



Forest Hills

Lutheran Christian School

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December 20th, 2019

This has been an interesting week at Forest Hills. It was supposed to be a fun week full of various activities that focused on celebrating the birth of Jesus. While many of those activities still took place, there were some that needed to be postponed or adjusted due to students being away sick. There was definitely a bug going around, and this bug caused us to increase our cleaning schedule, add additional cleaning services, and work extra hard in hand washing and hand sanitizer usage. Yet, despite the added attempts to clean, some students still seemed to pick up a bug of some sort.

In a strange way, this week's sickness points us to Jesus. How you may ask? It's a reminder that each one of us is sick. It may not be with typical symptoms, but we are all sick and broken in sin. This isn't a reminder that any of us want, yet the truth of our sin-sickness slaps us in the face and brings along with it the outcomes of guilt, hurt, pain, and other undesirable symptoms. We try so many things to keep us from getting this sickness. We try to do good things. We throw our change in the Salvation Army buckets at the stores when we hear the bell ringers. We speak nice things into the hearts and ears of those around us. While all of these are incredible things to do, none of them make us immune to sin, or heal us from its' awful effects.

That's why this time of year is so important! While we couldn't clean up enough to stay healthy, God sure could. He sent that baby in a manger so long ago so that the cure for sin would indeed find us and restore us to health. We couldn't heal ourselves, but love came down into a manger 2,000 years ago and found us. In the gift of baby Jesus, we are healed once and for all. This gift is truly the gift that keeps on giving, as in Him we find daily forgiveness, a hope for eternity, and the promise of being at the side of our Lord. This is a gift that sustains us each day, no matter what physical ailments come our way.

As you prepare to celebrate Christmas, I am praying that you and your family are healthy through the holidays. I pray that there are no germs in your home, but more than that, I pray that your hearts are touched by the greatest gift of all time. I pray that, as Jesus came down to earth so long ago, the message of His birth will excite you, sustain you, and fill you with true, lasting joy. God's richest blessings for a very Merry Christmas!

Luke 2: 1-15

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register.

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."



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Join Us:

See attached sheet for Christmas Service opportunities.

PTA News:

- Our next PTA Meeting will be Monday Jan. 13th 6:30pm in the Library
- Reach us directly at PTA@FHLCS.org

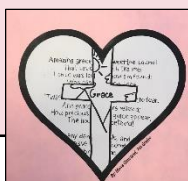


It is not too late to support our 2020 Auction Baskets

Please see the links below for how you can help. Each item brought in will help round out the classroom baskets for the auction – Thank you!

Auction Baskets by Class:

- Kinder/Shearier – [Our 4-Legged Friends](#)
Kinder/Henninger – [Rainbow Fun](#)
1st Grade – [A Day at the Zoo](#)
2nd Grade – [Outdoor Play](#)
3rd Grade – [An Elephant's Rainy Day](#)
4th Grade – [Everything Sports](#)
5th Grade/Nichols – [Camping Survival Kit](#)
5th Grade/Brennan – [All About Mickey](#)
6th Grade – [x Box](#)
7th Grade – [Coffee Time](#)
8th Grade – [Nerf Fun](#)



In Your Family Envelope:

- No Envelope this week!

Dates at a Glance:

Monday 12/23	Christmas Break Begins
Monday 12/30	Happy Birthday Mrs. Brennan!
Monday 1/06	2020 Classes Begin
Wednesday 1/08	Chapel host Trinity Lutheran, 8:20a
Thursday 1/09	7/8th Boys Bball v. Pilgrim here, 4pm
Friday 1/10	Jump Rope Club, 7:30a in Gym
Monday 1/13	7/8th Boys Bball at Gilkey, 5:30p PTA Meeting, 6:30p in Library
Wednesday 1/15	Buddy Chapel host Prince of Peace, 8:20a

Help Wanted!

FHLCS is accepting applications for help in our Before and After School Care program. We are seeking someone to help on Tuesdays after school and as a substitute throughout the school year. If you're interested, or would like more information, please contact Angela Hodge at hodgea@fhllcs.org

Get Involved:

- **Monday Prayer Group:** join prayer group 8:15-9a
- **Tuesday Bible Study** w/Mr. Schiemann 8:30-9:30a
- **Thursday Bible Study** with Kerry Bauer 8:30-9:30a

Special Announcements

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Peace. Delivered.

We'd love to share God's peace with you. Please join us -

Christmas Eve

5 pm - Scripture and Song with Guitar & Piano

7 pm - Scripture and Song with Organ & Candlelight

Christmas Day

9:30 am - Joyous Carols and Holy Communion

Our Redeemer
Lutheran Church

Tuesday - December 24

Christmas Eve - 5:00pm & 7:00pm

Wednesday - December 25

Christmas Day - 10:00am

Sunday - December 29

ONE Service - 10:00am

Prince of Peace
Lutheran

December at Mt. Olive

Wednesday Nights (12/4, 12/11, 12/18)

6:00 - Soup Supper

7:00 - Midweek Advent Worship

Sunday Mornings (12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29)

9:00 - Bible Study and Sunday School

10:00 - Worship

Christmas Eve (12/24)

5:30 & 7:00 - Candlelight Worship

Christmas Day (12/25)

10:00 - Worship with Holy Communion

17th & Douglas in Forest Grove
(across from Rogers Park)

MT. OLIVE
—Lutheran Church & Preschool—

Christmas Eve

5:00 & 7:00pm

11:00pm

(with communion)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Christmas Day

10:00am

(with communion)

Join Us For Christmas Worship!

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Christmas Eve Candlelight & Carol Service at 7pm
Christmas Day Worship at 10:30am

Zion Lutheran Church
Candlelight Readings and Carols December 24th 7PM
Christmas Day Divine Service December 25th 10AM

Advent Services

12/1

12/8

12/15

12/22

Christmas Eve
(Candlelight)

5:00pm

7:00pm

Christmas
A SEASON OF PREPARATION

Trinity Lutheran Church

Christmas Day

10am (Caroling)

10:30am (Caroling)

December 29th

(One Worship)

10:30am



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Gustavo
AKA
"Mr. V."

Sarah Hoffman

Mrs. Brennan

Wilma

Bonnie
Moeller

Clara
Keith

Connie Leinhos
abckie Smith

Sandra
Yoder

Mrs. R

Shauna Nichols

Julie
Ryan

Mr. Bauer
Joy Helein

For
unto you
is born this
day in the city
of David a Savior
who is Christ the Lord

Luke
2:11

Mrs. Havers

Mrs.
Hennings

Mike
Schumann

Dani

Candye
Kendro

Sheila
Hill

Angie Reese

Anne Shearer

Denise Forner

Keely
Knobel

Carla Bayer

Polly
Mantzen