

# Memorial Lutheran School

## BADGERS

### NEWSLETTER – 7

### October 23-27, 2023

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, October 27	End of first quarter.
Tuesday, October 31	Reformation Day!
Friday November 3	No School – Parent/Teacher Consultations.
Friday, November 10	Tuition is due.
	Special lunch served for K-5
Sunday November 19	Students sing at 10:30am service.



#### FROM MRS. LEITZ

**Preschool and Kindergarten:** This week we have been learning about being kind and forgiving from how Joseph treated his brothers. We want to forgive others out of the love for Jesus. The three's have been working on colors and shapes. The four's have started a new story "The Elves and the Shoemaker." The Kinders have been working on weighing objects in math. They have been blending three letter words and working on the letter "L."

\*Parents please let me know if you did not get an important note about switching days next week.

\*Don't forget about our special service to say goodbye to Pastor and Mrs. Voss this Sunday. Hope to see many of you there!

#### FROM MRS. DOMKE AND GRADES 1-5

This week in our study of God's Word we learned more about Joseph and his brothers. God used their circumstances to remind them of their sin and need for a Savior. God does that for us, too. We are blessed that God loves us so much that he keeps us looking to the cross.

The first quarter ends this Friday, October 27. Please make every effort to get all that work in! Thanks. I'm eager to share so many good things about your children next week when we have conferences! Please have a list of your own matters to discuss. Thanks so much for having the parent/teacher forms filled out and handed in. It's going to be a big weekend, but I'm going to try very hard to get report cards out on Monday so you can

give them a thorough look before conferences. All the kids have worked hard on the fun little secrets for this weekend. You have great kids! Have a great weekend!

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**October 31 marks** the 505<sup>th</sup> anniversary of **the Lutheran Reformation**. We give thanks to the God of our salvation for preserving among us and around the world the truths of His Word, which at various times in history appeared to be lost.

Among those whom the Lord God has used in his work was Martin Luther. Luther courageously stood up for the truth that he and all sinners are saved by **grace alone** (God's undeserved love for us sinners) through **faith alone** (that trusts the work of Jesus, our Savior) as revealed in **Scripture alone** (not by human teachings). May we never take for granted the blessings of life and salvation that God gives us through His Word and sacraments.

**The next all – school devotion** will be set soon. The pastor who will be serving the vacancy at Memorial will be contacted about his availability to conduct that devotion.

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter** of the school year ends **this Friday, October 27.**

**Parent – Teacher Conferences** In connection with your child's 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter report card will be a conference with your child's teacher(s). There is no school on **Friday, November 3** because many of the conferences will take place on that day. Some of the conferences might have to be scheduled for the previous evening. If other arrangements need to be made, please indicate that to Mrs. Domke, Mrs. Leitz, or Pastor Voss.

Sheets to select your desired dates and times have been sent home.

**New office secretaries** We thank Laurie Voss for her many years of faithful service as our congregation's office secretary! She has stepped down as of September 30. It's not that we need two secretaries to replace Laurie, but ....Our congregation's leaders have asked Jill Briggs and Stephanie Miller to serve as office secretaries! Jill is now handling church secretary responsibilities several days a week. Stephanie (mother of our students Addison and Isla, and wife of Board of Christian Education member Dan) is our school secretary. Because of other commitments, both Jill and Stephanie are willing to serve several days a week (and do some of the work remotely), rather than the 4 or 5 afternoons per week Laurie was in the office. Please greet our new secretaries when you see them in the office or around school and thank them for their work.

**Special Hot Lunches** Stephanie Miller and Kim VanEe are once again volunteering to organize special lunches one Friday each month for the K-5 students. This November special lunch will be **Friday, November 10**. The menu will be turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, Stove Top, corn, rolls, and dessert.

We thank these moms for their willingness to do this! The students love the special meals.

**Changes** With Pastor Voss retiring October 31, and with Laurie Voss already stepping down as office secretary, there are some things that will change. Our faculty and Board of Christian Education have a plan to cover responsibilities, and we announced that plan at the September 11 Parent – Teacher Organization meeting. If you have questions this week or next, please ask Pastor Voss. After October 29, kindly speak to one of our teachers or contact one of the board members whose cell phone numbers are listed below.

**Note from Pastor** It has been an undeserved gift from God to serve Him with you and as principal of our school. Parents, your support of our faculty, as well as your love given to me and my wife, have been rich blessings to us! May God bless you richly as He continue to do His vital work in His school!  
In Jesus, Pastor Voss

**Here is the contact information** for the men on our congregation's Board of Christian Education.

Pastor Voss, principal	517-488-5145
Norm Schlicker, chairman	248-930-7735
Dave Fortin, secretary	616-481-1128
Dan Miller, PTO chairman	906-280-0723

The theme for this school year is ***Put Your Hope in God!*** It is based on Psalm 42:2&11. "My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God."

