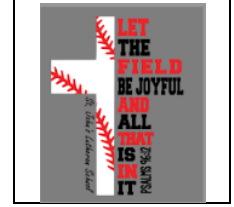


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Mission Statement: St. John's Lutheran School provides quality Christ-centered education for the congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ.
Matthew 28:18-20

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Joyful in the Field
Let the field joyful, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice.

Psalm 96:12

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BIRTHDAYS: Students – 12/11 – Aubrey Kiefer, 12/12 – Jettson Grohmann, Sutton Jones, & Elaina Uffelmann. **Staff** – 12/12 – Eileen Seibold, 12/13 – Stephanie Valleroy

HALF-BIRTHDAYS: 6/8 – Jace Rujawitz, 6/10 – Brian Liefer, 6/11 – Addelyn Rahn, 6/12 – Madalynn Gulley, 6/14 – Jacob Hern & Colin Korando

LUNCH:

- Thurs. Dec 8 – Parmesan chicken, salad, garlic bread, peaches, and milk.
- Fri. Dec 9 – Ham wrap, carrots, chips, pineapple, and milk.
- Mon. Dec. 12 – Biscuits and gravy, hashbrown, yogurt w/fruit, granola bar, and milk.
- Tue. Dec. 13 – Sloppy joe on bun, tator tots, peaches, cottage cheese, and milk.
- Wed. Dec. 14 – Chicken noodle soup, carrots, roll, banana, and milk.
- Thurs. Dec. 15 – Toasted ravioli, cheese sticks, salad, mixed fruit, and milk.
- Fri. Dec. 16 – Popcorn chicken, corn, peaches, brownie, and milk.

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ACOLYTES:

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| Sat. Dec. 10 – 5pm – Case Hess | Sun. Dec. 11 – 8am – Lilly Meyer |
| Sun. Dec. 11 – 6pm – Sydney Kassing | Sun. Dec. 11 – 10:30am – Macie Brown |
| Sat. Dec. 17 – 5pm – Loreli Aubuchon | Sun. Dec. 18 – 8am – Jack Kennedy |
| Sat. Dec. 24 – 3pm – Milla Neff | Sun. Dec. 18 – 10:30am – Molly Kuehn |
| Sat. Dec. 25 – 9am – Mr. Becker | Sat. Dec. 24 – 5pm – Addy Schloemann |
| | Sat. Dec. 24 – 9pm – Senior Youth |

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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| Wed. Dec. 7 – K-2 Christmas Program – 7pm | Fri. Dec. 9 – GBB “C” Trny @ RBL |
| Thurs. Dec. 8 – Picture Retake Day | Sun. Dec. 11 – SS Christmas Program @ Church 6pm |
| Thurs. Dec. 8 – GBB “A&C” @ Valmeyer – 6pm | Mon. Dec. 12 – GBB/BBB “C” vs St. James – 6pm |
| Fri. Dec. 9 – BBB “C” Trny @ RBC | Tue. Dec. 13 – BBB “A&B” vs New Athens – 6pm |

SAVE THE DATE:

- Christmas Programs: K-2nd Dec. 7th, Daycare-Pre-k Dec. 14th, and 6th-8th Dec. 20
- Fall Picture Retake Day will be Thurs, Dec 8th.
- Second Quarter ends Dec. 20th
- Christmas Break: No School Dec. 21-Jan. 3rd. School will start back up on Jan. 4th
- Trivia night for 8th Grade Jan. 7 at Ratzkeller.
- Spring Pictures and Sports Pictures will be Feb. 21st.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM REMINDER: Grades K-2 will present their Christmas Program “The Many Shapes of Christmas” this evening, 12/7 at 7pm. Doors will open at 6:15pm and classroom doors will open at 6:45pm. Students are asked to sit with their parents until classrooms are open.

PICTURE RETAKE DAY: Is Thurs. Dec 8. Any students who have not had their picture taken yet and students who would like to have their photo re-taken will have the opportunity to do so that day. Packets are available in the school office for those wishing to order pictures.

BUS UNLOADING: We have a bus that drops off children at the north doors between 3:15p.m. - 3:30p.m. If you are picking up a child at that time, please do not park in the bus zone marked in yellow. We ask that you park on the other side of the street between those times. The bus is currently having to drive around parked cars and unload in an area that is dangerous to children. Thank you for your understanding as we continue to keep the safety of our children in mind.

THE WARMING TREE: Our lobby tree needs some Christmas cheer and so do those in need. Help us “warm-up” the Christmas season by bringing in new or gently used hats, gloves, scarves, coats, and socks. You can hang them on the tree or place them underneath. Donations are being accepted through December 21st and will benefit local children in need.

