

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

October 10th, 2024



A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: Proverbs 20:7 says, "The righteous lead blameless lives; blessed are their children after them." What does that mean for us? It means we need to live a life with integrity, having good character. This is what leads us to not lie, cheat, or manipulate to get what we want. When people learn that you play by the rules and are consistent in character, they want to build relationships with you. This comes with a blessing for your children as well.

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.



CHAPEL OFFERINGS: Thank you to all the students who brought chapel offerings. We collected \$ 413.37 to aid the work that happens through Swaddling clothes.



2nd Quarter offerings will go to help our community through the Jacksonville Food Center. We will collect money weekly as usual but will also be doing a special food collection building contest so state tuned!



\$1 Jean Fridays are here! Staff and students(K-8) bring \$1 and give it to your teacher. Wear a pair of jeans (no rips, holes etc) with your spirit wear or school shirt. All money collected will go back into the class funds.



First quarter ends today! We hope to see everyone at the fall party from 1-3. Enjoy your extra-long weekend!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 10- End First Quarter- Fall Celebration Event-1:00-3:00 pm- Families are invited

Oct. 11- **NO SCHOOL**- Teacher Work Day- CID/SID teacher's Conference

Oct. 14-**NO SCHOOL**- Columbus Day

Oct. 17- **Pack the House at Leo's Pizza**

Oct. 18- **NO SCHOOL**-Parent/Teacher conferences

Oct. 24- **PTL Meeting**- 5:30pm

Oct. 27- **Trunk or Treat** 4-6pm

Oct. 28- Preschool Field Trip to Market 6

Oct. 30- **Reformation Chapel 9am**

Nov. 6- Combined chapel 9 am

Nov. 11- **NO SCHOOL**- Veterans Day

Nov. 24-Sing in Church- 8:45am arrival



It is hard to believe but it is almost time for our THIRD Annual Trunk or Treat event! It will be on Sunday, October 27 from 4-6pm. Set up starts at 3pm. This is a BIG community event to show off our school. We need YOUR help! Can you decorate a "Trunk/Booth" in the gym?(table provided if needed) The theme this year is: Night at the Movies. Each area should be decorated with a movie theme (nothing really scary) and provide an activity or candy for the kiddos. We are also looking for someone to run the face painting area. Food trucks will be on hand for dinner and treats as well. **Please call the office and let them know your theme so we don't have a bunch of the same ideas. We need to know how many spaces to prepare.**



Parent-teacher conferences will be October 18. We are putting together the schedule now and will send out notifications early next week.



Thank you for all the pie orders. We will let you know the pickup date as soon as we get the confirmation.



PTO Meeting

The Next PTL meeting is October 24th at 5:30pm

truly appreciate each of you!!
Thank You, Ms. Malone

WEEKLY LUNCH MENU –

Thursday October 10th – Taco Soup, Chips/Salsa, Fruit, and Milk

Friday, October 11th NO SCHOOL- Teacher Workday

Monday, October 14th - NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day

Tuesday, October 15th Beef and Bean Burrito, Salad/Toppings, Fruit and Milk

Wednesday, October 16th Beef Stroganoff, Salad, Mandarin Oranges and Milk

Thursday October 17th – French Bread Pizza, Carrots, Applesauce, and Milk

Friday, October 18th NO SCHOOL – P/T Conferences

NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS–

PRESCHOOL Pre-K2 News from Ms. Bethany Malone, Mrs. Mary Schultz:

