

# 1<sup>st</sup> LUTHERAN SCHOOL

## FRIDAY NOTE

### November 2, 2018

#### **From the Principal**

This week we celebrated two important days in the church year. On Wednesday, we recognized Reformation Day. This year marked 501 years since Martin Luther first posted his 95 statements of concern regarding the teachings of the Catholic church at the time. Many of the issues revolved around matters regarding the Scripture not being available for the common man and the teaching that an individual could buy or earn their way into heaven apart from faith in Jesus and His work alone completed on the cross. The Reformation put the focus back on Christ. 501 years later we are proud to say "It's still all about Jesus."

Thursday marked what is known as All Saints' Day on the church calendar. It is a day to honor all who have remained faithful in the Christian faith, both still here on earth, but especially those who have departed for heaven.

This week is a special opportunity to remember all the saints who have kept "Christ as the center of all we do" and been a part of this family here at 1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran School over the past 165 years. We rejoice at the vision set in early years and the support for the ministry over time. It is nearly impossible to count the number of souls impacted during this time. We give special thanks and praise to God for "All the saints who from their labors rest..."

#### **Tonight – Freddy's Spirit Night**

Join us from 3:00-7:00 at Freddy's for a Spirit Night fundraiser. Be sure to mention that you are there for the Spirit Night to support 1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran!

#### **Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who sent in food items and brought chapel offerings to support

the Community Clearinghouse. This is just one way that we can live out the vision of impacting our community.

#### **After School 4-H**

Remember – Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> is the first 4-H opportunity. The first classes will be related to rocketry. Each student will make a paper rocket and learn about the forces at work. Class will be from 3:30-4:30.

#### **Boys' Basketball**

Both boys' basketball teams (3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> grades and 5<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup> grades) will begin practice on Monday, November 5. The 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade boys will practice 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. and the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade boys will practice 6:45 – 8:00 p.m. Both teams will practice on Mondays and Thursdays. Cody Friddle will be coaching both boys' teams.

#### **Girls' Basketball**

We are excited to have a girls' basketball team this year! Pastor Josh Willadsen & Greta Barr will be coaching the team.

Practices will be held each Monday, 3:30 – 4:30, beginning on Monday, November 5. The first game is scheduled for Saturday, December 1. The time will be announced at a later date.

#### **Coats/Jackets**

Parents, please remind your child(ren) that this is the time of the year they need to bring a sweatshirt or jacket for recess. We believe children need to leave the stale air of enclosed spaces and have the opportunity to go outside into the fresh air. Please make sure your child's sweatshirt or jacket has his name in it. We already have several in Lost and Found with no name. That makes it very difficult to see that they are returned to the rightful owner.

## **Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser**

Thank you to the students and families that participated in the dinner roll fundraiser with Texas Roadhouse. We received 25 order forms and 367 dozens of rolls were purchased. That's amazing! We profited \$1101 from this fundraiser.

Rolls must be picked up at Texas Roadhouse (3111 S. 74<sup>th</sup> Street) November 10 – 13. You must present the voucher when picking up the rolls.

## **Walk with a Doc**

This weekend is the first opportunity for this endeavor hosted by the Arkansas College of Osteopathic Medicine. From 10:00-11:00 on Saturday, November 3 you have the opportunity to walk for FREE and learn about health topics and have questions answered by local physicians along the way. This effort was led by students at the college; one of the students leading the effort is a member at First Lutheran Church. For more information visit [Facebook.com/wwadARCOM](https://www.facebook.com/wwadARCOM) or [walkwithadoc.org/our-locations/arcomedu/](http://walkwithadoc.org/our-locations/arcomedu/)

## **You're Invited – Marriage and Family Retreat**

ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., you are invited to a free conference at Bethel Lutheran Church focusing on marriage and the family. The day will open with a Matins worship service, followed by presentations based on Ephesians 5 and 6 from Pastor Josh Willadson, Pastor Reed Shoaff of Zion Lutheran in Augsburg and Pastor Jason Zirbel of Grace Lutheran in Greenwood. Pastor John Merrill from First Lutheran will be involved with the worship service. This event is hosted by the area Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod churches in Fort Smith and the surrounding area.

In the Ephesians chapters, St. Paul highlights the relationship between Christ and the Church as reflected in the relationships between husbands and wives, parents and children and masters and servants. The

pastors' presentations will address the ways our society is antithetical to this sound teaching and give instructions on what Christians can and should do about this, how they can live counter-cultural lives and how to plan family devotions.

Child care will be provided during the presentations, and children in attendance will have an opportunity to play and do other activities.

A free lunch will be served, and the day will conclude with a Vespers worship service or Evening Prayer.

## **Shop~Snap~Earn with Shoparoo**

We are excited to be partnering with a fun, free, and truly easy fundraiser called **Shoparoo!** Schools nationwide are already earning hundreds and even thousands every year through Shoparoo and it's a great opportunity for us to really make a difference this year!

**Shoparoo** is school fundraising made easy: the free app turns pictures of your everyday shopping receipts into cash donations and sweepstakes entries for our school! Yep, it's that simple. All you have to do is shop as you normally do, snap pictures of your receipts with the app, and voila! Just shop, snap, earn!

### **Get started today:**

1. Download the free Shoparoo app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store
2. Select our school from the list and start taking pictures of your receipts - shop anywhere, buy anything!
3. You can even select a grade to support and have fun with grade competitions!

There's no limit to how much money we can raise with Shoparoo - the more supporters, the more we will raise for our school. Schools with just 40 supporters are earning an average of \$1,000 every year. That's free, easy money that we could be fundraising too. Check out [shoparoo.com](http://shoparoo.com) to learn more about this awesome app! Thank you for your support!