

Calendar of Events

TOMORROW, 9/18

Chapel 8:15 a.m.
Live Stream online



Spirit Day Theme: Wear Patterns!



Tues, 9/22

Band Day!
Remember your instruments

Soccer Practice 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Fri, 9/25

Chapel 8:15 a.m.
Live Stream online



Spirit Day Theme: Sports Day
(See the next page for more info)

Looking Ahead...

Fri, 10/2

First Fun Friday!

Mon, 10/5

Picture Day!
(See the next page for more info)



Fun Activities This Year

Dear Families,

Everyone needs a little fun in a year when things are all but normal! Yesterday, Mrs. Kalk and I gathered our upper grade students together for a quick check-in. In our little chat, we shared some of the things they could expect at St. John's in a "normal" year. Because so many of our typical activities are "on hold" for awhile, we are mixing it up here at school in new ways!

You may have noticed that we have been doing some fun dress-up days on Friday. This will continue periodically, but we will also add fun activities, treats, entertainment, and surprises to the mix in the coming weeks. When we consider school culture, it is important that we come together each week as a class to talk and share (recall my earlier note about the Danish *Klassens tid*). It is also important that we celebrate being St. John's Eagles as an entire school! We are a family that can laugh or cry together, and that starts with purposeful bonding and fun opportunities. God has given us plenty for which we can be joyful, and FUN Fridays are a chance to remember that. Watch for weekly information and follow-up photos!

In joyful service,
Mrs. Dolan



Updates and Reminders about Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Drop-Off

For morning drop-off we'd ask that all families drop off students at the curb at this point -- rather than parking and walking kids to the door. We need to eliminate foot traffic for the safety of everyone and to keep things moving at the curb.

Door A – G

Thank you for your patience at this door. The temperature scanner needs to help preschoolers down the stairs to their classroom. It can take 1-2 minutes for the temperature scanner to get back to the door to scan the next students. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we help these little ones safely get to their classroom.

Door H – Z

We've placed cones (1,2,3) at the H-Z doors. Pull parallel to one of the cones and allow your children to unload. You may pull over the crosswalk. Someone will help your child if they are struggling. At the H-Z door, we are working to have one adult checking temps while the other adult gives you a wave or thumbs up when your children are cleared.



Pick-Up

Thank you to Joe Koehler for painting lanes at our car line waiting area. There are now 9 lanes for cars to line up and wait for their turn to go through the car line. These lanes go all the way across the parking lot so there is a lot of space for cars to wait. Please fill all 9 lanes before waiting on Mystique for your turn in the car line. Thank you!

Safety Reminder in the Parking Lot

You may have noticed Officer Warren in our parking lot some mornings. He works to be present when able during drop-off. PLEASE watch your speed when you leave the drop-off curb each day. Remember that we have people and other cars in motion at this time.

Thank you to the Corcoran Police!

Co-Ed Soccer is Starting on Tuesday!

Are you interested in playing soccer? Come and join the fun on Tuesday and Thursdays!

- Available for 5th – 8th graders
- Practice from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Practice starts Tuesday, September 22
- Last Practice will be Thursday, October 8
- Mr. Peterman will send an email with more information to all 5th – 8th grade families. Please respond to this email if you are interested in participating. Thanks!

Next Spirit Day: Friday, September 25

For this spirit day, wear a jersey for your favorite sports team! Show off your pride for your favorite football, basketball, soccer team, etc. Let's see who you cheer for!



Watch for Spirit Day announcements in this newsletter every week.

Absent Students

If your child will be absent from school, please email your child's teacher and the office secretaries: Julie Anderson and Dawn Rolf. You are also welcome to call the school office if you need to give further information about your child's absence. Thank you so much for your cooperation. We appreciate the information so teachers and staff are aware of absences and can plan accordingly.

Picture Day: October 5th

Get ready for picture day on Monday, October 5th. This is always a special day as the students are dressed up and ready for the camera!



Picture Day will look a little differently this year in order to follow our COVID-19 Preparedness Plan and keep everyone safe during this special event. Individuals will be photographed class by class in the morning. **Sibling photos or extra family members are not permitted at this time.** More information will be coming soon on how to prepare for the day and order pictures. LifeTouch, the photography company, will be sending more information in the coming weeks so be sure to tune in to future newsletters to read this information.

