



SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

October 26, 2023

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: Corrie ten Boom was quoted as saying, "Worry is a cycle of inefficient thoughts whirling around a center of fear." Isn't that true? Does worrying really accomplish anything? Scripture tells us to trust and pray: "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?" (Matt. 6:25-27) This week God has refocused me to listen to His call and to trust and pray. May you take up the Savior's invitation when He says, "Don't worry about anything but pray about everything."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REFER-A-STUDENT – Remember if you refer a student to Salem for this year and they enroll, you'll receive a \$200 discount on your tuition. Unlimited referrals.

FED ON HIS WORD- Each week we are given the opportunity to hear the preaching of His Word. Together, we rejoice as we share in the fellowship of our Lord, and we respond to worship as His Called People of Faith. Please encourage your child to attend both Church and Sunday School each week to enable them to know more about Jesus. Sunday School at Salem is at 10:15 am.

PRAYER FAMILIES- Each day we pray for all of our students and their families. It has long been a custom of our school to divide our families each year by the number of school weeks and especially pray for them in our morning devotions. **Bruins and Siegel.**



It's time for our K-8 grade students to sing and play in church This Sunday!! Please have your student at the church by 8:45 AM. We look forward to hearing their song selection and sharing the love of Christ with our church family!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 27- Fundraising Envelopes are Due
Vision/Hearing testing preschool-grade 3, grade 8
- Oct. 29- K-8 sing/play in church 8:45 am arrival**
Trunk or Treat 4-6 pm
- Nov. 10- Preschool Field Trip for bowling
- Nov. 11- Community Chili Cook-Off 5-7pm**
- Nov. 16- Pack the house at Leo's Pizza
- Nov. 22-24- NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving**
- Dec. 1- Cookie Walk
- Dec. 3- Family Fun Festival

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE- Please have your news items in by noon on Tuesdays. Thank you!



A Big Thank You to the Jacksonville Fire Department for coming and sharing about fire safety with our students!



Second quarter chapel offerings \$34.06 collected to date.



Buy gift cards and earn money for our school with Raise Right Scrips! Information came out last week on how you can register. Use them to buy groceries, gas, and more! Sign up today!



Trunk or Treat is a fun time to share with our students and the community. Can you help? Please talk with you PTL today! October 29 from 4-6 PM. Last year was AMAZING even in the rain! Looking forward to another fun time- food trucks, face painting, animals, games and of course- CANDY



Do you have an amazing chili recipe? Enter Salem's Community Chili Cook-off! Prizes for top chili! Don't have a recipe? Come eat and vote for YOUR favorites! November 11 from 5-7 PM.

hard work that brings food to our tables, connects communities. together, and provides food security. Last week's learning focus was "Apples"! The students learned about apples, the various colors/sizes/flavors of apples and the life cycle of an apple. In art, they made apples on top and deco apples. For science and math the students made caramel apples and their own personal apple pie!

WEEKLY LUNCH MENU –

Friday, October 27th – w/g Cheese Pizza, Mixed Fruit, Salad and Milk

Monday, October 30th -- Pulled Pork Sandwich, Fries, Fruit and Milk

Tuesday, October 31st -- Beef Nachos, Salad/Toppings, Applesauce and Milk

Wednesday, November 1st – Chicken Pot Pie, Strawberries and Milk

Thursday, November 2nd – Fish Sticks, Fries, Fruit and Milk



NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS–

PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Ms.

Hathaway: This week we are learning about the Fall weather; we are learning that the weather is in the process of changing from warm to cold and that we are going to start having to dress warmer to stay warmer. We are having been enjoying the nice weather outside each day. We are going to be exploring with pumpkins over the next few weeks with different experiments and using our hands to explore the feel of the pumpkins. If you have any fun activities that you want us to try please let us know.

PRESCHOOL Pre-K3 News

Learning Focus "Apples": This week the students are learning about apples! The books we are reading this week are, "Ten Apples Up On Top" "The Biggest Apple Ever", and "How Do Apples Grow". We will travel to the library on Wednesday for story time and craft. We are working on the letter A and continuing with the number 7 for our letter and number focus this week. We will be using apples to make apple stamping art, using the letters of their name on apples to work on recognizing letters in their name, and drawing their own apples! We will be singing the ABC song, and continuing to work on Jesus Loves the Little Children!

PRESCHOOL Pre-K4 News from Mrs. Mindy

Lysaythong:: Learning Focus: Farm This week's learning focus is "Farm". The students are learning about the purpose of a farm, the type of animals and/or fruits/vegetables that can be found on a farm. This will give the students a greater appreciation for farmers and the job that they do. It is because of the farmer's

Kindergarten News from Mrs. Audrey

Sprinkel: We have so much going on in kindergarten! This week, in reading, we are about sounds that we hear! Students will be talking about what we hear in school, at home, and outside. In social studies we are learning about healthy communities. We will be learning how we play a part in making our community healthy and safe. In math students are learning about geoboards and reviewing previous concepts such as, patterns and problem solving. In science we are learning about pets and how to take care of them! We are learning about birds and reptiles this week. Have a great week!

1st & 2nd Grade News from Mrs. Deborah

Steinacher: For the week of Oct. 30, memory for first

grade will be #12 and memory for second grade will be #52. In religion we are learning about leaders in the Bible. We will be learning about Samson and Hannah and her son Samuel. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 3.1. A new spelling list will soon be coming home. In reading we will be reading both fiction and nonfiction. We will compare the two types of stories. In math we will estimate sums, measure in feet and inches, look for patterns when we problem solve, count money, tell time to the nearest 5 minutes, and order events by time. In social studies we will be learning direction words on a map. In science we will be learning about the life cycle of a tree. We would like to thank Jace for providing us with our afternoon snack. We all greatly appreciate our snack break. Remember to mark your calendar. Oct. 29 is a busy day. We sing at Salem in the 9am service. Please be at Salem at 8:45. Then in the afternoon Salem is hosting a Trunk or Treat from 4-6. There will be lots of fun for everyone! The November calendar and the November book report will be coming home soon. Grades 1-4 have been working on a chapel message for Wednesday, Nov. 1. They will be telling us about being thankful. We would love to have you join us on chapel days at 8:30. Have a wonderful week! God's blessings.

3rd, 4th & 5th Grade News from Mrs.

Jacqueline Steinacher: We are in the full swing of the second quarter, and things are very busy in grades 3-5! A reminder that we sing in church on Sunday, October 29. Please be in Mrs. S.'s room by 8:45 to practice. We will have our Trunk or Treat the same day from 4-6 in the parking lot. Be sure to stop by for lots of fun! In Social Studies this week, we are learning about the Exploration Era, where North and South America began to be discovered by Europeans. We will talk about how to put these events together in a timeline. We are also reviewing the Midwest state abbreviations this week, with a quiz on Friday. In Science, we will review our Chemistry unit before our test on Friday. In Math, we are working through units 46-49, which cover fractions, mixed numbers, multiplication, and division. We will have a Math assessment on Friday. In Spelling, we are on List 10, with a spelling test on Friday. In Language, we are continuing our unit on verbs and verb-tense. In Reading, we are in Unit 2, Week 5; with a reading comprehension test on Thursday. Since we are at the end of Unit 2, we will have a Unit Reading Comprehension test on Friday. We thank Reid for our snacks this week.

6th & 8th Grade News from Ms. Joy Reitsma:

Middle school continues with ancient civilizations. They are still learning how food impacts the body's functions. We are ready to play in church on Sunday. Their Reformation paper is due this week and their book report is due next week. Algebraic concepts are key this year so we are working hard to master the basics.