



St. James Journal

Thursday, October 25th, 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 Week:

Monday, Oct 29 – Fish sticks, tri tots, corn, fresh fruit, cheese slices

Tuesday, Oct 30 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, salad bar, pineapple slices

Wednesday, Oct 31 – CKN nuggets, tater rounds, peas, fruit salad, tomato slices, cheese slices

Thursday, Nov 1 – No School

Friday, Nov 2 – No School

Recess Parents for This Week: (Noon Duty)

Mon: Darcy Marohl; **Tues:** Dean Krueger;

Weds: Barb Nelson; **Thurs:** None; **Fri:** None

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

A BIG REMINDER about Friday: YES, we do have school. NO, we do not have busses at all. We are excited about having all our students wonderful grandparents or special people spend some time with our students. Dismissal is at 11:30 AM. If a grandparent is not taking your child home, please have other arrangements available for your child to make his way home. The teachers have a Professional Development Day in the afternoon and cannot watch kids.

When grandparents do arrive, I know they will be tempted to see their grandchild's room. I would ask that they make their way to the cafeteria where a small breakfast, along with coffee, will be served to them.

No Chapel Shirts Required Tomorrow – Please wear them on Friday morning instead.

Ladies and Gentlepeople... I want to make sure that you know that you are now able to purchase your tickets for the Gala event. This fundraiser is one of the two largest events that St. James hosts. All the money raised goes to OUR students. I pray that you will come and fellowship with your fellow brothers and sisters as we have dinner and then bid up each other. **This will be taking place on Saturday, October 27th.** A full meal will be served buffet style. Mrs. Sue Moede will be catering this event. Please make sure you are in attendance as we join in fun and fellowship for the futures of these young men and women. Again, I have enclosed a flyer for the Gala as an attachment to the email. Any questions can be directed to Mrs. Denkert or Mrs. Schwartz.

Speaking of the St. James Gala, I hope you have been contacted by your child's teacher or room parent about supporting the Gala. Each class has a theme that was chosen: Pre 3s - Princess & Superhero; Pre 4s - Reading Rainbow; Kindergarten Kaiser - Date Night/Family Night; Kindergarten Denkert - Let It Snow (Christmas); Gr. 1 Hendricks - Pamper Yourself; Gr. 2 Szymanski - Kitchen/Baking Magic; Gr. 2 Moran - Dessert-a-Month; Gr. Gr. 3 - Menu Gift Card Display; Gr. 4 - Campfire (Outdoor); Gr. 5 - Fall Thanksgiving (Gift Cards); Gr. 6 - Brewers basket; Gr. 7 - Fishing & Hunting; Gr. 8 - To the Moon and Back. Please check to see what still needs to be donated for your child's classroom basket.

Joke: Why do sharks swim in saltwater?

Speaking of Grandparents Day, St. James loves to offer programs like this to our families. I am asking for donations that will help offset the cost of some of the projects offered on Grandparents Day as well as Lutheran Schools Week events. If you feel inclined to help, please send your donation to the school office.

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Creeping up at the beginning of November is the PTL Craft Fair. Please come and see what all the vendors have crafted, created, and sculpted. I personally will be here to make sure all the food meets the proper caloric intake guidelines. Please come out for a great time as the proceeds will go to our PTL who host events for all the families at St. James. They are a great group of parents doing what they can for St. James students.

The St. James Lutheran School Book Fair has erupted into the narthex. Thank you to all those people who carried boxes, tables, setup displays and will be volunteering their time to man the cash boxes. The Book Fair will be open during Grandparents Day (Coincidence? Nah) and after the services on Saturday and Sunday.

It is my hope that on Saturday morning, you will take a little bit of time and say a prayer for the girls' volleyball team. Mr. Fosheim and our Lady Sadlers will be traveling to the Lutheran Volleyball State tournament. Please pray for His hand of safety to be with them before, during, and after the tournament. I also would ask that you would say a prayer of thanksgiving that these young ladies have used their God-given talents for His glory. Continue your hard work Ladies (and beat those Rockets!!!). At Grandparents Day, if a grandparent would like to help the volleyball team offset costs of going to the State Tournament, please have them turn it into the school office. Thank you for your support of the St. James Athletic Program.