Hello Pre-K2 Families!!! This week we introduced the 8th commandment, the entirety of the Lord’s Prayer, and the entirety of Apostle’s Creed. Every day I notice more and more students able to say these things along with me instead of repeating after me! I have introduced “10 Commandments for kids” and this week we are focusing on commandment 8 “thou shall not give false testimony about thy neighbor.” Our theme this month is David and Goliath. The Bible story I have chosen for this week will be “David and Goliath” We will be painting David’s stones, measuring to see how tall Goliath would have been, and discussing why David was able to beat Goliath. We are introducing the color orange this month and learning a helpful song called “the orange song” as well as using orange crayons, markers, colored pencils and paint to create orange artwork. This week we will be painting orange jack o lanterns. For fine motor skills we will be manipulating play dough as well as making Halloween slime! Reminder: Thursday October 10th will be picture retake day. If you would like your child’s picture retaken, please contact the office. Thursday October 10th is also our fall festival from 1-3 p.m. Feel free to join us for games and snacks. No School Friday October 11th, No School Monday October 14th, No School Friday October 18th for parent/teacher conferences If you haven’t scheduled your parent teacher conference please do so as soon as possible to insure you get the time slot you need. Also, if you haven’t returned fieldtrip forms and money please do so as soon as possible. Thank you all so much for your participation and communication. This makes the classroom run so much smoother and I hope you all know how much I

PRESCHOOL Pre-K3 News from Ms. Martin & Mrs. Bezler:

Welcome to October!!!! The kids had an amazing time this week with it being Fire Safety week and had a visit from our local Firefighters. They have learned about the trucks and the gear that they wear to keep them safe while fighting fires. This week we are starting to work on the letter Oo and continuing to work on the numbers that we have learned so far this year. We have read the bible Story Israel’s First King this week and learned that God helped Samuel find Saul and made him a King. We are continuing to work on our fine motor skills to assist with their handwriting skills. It’s crazy to think that the first quarter is now over. Assessments on each of the children have started to be ready for the parent teacher conferences next week. Reminder that October Book order needs to be submitted by October 18th I will be closing the order at the end of the day. We have our first Preschool field trip on October 28th to the Market Six pumpkin patch, please have all permission slips and fees turned in by October 18th. The kiddos have been doing amazing things in development and social and emotional skills so far this year and we are excited for the rest of the year to come.

PRE-SCHOOL Pre-K4 News from Ms. Candy West & Mrs. Kristina Seaton

In the Pre-K 4 classroom this week we have been working with the number 8 and the letters G and g. The students have had fun nesting blocks in color patterns. We know that the season has changed from Summer to Fall, and the children are looking forward to cooler temperatures. We now have the first 30 days of the school year behind us, and I think even the children agree that it has sped by. We have discovered that our students like to have their hands traced and they also enjoy lacing (I call it sewing) activities that we have been doing. In Math, we have been learning different ways to make five: you can remind your students in years to come that they started their algebra careers at the young age of 4.

Kindergarten – 2nd Grade News from Mrs. Deborah Steinacher:

For the week of Oct. 15, we will continue to learn Psalm 46. There will be no regular reading or spelling due to the short school week. Instead, we will be reviewing a variety of skills. In math we will continue to work with even and odd numbers, pictographs, line segments, congruent shapes, patterns, telling time, and fractional parts of a set. In language we are learning about the differences between a statement and a question. In science we will be learning about the different ways that deciduous trees change in the seasons. In social studies we will be learning how needs and wants are different. It is the end of the quarter, and I am looking forward to visiting with each

of you during parent teacher conferences. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to share ideas, show off what the students are learning, and to look at goals for each student. We will be having leftovers for snack. Thank you for sending extra snacks! I greatly appreciate it. Thank you for all of your support! Have a wonderful week. God's blessing.

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

Steinacher: Hello from Mrs. Steinacher! For the week of October 14, we will have a short week; as there is no school Monday, October 14 due to Columbus Day or Friday, October 18 due to Parent-Teacher Conferences. I very much look forward to seeing all of you during the conferences. Due to the short week, we will not have Language Arts, Geography, or any new Presidents this week; and will only review in these areas. In Math, we will be on Lessons 33-35. In Science, we will continue our unit on Zoology by discussing characteristics of invertebrates. In Social Studies, we will continue to discuss the United States government. Have a blessed weekend!

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

Middle School began a new novel this week. We will be studying *A Wrinkle in Time*. We are doing a unit on electromagnetism in science. We are working on a position paper in social studies about which candidate we would vote for president and why. The students are researching the main positions of each candidate to make an informed choice. We have been working on color blending in art and recognizing warm and cool colors. In music, we have been working on note recognition on the treble clef as well as the song we will sing in church in November.