

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

Jesus, the Servant

“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mark 10:45). This verse always carries me back to my freshman year at Concordia-New York. I was registered for a class in New Testament. My professor was the Rev. Carl F. W. Weidmann, beloved by all the students but especially to those studying to become pastors. Early in the class, this seasoned pastor and teacher told us the one verse we should learn and take to heart was Mark 10:45.

When we ask young ones what they want to be when they grow up, they might say a policeman, a fireman, an actress, or a bookkeeper. It’s doubtful that many would say they want to be a servant. A servant! That is just what our Lord Jesus chose to be. He was God, yet He came to serve. He elected to come to earth and offer Himself as a slave. He followed the Father’s directions. He yielded to His Father’s will. He made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross! (Philippians 2:7–8).

Throughout the Old Testament, we read how God required sin offerings from His people to cover their sins. They often brought a lamb to sacrifice. Since the offering was a pre-figuring of the Lamb who sacrificed Himself for us, they had to select the most perfect lamb from their flock, healthy, young, and unblemished. The faithful people of Israel, like us, had to realize the seriousness of their sin, and they, too, were saved by the sacrifice of the perfect Lamb. This is why Jesus left heaven’s glory and came to earth. We are sinners and we needed a sacrifice to be forgiven. Jesus is our Lamb. Because Jesus was sinless, He is our perfect sacrifice – so perfect that His death covered all sins for all time. His is the once-and-for-all sacrifice.

How is God calling you to serve? How does He want you to bring His love to others? Whose feet is He asking you to wash? How might you serve within your congregation? May we joyfully, gleefully, anxiously, eternally, serve others even as our Lord Jesus so willingly served us.

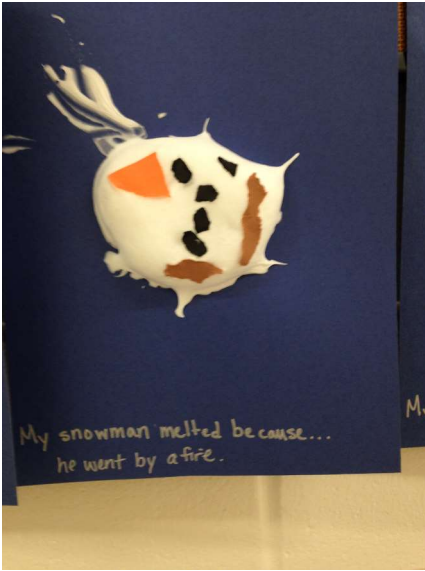
Prayer: Lord Jesus, when You left heaven and came to earth, You humbled Yourself and became our servant. The ultimate act of service You performed was when You gave Your life on the cross to save ours. Thank You, dear Savior! Work in us so that we might show the fruits of faith by our service to others with humble hearts. In Your name we pray. Amen.

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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 February 12th we will be praying for Chase Schoenherr, Allison Schwade, Nathan Sears, Addie and Drew Shelton, Preston Shelton, Evan Shoemaker, Mallory Shoemaker, Evan Shuler, Ty Singer, Isaiah and Matthew Sitterding, Raylan Sorg, Emma and Jace Sparks, and Lila and Mia Spray.

What's Going on in the Classroom?



This past month in preschool we had lots of fun and learned so much. We made melted snowmen and paper kites. We learned about the little girl Jesus raised from the dead and how he fed 5000 people with just two fish and five loaves of bread. We sang about the days of the week and months of the year. The three year old students learned how to write the number four, draw a diamond, and about the color purple. The four year old students learned how to write their phone numbers, addresses, and the letters A, B, C, D, E. The children continue to learn life skills such as sharing, listening, and how to be a good friend. Our favorite thing this month has been dancing and singing with GoNoodle! We love Lutheran Central Preschool!

