith is my primary goal while they are here at St. James, I want to let you know that if your child reports attending less than two Sundays per month, I will be

calling to see how I or St. James would be able to increase your child's attendance at church, whether they attend St. James or a different area congregation. Again, I want your child's faith to grow. Regularly attending church is one way for this to happen.

Punchline: Ten reindeer: Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen, Rudolph & Olive (All of the other reindeer)

A BIG REMINDER to those families who applied for and received a scholarship as well as those who may apply next school year, please remember to complete your required volunteer hours. If you do not complete them, you may risk not receiving the second half of your scholarship award or disqualify yourself from applying next school year. Fast Direct the school office with any questions.

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:

For your word which endures, we give you thanks. For your promises to which we hold, we give you thanks. For such intimacy with you, we give you thanks. For the love which from our birth over and around us lies, we give you thanks. For family, friend and stranger, we give you thanks. For those who minister your grace, we give you thanks. For the hope that lives each Advent of a love that has no end, we give you thanks. Amen.

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