

# SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter November 9, 2023

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: What does it mean to be a true friend? Jonathan gives us a good example in I Samuel 20:4 where he asks David: "Whatever you want me to do, I'll do it for you." Since David was being threatened by King Saul, Jonathan's father, this was truly showing he was David's friend no matter what. We all have this kind of friendship in Jesus. When Jesus asks, "What can I do to help?" the answer is to give His life so that we might live. There is no greater friend than this: that he would lay down his life for others. Let us strive to be this kind of friend to others and to model this for our children.

# **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. **Dertz and Schaefer** 

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



Second quarter chapel offerings \$66.25 collected to date.



Christmas shopping? Getting gift cards? Don't forget to use the Scrip program! Same prices you pay at the store, but Salem gets to benefit too! Need help? Call the office and they can get you started or order them for you!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nov. 11- Community Chili Cook-Off 5-7 PM

Nov. 16- Pack the house at Leo's Pizza Nov. 22-24- NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving

Dec. 1- Cookie Walk

Dec. 3- Family Fun Festival 1-3 PM

Dec. 13- Children Led Advent Christmas Service 6:00

PM

Dec. 21- Pack the House at Leo's Pizza

Dec. 22- End of Second Quarter- Noon Dismissal

Jan 8- School Resumes



Do you have an amazing chili recipe? Enter Salem's Community Chili Cookoff! It is \$10 to enter, and you must enter by Nov. 8. Prizes for top chili! Don't have a recipe? Come eat and vote for YOUR favorites! November 11 from 5-7 PM.



As hard as it is to believe, we are beginning preparations for the Children led Christmas Service on December 13. EVERY child from PK2-grade 8 will be a part of this story. If there is a reason that your child can NOT participate, please notify your teacher today so that we do not give them a part.



We Pack the House at Leo's Pizza on the third Thursday of the month. They generously donate back to Salem a portion of all monies spent either in the restaurant or on take out. Our next opportunity is Thursday, Nov. 16.



THANK YOU: Thank you to all who participated in the Christmas Gifts Fundraiser! Mrs. Ly's PK-4 class brought in the best average sales and were rewarded with an ice cream party! Congratulations to Quinton Gehrke and Hudson Vice for having the best overall sales. Thank

you for supporting our school!

#### **WEEKLY LUNCH MENU –**

<u>Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup></u> – Pretzel w/Cheese Sauce, Green Beans, Fruit and Milk

<u>Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup></u> -- Chili Cheese Nachos, Salad and Milk

<u>Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup></u> -- Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Fruit and Milk

<u>Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup></u> – Cheese Quesadilla, Corn, Fruit and Milk

<u>Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – Pancakes, Cereal Bar, and Milk</u>

<u>Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> – W/G Cheese Pizza, Fruit, Salad and Milk</u>

## NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS—

PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Ms. Hathaway: This week we are learning our colors through different activities such as turkey hand prints, different shapes, numbers and learning our friend's names. We will be starting full time on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> so we will start to learn everyone's name and who our friends are. We will learn to work together to achieve





our goals and become one big family.





### PRESCHOOL Pre-K3 News from Ms. Christy

Martin: This week we are working on the letter C and the number 8. We have been practicing writing the letter C on the smart board. We are reading stories that start with C. Art each day goes with the book that we have read that day. We painted chicks or pugs, make C hats, make a Cap, as well as a Clifford dog puppet. Thank you families for welcoming me with open arms as I take in this amazing K3 Class.

# PRESCHOOL Pre-K4 News from Mrs. Mindy

Laysaythong: This week's learning focus is "Turkey". The students are learning about the life of a turkey, comparing/contrasting the difference between a turkey farm vs. wild turkey, and why turkeys are consumed annually especially during the month of November. Students will continue to develop their fine motor and cognitive skills through hands-on turkey art and increase their senses by making a turkey cake pop! Last week's learning focus was "Spiders"! The students listened to spider books, researched funny facts about spiders, and learned that not all spiders are bad. In creative art the students scribbled spider's web,

funny spiders, and created their own snacks in celebrating make believe spooky day!







Kindergarten News from Mrs. Audrey Sprinkel:

We are doing so much in kindergarten! We began a new unit on the places we can go to. Students will be discussing different places they go to while in school, at home, and in the community. In math, students are learning to work with dimes and pennies, learning to identify, create, and extend ABB patterns, learning about estimations, and working with geoboards. In social students are studies, learning about landforms, bodies of water, and directions on a map. Students will work with a map and identify different landforms and bodies of water on the map. In science, students are finishing a unit on pets, and beginning to learn about the characteristics of objects. Students will be exploring with foam blocks! It is going to be a great week! God Bless!

# 1st & 2nd Grade News from Mrs. Deborah

Steinacher: For the week of Nov. 13, memory for first grade will be #14 and memory for second will be #54. In religion we will be learning about when Solomon builds a temple for God and about King Jehoshaphat. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 3.3. We will be working on both fiction and nonfiction stories. While reading we will look for the main characters, the setting, and the problem and solution. In language we have been working with using the correct end punctuation and knowing when to use upper case letters for names, places, and the pronoun I. In math we will be working with fractions and identifying cup, quart, and gallon. We will also work with telling time to the minute, identifying parallel line segments, and estimating sums. In social studies we will learn about the continents and oceans. In science we will be learning about daytime, nighttime, and shadows. Our next book report is due Nov. 21. They may be handed in anytime. We would like to thank Kirk for providing us with our afternoon snack. They all look forward to a good story with their snack break. Have a wonderful week. God's blessings

.3rd. 4th & 5th Grade News from Mrs. Jacqueline Steinacher: It's hard to believe we are already in the month of November! This year is going by so fast! We are having a lot of fun in class by learning about music theory. We practiced keeping beat with percussion instruments, and learned how to sing the Solfège scale (do re mi fa sol la ti do). In Social Studies we are continuing our unit on Exploration. We are starting to look at World Geography this week, with

a quiz over the 7 continents on Friday. In Science, we are diving into our physics section, with discussions on measuring volume and mass. In Math, we are working through units 54-57, which cover multiplication, arrays, rounding to the nearest thousand, and comparing fractions. We will have a Math test on Friday. In Spelling, we are on List 12, with a spelling test on Friday. In Language, we are learning the difference between a main verb and a helping verb. In Reading, we are in Unit 3, Week 2; with a reading comprehension test on Friday. We thank Jaxon for our snacks this week!

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

Middle School is working on the circulatory system. We continue to learn about ancient Egypt. We have finished our book reports and have begun reading for the next one that will be due at the end of the quarter. Math is full of algebraic reasoning, box and whisker plots and so much more! We eagerly await the start of basketball practices.