

# SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

### January 18, 2023



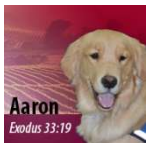
**A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:** Exodus 20:3 says, "You shall have no other gods before Me." In this commandment, God makes it clear that He alone should be the most important thing in our lives. Most times we may picture the idols of the old testament made out of gold, silver or other materials and people bowing down to worship these statues. But is that really the only thing that gets in the way of putting God first? What about when we think our thinking is better than God's? That only these parts of the Bible are important for today, that He didn't really mean for us to follow those rules now in this century? Let's be sure that we are truly putting God first in our lives and are trusting only Him to lead us.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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. **Haney and Norris/Wilson**

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



**CHAPEL OFFERINGS:** Our third quarter offerings: Comfort Dog Ministry of the LCMS. \$19.19 collected to date



**CHANGE OF DATE:** National Lutheran Schools Week is just around the corner! All students will **Sing in Church** to celebrate on **Sunday, January 28**. Students should **arrive at 8:45am**.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 18-** Pack the House at Leo's Pizza  
-Basketball Game @ Trinity Springfield 6pm
- Jan 19- Feb 15- Registration for 2024-2025 school year for current families**
- Jan. 22- NLSW-** Connected to Jesus Through Baptism (Wear your best party hat)
- Jan 23- NLSW-** Connected to God the Father Through Creation (Dress as a piece of creation)  
-Basketball practice
- Jan 24- NLSW-** Connected to the Spirit and His Gifts (Dress as a piece of fruit)
- Jan 25-NLSW-** Connected to the Church (Wear your favorite TEAM jersey)  
-**HOME** Basketball Game against Trinity Springfield 6pm
- Jan 26- NLSW-**Connected to God's Commission to Go Make Disciples (Dress as a dog)  
-**Family Fun Night 6:30 in gym -**
- Jan 28-** Students SING IN CHURCH 9am with 8:45 arrival
- Jan. 30\_ HOME** Basketball Game against Westfair 5:30pm
- Feb. 1-HOME** Basketball Game against Trinity Arenzville 6pm



It's time to Pack the House at Leo's Pizza tonight! Dine in or carry out! Don't forget to mention Salem so we get a portion of the sales back as a donation!



JOHN 15:1-5

**NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK** is next week! It is a time to celebrate being a part of an exceptional group of schools across the world. The weekly schedule was sent home earlier this week and has been posted on Face Book as well. Help your student(s) prepare to participate in the fun dress-up events for the week!



Registration packets will be sent home tomorrow. Current families will be able to register NOW for next year. Open enrollment will begin February 16<sup>th</sup> for the community. Paperwork and money will need to be turned in to secure your spot for next school year!

### WEEKLY LUNCH MENU –

**Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>** – WG Cheese Pizza, Salad, Fruit and Milk

**Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>** -- Sloppy Joes on WG Bun, French Fries, Fruit and Milk

**Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Vegetable Beef Soup, Buttered Bread, Fruit and Milk

**Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>** -Cheesy Ham, Hash Brown Casserole, Green Beans, and Milk

**Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** – Chicken and Noodles, Salad, Fruit and Milk

### NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS–

**PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Ms. Hathaway & Mrs. Wilson:**

Learning Focus: Community Workers  
Bible Story: The Good Samaritan This week we are learning all about the triangle; how to draw one, cut one and pick one out of a group. We are learning number two with how to read it, write it and pick it out of a group of numbers. Our reading and vocabulary this week will be focused on our community workers and their jobs. We are looking forward to having a few guest speakers in our room as some of our parents are community workers! The students will be finger painting, cutting and sorting this week.



**PRESCHOOL Pre-K3 News from Ms. Christy Martin:**

This week we continue to learn about our community workers, who they are, what they do, and even things that they may use. We are going to be focusing on police officers this week and all of the things that they do for our community. We are continuing to work on writing our letters and our numbers. The kids will be making community worker puppets, paper plate police cars, and creating a map mural of our community as well. We are also starting to learn our song for National Lutheran Schools week that we will be singing at Church service on Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup>.

