



OUR FATHER'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL
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"Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." (Psalm 119:105)



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Events at a Glance...

TONIGHT:

5:00 7-8 GBB @ SPWA Tournament

Sat, Dec 10:

6-8:30 Rangerettes Christmas Party (Details inside)

8:00-11:00 PAC Breakfast with Santa

7-8 BBB 10:00 @ Milwaukee Lutheran HS

10:30-11:30 Market Day pick-up (IN LUNCHROOM)

Sun, Dec 11:

4:00 Sunday School Christmas Program (in Church)

Mon, Dec 12:

Golden Chicken orders due!

Tues, Dec. 13:

6:30 5-6 GBB @ SPWA

Thurs, Dec 15:

Golden Chicken lunch for those who ordered

Sun, Dec 18:

4:00 Rangers depart from OF for Admirals game

Mon, Dec 19:

6:00 5/6 BBB @ St. Martini

Tues, Dec 20:

Chapel, please bring HONEY Box items (note date)

Wed, Dec 21:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MR. BURGESS!!

8:45 Full dress rehearsal, (full camera access)

6:30 2011 OFLS Christmas Program

Thurs, Dec 22:

NO SCHOOL, Christmas Break. Classes resume 1/3/12

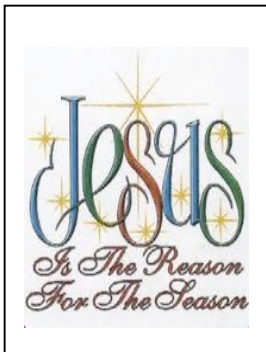
From the Principal - Hug your kid Today!

Yesterday I got word that two friends had unexpectedly died the night before. When you get news like that, you kind of step back from life and wonder. Lots of questions are raised in your mind. Suddenly the day's To Do List doesn't seem so urgent.

I felt a need to talk to my children and my wife. I had nothing profound to say to them but once again I was reminded of the reality that the people in my life can be taken away from this world at any time. Thank God that those who die in faith will be saved by Jesus' work and not by anything we do. So, please take time to hug your children - TODAY! Take a long look at them; ask them about something good that happened in their day. Enjoy a little time with these precious gifts you've been given.

4K & 5K with Mrs. Wierman

The Christmas party letter came home earlier this week, as well as a letter regarding your child's angel costume for the Christmas program. If you have any questions, please contact me.



Parents, please make every effort to work on the Christmas song that came home this week as your child's memory. Verse 3 will come home on Monday. We do work on the song a little at school, but we could benefit from practice time at home. Thank you.

Enjoy your weekend, remember to worship.

1st and 2nd Grade with Mrs. Van Hulst

Happy baptismal birthday, Victoria. May you always stay close to Jesus.

The children sounded wonderful Wednesday during the Advent service. Our next church singing date is Sunday, February 12 at 10:45.

Christmas program practice has begun. Please assist your child in learning the words to their two songs "happy Sheep" and "It's Christmas". Costume

information is on our class web page.

Watch for a letter from the room parents with information about our class Christmas party, which will be held on Wednesday, December 21.



3rd and 4th Grade with Mr. Beversdorf

Thank you to all the choir members who sang beautifully on Wednesday at chapel and at the Advent service. You really helped share the message of our waiting with expectation for the Savior of the World, Jesus Christ. Thank you to our special xylophonists as well.

This week we went to the South Pole in Antarctica and finished our Simple Machine powerpoint presentations. We made "just add water" snow,

held a shopping day at our 4 stores (Thanks Ace, K-Mart, Walgreens, and PickNSave for your flyers). The students did really well as salespeople, cashiers, and store managers. We are also working on writing to persuade, so watch out if your children become a little more tactful in the persuasion techniques.

Field Trip Alert!! Next Thursday, the 3rd and 4th grade students will be

singing at the local nursing homes (Maple Ridge and Cameo). We will leave at 10:15, sing at one, have lunch at McDonald's (bring \$5.00 maximum) and sing at the other before returning. If any parents would like to come along from 10:15-1:15, we would appreciate it. Thanks!

Have a blessed weekend! I hope to see you at Breakfast with Santa and at Advent worship services as we prepare for the birth of our Lord, the Prince of peace!

