

April 16, 2021

# 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

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*by Rev. Alfonso Espinosa*

*What does God say about all these commandments? He says, "I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep my commandments." (Small Catechism: The Close of the Commandments)*

In the Name + of Jesus. Amen. Luther teaches on the meaning of the close of the commandments: "What does this mean? God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands."

Too often we hear a watered-down version of what it means for the Christian "to fear God." It is true that we don't walk around waiting for God to zap us with lightning. God wants us to know that on account of Christ He truly loves us. At the same time, we should be afraid to break God's commandments. We should hate the thought of doing so. Therefore, as Luther teaches, if we break God's commandments, we should fear God's wrath. Is this for Christians, too? Absolutely! So, our Lutheran confessions in many places teach us that Christians are familiar with the "terrors of conscience," because according to our sinful nature, we break God's Law.

What does God want us to do? Does He want us to run and hide from Him like Adam and Eve did in Genesis 3? No way! Does He want us to rebel against Him and act like we don't care? Ridiculous! Does He want us to pretend that we don't sin? Definitely not! Instead, He says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). This is what we do every day as we live in our Holy Baptism into Jesus! What should motivate us? The fact that God is "a jealous God." This doesn't mean that God is insecure (that's the sinful meaning), but that God loves us so much that He fights for us at all cost, even to the point of giving up His own Son to forgive us for our law-breaking. As we live as Christians now, we do not live fearing God, but we live fearing the prospect of rebellion, and when we do break His commandments, we run to Jesus, the friend of sinners. In the Name + of Jesus. Amen.

*"You have this Law to see therein That you have not been free from sin But also that you clearly see How pure toward God life should be." Have mercy, LORD! ("These Are the Holy Ten Commands" LSB 581, st.11)*

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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 April 19th we will be praying for Corbin, Dawson, and Easton Branaman, Conner and Owen Brewster, Kyler Briner, Avan and Ellesyn Brock, Sammie Brown, Silas Brown, Addie and Colt Burcham, Dallas Burcham, Isabelle Burns, Henry Burton, Letty Bush.

## **2021-2022 Enrollment**

As we enter the final months of the 2020-2021 school year, it is time once again to begin planning for next school year. Registration information was sent home last Friday with students. Please complete the paperwork for each of your children in grades K-8 that will be attending LCS in the fall of 2021. We ask that you return it to the school office by Friday, April 30th.

The LEA board has created a "Student Aid Fund" in order to provide financial assistance to families with a demonstrated need. Applications for financial assistance can be requested by contacting the school office. All applications for financial assistance must be returned to the school office by Tuesday, June 1st for consideration.

If you have any questions regarding the registration process, payment options, or financial aid process please contact the school office. We look forward to serving you and your family.

Lutheran Central is also currently accepting registration forms for students who will be in 3-year old and 4-year old preschool next year. The 3 and 4-year old morning sessions have already filled up, however there are spots available in the afternoon classes for both 3 and 4-year olds. Please contact the school office if you need any registration materials.

## **Class Composite Pictures**

We apologize for the inconvenience, however we learned earlier this week that class composite pictures were not included in any of the school picture packages that were offered this year. You may have received an email from Inter-State Studios regarding a separate class composite sale. If you missed that sale and would still like to order a class composite picture you will need to contact Inter-State Studios at 812-248-2317 or [issofkentuckiana@inter-state.com](mailto:issofkentuckiana@inter-state.com).

# 2021-2022 School Calendar

## Lutheran Central School ---School Calendar--- 2021-2022

### August

2 Back to School Nights (TBA)  
  
6 First Student Day (grades K-8)  
11 First Student Day (4-yr old PK)  
12 First Student Day (3-yr old PK)  
27 Early Dismissal\*

### September

6 Labor Day - No School  
21&22 School Pictures  
24 Early Dismissal\*

### October

4 & 6 Parent-Teacher Conferences  
11-15 Fall Break - No School

### November

5 End of Trimester 1  
12 Early Dismissal Day\*  
24-26 Thanksgiving Break - No School

### December

17 Last Day Before Christmas Break  
(Christmas Vacation - Dec. 20 thru Jan 3 - No School)

### January

4 Students Return from Christmas Vacation  
17 MLK Day - No School/Make-up Day  
24-28 National Lutheran Schools Week

### February

14 No School/Make-up Day  
18 End of Trimester 2  
21 Great Americans Day-No School/  
Make-up Day

### March

4 Early Dismissal\*  
21-25 Spring Break - No School

### April

8 No School/Make-up Day  
11 No School/Make-up Day  
15 Good Friday-No School  
22 Early Dismissal\*

### May

13 Early Dismissal\*  
20 Track & Field Day  
24 Last Day 3-yr old PK  
25 Last Day 4-yr old PK  
27 Last Student Day (Grades K-8)

\*Students in Grades (K-8) dismissed at 1:15 P.M. Preschool students will follow their normal schedule on the scheduled early dismissal dates.

