



St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

September 9, 2022

Equipping and Empowering Students and Families Through Christ

The St. James School Newsletter is sent as a PDF to your Fast Direct Mail. There will be a few paper copies available at the front desk and at the church for those who prefer that format.



Prayer at the Pole:

Our school prayer ministry, Prayer at the Pole, is an opportunity for ANYONE: teachers, students, parents, and community members to come together and pray for the ministry of St. James School. We will meet for about 5-10 minutes at the flagpole in front of school, every Wednesday morning at 7:30. If you are dropping off your student anyway, we invite you to come a few minutes earlier and join us in prayer! In case of inclement or colder weather, we will move Pray at the Pole into the foyer. Our main focus will be to pray for each student, teacher, staff member, and school board member BY NAME on a weekly basis, in addition to other prayer concerns as known or requested. If you have any prayer concerns to share, please let Mrs. Loder or Mrs. Butterfuss know.

THE SCRIP PROGRAM

Check out the order form available on the Fast Direct site under Links. You pay the face value amount for the gift cards and get the full value of the cards when using them at the corresponding businesses. The percentage listed in the % column is the amount that is then credited to your family tuition account for the 2023-2024 school year.

Make your selections and turn in the form and the payment (checks made out to St. James Lutheran School) to either the school or church office by October 7. We will send in a group order once each month. THANK YOU!!

PTL NEWS

PTL Meetings are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month. Any and all parents are welcome to attend to share ideas and help with the activities planned by the PTL.



We welcome new students:

Remingtin Brown, Lettie Elsenpeter, Sawyer Kuck, and Preston Meehan in kindergarten; Livia Elsenpeter and Hailey Heiser in first grade; Sadie Crawford in second grade; Laina

Elsenpeter and Jerome Heiser in third grade. We are glad to have all of you joining our family here at St. James and pray for a great school year for all.

Sunday, September 11

8:00 and 19:30 a.m. Worship Services

Chapel Service: Wednesday, September 14

8:15 a.m. Vicar Scofield

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

- † Thanks for the blessings of a new school year.
- † For all students and staff, to grow in faith and knowledge day by day throughout this year.
- † For all who are impacted by recent hurricanes, storms, earthquakes, and wildfires.
- † For all in need of healing, especially Mrs. Sparkman's mother, Diane's husband, and Diane's sister.
- † For those who are homeless or unemployed.
- † For those serving in the military.
- † For God's loving care and protection for St. James church and school families and staff.



THANK YOU to the dedicated lawn mowers, weed pullers, and landscapers who kept the church and school grounds clean and neat all summer.



We welcome new staff member

Mrs. Pam Halverson is joining us as our second grade teacher this year. Mrs. Wagner mover to fourth grade as we were blessed to be able to separate grades three and four this year.

CHAPEL: This year's chapel offerings will be going to the family of Pastor Loeslie.

LUNCHES: Families must contact Michelle Johnson at the high school (320-543-4600) if you have not already done so, to set up your lunch account. Each morning the students will be asked if they are having hot lunch, or brought their own, so that our cook will have the right amount of food prepared. Lunch prices are: Preschool – grade 4: \$2.50 per lunch. Grades 5-8: \$2.75 per lunch. If your child brings a cold lunch and gets a milk to drink, your family is charged the \$.50 for that milk. For those students that take an extra milk that is also a \$.50 charge. Grades 5-8 are able to purchase a second entrée at a cost of \$2.00.

By going to the St. James website and using the Lunch payment tab, families can do online payments directly to HLWW. If you prefer to use checks for lunch payments, please make them out to ISD #2687.

As always if you would like to join your son or daughter at lunch, let the office know by 9:00 a.m. Cost for an adult meal is \$5.00.

Next Week at St. James School:

Sun. Sept. 11

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

Mon., Sept. 12

First day of Preschool

Wed., Sept. 14

8:15 a.m. Chapel
6:00 p.m. PTL meeting

Thurs., Sept. 15

Library

Sun., Sept. 18

8:00 a.m. Grades 5-8 Choir

Available at the front desk:

- school calendars
- lunch menus
- yearbook order forms
- school newsletters

Fundraising Opportunities:

- General Mills Box Tops (scan your receipt)
- Our Family brand barcodes
- Tyson's A+ Frozen food products
- Coborn's MORE Rewards (this is a paperless program)
- Cell phone and printer cartridges recycling
- Coke labels and bottle caps
- Aluminum cans



All labels, cell phones and cartridges may be put in the containers in the school or church office. Aluminum cans may be put in the trailer in the parking lot to the south of the school building.

HIGHLIGHT FROM THE NEW FAMILY HANDBOOK:

There have been some changes in the dress code wording from earlier editions of the handbook. Please be aware of these changes and help your sons and daughters to follow them.

TOPS: Tops may have writing and pictures on it as long as it does not glorify or pertain to profanity, alcohol, drugs, sex, or anything else that is contrary to our Christian values. The following are to be followed: • No bare midriff • No mesh/sheer/see-through • No cut-out or cut-off areas • No tank tops/spaghetti straps/strapless tops/halter tops • No exposed undergarments including sports bras • No hoods worn indoors

BOTTOMS: Bottoms worn should be modest and neat. The following are to be followed: • No rips or holes/cut-out/cut-off areas above the knee unless covered with a patch or leggings underneath • Skirts, shorts, and jumpers are to be modest in length. (Typically finger length when arms held down to the side) • Skin tight leggings/tights/spandex athletic pants may be worn under shorts, skirts, jumpers, or long shirt/sweaters • No sheer/see-through • No exposed undergarments

SHOES: Appropriate shoes for the various activities of the day should be worn. Shoes are to be always worn.

From the music department Four band students participated in the "Summer Stars" program, by practicing songs and playing them for friends and family to keep up their skills over the summer months. We're proud of their hard work and dedication, and praise God for the musical talent He gives and grows in each of our students. Two of them (Lillian and Emma) earned EVERY star, learning and performing a total of twenty-two new songs!



From L to R: Lily Koch (trumpet), grade 6, Grace Duske (flute), grade 8, Lillian Doten (clarinet), grade 5, and Emma Cardinal (saxophone), grade 5

CHOIR/SPECIAL MUSIC SCHEDULE

Each family should have received a choir schedule for this year in PDF form through Fast Direct emails. Each school choir sings approximately once a quarter in a Sunday morning service here at St. James. Choir directors will give students any special instructions they may need about arrival times, where to sit etc. We hope as many as possible can come each time they are scheduled to sing and help us give God praise.



There are still a few 2021-2022 yearbooks left. If you would like a copy, bring \$14.00 to the school office.

Yearbook order forms for the current school year may be turned in to the school office. Extra forms are available at the front desk. Cost is \$14.00 to reserve your copy.



Remember to check out the website at www.stjameshi.org On the site under the school tab you can find links to the Fast Direct site and the lunch payment site, along with the weekly newsletter, the monthly lunch menu, and PTL information.

Explore 4-H Day will be held on Sunday, September 25th at the Public Works Building (3500 Braddock Ave. NE, Buffalo) from 1-2:30 p.m. OR Sunday, October 10th at the Fresh Acres Corn Maze (7385 Jason Ave NE, Monticello) from Noon -4 p.m. Admission to the maze is an additional cost.

There is also a virtual meeting option on Tuesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. <http://z.umn.edu/4hinfonight>