School Spirit Days

Next week we will have three school spirit days to help get the 8th grade boys basketball team fired up for the LIT tournament. The spirit days are as follows:

Tuesday, February 13th - Farmer Day

Thursday, February 15th - Camo Day

Friday, February 16th - Red, White, and Blue Day

February Chapel Offering

The 5th grade class will be overseeing this month's chapel offering. We will be collecting money and supplies for "Mercy Kits" that will be given to the Orphan Grain Train. The Orphan Grain Train passes out these kits during natural disasters here in the United States and throughout the world. They currently have quite a need for them since the many hurricanes here at home this past year have depleted their supplies. Boxes are placed in the hallways to deposit donations and money will be collected every morning before chapel. Additional money can be brought to the office. All money will be used to purchase additional supplies needed to make each kit. At the beginning of March, the 5th grade will be putting the kits together. There are very specific things we need to have in each kit, so please reference the sheet included in the school newsletter. Thank you for supporting our February chapel mission!

ISTEP Testing Schedule

Lutheran Central School will be administering Part 1 of the ISTEP+ assessment February 27-March 9. The tests will be administered February 27- March 2 with the week of March 9 being used for make-up tests. Practice tests will be administered to students the week of February 19. A copy of the testing schedule is included on the right side of the page. To make sure that students are at their peak potential to perform their best, we have provided the following reminders:

- If at all possible please ***do not schedule any appointments*** during times when your child will be testing
- If students have appointments already scheduled please let us know in advance so that we can schedule a make-up test session
- Ensure that your child receives a proper amount of sleep each night
- Make sure that your child eats a nutritious breakfast to help them maintain focus.

Grade(s)	Test	Length (min)	Date	Time
3-8	Practice - ELA		February 20	9:20-10:15
3 & 8	Practice-Math		February 21	9:20-10:15
4 & 6	Practice - Math and Science		February 21	9:20-10:15
5 & 7	Practice - Math and Social Studies		February 21	9:20-10:15
3, 4, 6, 7, 8	Math - Section 1	49	February 27	9:20-10:09
5	Math - Section 1	56	February 27	9:20-10:16
3-8	ELA - Section 1	35	February 28	9:20-9:50
3-8	ELA - Section 2	70	March 1	9:20-10:30
4 & 6	Science	54	March 2	9:20-10:14
5	Social Studies	42	March 2	9:20-10:02
7	Social Studies	30	March 2	9:20-9:50

Calendar

HYGIENE KITS

What's in a Hygiene Kit?

- 1 bath towel
- 1 wash cloth
- 1 bath-size bar of soap
- 1 adult-size toothbrush
- 1 sturdy comb
- 6 Band-Aids (½" or ¾")
secured together

Linens should be in good condition and dark colors are recommended

Content items must be new, can be any brand, and are wrapped in the washcloth

Wrapping Instructions

- Spread the towel flat
- Fold over about 5" on each long side of the towel
- Place everything in the center between the folds
- Roll up the towel
- Use strong ribbon or cord and tie at both ends



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February 10

8th Girls LIT Basketball Tournament @ TLHS (bracket available at lcsaints.net)

7th Boys Bball @ BCMS Round-Robin

February 11

8th Girls LIT Basketball Tournament @ TLHS

February 12

7th Boys Bball vs. Crothersville, 6:00pm

8th Boys Bball vs. Crothersville, 7:15pm
(8th Grade Night)

February 14

Ash Wednesday

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

February 16-18

8th Boys LIT Basketball Tournament @ Immanuel, Seymour

February 19

School in Session (Snow Make-up Day)

February 20

LEA Board Meeting, 7:00pm

February 23

End of the 2nd Semester

March 4

Pre-school and Kindergarten Open House, 2:00-3:00 PM

March 6

Pre-school and Kindergarten Open House, 6:30-7:30 PM

Trinity Lutheran High School Open House

Trinity Lutheran High School invites students and their families to its final open house on Saturday, February 17th from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. All interested eighth grade students will also receive a \$75 voucher that covers half of the registration costs at Trinity for the 2018-2019 school year. Please enter through the commons.



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