

"The Lord is my Shepherd."

- Psalm 23:1

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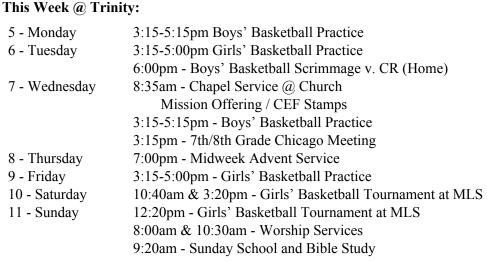
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Christmas Eve Services The children will sing in the Christmas Eve services this year on Friday, December 23 at 1:00pm and Saturday, December 24 at 7:00pm. Please let your child's teacher know if they will not be attending.

Christmas Eve Service Practice The Christmas Eve Service practice has been set. The main practice with all the children is Saturday, December 17 at 10:00am. All students are expected to participate in this service and the practices unless a parent has spoken directly with the classroom teacher.

Boys Basketball Schedule Change Originally, there was a scrimmage for the boys' basketball team for Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00pm. The scrimmage has been rescheduled because of Advent. The scrimmage is now Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00pm.

Girls' A Team MLS Tournament The Girls' MLS tournament is Friday, December 9-10 at Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, MI. The first game is at 10:40am. Girls on the A Team will be excused from all classes on Friday, December 9. Any siblings attending this tournament will need to be excused through a note to their classroom teacher before Friday, December 9.

Winter Outdoor Recess Please keep in mind as the winter months approach, students need the proper winter attire for playing outside in the snow. In order to play outside in the snow, students are to have boots, snow pants, gloves, coat, and hat. Any student that does not have the required items will not be allowed to play in the snow.



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Bus Routes Please be aware that basketball practices have begun. Therefore, bus routes may be significantly shorter in the afternoon.

Notes from the Teachers

Preschool and Kindergarten

Preschool highlights from last week: worked on patterns, sang "Looking for Berries, Berries for Jam", and did some movement activities with jump ropes.

Our focus books this week are <u>Does a Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too?</u> by Eric Carle and <u>Kite Day</u> by Will Hillenbrand. The children are to bring something that starts with the letter K for the Letter Box this week.

Here's what the kindergarten class will be working on this week:

<u>Christ Light</u> - "Jesus Teaches Simon" and "Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand" <u>Reading</u> - Comprehension: Conclusions and Grammar: Sentence Parts: Verb <u>Math</u> - Finish Chapter 6 Tables, Graphs, and Fractions <u>Handwriting</u> - Writing Capital Letters <u>Social Studies</u> - Chapter 3 Where We Live

Upcoming due dates:

Monday, December 5th

"Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." (Luke 2:13,14)"

Tuesday, December 6th

-at in blue Word Family Book

Wednesday, December 7th

No homework

Thursday, December 8th

Christmas Eve Service "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" Hymn 38 stanza 12

Friday, December 9th

Take-Home Book "Animals in the Snow" and New Sight Words "with" and "by" Monday, December 12th

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1st and 2nd Grade

<u>Christ Light</u>- Mon. & Tues.: 3A – Jesus Feed the Five Thousand, Christmas memory work for Tues. see gold page in the Bible Binder, Chapel and Hymn Study: On Christmas Night All Christians Sing st.2 on Wed. Thurs & Fri: 3B – Jesus Walks on Water, memory work hymn for Thurs. and Christmas memory work for Friday - On Christmas Night All Christians Sing st.3.

<u>Reading & Phonics:</u> Gr. 1- Lesson 14 "The Big Race" and "Rules and Laws" / editing and long i words, / Think Central Test 14 on Friday. Gr.2- Lesson 14 Stories "Helen Keller" and "Talking Tools" / Braille Activities / Think Central Test 14

Math: Gr.1- Chapter 6: Addition and Subtraction Fact through 18 Gr. 2- Chapter 6 - Geometry



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Grammar: Gr. 1-2 – Proper Nouns

Spelling: Gr.1 & 2 Unit 14 pretest on Monday, Workbook on Tues. and Wed., and Final test on Friday

Science: Energy – finish energy unit

Please review the whole Christmas service grades 1 & 2 parts throughout this month. All Christmas memory work must be spoken/sung on the assigned day (memory work will not written to practice if someone didn't learn the assignment). We have been practicing our parts daily at school so if your child is participating in the practices, the memory work shouldn't be very difficult.

When you are working with your child on Grammar, the Homework packet, or Reading assignments that require answering in a sentence, please have your child begin the sentence with a capital letter and then use lower case letters for the other words UNLESS the word names a person, place, or thing such as Joseph or Bethlehem, which are proper nouns and require a capital letter at the beginning. Also, all sentences should have a punctuation mark at the end – either a period, questions mark, or an exclamation mark. Thanks for helping your child learn to write grammatically correct sentences.

3rd and 4th Grade

Memory Work:

Tuesday: Girls: Go Tell It on the Mountain Vs: 1

Boys: Go Tell It on the Mountain Vs: 2

Wednesday: Go Tell It on the Mountain Vs: 3

Thursday: Hymn 38: 12

Friday: Hymn 38: 13

English: We are reviewing "Subjects" and "Predicates"

Math: We are continuing our chapter on "Division" Note: 3rd Grade will test on Friday

<u>Reading:</u> We will be starting a new story from our Journey Books. Note: 4th Grade will test on Thursday and 3rd Grade will test on Friday.

Social Studies: We will Review our Chapter on "The Northeast" on Monday and will test on Tuesday.

Spelling: We are on Unit 13 this week

Science: We are continuing to talk about "Ecosystems".

Note: I will be gone Thursday to go observe my teaching mentor. I will also be gone on Friday for my grandfather's funeral. I will be able to check my emails and phone if you need anything.

5th and 6th Grade

Greetings from the 5th-6th grade room. We are beginning the hard work of preparing for our Savior's birth. We will have a number of parts to memorize to be ready for the services and our chance to sing His praises.

Spelling: We are looking at Unit 13.

<u>Hymnology</u>: Instead of a hymn this week, the students will recite on Wednesday the 2 recitations on page 5 of their Christmas Eve service program.

Novel: We are now alone on the Island of the Blue dolphin can Karana survive, what will the pack do?

English: 6^{th} will be looking at subject verb agreement and verb tenses. 5^{th} will be taking a test and looking at direct and indirect Objects and verb tenses.

<u>Geography:</u> We are continuing our look at the Caribbean and South America.

7th and 8th Grade

Parents, please be aware that there will be a meeting this Wednesday to plan upcoming fundraisers to help offset the cost



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of the Chicago trip. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. Also, after the meeting, the 8th graders will be decorating the school hallways for Christmas.

<u>Religion</u>: This week in religion, we will be answering the questions: "What do I say Lord when others don't trust in you as their Savior?"

Science: This week, we will wrap up our chapter on Atoms, Elements, and the Periodic Table. A test is scheduled for Thursday..

<u>History:</u> We will be wrapping up our chapter on the "Road to Revolution." A test is scheduled for Tuesday. <u>Math:</u> The 7th graders will continue their chapter on Rational Numbers: Fractions. The 8th graders will continue their chapter on Polynomials and Factoring.

Hymn of the Week - There will no longer be a "Hymn of the Week" as each classroom prepares for the Christmas Eve Service. Please follow the directions of each classroom teacher for work with the Christmas Eve Service.



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