5th and 6th Grade with Mrs. Burgess

Our words-of-the-week are brought to us by McKenzie (dragoon: to force or coerce) and Emilio (faux pas: "false step" or social blunder).

Happy Birthday to our two December birthday girls, McKenzie and Noelle, born a week apart! Thanks for the C-O-O-L frozen treats, McKenzie! May God bless you both always. Thanks, Alexis, for the yummy Christmas cupcakes yesterday! What a treat!

The final spelling pretest for A Christmas Carol is Monday! The Chapter 4 History test is Monday also. The English test on nouns will be Wednesday.

The children will have a gift exchange at our Christmas party on Wednesday, December 21. The children picked names yesterday, and are asked to purchase a \$5ish gift for the chosen one (No living gifts, please :-).

Instead of leaving campus to see a movie as part of our Christmas party on December 21, we will make our room into a cozy viewing area and watch 2 versions of A Christmas Carol! Plan ahead to send sleeping bags, blankets, and pillows starting December 19!

I will send home a pizza/breadsticks order form next week for those interested in putting in a Pizza Hut order for our party day on Wednesday, December 21. Thank you, Mrs. Kurth, for volunteering to deliver our pizza!

Please remember that we sing at the Advent service next Wednesday, December 14 at the 4:30 service. The children may stay after school on Wednesday before the service - please send a note if that is your intention.

If your child doesn't have the book Redwall by Brian Jacques, please be sure to pick up a copy before January 3, 2012! We'll start reading it as soon as school resumes in 2012.

If you held off contributing to the class gift for The Sweetheart of an Auction (The gas/charcoal combo grill!), please don't forget to send in your cash or check (made out to Susan Burgess) by December 21. Please contact me if you're not sure if you've contributed yet. :-)

Have a delightful weekend!

7th and 8th Grade with Mrs. Anderson

We are doing a great periodic table, and job of multitasking up electron dot diagrams. here in 7th/8th grade- It's taking Science land! Most 7/8 graders information that was learned in years past and have parts for the Christmas program, so they are memorizing we modeled atoms using perts, practicing with some very delicious Pastor, AND keep up with their daily work for the classroom! FANTASTIC!

We have started learning about atoms, electrons, energy levels, the

We will be finishing Maniac Magee by the end of next week and will test on Tuesday, December 20th.

Mid-quarter reports went home on Wednesday, please return them by Monday. If you have any questions, please call or stop by.

A note about our Christmas party went home today. Please check with your child to see what we'll be doing.

Have an excellent weekend!

The next 8th grade Cousin's fundraising evening will be held on Tuesday, Jan 3. from 4:00-8:00pm at the Cousin's located at Hwy 100 & Drexel in Franklin. To date, we have raised \$228.93!

Thank you so much for your continued support!



RANGER NEWS

Sunday, December 18, is our outing to the Milwaukee Admirals Hockey game. We will depart from Our Father's at 4:00; face-off is promptly at 5:00. The cost is \$10.00/Ranger, this covers both your admission to the game AND a hot dog and soda. Permission forms and complete payment are due today.

Looking ahead, our next meeting will be on Friday, January 13 at 6:30. Our Winter Outing Excursion is the following weekend, January 20-22nd.

If you have any needs or questions regarding our program, please contact me! Be sure to make time for worship this weekend.



Chief Ranger Tietyen can be reached at (414) 688-6246 or Rangerscamp9@gmail.com

ACORNS AND RANGERETTES INFORMATION

Remember that we have extended our candy sales until January 27th, 2012, so if you need more candy, please contact me. If you have questions about any of the following please contact me by phone or by email.

TONIGHT, Dec. 9 - Christmas Party from 6:00 - 8:30 at Paint N Pottery - 4156 S. 108th Street, Greenfield

TOMORROW, Saturday, Dec. 10 - Carol at the Breakfast with Santa - 9:30



SCRIP CARDS, OUR FATHER'S AND YOU!

