



**SUNDAY SCHOOL & FACULTY SERVICE PROJECT:** The Sunday school chooses an offering project for a mission each year. Our three year cycle has us in the year for an international project. We have chosen Christ's Care for Children: Kenya as our recipient. Follow this link for more information about it <http://engage.lcms.org/caring-for-children-in-kenya-fall-2016/> Students in our day school and Sunday school will be given a container of M & M's to first eat and then to fill up with change. All containers will be due back by Oct. 17. The funds we raise will go towards the sponsorship of a child in Kenya. Our goal is to raise the full amount of sponsoring a child for \$1,080. Help us reach our goal.

**8TH GRADE TRIP TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY:** The current 8th grade class of 2026 has 6 spots available for guests on their class trip. The dates of the trip are April 10-18. The following cities and various stops will be included: Petersburg, KY, Charlottesville, VA, Jamestown, VA, Williamsburg, VA, Mt. Vernon, VA, Washington, D.C., Gettysburg, PA, Somerset, PA, and Dayton, OH. A \$500 deposit is required to hold your spot by Nov. 1 and will be deducted from the remaining balance due by March 1, 2026. Several meals, all entrance fees, and hotel costs are included. An estimated per guest cost sharing a double room is \$1,500. An estimated single guest room will be \$2,000. If you are interested in joining us on this trip please let Mr. Bill Becker know at your earliest convenience at 618-282-2958.

**33RD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:** Mark your calendars for Sat. Sept. 20th and plan to join us for our 33rd annual golf tournament. All proceeds from this event benefit our Athletic Fund. **At this time, all team slots are filled.** If you would like more information please stop by the office for a flyer or contact Andrew Stellhorn at [andrew@wfdesignz.com](mailto:andrew@wfdesignz.com) or text 618-334-3182. Thank you in advance for your support of this event!

**COLLEGE AGED STUDENT ADDRESSES:** Thursday, October 9 is the deadline for the addresses for college aged members to be included for this year's mailing. Please let Mr. Becker know your child's address to be included.

**PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY:** Members of St. John's Lutheran Church, we would like to cordially invite you to celebrate our Pastors. The event will take place on October 19th in the Shoe Factory Room at Lieferbrau starting at noon and continuing until three pm. A cake will be provided as will the meat and potatoes but we do ask each family attending to please bring a sidedish for the event. Drinks will be each individuals responsibility. Please RSVP to the school office by October 19th, we hope to see you there! Contact: [office@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:office@stjohnsredbud.org) or 282-3873

**STUDENT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** In accordance with Illinois state guidelines the following health requirements are in place for the 24-25 school year. Preschool - **If your child does NOT attend SJL daycare**, birth certificate, social security number/card, and current physical. Kindergarten – physical, dental, and eye exam, copies of student birth certificate and social security card. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – dental exam. 6<sup>th</sup> grade – physical and dental exam. Student athletes – sports physical. Physicals and eye exams are good for 365 days, and dental exams are good for 6 months. **All documents should now be on file in the school office.** If you need a copy of the form to take to your child's appointment, copies are available in the school office. Our school fax number is 618-282-4087 if your doctor's office prefers to fax forms directly to us.

**BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE:** This year our BASC program will be directed by members of our daycare team. Mrs. Courtney Schoenbeck will serve as the lead director. Her email address is [cschoenbeck@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:cschoenbeck@stjohnsredbud.org). Fast direct was used for August charges, but a transition to a separate billing system will begin in September. Charges will be posted to your account around the first of the month. Due to the change in directors for the year, new paperwork needs to be completed for ALL families wishing to use the program. Please note; after school is NOT available on 11:40am dismissal days or the day before holiday breaks. Reminder messages will be sent. If you have any questions, please direct them to Courtney at the email address listed above, and do not reach out to the school office.

**ONGOING FUNDRAISERS:**

- Casey's Rewards - You can direct your rewards points to benefit St. John's Lutheran School via the Casey's app.
- Community Coffee Cash for Schools - Clip the proof of purchase label on any Community Coffee products and submit them to the office. We receive points for each label!
- Scrip/RaiseRight - Our schools "gift card" program. Gift cards are purchased at face value and earn rebates which can be applied to your school accounts.

*Please reach out to Sara ([sara@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:sara@stjohnsredbud.org)) if you have any questions or would like more details of these programs.*



Grades K-2 Choir Sign-Up

*Mark Your Calendars*  
Decorate your own Lantern

# Craft Night

*with Jo Ellner*

\$65  
Per Person

Thursday, October 23rd	6:00pm
	Lieferbrau Shoe Factory Room

Lanterns Provided  
Choose your own ribbon & greens.

**Only 25 spots available | Register by 10/9**

Venmo @Joanna-Ellner to  
reserve your spot.



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Rev. Mark Winkelman, Senior Pastor   Rev. Brian Nowak, Associate Pastor  
Mr. Bill Becker, Director of Christian Education   Mr. Justin Palm, Principal   Mrs. Lindsey Hudak, Director of Parish Music

September 18, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians of Sunday school Students,

A concern has been brought to the attention of The Board for Parish Education, Mr. Palm, Pastor Mark, and myself concerning the safety of the children while at Sunday school. The doors facing East South Sixth Street along with the main entrance doors are not locked during the Sunday school time.

We would like to implement the following procedures starting this Sunday, September 21. All students will enter only through door one or the main building entrance. I or the Board for Parish Education member will stand at the outside of the door (weather permitting) and greet you all as you drop off or park and bring your children into the building. Our intent is to welcome you and your children and give you all a sense of security. After 9:35 a.m. the entrance at door number one will then be shut. The buzzer that is used during the normal school day will be required to gain entrance to the building.

When PK 3 through First Grade students are being dismissed, the classroom teachers will walk them down to the main entrance and you will pick them up there in the lobby. Students in grades two through eight are at closing in the music room before dismissing at 10:15. These students will walk down to the main entrance also. Please use caution when leaving your parking spot and make sure all children are safely in their cars or out of harms way.

Thank you for helping us implement these new procedures for the safety of the children.

God's blessings,

Bill Becker  
Director of Christian Education