**PRESCHOOL Pre-K4 News from Ms. Minday Lysaythong:** Learning Focus: Community Helpers that Keeps People/Animals Safe: Week of January 15<sup>th</sup> learning focus is "Community Helpers that Help Keeps People/Animals Safe". The students will be examining the group of community helpers that keeps people and animals safe such as police officers, firefighters, school crossing patrol, military, life guard, sea shepherd and etc. In addition, the students will make a police car and fire truck for art, practice rhyming words, brainstorm CVC words for the vowel "e", and draw their favorite community helper for week! Week of January 8<sup>th</sup> learning focus was "Winter Wonderland"! The students started learning how to read sight words, counting in Spanish 1-10, and are identifying uppercase/lowercase letters of the alphabets independently! The Star Student of the Month for January is Quinton and we are all so proud of you! Also we celebrated Jack's 5<sup>th</sup> birthday with a party hitting a video game pinta! For art the students painted the northern light sky and created snowflakes using beads. In science the students got an opportunity to observe fluffy snowflakes fall from the sky and learned how snowflakes are formed!



### **Kindergarten News from Mrs. Audrey Sprinkel:**

Happy New Year! This week we are practicing our reading by parrot reading. We are also practicing our sight words. We are doing various activities to learn our sight words, such as, reading emergent readers, cut and paste our sight words, and writing them out. We are also learning about how we and others can make our community better! In math, we are learning about paying for items up to a dollar in dimes, learning about length, and the 4 seasons. In religion, we are continuing to talk about how we can connect with God through prayer and reading our Bibles. In science we are learning about buoyancy. Our reading ties in with our social studies, and we are learning about the 4 seasons, what kinds of weather they bring, and our Earth's resources and how we can use them. Just a reminder that next week is National Lutheran Schools Week. Your child should have come home with a flyer detailing the events and activities taking place. It is going to be a great time! Have a wonderful week! God Bless!

### **1<sup>st</sup> & 2nd Grade News from Mrs. Deborah Steinacher:**

For the week of January 22, memory for first grade will be #18 and memory for second will be #58. In religion we will be learning about Jesus blessing the children. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 4.4. While reading we will be working on fluency, sight words, main idea, key details, and comprehension. In math we will be working with fractional parts, rounding to the nearest 10, and using pictographs. In language we will be introducing prepositions and objects of the preposition. In social studies we are continuing to learn about cultures and how are cultures the same and different. In science we are learning about what animals eat. The one hundredth day of school is fast approaching. The class has been counting down and are excited to see what we will be doing. Lutheran School's Week will be here quick! A special note has been sent home with all of the special things that we will be doing. The students are excited about the special activities. We will end the week on January 28 by singing in church at Salem. Thanks for helping your child learn the words to the song. Have a wonderful week. God's blessings!

### **3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade News from Mrs. Jacqueline teinacher:**

In Grades 3-5, we are excited to begin National Lutheran Schools Week on Monday! This is a fun time of year for everyone, with special dress-up days, fun activities, and yummy treats. For the week of January 22, we will finish our world geography unit by studying the countries of Asia and the South Pacific. We will have a quiz on Friday. In Social Studies, we will review our unit on government, and learn how to use critical thinking skills to compare viewpoints. We will have a Social Studies test over Chapter 4 on Friday. In Science, we will continue our unit on meteorology by learning about cloud formations and wind speed. In

math, we will work on units 81-84, which cover multiplication, equal-part word problems, angles, tessellations, sales tax, and decimals. We will have a math test on Friday. In Language Arts, we will begin Unit 4.5, with reading and spelling tests on Friday. 3rd grade will read selections about how others inspire us, study irregular verbs, and spell words with soft c and g. 4th grade will read selections about different ways to succeed, learn about homophones, and spell words with variant vowel /ô/. Thank you to Jaxon for providing snack next week. Have a blessed weekend!

### **6<sup>th</sup> & 8th Grade News from Ms. Joy Reitsma:**

Middle School has started to tackle some of the more serious issues that affect our bodies in science. We will be having discussions about smoking, vaping, drinking, drugs, and other topics that can harm the bodies that the Lord has given us. We continue to learn about Asia is History moving into China to learn about the ancient culture there. We are learning about the uses of the gargoyle in art and sculpting our own gargoyle out of clay. We are excited to defend the traveling trophy for NLSW next week!