

St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

October 23, 2026

Christ at the Center

Truth in All Things

Reminder: MONDAY NOVEMBER 2 NO SCHOOL

The Book Fair/Craft Night on Thursday, November 5th.



Shopping at the book fair (set up in the south preschool room) begins at 6:00 pm. Crafting (in the cafeteria) begins at 6:30 pm. Save that evening for plenty of fun.



Halloween reminder: any type of costumes, dressing up, coloring of hair or other things that coincide with Halloween are not permitted at St. James Lutheran School during the school day. Thank you to all parents and students for your cooperation.

Celebrate St. James

Is our yearly campaign to raise funds for our school. So far we have received $10,148.00 toward this campaign. Contributions to this may be brought to the school or church office. Thank you to everyone who has already participated this year.

Chapel Offerings Update;

The new first quarter total is: **$289.00**

Our goal for the year is $3000.00 to go to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. We received this message from them about the project we are supporting. "That amount of money will cover about 500 books. It will be the small and large catechism combined in one book. They will be doing a fresh translation from German and even some Latin. By doing a new translation in country it will give them a sense of ownership and buy-in. But why into English? Because it will be used by our LCMS partner church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of England, who has 16-20 congregations. It will be done because in England they receded so far from Christianity and need these types of books, and they also have a lot of immigrants in their congregations to include Latvian, Armenian, etc".

Sunday, October 25

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services

Wednesday, October 28

Chapel Service:

8:20 a.m. Pastor Loder

In Our Prayers: This upcoming week please add these prayer requests to your daily prayer time:



- † Thanks for the blessings of sight, hearing, smell, taste, and touch.
- † Thanks for sending Jesus to redeem us.
- † Thanks for God's Word being shared by faithful pastors and teachers.
- † Thanks for Martin Luther and the preaching and teaching he did to show us God's grace and mercy.
- † Thank you for the glorious colors of fall and the warm days for us to enjoy.
- † For healing and a return of strength for those who are healing from surgeries, especially Eddie Erickson, Raylan Pink, and Pastor Loder
- † For kind and loving hearts as we share God's love with those around us.
- † For energy and motivation to finish our first quarter's work to the best of our ability.
- † For police, firefighters and EMTs who are ready to help when we are in trouble.
- † For those Christians who live in parts of the world where it is dangerous to profess their faith in Jesus Christ.
- † For the homeless, unemployed and underemployed.



School pictures were sent home Wednesday. Picture retakes are scheduled for Friday, November 13.

The PTL has organized the Kwik Trip Ultimate Car Wash Cards program for St. James. Our school will receive $15 per card sold. Remember to collect the payment when someone signs up to get a card. All orders with payment must be turned in to the school office by November 11th.

Next Weeks at St. James

Fri. Oct. 23 & Sat., Oct. 24
Girls VB tournament at Waconia

Sun., Oct. 25
8:00 & 10:30 Services

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Wed., Oct.28
8:20 a.m. Chapel

Thurs., Oct. 29
Library

Fri. Oct. 30
End of the first quarter

Sun., Nov. 1
10:30 a.m. Grades 5-8 Choir

Mon., Nov. 2
NO SCHOOL

Wed., Nov. 4
8:20 a.m. Chapel
6:00 p.m. PTL meeting

Thurs., Nov. 5
Library
Book Fair 6 PM
Craft Night 6:30 PM

Fri., Nov. 6
Spirit Wear Day

Sun., Nov. 8
8:00 a.m. Grades 3-4 Choir

One of the HLWW bus drivers came to share information on bus safety with out students recently. Thank you for reminding us about the safety procedures.



FROM THE FAMILY HANDBOOK:
PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES Parent/teacher conferences are scheduled after the end of the first and third quarters. Parents/guardians are encouraged to attend these opportunities as part of their vocational responsibility and invested interest in the student's education. Conferences are an opportunity to discuss, face to face, the progress of the student spiritually, academically, emotionally, and physically. It also affords an excellent opportunity to set improvement goals for the student. Parents should feel free to bring any concerns to the teacher and seek to schedule a special conference at any time during the school year. Teachers may also schedule special meetings with parents throughout the school year as needed.

St. James students can join the band program when they enter fourth grade. Below are the current Beginner Band members. Back row: Ian Davis, Aurora Moorhouse, Natalie Eckhoff, Isaiah Reich. Front row: Lucas Dickens, Preston Meehan, Harvey Young.



Pizza and Puzzles
PTL hosted a fun night for the middle school students. The kids were randomly put into groups and given a 300 piece puzzle to work on. The team that finished their puzzle first was: Easton Erickson, Kaitlyn King, Allison Estrem, Hannah Pink, and Mikaela Johnson.