SCRIP CARDS: If you plan to give the gift of gift cards this year consider shopping through our scrip program. Every card purchased earns money for our school. Cards are available for 100s of retailers and restaurants including Amazon, Walmart, Texas Roadhouse and many more. Orders can be placed by stopping by or calling the office or directly through the website. See the attached flyer for full details on direct shopping. Please use our enrollment code if you plan to shop online: E41ED96111348. Select cards are kept on hand but are sold on a first come first serve basis. Our last order placed before Christmas will be on Monday, Dec. 12th around 2pm.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF PRESCHOOL THROUGH 1ST GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS: On Sunday December 11, we will meet in the front of church to practice our Sunday School Christmas Program. We will begin practice at 9:25 a.m. and will dismiss from there at 10:15 a.m. The Christmas program will be held on Sunday, December 11, at 6:00 p.m. at the church.

BABY ITEM COLLECTION: 2nd Grade is doing a mission project for the month of December. Just like the Wise Men who came bringing gifts for baby Jesus, we will be collecting baby items for those in need. We are collecting baby items including wipes, clothing, bottles, etc. Diapers are needed as well, especially in larger sizes. In lieu of formula, Walmart gift cards would be appreciated. All items will be donated to Life Network and can be placed on the marked table by the main entrance. Thank you for serving the Lord's Kingdom!

HOLIDAY DANCE: All 5th-8th grade students are invited to attend the SJL Holiday Dance. Students are allowed to bring one special guest if they choose. During the winter dance, we hope each child can have an enjoyable time. In an attempt to facilitate this, we will collect phones as students enter so no unwanted pictures, videos, or social media posts take place. We have rented a selfie station so memories from the event can be captured. Please remember to follow St. John's Lutheran School Dress Code at this school function. Please use the following link to RSVP for both SJL students and special guests: <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdM.../viewform>. The cost is \$15 per student, and can be brought to the school office.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: If you have any interest in our 8th grade teaching position please use the following link: <https://forms.gle/Z18TDhtB8PVwHcte7> If you know of anyone who may have interest in this position please pass this link along. Thank You!

HELP KEEP ST. JOHN'S UP & RUNNING: We are needing a maintenance/janitorial substitute. This position will help to assure that all the children at St. John's will have a well running and clean school to come to each day. The job entails working with our two custodians at St. John's on days when school is not in session; during these hours larger projects as well as day-to-day cleaning takes place. The other opportunity this job gives is a chance to work during the day with students in the building on an as needed basis when Bob or Will need time off. Please inquire by calling the school office or stopping by Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We look forward to working with you as we all do our part to make the Mission of Spreading God's Word possible at St. John's Lutheran School & Church.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS: The Christmas season is approaching fast! Grades K-2 students will present "The Many Shapes Of Christmas" on Wednesday, December 7th in the old gym. Grades 6-8 students will present "The Road To Bethlehem" pageant on Tuesday, December 20th at church. All of these programs have a morning performance @ 8:30 AM and an evening performance @ 7:00 PM. Students, if any of you are interested in singing and/or playing an instrument as pre-service music before your grade's Christmas program, please let me know! Let me know what piece(s) you'd like to perform and if you are wanting to perform at the morning, evening, or both programs! I'm looking forward to hearing your music! - Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE: Mrs. Cindy Nebel and Mr. Bill Becker will be the directors for our before/after school care program this year. The program will process as in the past during school days. Before school care hours are 6:00am-7:45am. After school care hours are from the time of dismissal until 5:30pm. Parents that have a child in daycare and BASC may use the daycare door entrance door number 11. All other BASC students will use the North bus door number 8 for drop off and pick up unless pick up is before 4:00pm, then you may use the main office door. A doorbell has been installed at door 8. This can be used to notify staff that you are here to get your children. **On no school days OR 11:20 dismissal days, care will NOT be available.** There will be **NO** After School Care on the following days: **Tue. Dec 20th, Fri. Jan 27th, Fri. Feb 17th, Fri. Mar 24th, and Thurs. Apr 6th.** If you have any questions it is best to contact Mrs. Nebel via email at cfnebel@stjohnsredbud.org or Mr. Becker at becker@stjohnsredbud.org or through FastDirect. Charges will be posted monthly to your FastDirect account, and reminder emails will be sent once charges are posted. Payments can be made either through FastDirect or via check dropped off to the school office made payable to St. John's Lutheran Before/After School Care.

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