



St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

April 17, 2026

Christ At The Center Truth In All Things

Fine Arts Expo is soon here:

Everyone is invited to join us Sunday afternoon, April 26, at 2:00 p.m. as our choirs and bands will fill the church with music in praise of our gracious and loving God. Then head over to the school to view all the artwork in the various classrooms. Be sure to take the insert from the concert program and have each teacher initial the corresponding circle for their class. When you have all the circles filled, put the form in the box in the cafeteria to be entered into a drawing for \$30.00 of Spirit Wear of your choice. Snacks will be served in the cafeteria, as well.



PTL NEWS

Parents, you have received a link for signing up to supply snacks for the Fine Arts Expo. If you are able/willing to donate snacks it would be greatly appreciated!

The May 6th meeting will cover plans for end of the year events, like the K-4 Field Day, last day of school etc. Come join them at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria to be part of this group that is such a blessing to St. James.



St James will be hosting a 3-Day garage sale

the weekend of April 23-25. If you have items you would like to donate, you may drop them off between 4 and 8 PM on Wednesday, April 22. Please be sure the items you bring are clean and in good condition. The proceeds will go to support the school. Please reach out via call or text to Kelly Gruenhagen 612-978-1445 if you have questions. All items left will be given to Love Inc.

Track Meet at Mayer Lutheran High

Friday, May 1st, the 7th-8th graders compete in the morning and the 5th-6th graders compete in the afternoon. Parents of 5th-6th graders must arrange transportation home from Mayer that day as the track meet goes until 4:00 p.m. All 5-8th graders must have a sack lunch for that day.



Sunday, April 19

8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Worship services

Choir:

10:30 a.m.

Kindergarten Choir

Wednesday, April 22

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 joy that Christ's resurrection on Easter gives to Christians.
- † For all who are dealing with illnesses, especially Mrs. Olsen's father-in-law and brother-in-law, Mrs. Kotila's niece, Mr. Dahl's father, Mrs. Estrem's mother, Lillian and Isaiah's younger sister, and Pastor Loeslie.
- † For students to continue steadfast in their studies.
- † Thanks for police forces and firefighters who risk their lives to keep us safe.
- † For pastors, teachers, and missionaries to faithfully teach God's Word.
- † For favorable weather so that farmers can plant their crops.
- † For those who have been impacted by recent storms.
- † For Christians living in countries where it is dangerous to profess Christ as their Savior.
- † For those who serve in the military.
- † For all government officials to make wise decisions.

JOIN THE BAND (for one song!): Any St.

James friends and family who'd like to dust off their band instruments and

play a song with the Advanced Band at end-of-the-year



their concert

on Tuesday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. is welcome to join us! Please contact Mrs. Loder (or your favorite band student) to find out about getting a copy of the music to practice ahead of time. Be sure to indicate what instrument you plan to play.

Upcoming at St. James:

Sat. April 18

3:00 p.m. "This is my Story" concert

Sun., April 19

10:30 a.m. Kindergarten Choir

Mon., April 20

7:00 p.m. Board of Ed meeting

Tues., April 21

4th, 7th & 8th Field trip to Science Museum

Wed., April 22

8:20 a.m. Chapel

4:00-8:00 Drop off garage sale items

Thurs., April 23

Library

Thurs. - Sat. April 23-25

Garage Sale in the gym

Sun., April 26

8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship services

2:00 p.m. Spring Concert/ Fine Arts Expo

Wed., April 29

8:20 a.m. Chapel

Thurs., April 30

Library

Fri., May 1

Spirit Wear Day

Track Meet at Mayer Lutheran High for grades 5-8

At the front desk:

- School newsletters
- Lunch menus
- Church newsletters
- Girl Scout information
- 4-H information



Student of the Week:

Parker Zander was born in Buffalo on November 9. His parents are Tim and Jaime and he has a younger brother, Noah. His favorite person in the Bible is God and ribs and hot dogs are his favorite foods. Hot Wheels is the best TV show

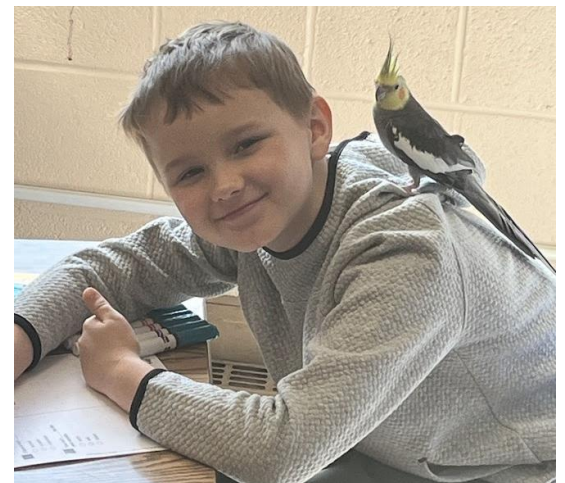
according to Parker and Dogman is the best movie. In his free time he likes to play football and video games with his dad. When he grows up, Parker plans to be an army guy,

Congratulations to our spelling bee contestants. They earned 7th place over all for our school. Pictured are: Camden Meehan (7th place in his division), Lila Hennen, Allie Estrem, Declan Zillmer, Eddie Estrem (8th in his division), Hadley Diers (9th in her division), and Brad Dickens (9th in his division).



Second graders Clara and Harrison bought time with Mrs. Olsen's bird, DJ.

DJ's whistles and songs add joy to the classroom.



Chapel update: So far this quarter we have collected \$10.00 for the mission work of the MN South District.