St. John's Lutheran Church & School

Spirit Express

October 2024

Dates to Remember!

10/17– End of 1st Qtr 10/18– No School-Teacher In-service 10/19– LEAP Gala, 5pm 10/19-Chipotle Fundraiser 4-8 10/23– Donuts with Dudes– 7am 10/24- & 10/29- P/T Conferences

October Birthday Blessings!!

11/1- Card Show- 6-9

Noah Mason Holden Walters Sophie King Lillian Smith Sam Blumenschein Cal Miller Cecee Pinti Christopher Lewallen Ava Landry Ben Blumenschein Olivia Columber Graysen Meiring Henry Cortez Carter Richmond Willow Huston Gideon Debner Genevieve Hein Ryan Columber Pierece Clemans Mithchell Conley Gwen Lee Jack Washek Emery Haman Emily DeRoads Arthur Ramge Hallie Alloway Henry Cortez Kamdyn Clarridge Holt Crispin Emsleigh Schnarre Owen Blankenship

> Cash Bowen Bryce Boyer Evan Riesen

From the desk of Mr. Rausch

Psalms

Poetic in nature, many of the Psalms are often sung and used as part of worship. The understanding of the early church in Israel was often expressed in songs; the Psalms! They are a rich anthology of praise and prayer that cover every aspect of the Christian experience.

As we/you rededicate your way of living and practicing each day I challenge us to read through a Psalm or two each day! Print one off, write down your thoughts and questions about it and share it with your children as a means of a daily devotion.

Mr Rausch

MS students enjoy Camp Lutherhaven

Praise be to God for the awesome experience our middle school students were able to enjoy together at Camp Lutherhaven!

Camp Lutherhaven is a year-round outdoor ministry center dedicated to creating adventurous, fun, faith-building experiences for people of all ages. It's located just 26 miles northwest of Fort Wayne amidst the rolling hills of Northeast Indiana.

Grades 5-8 along with middle school teachers and parent chaperones enjoyed indoor/outdoor activities, fellowship time, and many other God-filled experiences on this trip!













School closings due to inclement weather

St. John's will **ONLY** follow the calamity schedule of the **Fairbanks** school district; when it comes to weather related **delays** or **cancellations**.

To stay informed, stay tuned to local news and radio stations and look/listen for **Fairbanks** schools. We will also send out Text/Voicemail and/or email Alerts through FACTS. Please ensure your contact information is up to date in the system.

Note Preschool and Alternative Kindergarten

DO NOT DELAY. If you as the parent feel the roadways are unsafe, you have the right to bring your child in as you see fit. We do not delay this particular portion of our ministry because these students do not use public school busing.



Important Attendance Guidelines (K-8)

Please be advised that per State of Ohio rules governing the EdChoice program, students who receive the EdChoice Scholarship are limited to not more than 20 days of **unexcused** absences each year. A student who exceeds this amount of unexcused absences will **not be eligible to renew their scholarship**.

In accordance with the student handbook: In order for a student's absence to be considered "excused" a signed note from the parent/guardian stating the reason for the student's absence AND/OR a physician's note MUST be presented to the school office upon their return.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please do the following by 9:00 AM: email attendance@sjsmarysville.org

(preferred) or call the school at (937) 644-5540 and let the office know your child will not be in attendance and the reason for the child's absence.

(Ohio Law requires schools to contact parents when a student is absent from school and the school has not been notified.)

Students will be marked absent or tardy (excused or unexcused) for any minutes that are missed while school is in session. In accordance with the student handbook, if the student's leave is less than one hour, it is considered an early dismissal or tardy. If the leave is greater than one hour, it is considered a half-day or full-day absence.

All minutes missed accumulate toward the State of Ohio's House Bill 410/Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Ohio Revised Code, and Ohio Administrative Code.

Here is a brief summary of the several definitions Ohio uses to describe student attendance as defined by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Ohio Revised Code, and Ohio Administrative Code.

