

LCS Newsletter

Our Mission: "To share the Good News of Jesus Christ, teach children, and assist parents in training children to be witnessing Christians and productive citizens."

Thought for the Week

A Mighty Great God

Isaiah 40:28 - Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable.

They tell me that Hurricane Harvey killed more than 60 people, caused damage which has been estimated to be as high as \$180 billion, and dropped more than 40 inches of rain upon certain locations.

They tell me Hurricane Irma is the most powerful Atlantic hurricane in recorded history. They say it is so powerful it is shaking the earthquake seismograph machines. Irma is generating winds of 185-plus miles per hour, and heaven help the place where it comes on land.

Although I've heard the reports and I've seen the videos, I have to confess I don't understand that kind of power.

They tell me one of the strongest forces in the universe is a super-massive black hole. For example, computer models say the super black hole of the M87 galaxy weighs about as much as 6.4 billion of our suns. They say anything which gets close to that monster will be sucked in, and it won't be coming out in the immediate future.

Although I've tried to read and understand all of this about the power of a black hole, I have to confess I really can't wrap my mind around facts and figures that are so immense and intimidating. Simply stated, I don't understand that kind of power. And just as simply stated, nobody else does either.

It is possible to stand in awe and wonder of such forces, but we cannot completely, thoroughly, understand them.

All of which leads me to ask, if we cannot understand the forces of creation which are perceivable and, theoretically speaking, measurable, why is it so many people think they can easily comprehend the mind and discern the motive of the great Creator? Still that is what happens after every cataclysmic event. People demand to know, "Why has God done, or allowed, such a thing to happen?"

It's highly unlikely we could understand even if the Lord sat us down and explained His thinking in depth. Let me ask, do you understand why:

- the Lord would want to rescue Adam and Eve after they had just rejected Him to follow the advice of a serpent?
- He would send His innocent Son to carry the sins of every person who has ever lived?
- He still cares for us even though we daily sin often?

Truly, God's ways are not ours; we cannot understand them. All we can do is thank and praise, serve and obey Him because He cares so very much.

THE PRAYER: Dear Lord, we give thanks that You cannot be defined or contained by man's measurements. Truly, Your love, grace, care, and compassion are things to be praised, honored, and appreciated. May we do so in the Name of Jesus who is Your greatest gift to us. Amen.

The above devotion was inspired by a number of sources, including one written by Jon Sharman for the Independent on September 6, 2017. This devotion was published by the Lutheran Hour Ministries, www.lhm.org.

Students and Families we are praying for this week...

Each week in our faculty devotions and classroom devotions we lift up our LCS students and their families in prayer. During the week of September 18th we will be praying for Kendal Mager, Kamryn Marshall, Collin, Naomi, and Theodore McKinley, Brooke Meahl, Emma Mikels, Dax Morris, Reece Myers, Connor Nichols, and Brayton and Camdyn Nierman.

Citizen Saint Awards

In an effort to recognize the God-given talents and abilities of our students we will be recognizing Citizen Saints each week. These students are chosen by the faculty and staff and are recognized for outstanding academic achievement or demonstrating Christian love toward others. Citizen Saint Award recipients for the week of September 5th were Owen Bolte, Jack Stuckwisch, Drake Wolka, and Emma Sparks.

School to School-Helping Lutheran Schools Affected by Recent Hurricanes



In response to the devastation from Hurricane Harvey, LCMS School Ministry and LCMS Disaster Response developed a plan for assisting schools affected by this natural disaster.

Schools have the opportunity to choose one or more affected schools they wish to support. They can pray for their adopted school, and provide resources in response to specific needs. One hundred percent of all monetary donations will go directly to the affected schools. In this way, Lutheran schools across the

nation and around the world can support other schools who are attempting to recover and tangibly assist in their road to recovery.

Lutheran Central has decided to adopt Lutheran South Academy in Houston, Texas. Lutheran South is a K-12 school of about 800 students. As a result of Hurricane Harvey the school sustained extensive building damage making it unusable for a month with construction continuing until January 2018. The entire student body has been temporarily relocated to nearby church until school buildings are safe to occupy. They lost a tremendous amount of classroom and extracurricular content that will well exceed the insurance coverage. Additionally, there were eight staff members and over 30 school families whose homes that completely flooded.