Remember to stop by the school/church office on Wednesday mornings to purchase a card (or two!) Scrip cards do make great gifts. The next order is due on Friday, December 16th. Happy Shopping! - - Elizabeth Beine, Scrip Coordinator

PTL NEWS

Thank you Our Father's families for making the PTL Cookie Walk such a success. We really appreciate your efforts. We had the most cookies ever, and raised almost \$200 for the PTL. Thank you to all the families that baked for us!! What a fun way to raise money! Congrats to the Hoedel and Sievert Families for winning the two prize categories! (Hoedels brought the largest batch of cookies and Sieverts' snowmen were the cutest!!)

We also want to thank all of the parents who got their children ready to shop at the Holiday Gift Shop. Everything ran very smoothly and the children had a great time shopping. This event is not for profit, but it is totally worth it when you see the excitement on their faces as they buy their own gifts. Hopefully it will make the holidays just a little more special at your homes when you open packages this Christmas.

PTL wishes to thank our fabulous parent/grandparent volunteers who allowed the day to run so smoothly. We couldn't do it without you! Thank you Kate Madderom, Salena Randow, Amy Sievert, Lisa Thomson, Diana Romaszewski, Sue Herzog, Jeremy Tietyen, Kim Henke and Karen Lenhart for your assistance. It is a busy day, and we were so thankful for all the help this group of volunteers provided!

On behalf of the PTL, we thank you for your support during this first half of the school year. We have the greatest families at this special school of ours!!

We wish you and your families a Blessed Christmas and a very Happy New Year!!

MARKET DAY MUSINGS WITH MRS. TIETYEN

Just a reminder, you will be able to pick-Up your Market Day on Saturday, December 10th in the school lunchroom, NOT in the gym. (Breakfast With Santa will be in progress). Come to the Breakfast with Santa (a FREE event) and then pick-up your Market Day, it's win-win situation!

If you have any questions about Market Day, please contact either Kate Madderom at 481-1092, or me at 282-7500.

HELP SUPPORT THE MARTIN LUTHER MUSIC PROGRAM



Please join the Martin Luther Music Boosters for Music Mondays at Griddlers Café located at 7510 West Layton Avenue. Every Monday during the month of December the music program at Martin Luther High School receives 10% of all sales that occur from 2:00-10:00pm. If five or more people mention Martin Luther, our donation increases to 15%. Hope to see you there! <http://www.griddlerscafe.com>

CALLING ALL MUSICALLY TALENTED INDIVIDUALS

Come join us! If you play an instrument and have a lot of school spirit, you are welcome to join the Our Father's pep band for the Snowball Tournament on the evening of Friday, January 6th. Please contact the school office so that Mrs. Wiegert can provide you with music ahead of time.



8th Grade Lunch for Friday, December 16th :

The 8th grade lunch on Friday, December 16th will have a festive flare: Ham, mashed potatoes, rolls w/butter and Christmas cookies! Sorry fans of figgy pudding and fruitcake, you are out of luck; those items are not on the menu, maybe next year perhaps? 8th grade lunches will continue on Friday, January 6, 2012. Thank you for all of your continued support of the 8th grade class, and Merry Christmas!

CHRISTMAS PLAY UPDATE

Mark your calendars for a dress rehearsal on Wednesday, December 21, at 8:45 AM. Parents, grandparents and friends are invited. You will have "full camera access" at the rehearsal.

We are also looking for an official videographer for the dress rehearsal and final performance. Please let Pastor or Mr. Burgess know if you can do one or both of these performances. This video will be used as a master to make DVDs of the evening.

Pastor Fabrizio is looking for a couple of parents to work on painting sets. If you are available please contact him at prfabrizius@ourfatherslutheran.org or call the office, (414) 282-8220. You could also stop him in the morning and visit with him about what is needed.





Please mark your calendars for the following special service times:

Sun. Dec. 11 at 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. - Weekly Divine Services

Sun. Dec. 11 at 4:00 p.m. - Sunday School Christmas Program held in church

*Wed. Dec. 14 at 4:30 & 7:00 p.m. - Advent Service (Grades 5-8 sing @ 4:30 service)
(A light supper will be served between services in the gym)*

Thurs. Dec. 15 at 7:00 p.m. - Weekly Divine Service

Sun. Dec. 18 at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m. - Weekly Divine Services

Wed. Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m. - Grade School Christmas Program held in gymnasium

