

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."

Weekly Reflection

Graced

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. (Luke 1:26-29)

I'm fascinated by the way the angel greets Mary. In the English Standard Version, the translation goes, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But Mary is an ordinary, humble girl, and this greeting confuses her. She is afraid.

The Greek for "O favored one" comes from the root word for "grace" or "favor." The ESV translation is not wrong, but it seems to me that "you who have been graced" is easier to grasp at a deep heart level. Mary has been graced—and who is giving the grace? The Lord, who is "with you."

Gabriel speaks the truth—the Lord is with Mary, first as a believer, and now, very soon, as a tiny baby within her body. He will not be separated from her. Jesus will take His own flesh and blood from hers, and she will be the source of His humanity. All of this is grace, a free gift from God.

We, too, are people who have been graced, just as Mary was. The Lord took on human flesh because He refuses to be separated from us broken, sinful human beings. He suffered, died, and rose again, so that we could become His "graced ones"—the people God is with forever.

THE PRAYER: Lord, be with me forever, and keep me with You. Amen.

Advent Devotions were written by Dr. Kari Vo.

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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 December 14th we will be praying for Braxton and Brielle Allman, Lain Arnold, Allison Ault, Jesse Baute, Easton and Morgan Berry, Oliver Berry, Brinley Bobb, Corbin, Dawson, and Easton Branaman, and Conner and Owen Brewster.

Christmas Dress Up Days

During the week of December 14th LCS students will have several opportunities to show their Christmas spirit. Below is a list of the dress up days that have been chosen.

Monday, December 14th: Christmas Sock Day

Wear your favorite or most festive pair of Christmas socks.

Tuesday, December 15th: Christmas Explosion

Wear your ugly Christmas sweaters or as much Christmas as possible

Wednesday, December 16th: Christmas Movie Character

Dress up as your favorite Christmas movie character

Thursday, December 17th: Christmas PJ Day

Wear your favorite Christmas PJ's



Clothing Donations

The lower grades are in need of new or gently used clothing to have on hand in case of accidents and spills. The items we use the most are girls bottoms, especially leggings, sizes 6-10, and underwear (new only please). We also need boys athletic type bottoms or jeans sizes 6-10 and underwear. Please send any items for donation to your child's teacher. Thank you!

First Grade Review of Trimester 2

Today marks the first grade review of Trimester 2. Grade reviews for students in grades 1-8 have been posted in Sycamore. Please go to the "Document" tab for your child where you will find the grade review. The grade review is titled "T2_GR1_12_11". Please review your child's progress and sign in the signature box indicating that have viewed the grade report.

Upcoming Events

Friday, December 11th

First Grade Review of the 2nd Trimester

Saturday, December 12th

7th grade GBB vs. St. Charles, 9:30 A.M.
8th grade GBB vs. St. Charles, 10:45 A.M.

Monday, December 14th

6th grade GBB vs. BCMS, 6:00 P.M.
8th grade GBB vs. BCMS, 7:15 P.M.

Tuesday, December 15th

LEA Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, December 16th

Midweek Advent Services @ St. Paul, Wegan,
Trinity, Vallonia, and St. Peter's, Brownstown,
7:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 17th

5th grade BBB @ Brownstown Elementary, 6:00
and 7:15 P.M. (played @ Vallonia gym)

5th grade Girls BB vs. Brownstown Elementary
6:00 and 7:15 P.M.

7th grade BBB @ Austin, 6:00 P.M.
8th grade BBB @ Austin, 7:15 P.M.

Friday, December 18th

Last Day Before Christmas Break

Chapel, 8:30 A.M.

December 21 - January 4

Christmas Break

Tuesday, January 5th

School Resumes

Chapel, 8:30 A.M.



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