St. James will be hosting a Christian concert on Wednesday morning NEXT week. We are asking each child brings in \$1 and give it to their teacher. The concert will be taking the place of chapel next week. We will be holding the concert in gym at 10 AM.

A NEW YOUTH ACTIVITY HAPPENING IN A FEW weeks. On Saturday, Nov. 3rd, the St. James Youth group will be attending the Cup O Joy

Comedy Show. Youth will meet at St. James no later than 2 PM. You will then shop at Bay Park Square. You will eat dinner at the mall. Finally, the comedy show will start at 6:30 PM. Please bring money for shopping, eating, and a donation to the show. You will then return to St. James at roughly 9 PM. Please call Mrs. D by October 30th at 715-853-5754 if you want to reserve your spot.

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 September. 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.

Just a reminder to get your SCRIP order into the school office ASAP. Black Friday is right around the corner. Please make sure to turn in your order and your payment. Ms. VandeVoort wants to put in one order in to cover Black Friday. The order will go November 5th. That will be the last order to be sent in before Black Friday takes place.

Hey Parents of a St. James Youth: I have attached the information for the Youth Pointsettia and Wreath Fundraiser. Even non-member youth can start a youth account to help pay for 8th grade class trip, etc. (The accounts can be used all through high school as well). Both offices have order forms. Thank you!

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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:

Big Mama and Paw-Paw, Memaw and Pop-Pop, Grams and Poppie, Nanna and Grandpa:

If it were not for our grandparents
Where would some of us be?
If it were not for their sacrifices,
where would some of us have landed?
We bless you for gifts of love and time and
patience. We bless you for the sacrifices you
made in middle age and retirement,
so that we would not feel the sting of want.
God bless you for helping your children raise us,
for teaching us your faith, for praying for us
when were lost, and for keeping a strong light
shining In a world full of darkness.

We bless God for grandparents, for godparents,
and for surrogate parents everywhere!

Source: www.umcdiscipleship.org

***Tips to Help Your Children Place Jesus in Their Lives Each Day:**

In Deuteronomy 11:18-21, God puts the responsibility of sharing Bible verses with children not on a church's shoulders, but directly upon the parents. Don't make yours do without. A close read of the three verses (in NIV) reveals the word "you" appears four times and the word "your" nine times. Not once do the verses mention a weekly visit to church or any memory work from school. The important daily work happens at home.

1. Explain to your children that God gave us His word to help us know Him better and to trust His love – that is more than a book – His power backs His word.

2. Ask your children questions about the Bible verses they bring home from Sunday school. There is nothing like a question to help a child think.

3. Let your children SEE you using the Bible verses; perhaps a verse or two tucked in your pocket or a purse?

4. Choose a verse and pray with your child for the Holy Spirit to help you both understand the verse better. (You cannot understand scripture without prayer and you cannot pray rightly without scripture.)

5. Share what a special Bible verse means to you and how it has helped you believe in, understand, and trust God more.

6. Put God's Word on display in your home. You don't have to visit a Christian bookstore to find something nice. The internet has many beautiful projects, some for framing, some for hanging. Let your child help you decorate.

7. When sharing a Bible verse, always do so with love. God is Love!

8. Consider putting a little plaque with a Bible verse near the doorbell, something your children and friends see every time they enter your home.

9. Tell other adults in your children's lives about your efforts to surround your children with Bible verses. Ask for their support.

10. Put a verse on the dashboard of your car.

11. Use Bible verses to comfort, correct, encourage, and protect your child. Put verses in a bowl and once a day, or when your child has a need, pass the bowl – feed their spirits and yours!

***Written by Charles White**

Where do I find useful verses???

www.dailyverses.net

Punchline: Because pepperwater makes them sneeze.

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