# Notes from the Shepherd's Staff

## VOLUNTEERS & DONATIONS NEEDED

Dear Parents,

We are finally at a point where LC can have some activities!! There are three events coming up, and we need your help! We have not asked for any donations this school year with the exception of parent/teacher conferences. So, if you can give your time or a monetary donation, it would greatly be appreciated. Below are the upcoming events.

1. Farewell Open House for the Sprengels: date TBD
2. Teacher Appreciation Week: week of May 3rd
3. Track & Field Day: Friday, May 21st



We are asking for a \$20.00 monetary donation from each LC family. The donations will be split between the Farewell Open House and Teacher Appreciation Week. Please turn in any monetary donations to the school office, attention Crystal Mager, by **Friday, April 16th**.

The Track & Field Day committee is also in need of volunteers to help with all the activities for that day.

- Friday Morning 8:00am to 1pm - morning activities (20 needed)
- Friday Afternoon 12:30pm to 3pm - afternoon activities (10 needed)

If you can volunteer at any of the above listed times, please text or email Crystal Mager before **Friday, April 16th** at:

812-580-0789 or [crystal.d.mager@gmail.com](mailto:crystal.d.mager@gmail.com)

Thank you in advance for all your support to make these activities successful!!!

Sincerely,

LCS Shepherd's Staff



# Student Assessments

The ILEARN testing window for grades 3-8 begins April 19th. During the week of April 19th students will complete the ILEARN practice tests. We will then begin the operational tests the week of April 26th. A schedule for the first week is included below.

Grade	Test	Length (min)	Date	Time
3-8	ELA - Practice	45	April 22	9:20-10:15
3-8	Math and Sci/SS - Practice	45	April 23	9:20-10:15
3	ELA-CAT	50	April 27	9:00-9:50
4	ELA-CAT	50	April 27	10:00-10:50
5	ELA-CAT	50	April 27	9:15-10:05
6	ELA-CAT	50	April 27	9:15-10:05
7	ELA-CAT	50	April 27	9:15-10:05
8	ELA-CAT	50	April 27	9:15-10:05
3	ELA-CAT	50	April 28	9:00-9:50
4	ELA-CAT	50	April 28	10:00-10:50
5	ELA-CAT	50	April 28	9:15-10:05
6	ELA-CAT	50	April 28	9:15-10:05
7	ELA-CAT	50	April 28	9:15-10:05
8	ELA-CAT	50	April 28	9:15-10:05

3	ELA-PT1	50	April 29	9:00-9:50
4	ELA-PT1	50	April 29	10:00-10:50
5	ELA-PT1	50	April 29	9:15-10:05
6	ELA-PT1	50	April 29	9:15-10:05
7	ELA-PT1	50	April 29	9:15-10:05
8	ELA-PT1	50	April 29	9:15-10:05
3	ELA-PT2	50	April 30	9:00-9:50
4	ELA-PT2	50	April 30	10:00-10:50
5	ELA-PT2	50	April 30	9:15-10:05
6	ELA-PT2	50	April 30	9:15-10:05
7	ELA-PT2	50	April 30	9:15-10:05
8	ELA-PT2	50	April 30	9:15-10:05

# Upcoming Events

## Monday, April 19th

Chapel, 8:30 & 9:05 A.M.

## Tuesday, April 20th

LEA Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

## Friday, April 23rd

2nd Grade Review of Trimester 3

## Monday, April 26th

Chapel, 8:30 & 9:05 A.M.

## Monday, May 3rd

Teacher Appreciation Week

## Tuesday, May 18th

LEA Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

## Friday, May 21st

Track and Field Day

## Tuesday, May 25th

Last Day for 3-year old Preschool

## Wednesday, May 26th

Last Day for 4-year old Preschool



# Sports Physicals

In the past, medical personnel from Schneck Medical Center and the community have volunteered to provide free IHSAA sports physicals to students in grades 5-12. Due to recommendations and guidance from a number of medical agencies they will no longer be providing this service. Appointments for sports physicals should be scheduled with the student's established primary care provider as part of their annual wellness check.

All students planning to participate in a school sponsored athletic activity must have a physical between April 1, 2021 and the date of the first practice for the athletic activity. Please plan accordingly and schedule your child's sports physical within the required time frame.