

Memorial Lutheran School

BADGERS

NEWSLETTER – 28

May 3-7, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, May 10	Last tuition payment is due.
Friday, May 21	School plays – 9:30 AM and 6:30 PM
Tuesday, May 25	School library books should be returned.
Monday, May 31	No School – Memorial Day
Wednesday, June 2	Last day for preschool
Thursday, June 3	School year closing service at 7:00 PM – Graduation of Kindergartners and Fifth graders
Friday, June 4	Last day of school; Recognition of K-5 in the morning and classes dismiss at Noon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May 10	Isabella
May 14	Elizabeth R. and David T.



FROM MRS. LEITZ

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*Please look for a note coming home about costumes for the play. I will email those that don't have older siblings otherwise look for that note to come home with an older sibling.

Have a great weekend!

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FROM MRS. DOMKE AND GRADES 1-5

This week in our study of God's Word we learned about Jesus ascending into heaven and the choosing of the disciple Matthias to replace Judas the betrayer. These true stories show us the way God made sure the truths of this time in history were recorded. It is important that there were eyewitnesses of the ascension. It is important that there were once again twelve apostles. We know that through prayer and the study of the Word the disciples knew how to proceed after Jesus ascended. We follow that example. Through the Word we learn what we need to know to serve God and other people. Keep studying the Word!

Please have costumes to school by May 12 so I can check how they all look. Have them in a Meijer-type plastic bag. We'll keep them here in a safe place.

I know everyone is ready to be finished with schoolwork, but we still have a couple weeks of work before us. Please continue to encourage your kids to finish strong with work! This week I've noticed a bit of a slide with work quality on quite a few students.

Below is a note from our volunteer art teacher, Tracy Chaffee. We are going to have a mini art show the week of our plays! Please read carefully so everything falls into place for this!

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Thanks for your attention to all these things! I know there is a lot coming at you the last weeks of school! Please call or text with any questions you may have.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

COMBINED DEVOTION This school year's thankofferings will be sent to *our church body's mission among the Apache people in east central Arizona*. For more than a century our Synod has been proclaiming to the native Americans there the good news about Christ's life and death and resurrection for us sinners, has built churches and schools on the reservation, and has provided care to the people there in other ways.

The offerings given this school year totaled **\$375.00**. We thank God for these gifts that will go to help others in this mission area.

SCHOOL PLAYS are scheduled for ***Friday, May 21***. We are planning on performances both in the morning at ***9:30*** and in the evening at ***6:30***.

Our congregation's Board of Christian Education has decided that members of the student's families (parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts & uncles & cousins) may attend, as long as each family sits 6 feet from any other families. We thank the board for that decision!

Mrs. Leitz and Mrs. Domke will supply you with more information about the plays two weeks from now.

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SCHOOL LIBRARY The last date to check out library books will be Tuesday, May 11. All books should be returned **by Tuesday, May 25** so that we can get them checked in and back on the library shelves before the end of the school year. Thank you for your attention to this.

APPLICATIONS Our congregation's Board of Christian Education has accepted the applications for six new students who range from 3-year old in Preschool to 4th Grade.

INTENT TO RE-ENROLL We appreciate hearing from almost every family about intent to re-enroll for next school year. We also understand that a few families are still in the process of making a decision. If your previous reply to Pastor Voss' email in mid-April wasn't a definite *Yes* or *No*, kindly let him know once your family has made a definite decision. Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation with this!

2021-2022 TUITION RATES This week our congregation set the tuition rates for next school year. In addition to the following tuition levels, there will be fees for books and supplies. Those fees will be very similar to this school year, with one addition. Our church body is publishing a new hymnal and at some point in the fall of 2021, students will begin using the new hymnal. Students in Grades 1-5 will need to have that new hymnal, and it will cost \$22.00.

- Preschool: 4-year old: \$1,100.00 3-year old: \$900.00
- Grades K-5 non-member of Memorial congregation first child: \$1,650.00; additional children remains at \$1,200.00
- Grades K-5 member children of Memorial will remain at \$1,000.00 per child
As in past years, there will be a 10% reduction in tuition if the amount is paid in full by the end of the week of school.

SCHOOL YEAR CLOSING SERVICE We end each school year the way we begin it – with a worship service. The end of the school year service is held the night before the last day of school. The worship service will be held **at school** (either in the gym or parking lot). Pastor Voss would like the service to start at **6:00 PM** so that he can make it back to church for a 7:00 service. If 6:00 is too early for your family, please let Pastor Voss know.

5TH GRADE GRADUATION AND KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION After that Thursday, June 3 service, there will be a brief ceremony acknowledging the successful academic work done by our graduation 5th Grade students Elizabeth Chaffee, Anthony Labadie, and Celia Ostrander.

Mrs. Leitz is considering moving our annual presentation by her Kindergarten students that marks their completion of the Kindergarten course to Friday morning (instead of Thursday after the 5th Grade graduation). ***Please let Mrs. Leitz know if Friday morning would not work well for your family to attend.***

STUDENT RECOGNITION The last day of school is used to recognize our students' accomplishments during the year. The Student Recognition for Kindergarten – 5th Grade will be **Friday morning, June 4 at about 9:00**. Watch for more information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Our congregation's Board of Christian Education discussed several possibilities for Vacation Bible School. The board will make a final decision at its June 1 meeting. Here's what we can tell you now ...

The **likely** dates for VBS will be the mornings of **Monday, July 26 – Wednesday, July 28**. The exact times will be determined. But right now we are thinking about 9:30 – 11:00.

The VBS will be held outdoors (weather permitting) and will be for children in our school and church ages **3 years old through entering 5th Grade**. As we get closer to the dates, we may open our VBS to more students. But first, we need to know how many teachers are available.

Mrs. Leitz will teach the youngest students, and Pastor Voss will teach the oldest students. Since Mrs. Domke will be recuperating from knee surgery, we are contacting a few members of our congregation about their availability to teach the middle level of students.

Please contact Pastor Voss if you have questions about this summer's VBS.

SPARROW MILES CLUB program continues. The students are racking up impressive totals! Parents, you should be receiving an email from Sparrow Miles Club when your child hits the 5-mile / 10-mile, etc. thresholds. At each 5-mile mark, the students receive a toe token.

We are stressing that it is not a contest to see who can go farthest or fastest. The emphasis is on children being active. Please speak to Pastor Voss if you have questions or desire information.

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

Pastor David Voss	518-488-5145
Norm Schlicker	248-930-7735
David Fortin	616-481-1128
Howard Clark	517-775-8152

THE THEME FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR IS *GOD'S GRACE IS ENOUGH FOR US*. Our theme is based on 2 Corinthians 12:9 and it reminds us that God's undeserved love for us sinners in Christ's sacrifice to save us is the greatest blessing and most certain truth in all the world. May He ever keep all of us in the faith that trusts our Savior!



GOD'S GRACE IS ENOUGH FOR US

And he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, because my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will be glad to boast all the more in my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may shelter me. 2 Corinthians 12:9

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