No Library Donations Please

While we very much appreciate your generosity with donating books, we cannot accept library donations this year for our school library due to COVID-19 precautions and restrictions. Thank you for your understanding!



Eagle Pride: St. John's Cafeteria Crew



We want to say a special "Thank You" to our cafeteria crew! Lynn Schutte, Heather Bursch, and Leah Johnson are serving lunch this year at school. Not only do they provide hot, nutritious meals for our students, they always serve them with a smile! They know the student's names, they learn what the students like and don't like, and make sure that the lunches are really yummy!

We are so thankful for these ladies at St. John's. They are an integral part of our student's day at school. A balanced, nutritious meal helps our students focus, have energy, and continue to learn for the rest of the day. Thank you for caring for our students – you are a blessing!

(While we will only feature one person or group each week in this Eagle Pride section, we are proud of our ENTIRE Eagle family.)

Friday Chapel Services

Join us for Live Stream Chapel services every Friday morning at 8:15 a.m. You can watch the Chapel service online (just like the students at school) by going to this link:



<https://www.facebook.com/STJLutheran/>

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

LEARN. PRAY. GROW.

The 15th week after Trinity: Sept. 20-26, 2020



LEARN-BY-HEART

MEMORIZE TOGETHER AS A FAMILY
SCHOOL STUDENTS EXPECTED TO RECITE ON FRIDAY

Bible Verse

3rd gr+

Love does no harm to a neighbor;
therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. (Romans 13:10)

Seventh Commandment

PreK+ You shall not steal.

1st gr+ *What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God
so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions,
or get them in any dishonest way,
but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

Eighth Commandment

PreK+ You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

2nd gr+ *What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God
so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor,
betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation,
but defend him, speak well of him,
and explain everything in the kindest way.



PRAYERS

MANY CHRISTIANS STRUGGLE TO PRAY BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW WHO OR WHAT TO
PRAY FOR. USE THIS GUIDE TO PRAY FOR DIFFERENT NEIGHBORS IN THEIR VARIOUS NEEDS.
LET US PRAY...

Sun ...for all who attend the Divine Service today, that they may be fed with His Word and Sacrament
...for all who do not know the joy of the Resurrection, that they hear and believe the Gospel

Mon ...for all who begin a new week of work, for the unemployed, for our government, and for our teachers and
students who begin a new week of school

Tues ...for rescue from temptation and sin, for repentance for those who have fallen away, for the guilty to be
comforted with the Gospel

Wed ...for all husbands and wives, for all parents and children, that all families may live in peace according to God's
Word

Thu ...for our Church and our pastors, for our teachers, for our missionaries, for all who serve and volunteer at St.
John's

Fri ...for all who preach Christ crucified this weekend, for Christians who are persecuted, for all who are sick and
dying

Sat ... for the Holy Spirit to preserve our faith to the End, for our hearts to be ready to hear God's Word at the Divine Service tomorrow



SCRIPTURE LESSONS

STUDY TO HEAR NEXT SUNDAY

1 Kings 17:17-24
Ephesians 3:13-21
Luke 7:11-17



HYMNS

Church Hymn of the Day "The Will of God Is Always Best" (*LSB* 758)
School Hymn of the Month "These Are the Holy Ten Commands" (*LSB* 581)



FAMILY DEVOTION

Our school hymn of the month was written by none other than Martin Luther in order to teach the Small Catechism to the children of the Church. For your devotions this week sing & discuss the stanzas here:

581 These Are the Holy Ten Commands

sts. 1, 8-9, 11-12

1 These are the holy Ten Commands
God gave to us by Moses' hands
When high on Sinai's mount he stood,
Receiving them for our good.
 Have mercy, Lord!

8 "You shall not steal or take away
What others worked for night and day,
But open wide a gen'rous hand
And help the poor in the land."
 Have mercy, Lord!

9 "Bear no false witness nor defame
Your neighbor nor destroy his name,
But view him in the kindest way;
Speak truth in all that you say."
 Have mercy, Lord!

11 You have this Law to see therein
That you have not been free from sin
But also that you clearly see
How pure toward God life should be.
 Have mercy, Lord!

12 Our works cannot salvation gain; They merit only endless pain.
Forgive us, Lord! To Christ we flee, Who pleads for us endlessly.
 Have mercy, Lord!