Thurs. Dec. 22 at 7:00 p.m. - Weekly Divine Service

Sat. Dec. 24 at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Services

Sat. Dec. 24 at 11:00 p.m. - Christmas Dawn Service

Sun. Dec. 25 at 9:00 a.m. - Christmas Day Service

Thurs. Dec. 29 at 7:00 p.m. - Weekly Divine Service

Sat. Dec. 31 at 7:00 p.m. - New Year's Eve Service

Sun. Jan. 1 at 8:00 & 10:45 a.m. - Weekly Divine Services

Thurs. Jan. 5 at 7:00 p.m. - Epiphany Service



Small Ways That Make a Big Difference

By Elizabeth Beine

Here is a small way that makes a big difference at our school and church.

Our Father's Scrip Program

The scrip program is an easy way to help year round without spending a single additional penny. You put your regular household shopping dollars to work! This is how it works - participating retailers agree to sell gift cards to our organization at a discount. Let's use Pick N' Save as an example (everybody needs groceries!); we buy the gift card with a face value of \$25.00 for \$24.00. The retailer gets cash up front and repeat business - a win for them. We sell the card for \$25.00, making a \$1.00 (which is a 4% profit) and this adds up to a regular source of revenue - a win for us. Each retailer has a different percentage profit - some are low with only 2%, while others are high with a 13% profit. If we get more people involved - then it can really add up! Here are some more tidbits about scrip for you!

- Did you know that you can pay your *Kohl's* charge card using the *Kohl's* scrip cards? So you can still use your awesome coupons to charge to your card, and then when you make a payment, purchase a scrip card!
- We have (in inventory) a variety of gas scrip cards - *BP Gas*, *Speedway*, *Shell*, and *Kwik Trip*. As far as I know, everyone uses gas in their automobiles at some time or another (The 1980s film, *Back to the Future II* did have that method of using trash as fuel - but I don't think that took off).
- We sell scrip cards in the narthex, after most regular church services! Also on Wednesday mornings in the school/church office, we have cards for purchase. Usually we have an array in our inventory, so come make a purchase this week!
- Did you know that there are hundreds of actual participating retailers in the scrip program? On our blue order form, we have several of the most popular retailers in each category, but there are so so so many more! If you are looking for something particular, go to glscrip.com and once there, on the left side of the screen there is a link to get the PDF list of retailers (either alphabetically or by specific category). These lists are incredibly helpful; once you find the retailer, you can see the denomination(s) the card comes in and percentage of profit!
- We place at least one order per month (during the school year it is twice a month - the second and fourth Sunday). So if you are looking for something in particular - this would be the perfect time to order. It takes some planning - but it is an easy way to support the school and church!

You can find order forms in the school/church office or on the Our Fathers website (in case you do not have it bookmarked already, here it is: ourfatherslutheran.org). Become a scrip customer today! It is incredibly easy to participate and it benefits the school and church!

6th Grade Christmas Hot Lunch



Lunch Served: Friday, Dec. 16

Orders Due: Wednesday, Dec. 14

Menu

Quantity Ordered		Cost	
2 Slices of Ham _____	X \$1.50 serving	=	\$ _____
Mashed Potatoes _____	X \$.75 each	=	\$ _____
Roll w/Butter _____ X	\$.50 each =	=	\$ _____
Christmas Cookies _____	X \$.25 each	=	\$ _____
	Total Enclosed		\$ _____

Student Name _____

Grade _____

Soda will be available for purchase on the day of hot lunch for \$.75 per can.
Thank you for your support of the 8th grade class.

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GOLDEN CHICKEN
HOT LUNCH

THURSDAY, Dec. 15, 2011

Return your order form no later than
Monday, December 12, 2011

NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!

STUDENT: _____

GRADE: _____

_____ 2 pcs of chicken, French fries,
coleslaw, and roll.
(Please indicate dark or white meat)

_____ \$4.25 for dark meat only

_____ \$4.50 for white meat only

_____ \$4.50 for 2 all-white meat
chicken tenders and 1 nugget,
French fries, coleslaw and roll

_____ Total

Please return order with full payment in an envelope marked with your child's name, grade and GOLDEN CHICKEN.

If paying by check, make the check out to Our Father's. Thank you!!

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