


# St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

**November 13, 2026**

**Christ At The Center**
**Truth In All Things**

**Chapel offerings: So far this quarter we have a total of $48.60 .**

**Parent Teacher Conferences** are on the calendar for November 23 and 24. You should see a brown banner on the right side of the Sycamore home page labeled Parent Teacher Conference. You can sign up there for the times that best fit your schedule to meet with your child's teacher or teachers.

The PTL graciously provides a meal for the teachers during conferences. If you are able/willing to help with a part of that meal, please use the link below to sign up. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084DA8A92AA31-teacher1

**For Your Consideration on Chapel Days:**

Just as we dress in a special way for weddings, concerts, or sports activities, please consider that we are entering God's house for chapel services. We can show Him the honor he deserves by dressing a little more nicely than we might otherwise do on a regular school day. If necessary, students can bring other clothes to change into after chapel if they so choose.

**Reminder** As the temperatures drop, please be sure to send coats, hats, mittens/gloves etc. with your child(ren) so that they are prepared for outdoor recesses.

**Although we've been blessed with a very warm fall,** it's that time of year to pay attention to school closing notices. St. James follows the decisions made by the Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted school district. So, if you see #2687 HLWW closed or having a late start, or early dismissal, that includes our school. You will also receive messages by phone and email from us to alert you to changes in the school day.

**Celebrate St. James**
A total of $25,578.00 has been generously given to help us continue our mission to our students and their families. We are now over halfway to our goal. Thank you to everyone who has already donated! There's still time to make a donation if you wish.

**Sunday, November 15**

**8:00 and 10:30** **Worship Services**

**Choir:**

10:30 a.m. Grades 1-2 Choir

**Wednesday, November 18**

**Chapel Service:**

8:20 a.m. Pastor Loder

**In Our Prayers:** This upcoming week please include these in your prayers:




- Thank God for the salvation purchased for us through Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection.
- For health and safety for our families.
- For those who are ill,
- For those serving in the military in many parts of the world.
- For missionaries and their families serving around the world.
- For police, firefighters and EMTs who faithfully serve our communities.
- For hearts and minds that are open to your Word and ready to share that Word with others.
- For the leaders of our country to make wise laws and lead with integrity and honor.
- For the homeless, unemployed and underemployed.

**Sycamore information:** A question has been asked by a couple parents about using the Sycamore App. The way it is set up, a parent must enter a payment method before going any further. Sycamore is working on an enhancement process which may eliminate this in the future, but for now, if you want to use the app, you will have to enter a payment method. You don't actually have to use the app for payments after entering the method, however. The app is set up for viewing grades, attendance and payment. You can also use the browser on your phone and actually get to the Sycamore home page and from there have access to all the elements of Sycamore.

**Next Week at St. James**

Sun., Nov. 15
10:30 a.m. Grades 1-2 Choir

Mon., Nov. 16
3-4:45 p.m. Boys BB practice
7:00 p.m. Board of Ed meeting

Tues., Nov. 17
4:00 p.m. Home game vs. Zion Cologne

Wed., Nov. 18
8:20 a.m. Chapel
3-4:45 p.m. Boys BB practice

Thurs., Nov. 19
Library
4:00 p.m. BB game @ Cologne Academy

Friday, Nov. 20
BB tournament at Hamburg begins

Sat., Nov. 21
BB tournament at Hamburg continues

Sun., Nov. 22
8:00 a.m. Preschool and Kindergarten Choir

**Website: www.stjameshl.org/school**

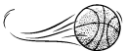
**At the reception desk:**

- Lunch menus
- School newsletters
- Church newsletters
- Yearbook order forms

**Student of the Week:** Elliot Drew has joined our sixth grade class this year. He was born in Iowa on December 17, 2013. His family includes his mom and dad, 4 sisters and 5 brothers. His favorite people in the Bible are Adam, Eve, and Jesus. PE is his favorite part of the school day and his mom's chili is his favorite food. Elliot enjoys watching Loki the Hollow on TV. His choices for best movie are Avengers Infinity War or Iron Man 1. During his free time, he likes to play basketball or Four Base. Elliot would have wars end and no drafting to make the world better. He's hoping to be an actor, youtuber, or chef in the future.




**The 5-6th grade boys basketball team** has started their season. Thanks to Coach, Brad Koosman for his willingness to teach the boys skills and sportsmanship. You can come and cheer them on at their next home game on Tuesday, November 17 at 4:00 p.m. when they take the court against Zion, Cologne.





**The local Lions club** gifted our third class with dictionaries recently. The books are packed with information about presidents, nations, and science facts besides all the definitions. Thank you for these great books!



**AZZ in Winsted** did some fundraising activities to help us pay for some updated Chromebooks. They delivered their donation of $800.00 this past week. Thank you so much!!

**Handbook Highlights:**

**BIRTHDAY TREATS** Students may bring a birthday treat for their classmates and teacher on their birthdays. Parents must contact the teacher for suggestions (including classroom allergy restrictions) and scheduling before sending goodies to school. Those with summer birthdays may make special arrangements with the teacher to set aside a day to share birthday treats, typically on their half-birthday. Please do not have items such as flowers and balloons delivered to the student during the school day.