Our chapel offerings during the month of October and the chapel offering from grandparents day will go to support Lutheran South Academy. Please continue to keep all affected by these recent natural disasters in your prayers!

NWEA Assessments

The dates given for the fall NWEA assessments were incorrect on the school calendar. The fall NWEA assessments will be administered September 25 - October 6. Each student in grades 2-8 will be testing in the areas of math, reading, and language arts, while students in Kindergarten and 1st grade will be testing in Math and Reading. This is an online testing program. Because the results of the NWEA assessments are received very quickly, decisions about curriculum can be made promptly to further improve student learning. There is more information available about NWEA assessments on our school website under the "Academics" tab. A testing schedule will be made available next week.

The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization



Lutheran Central School has joined the The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana. The purpose of this organization is to provide financial assistance to students at non-public schools, while also being able to provide significant tax incentives for donors. More information can be found by going to www.lutheransgo.org or www.lcsaints.net and clicking on "Giving to LCS" tab. There will also be an SGO presentation at Trinity Lutheran High School on September 26. Information about that event can be found below.

Guest speaker: Jon Dize

Where and When: TLHS on Tuesday September 26th at 6:30 p.m.

Please RSVP to 812-522-3180 by September 20th

Soup and Sandwiches provided

***You may want to discuss with your tax advisor.**

Tax Credit Scholarships, better known as "SGO Scholarships", are scholarships awarded by Scholarship Granting Organizations to low- and middle-income families to help them afford the nonpublic school of their choice. SGOs were enacted in 2009, and have been expanded in subsequent years as a key component of the Indiana School Choice effort. Donations to fund SGO scholarships feature a 50% state tax credit for the donor.

Calendar

LCS Chili Supper

The LCS Shepherd Staff will once again host the Annual Chili supper on Friday, October 6th from 4:00 to 6:30 pm. It will be held in Lutheran Central's gymnasium prior to Brownstown Central's last football game versus Silver Creek. Proceeds from the chili supper will assist the Shepherd Staff in providing student activities/supplies throughout the 2017-2018 school year. The meal costs \$5.00 and consists of a bowl of chili, hot dog or western, cookie and a drink. We hope to see you there!

Additional information about the Chili Supper was sent home with all students on Thursday of this week. That information included tickets for students to sell and donation envelopes.

Volleyball Schedule Changes

There have recently been a couple schedule changes to the volleyball schedule. One addition is a 5th grade match on Tuesday, September 19 versus White Creek starting at 5pm.

There has been a tournament added for the 8th grade team on Saturday, September 30 at BCHS, and tournament for the 6th grade team on September 30 at BCMS.

The other change is on Monday, October 2nd. There will only be an 8th grade match at St. Vincent de Paul starting at 6:30pm. The match versus St. Vincent de Paul that was postponed in August will not be rescheduled.

September 15-16

8VB @ Lutheran Invitational Tournament.

September 18

Chapel, 8:30am (led by Pastor Yeadon)

5 VB @ Immanuel, 5:30pm

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8VB @ Immanuel, 7:30pm

September 19

5VB vs. White Creek, 5:00pm

6VB vs. BCMS, 6:00pm

8VB vs. BCMS, 7:00pm

LEA Board Meeting, 7:00pm

September 21

5 VB vs. BCES, 6pm and 7pm

September 27

Washington DC Chaperone Meeting, 6pm

8th Grade DC Presentations, 6:30pm

September 29

Grade Review # 2 of the 1st Trimester



Upcoming Volleyball Volunteers

Game Date, Teams	Concessions (2)	Clock	Clean-up
Time Tuesday, September 19 5 White Creek, 5pm 6/8 vs. BCMS, 6pm			Jamie and Allison Brown
Thursday, September 21 5 vs. BCES, 6pm	Suzanne Bolte April Darlage	Mrs. Isaacs	