

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

March 21, 2024



A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: “Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.” Isaiah 43:4 Have you ever gone to a yard sale or flea market and seen nothing but garbage? Someone with more experience and a trained eye will see treasure in disguise. That is how God sees us. Satan will tell you, you are worthless, but God looks inside you and sees a hidden treasure. When seen through the lens of our Savior, Jesus, God sees us as having great worth even though we are sinful beings. During this Lenten season, focus on the cross that has given us this gift. What can you do as a response to this great gift to show your thanks?

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 **Baker and Vaughn**

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



Our fourth quarter chapel offerings will focus on our world. We will be supporting the Lutheran Church's Global Mission Fund. This fund helps spread the Gospel and human care around the world.
\$61.10 collected to date



REMINDER: NO SCHOOL OR CARE MARCH 25- APRIL 1
Enjoy your family time over

the break. We will be back in action Tuesday, April 2.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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**
- March 25-April 1-NO SCHOOL- Spring Break**
- April 13- LIVE AUCTION EVENT**
- April 15-19- SAT Testing Week**



THIS SUNDAY!!!! Our students will lead the opening of our Palm Sunday Service! They will process in with Palm branches just like they did for Jesus when he entered

Jerusalem. They will sing praises to Jesus and then will be able to hear the children's message. **PLEASE ARRIVE BY 8:45AM** so that we can get organized.



Salem Summer Camp registration is open! Please get your registration in as soon as possible. This will help us with staffing appropriately.



The Auction is coming! Silent Auction will begin soon, followed by a night of fun, food, games and the **LIVE AUCTION!** Your students have created wonderful items for YOU to bid on! Save the date! April 13!



If you don't have a church home, please join us for services during Holy Week:

- March 28: Maundy Thursday- noon & 6:30 PM**
- March 29: Good Friday- noon & 6:30 PM**
- March 31: Easter Sunday- 9:00 AM Breakfast 7-9AM**



TONIGHT! At Leo's pizza! Dine in or carry out but mention Salem so we get a portion of the proceeds donated back to us!

spring break is March 25th through April 1st and we will return on Tuesday April 2nd.

NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS-

PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Mrs. Wilson:

Learning Focus: Bugs and Butterflies. Bible Story: Fishers of Men, We are also focused on the number 10: how we count to 10 and make the number 10 and even count backwards. We have been focused on red, blue, pink, purple, black, gray, white and brown. We know the shapes of: circle, triangle, diamond, heart, stars, squares, ovals and rectangles and are now reviewing them. Our silent auction item is done and I could not be more proud! Thank you to all the parents who helped in someone; it would not be done without YOU! We are now learning about insects and Easter. We have learned about butterflies, dragonflies, caterpillars, and bumblebees. This week we are focusing on all the ways we can decorate eggs! We cannot wait to see you at our Easter party! Thank you to everyone who came to parent teacher conferences! Let's make these last 2 months the best ones yet!



PRESCHOOL Pre-K3 News from Ms. Christy

Martin: Hello, we have been working on the letter Q and number 8. Also, we are learning about the bible story Fishers of Men. Pre-K 3 is learning the song "I will make you Fisher's of Men" it's a catching little tune to go along with our story. This month our learning focus is about bugs and butterflies. We have learned about bees and how important they are to our flowers and trees. They have learned the parts of a bee and that if we don't mess with the bees that they will not mess with us. The kids have started practicing the song "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" that paster has ask that they sing at church on Palm Sunday. The kids will meet at 8:45 in the cafe' before church. We will be making some couple different style of palm leaves and painting some easter egg designs that were created with noodles. We have been working on Painting for the school Auction in April and little art project gift basket to go along with it. We look forward to everyone being there for the Auction. We are finishing out the school year with fun and learning activities. Reminder that



Kindergarten News from Mrs. Audrey Sprinkel:

Happy Thursday! This week we are doing so much in Kindergarten! In reading we are learning about what happens in different kinds of weather. We will be learning what happens when it is rainy, hot, and cold, as well as learn about different types of clouds. We are reading *Rain* by Manya Stojic and a science book called *Cloud Watch*. In social studies we are learning more about influential people in history. In math we are

learning about addition word stories, 2 choice surveys and recording the results on a chart, 3-d shapes, time, and counting by 2s. In science we are continuing to learn about plants. Students will be planting seeds, as well as comparing different kinds of seeds. We also continue to study the butterfly life cycle. Our caterpillars are currently in chrysalis form and we are waiting for the day they hatch! As a reminder, students are singing in church on the 24th for Palm Sunday. Details will be sent through Class Dojo. Thank you all, and have a blessed week!

1st & 2nd Grade News from Mrs. Deborah

Steinacher: For the week of April 2, memory for first grade will be #26 and memory for second grade will be #66. In religion we will be learning more about Holy Week. We will be discussing why Jesus died and rose on the cross for all of us. In reading and spelling we will be on unit 6.2. We will be reading a variety of nonfiction stories. In one of the stories, we will be learning about what it is like to live without your hearing. In another we will be learning about light and how it affects our daily lives. In math we will be working with equal groups, lines of symmetry, locating points on a number line, identifying the angles of a polygon, and much more. In language we will continue to learn about sentence fragments and how to fix them. In our weekly writing we are working on writing about things we are thankful for here at Salem. In science we will continue to learn about systems of the body. We will be learning about the circulatory and nervous systems. Our next chapel message will be Wednesday, April 3. We are excited to be able to lead worship. Everyone is invited to attend! We would like to thank Jace for providing us with our afternoon snack that week. We so enjoy our snack time! The April calendar has been put in the class folders. Enjoy the long break. Happy Easter! God's blessings!

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

Steinacher: Hello from Mrs. Steinacher! A reminder our class field trip is tomorrow, March 22. Please be in the school parking lot by 7:45am. We are looking forward to this exciting trip! Looking ahead, our next field trip will be visiting the Hadden Farm on April 26. More information will come home soon. I also want to remind everyone that we will be singing during the Palm Sunday service on March 25. Please be in the cafeteria by 8:45 that morning. We will return from Spring Break on April 2. Hopefully everyone has a wonderful break! God Bless,

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

Middle School has been working hard to finish their auction project as well as stay on top of their academics. They continue to study ancient civilizations in history. They are wrapping up the nervous system. They continue to work on the art of persuasion in language arts. They are looking forward to Spring Break next week!