



# SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

## Weekly Newsletter

### FEBRUARY 22, 2024

**A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:** “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believe in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16 This is probably one of the best known scriptures in the world. We call it the gospel in a nutshell. Why? Because it has everything we need to know for salvation. God loved me with all my warts and flaws. His grace is not reliant on me, but on His son Jesus, who lived the perfect life that I can’t. Because of His sinlessness and sacrifice on the cross, He paid for mine and your debt of death. God’s love for us never wavers, even when we do. In this verse we hear; “I love you. I am with you. You are never alone. I will never forsake you.”

### 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 **McCord and Malcott**

**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. \$ 101.33 collected to date.

**REFER A FRIEND.  
GET REWARDED  
FOR IT!**

Registration is now open to the public! When you refer a friend, you are rewarded with credit towards your tuition! Rewards from this year will be hitting your account with the next bill. YOU are our best advertisement! Won't you share about our school today? Be sure to tell them to write you down in the

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. 28- Lent Worship** 6:30 Supper from 5:30-6:30  
PTL Meeting 5pm
- March 6-Lent Worship** 6:30 Supper from 5:30-6:30
- March 8- End of third Quarter**
- March 13-Lent Worship** 6:30 Supper from 5:30-6:30
- March 15- NO SCHOOL-** parent/Teacher Conferences
- March 21-** Pack the House at Leo's
- March 22-** Grades 3-5 Field Trip to Capital Building /Illinois State Museum
- March 24-Students Sing in Church: 8:45am arrival**

how did you hear about us slot so that we can thank you with tuition rewards!

*Please join us!*

for Lenten suppers and church. Each Wednesday in Lent. 5:30-6:30 dinner followed by 6:30 church service. We have a seat for YOU!



Auction preparations are underway! Students are preparing projects for YOU to bid on at the live Auction! April 13 is the date. Dinner starts at 4pm with the games starting at 5 followed by the auction. Plan on joining us for a fun night!

### WEEKLY LUNCH MENU –

- Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** – WG Cheese Pizza, Salad, Fruit and Milk
- Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>** -- Pancakes, Fruit, Pudding and Milk
- Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** – Chili Mac, Fruit and Milk
- Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>** -Ranch Chicken Pasta, Fruit, Coin and Milk
- Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>** – Beef Tacos, Salad/Toppings, Fruit and Milk
- Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>** – WG Cheese Pizza, Salad, Fruit and Milk.

## NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS-

### PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Mrs. Wilson:

Learning Focus: Friendship and Love Bible Story: David and Goliath We are also focused on the number 7: how we count to 7 and make the number 7. We have been focused on red, blue, pink, and purple colors. We know the shapes of: circle, triangle, diamond, heart, stars, and squares. Not only are we focused on how David trusted in God to help beat Goliath with 5 stones we are learning about Noah's Ark this week. We have introduced new gross motor play items like balloons and playing hungry hip-po with them. We will also beading in a cooking day where the children and I make one snack a week. This will help with math by using measuring cups as well as fine motor skills and even more fun in our classroom- stay tuned! Thanks for all your help with the Valentine's Party- we all had a blast!



### PRE-SCHOOL Pre-K4 News from Ms. Minday Lysaythong:

Learning Focus: Dental Hygiene: This week's learning focus is "Dental Hygiene". The students will learn how to take better care for their teeth, why having healthy teeth is important, and understanding the role that teeth play in our daily lives such as eating, chewing, and nutrition! The students will create a happy tooth vs a sad tooth collage and a healthy mouth puppet for visual art expressions. They will continue to practice identifying/counting numbers 1-20 in English and Spanish and work on their pre-reading skills with short vowels: a, e, i, o, u, and sometimes y! Last week's learning focus was "Valentine's Day"! The students discussed and shared what Valentine's Day meant to them and their families. During their Valentine's Day party the students took a group photo, passed out cards, took turns hitting a piñata and celebrated the special day with red, white, pinks snacks! In art the students decorated their Valentine's bags and created a heart collage!



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

Hello, we have been working on the letter M, the number 8, as well as the shape Octagon. We are learning about the bible story of the David & Goliath as well as what Friendship & caring for others is this month. We talked about what being a friend is and different terms that are used for friendship. This week we have made friendship beading, working our friendship petals for the big friendship flowers that will go in our hallway. We have a few different activities and ways that we will be painting this week. Showing the kids that there is many ways to paint and things to paint with. We will be painting with bubbles, painting rocks, and even some salt painting. We are going to start working on our auction painting as well. I am going to try and get two paintings for the auction from our class!!

### Kindergarten News from Mrs. Audrey Sprinkel:

Happy Thursday! This week in reading, we are talking about how living things change as they grow. We are building a self-sustaining terrarium to look at how plants change as they grow. In math, we are talking

about patterns, tangrams, dividing by sharing, and identifying left and right. In religion, we are talking about Jesus's miracles. In social studies, we are continuing to learn about traditions, families, and how people are alike and different. In science, we are learning about how objects can be moved by pushing and pulling. We are so excited to share with you what we are doing! Thank you all so much! Have a wonderful week! God Bless!

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

**Steinacher:** For the week of Feb. 26, memory for first grade will be #22 and memory for second grade will be #62. In religion we will be learning about when Jesus healed the ten lepers and one returned to thank Jesus. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 5.3. In reading we will be reading some nonfiction stories. We will look at what makes a story nonfiction and compare it to fiction stories. In language we are continuing to work on a variety of poems. In math we will be working with time to five minute intervals, making a table to solve a problem, and using a pictograph and a bar graph to locate information. In social studies we will be comparing people to see how we are alike and different. In science we will continue to learn about our skeleton and senses. We would like to thank Kirk for providing us with our afternoon snack next week. The March calendar and book report will soon be coming home. We are looking forward to singing on Palm Sunday. The students will be walking in with palm branches and singing. This is a wonderful way to add to our worship service. Have a wonderful week! God's blessings.

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

**Steinacher:** After a few short weeks, we are looking forward to having a full week of school so we can tackle some of our ongoing class projects! We have begun working on our project for the Spring Auction. Please continue to send in grocery sacks (we will end up using over 200 bags!) For the week of February 26, we will continue looking at state capitals in the Southeast region. We will have a quiz on Friday over the capitals for KY, TN, AL, MS, AR, LA, OK, and TX. In Social Studies, we will continue our unit on citizenship by discussing taking action for a cause. We are also going to begin looking at the United States Constitution and why it is important. In Science, we will continue our unit on Geology by learning about the Earth's layers and plate tectonics. In math, we will work on units 95-97, which cover estimation, rounding to the nearest dollar, multiplying 3-digit numbers, two-step word problems, and statistics. We will have a Math test on Friday. In Language Arts, we will begin Unit 5.4, with reading and spelling tests on Friday. 3rd grade will read selections about what it means to be a good citizen, study possessive and reflexive pronouns, and spell words by changing 'y' to 'i'. 4th grade will read selections about discovery, learn about using more/most, combine sentences, and spell words with r-controlled vowels.

Thank you Kristin for providing snack next week. God Bless!

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

Middle School has been talking about bacterial versus viral diseases in science. We are learning ways to be safe around others and how to treat different diseases. We are finishing up ancient China and are discussing China's changes once the trade routes open to the West, particularly the silk road. In math we are covering probabilities, scatter plots, differentiation equations and many other topics. We are finishing our monocratic paintings in art, and continue to work through our poetry unit in Language Arts.