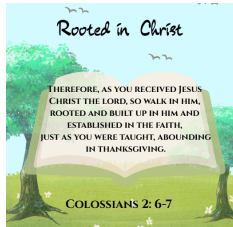
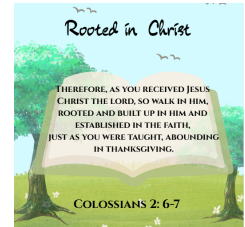


Cougar Tracks



Mission Statement: St. John's Lutheran School provides quality Christ-centered education for the congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ.
Matthew 28:18-20



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Colossians 2: 6-7

"Therefore, as you received Jesus Christ the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving."

October 7, 2026

LUNCH:

Thurs. Oct. 8 - Fish sticks, cornbread, smile fries, pears, and milk.

Fri. Oct. 9 - No School, Teacher Professional Development

Mon. Oct. 12 - No School, Columbus Day

Tue. Oct. 13 - Hot turkey & cheese sandwich, chips, apple slices, and milk.

Wed. Oct. 14 - Chicken noodle soup, orange slices, roll, and milk.

Thurs. Oct. 15 - Hamburger macaroni, peas, mixed fruit, cookie, and milk.

Fri. Oct. 16 - Pulled pork nachos, lettuce, pineapple, and milk.



ACOLYTES:

Reminder - all changes are now handled through the sign-up genius link.

WHAT'S GOING ON AT SCHOOL:

Thurs. Oct. 8 - End of First Quarter

Thurs. Oct. 8 - RBAA Cross Country Meet

Thurs. Oct. 8 - State Softball Tryn Continues

Fri. Oct. 9 - No School, Teacher Professional Development

Mon. Oct. 10 - No School, Columbus Day

NO SCHOOL DAYS & EARLY DISMISSALS:

- **Friday, Oct. 9** - No School, Teacher Professional Development
- **Monday, Oct. 12** - No School, Columbus Day
- **Tue. Oct. 20 & Thurs. Oct. 22** - 1:45pm Early Dismissal, Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **Fri. Oct. 23** - No School, Prior Parent Teacher Conferences

CHAPEL SERVICES NEXT WEEK:

- **Fri. Oct. 9** - No Chapel Service, No School
- **Wed. Oct. 14** - 3-8 Chapel Service, 8:30am @ Church, Leader - Pastor Mark
- **Fri. Oct. 16** - Early Childhood Chapel Service, 8:30am @ Church, Leader - Pastor Mark

OCTOBER CHAPEL OFFERINGS: During the month of October, chapel offerings will benefit Unity Lutheran School in East St. Louis. The mission of Unity is to offer a quality, Christ-centered education in a safe school community while helping each child reach his or her greatest potential and prepare for a Christ-like adult life. Please consider sending in a donation to support this wonderful cause.

BENEFIT BBQ: Thank you to all who helped, donated, and came and ate at the Whelan Family Benefit BBQ this past Sunday. It was a success thanks to everyone's generosity and support!

END OF QUARTER ONE: The first quarter will end on Thursday, October 8th. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, October 16th.

TUTORING OPPORTUNITY: SJL Alumni Brody Stellhorn is offering complimentary tutoring sessions after school on Thursday. Brody prefers to tutor math and/or science. If your student could benefit from extra help in either of these subjects, they are encouraged to stay after school on Thursdays to work with Brody.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING: The committee meeting for class fundraising ideas is scheduled for next Tuesday at 6:30p.m. in the library. The 4th grade class of 2031 needs representation still.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES: Are scheduled for Oct. 20-22nd. If you signed up to meet with your child(ren)s teacher(s), be on the lookout for a note from them about when your conference will be held.

MATH-A-THON: If you wish to register online, please follow this link:

https://fundraising.stjude.org/site/TR/Math/Math?pg=entry&fr_id=169183 We are accepting donations for St. Jude's (checks, cash, online giving through link) and MathATHon books through October 16. See Mrs. Sachtleben for any questions.

