

Calendar of Events

Fri., 12/03

Chapel 8:10 a.m. (2nd-8th grade)
Chapel 8:50 a.m. (PS-1st grade)
5:30p.m. "B" girls' basketball
at Living Hope in Shakopee
5:45p.m. "B" boys' basketball
at Heritage Luth. in Apple Valley
7:00 p.m. "A" boys' basketball at
Heritage Luth. In Apple Valley
7:30 p.m. "A" girls' basketball
at Living Hope in Shakopee

Mon., 12/06

3:45 p.m. 5th-8th grade boys
basketball practice
6:00 p.m. 3rd/4th basketball
practice
7:00 p.m. Girls' A basketball vs.
North Metro

Tues., 12/07

4pm "A" girls' basketball practice
at Salem
4:15pm "B" girls' basketball
practice at St. John's

Wed., 12/08

3:45 p.m. 5th/8th boys' basketball
practice

Thurs., 12/09

4:00 p.m. "A" girls' basketball
practice at St. John's
4:15 p.m. "B" girls' basketball
practice at Salem
6:00 p.m. 3rd/4th basketball
practice

Give Thanks, Give Back!

It is with great joy and thankfulness that we can announce that proceeds raised at the 8th Annual Gala totaled \$95,000! Thank you for your participation and generosity. It was a spectacular evening filled with memory-making, games, delicious desserts, and robust bidding! Your contributions as sponsors of tables, donors of auction items, Gala committee members, bidders, and "Give from the Heart" donors helped us to raise dollars to support tuition assistance and to finish entryway enhancements for the church and school. Praise be to God for His blessings which He so graciously showers upon us.

In joyful service,
Mrs. Dolan



Business Manager Position Filled!



We give thanks to God that Sam Kuphal will be joining St. John's staff beginning December 6th in the new Business Manager position. Sam and his family reside locally in Corcoran. Welcome, Sam!

Christmas Program Information



In order to protect the tradition of our beautiful annual Christmas program and the health of our student body, we will adjust a few components of the program to allow for our parents and families to join us in person! The date is still as marked on the calendar (Friday, Dec. 17). **Preschool-8th** grade choirs will perform in the 1:30 daytime performance, and **K-8th** grade will perform again in the evening performance at 7:00. Students may be picked up in the gym after the program ends for each performance. More information to come. It would be helpful if parents of 5-8th graders would consider coming to the evening performance (unless you have a preschool student) in order to make room for the preschool parents who have just one program option to attend. Mark your calendars for the comeback of this special school tradition!



Café Zupas Fundraiser Night!



The PTL is hosting another restaurant fundraising night, this time at Café Zupas!

Where: Café Zupa's in Maple Grove (11669 Fountain Dr.)

When: Tuesday, December 14th from 4:00-9:00 p.m.

Ways to ensure your purchases count:

- Show the cashier a digital or paper flyer prior to paying.
- Use Promo Code **FUNDRAISER25** to order online or through the app. (Fundraiser online ordering is only valid through pickup from 4-9pm on December 14th at the Maple Grove Café Zupas.)
- Share this event with all your friends and family!

ESP is Hiring!



Are you available to work Tuesday afternoons from 2:50-5:30pm? If so, come apply for a position at ESP! Contact Tori Kuehne at tori.kuehne@stjlutheran.org or 763-420-2426 for more information.

1st-8th Grade Gradelink Information



Families with students in grades 1-8 will be receiving an email from Gradelink with login information and a temporary password. If you have already signed into Gradelink, your previous password will still work, and no further action is necessary. If you have any issues logging in, please contact Mrs. Rolf or Mrs. Anderson.

Eagle Pride: Our Faithful Substitute Teachers



When teachers are out, who do we call? Our faithful substitute teachers, of course! Mrs. Kalk and Mrs. Preus are two of our go-to subs, and for good reason – they are both former STJL teachers (plus they are just fantastic). Thank you for coming to our aid, Mrs. Kalk and Mrs. Preus – you are lifesavers!

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

AmazonSmile



Did you know that your Amazon purchases can generate donation dollars for our school with very little effort on your part? Click into this link for more details on how to use AmazonSmile through the website or through the app.

https://smile.amazon.com/gp/chpf/about/ref=smi_aas_redirect?ie=UTF8&%2AVersion%2A=1&%2Aentries%2A=0

Parking Lot Safety During Afternoon Dismissal



For the safety of all children and staff, please remember to drive slowly and courteously during the afternoon dismissal. Pull into an actual parking spot if you need to stop to help your child into his/her car seat.

Proper Notification for Absences



Parents, please notify the front office and your child's teacher at least 24 hours in advance of appointments that require your child to be absent for all or part of a school day. Additionally, please provide two weeks notification to the school administrator and front office for excused absences for travel or extenuating circumstances. Please see page 31 of the Parent/Student Handbook for more explanation.

Preschool Arrival Policy Reminder



Parents, please remember that per our family handbook, preschool children are not allowed at school prior to 7:30am, and this does include the lobby area. This is a rule for licensure, and we do appreciate your cooperation.



St. Johns Lutheran School

FUNDRAISER NIGHT WITH CAFÉ ZUPAS



LOCATION

11669 Fountain Dr.
Maple Grove, MN

DATE & TIME

Tuesday, December 14
4 - 9pm

Many ways to earn up to 25% for your organization:

Dine-In or Take-Out:

Let the cashier know you are with
the fundraiser

Café Zupas Mobile App or Online Orders:

Enter **FUNDRAISER25** at checkout



Order with the app



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

LEARN. PRAY. GROW.

The Second Week of Advent: Dec. 5 - Dec. 11, 2021



LEARN-BY-HEART

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

Bible Verses

3rd gr.+ My sheep hear My voice,
and I know them, and they follow Me.
and I give them eternal Life, and they shall never perish;
neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. (John 10:27-28)

The Lord's Prayer

PreK+ *The Second Petition:* Thy kingdom come.

What does this mean?

1st gr+ The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer,
but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

How does God's kingdom come?

2nd gr+ God's kingdom comes
when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit,
so that by His grace we believe His holy Word
And lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.



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 the sick & 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



SCRIPTURE LESSONS

STUDY TO HEAR NEXT SUNDAY

Sun. Dec. 12 - The Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-11 - Comfort God's People

1 Corinthians 4:1-5 - The Ministry of Apostles

Matthew 11:2-10 - Messengers from John the Baptist



HYMNS

Church Hymn of the Day - "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding" (*LSB 345*)

School Hymn of the Month: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" (*LSB 384*)

School Year Theme Hymns: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" (*LSB 803*) and "Seek Ye First" (*LSB 712*)



FAMILY DEVOTION

A Short Order for Home Devotions

Invocation - In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit - **Amen.**

Recite - the Apostles' Creed and the Learn-by-Heart Bible Verse & Catechism

Read and Discuss - one of the Scripture readings from this past Sunday, from school, or the coming Sunday

Pray - the Lord's Prayer, Luther's morning or evening prayers, and the topical prayers for the day of the week

Sing a hymn - use one of the hymns from the past Sunday, the coming Sunday, or the school year

Benediction

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Luther's Morning & Evening Prayers

<p>I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, That the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen</p>	<p>I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen</p>
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