



# St. James Lutheran School

## Newsletter

January 9, 2026

### Christ at the Center Truth in All Things

#### Reminder:

Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> there will be no busing available for our students. If you need help with transportation to and/or from school that day, please contact the school office.

**Chapel offerings:** Our second quarter total is \$114.06. The offerings will go to the Minnesota South District to help in all their missions.

**We received** a check recently from the Boxtops for Education program for \$85.70. Thanks to all who turn in the boxtops, and thanks to those who bundle and mail in the boxtops.

#### Thank you!

The entire staff wants to express their thanks for the kind and thoughtful Christmas gifts we received from our students through the PTL. It is a blessing to be a part of this St. James family and to share the love of Christ with all of you. May this new year be filled with the joy of the certainty of our salvation won by Christ, and the peace of knowing that our lives are safely in God's hands.



school.

**Remember** to have your child(ren) ready with winter gear for playing outside. Fresh air and free play are a great benefit to kids. That winter gear is also essential if a bus or car has difficulty getting to or from

**Remember to get your tickets** (\$50.00 per person) to the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> Annual St. James Gala on March 14. The theme this year is Glitz & Groove Back to the '70s. Donations for the silent auction may be brought to the school office any time. There are some baskets in the choir room at church for anyone to use if they wish to put together a themed basket for the silent auction.

**Sunday, January 11**

8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Worship Services

**Wednesday, January 14**

**Chapel Service**

8:20 a.m.

Pastor Loder

#### In Our Prayers:



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

- † For all those in leadership positions to make wise decisions.
- † For those who are ill especially Mrs. Kotila's niece, Mrs. Olsen's father-in-law and brother-in-law, and Pastor Loeslie.
- † For those who are impacted by tornados, snowstorms, and earthquakes.
- † Thanks for the religious freedom we have in the U.S. to be able to preach and teach God's Word in our churches and Lutheran schools.
- † For all pastors, missionaries, and Christian teachers to faithfully proclaim the Gospel.
- † For safety in traveling during winter weather.
- † For the homeless to be sheltered, especially during the cold winter months.
- † For those who are unemployed or underemployed to find work.
- † Thanks for Christ's birth, ministry, death, resurrection, and ascension purchasing salvation for all who believe on Him.

#### Celebrate St. James update:

We continue to receive generous support from people who understand the importance of Christian education in our world, for which we are very grateful. Our new total is \$6273.00. Thank you to everyone who has donated to this year's campaign.

**End of second quarter:** Next Friday marks the halfway point of the school year. You can easily check Fast Direct for any work that your child(ren) might be missing and help them get caught up before the quarter ends.

### Upcoming at St. James:

Wed., Jan. 14

8:20 a.m. Chapel

Thurs., Jan. 15

Library

Fri., Jan. 16

End of Second Quarter

Sun., Jan. 18

8:00 a.m. Preschool Choir

Mon., Jan. 19

*NO BUSSING*

7:00 p.m. Board of Ed meeting

Wed., Jan 21

8:20 a.m. Chapel

Thurs., Jan. 22

Library

Sun., Jan. 25

Both services: Advanced Band

### At the Front Desk:

- ✓ Menus
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Girl Scout information

### Memories from the Christmas program, God Loves Me Dearly, on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>.



The preschool classes sharing the joy of Christmas.



Grades 1 and 2



Closing music by all the students.

### Music department news:

Five band students met their individual practice goals EVERY WEEK for twelve weeks in a row from September 15 to December 15!

Congrats to Mikaela Johnson, Lillian Doten, Lila Hennen, Emma Cardinal, and Logan Frich. Their consistency and dedication is a huge blessing to our music program. The next practice goal challenge runs from now until spring break!