PTL FALL FESTIVAL: Our annual Fall Festival and Chili Supper will be held on Friday, Oct. 16th from 4-7pm. Junior High students have been signing up to help with various games and activities that evening. The chili supper begins at 4pm. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this fun evening of family fun! **JR High Parents** - Be on the lookout for the worker list to be sent via your class Remind. Students should be aware of when they have signed up to work!

PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY: Mark your calendars for Pastor Appreciation **Sunday, October 18th**. Join us from 12-3pm at the Shoe Factory Room @ Lieferbrau to celebrate Pastor Mark. Meat, mashed potatoes, and cake will be served. Please bring a side dish to share. RSVP to 618-282-3873 or office@stjohnsredbud.org by **10/13**.

GIVING WALL EXPANSION: Dear Church and School Families, we are excited to invite you to join the donors' wall in the New Gym Lobby. Each tile is a six-inch stainless steel square that can be engraved with a message. The cost to add a tile to the wall is a \$500 donation. You can order via the following link: <https://forms.gle/6jDpHh2PktcAflQ28> Once we have a specific number of orders, we will then start the process of collecting the message that you would like engraved on your tile.

FINANCIAL NOTE: Please make sure you are periodically checking your financial account balances in Sycamore. It is vital that bills are kept up to date. Payments can be made through Sycamore using a credit or debit card, through cash or check in the office, or through ACH payments. If you wish to set up an ACH please contact the office to receive paperwork.

CURRENT FUNDRAISERS:

- The current 6th grade class will host a GloBingo on Sat. October 17th beginning at 7pm in the Old Gym. If you would like to purchase tickets please contact a member of the class.
- The class of 2030 will host a holiday craft fair on Sat. Nov. 14th at school. If you are interested in exhibiting please complete the linked form. If you have any questions please reach out to Chrystal Kiefer.
<https://forms.gle/cDWkD2UkT3jvxLSEA>

SAVE THE DATES:

- The Cougar Prowl Fun Run has been scheduled for **Friday, October 30th**. This fun event brings our school together for friendly competition and fundraising that DIRECTLY gives back to our school. If you or a business you know of would like to be a sponsor for this event please contact the school office for more information.
- The PTL Dinner Auction will be held on **Saturday, March 13, 2026**.

FALL SPORTS PICTURES: Thank you to Forever Young Photography for once again taking wonderful pictures of our fall athletes. If you wish to order prints please use the following link:
https://foreveryoungphotography21.pixieset.com/sjlsports20262027/?fbclid=IwY2xjawUfgLVwZG9mBWV4dG4DYWVtAjEwAGJyaWQRMUIFNmRxQ1RqbUNrZE95N3RzcnRjBmFwcF9pZBAyMjlwMzkxNzg4MjAwODkyAAEeGSHNiq8MxVZfEjIWsorYIKo9VRXwfVPAQpHouwulpYKBgADRWmbfXBi1tWU_aem_itep1970OHw9xLManTzBQw



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

Join the Class of 2030 at the SJL Annual Holiday Craft Fair! Kick off your holiday shopping, or treat yourself, with unique handmade crafts, delicious seasonal treats, and other joyful surprises.



NEW in 2026: coffee and donut food trucks will be onsite!



November 14, 2026
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
808 S. MAIN ST. RED BUD, IL

Booth Space available at \$40/each
To reserve your space,
reach out to Chrystal Kiefer at
618.201.7683 or chrystalkiefer@gmail.com





PLEASE JOIN US TO HONOR

Rev. Mark Winkelman

OCTOBER 18, 2026
12:00 - 3:00 PM
THE SHOE FACTORY ROOM
LIEFERBRAU BREWERY

Please bring a side dish to share. Meat, mashed potatoes and cake provided.

RSVP BY 10.13.26 TO:
618 - 282 - 3873
OFFICE@STJOHNSREDBUD.ORG

CASH BAR AVAILABLE

Donor Wall Order Form