	Consecutive hours	Hours per school month	Hours per school year
Habitual Truancy	30 without legitimate excuse	42 without legitimate excuse	72 without legitimate excuse
Excessive Absences		38 with or without legitimate excuse	65 with or with-out legitimate excuse
Chronic Absenteeism			10% or 92 with or without legitimate excuse

Fall Field trip fun!

Ever wonder how chocolate is made? St. John's third graders got the hands on experience of observing the process from start to finish at local chocolate factory Anthony Thomas! The state of the art facility is located in Columbus is appx 154,000 square feet.







SJS Kindergartners recently visited the local Firehouse and library in uptown Marysville. Thank you so much to our partners at Fire Station # 272 and Marysville Public Library

for the lessons!







CEA Trunk or Treat

Thank you to all the volunteers and "trunk hosts" that helped make CEA's Trunk or Treat event a blast! It was a beautiful day.. Thanks to all that participated! Congratulations to this year's contest winners!

Most Original Costume—Cheyenne Conner

Best Costume-Wilson Smith

Cutest Costume-Avrom Nott

Best Group Costume- The Leng family

Not pictured: Best Couples Costume- Bob and Mary Boehm

If you'd like to get involved in the CEA, join us for monthly meetings at 6:30pm in the cafeteria.

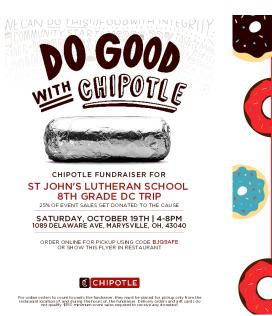








Join us for these Upcoming events!









Last call for Buckeyes and Cheese!

LAST CALL!! Buckeye and Cheese orders are due next Friday 10/25. Order forms were sent home with your child a few weeks ago and we do have extras in the school office if you need one.

Orders will be available for pick up at your selected date/time on your order form.





SAVE the DATE!! 11.23.24



St. John's fathers and daughters are "cordially" invited to attend the 1st Annual FCCLA Father/Daughter Dance. It will be on Saturday, Nov. 23rd at Fairbanks Elementary School (11158 St. Rt. 38, Milford Center). **Preschool through 6th grade girls** and their dad/special friend are invited to attend from 5:00-6:30.

A Save the Date paper has gone home in student folders. More information will be coming about how to order tickets. Stay tuned!!

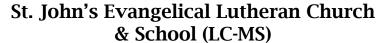
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KNOW Jesus and one another GROW to be more like Him SOW His love in word and deed

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Saturday Evening Worship Service 6:00 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary Fall & Winter Start Time: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning: Traditional Worship Service 9:00 a.m. in the Church Sanctuary

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Contemporary Worship Service 11:00 a.m. in the School Gymnasium

All Ages Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

"Live" Streaming Worship at 9:00 a.m. on Facebook & Church Website

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Advent by Candlelight!



St. John's Advent by Candlelight Saturday, December 7, 2024 6:00 pm

Join us for our 2nd Advent by Candlelight event! It's a great way to celebrate the start of the Advent season. For those of you who served as table hosts last year, we hope you will consider doing it again, and new table hosts are welcome!

Do you like decorating a beautiful holiday table? How about making a decadent dessert to share with your table guests? On Saturday, December 7, starting at 6:00 pm, you will have an opportunity to do just that.

"Advent by Candlelight" will include presentations by local church and school musicians and performers, along with an inspiring Advent message, and some wonderful fellowship time.

We are looking for people to host a table of up to eight guests (including the host).

To find out more details, please contact:

Regina Bullerman at rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org or 937.240.3004 or Mr. Mark Moran at mmoran@sjsmarysville.org or 920.427.4228.

More information will follow in the weeks to come.

Deadline to sign up is Monday, November 11, 2024

To sign up to host a table you can contact Regina, or use the following link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040845A8AA22A2FB6-advent

Volunteers Needed

We are also looking for volunteers to help decorate the gym, as well as tear down and clean up after the event. If you are able to help in either or both of these areas, please contact Mark Moran.