



Forest Hills

Lutheran Christian School

Forest Hills Friday News

December 6th, 2019

Friends and Family of Forest Hills,

As you look around these days, all signs are pointing to the fact that Christmas is just around the corner. There are signs everywhere – lights are going up, churches are decorating, community events are happening, and it seems like there is a Christmas party or event every single day!

As I was watching TV the other day, there was a commercial for a daytime talk show where the host was giving away a different gift to her audience for 12 consecutive days. When they interviewed the host for the promo spot, she jokingly said, “Christmas isn’t about how much you spend on other people. It’s about how much they spend on you.” The audience got a good laugh, because I’m sure that’s not what they expected her to say.

Reflecting on that comment, I initially viewed it as part of the commercialization of Christmas. Stores are busy, vendors are gaining a lot of profit through higher sales, and people are buying lots of ‘stuff’ for others in their lives. My initial thought was that we know as Christians, that Christmas isn’t about how much you spend, nor is it about how much others spend on you. It’s about Jesus. But as I continued to reflect on this host’s comment, I realized there may actually be a glimmer of truth in what she’s saying.

Christmas is indeed in fact about how much someone spent on you. That someone is God the Father. He sent His one and only Son to come to Earth as a baby. He knew what Jesus would face during His time here on Earth. He knew about the persecution, the mocking, the insults, and even the death that Jesus would face. He knew that the joy of Christmas would turn to the sorrow of Good Friday; but He also knew that it would turn back to joy on Easter Sunday. In essence, Christmas is all about what God spent on you – He picked up the cost of our sin by giving us His Son – and there were no sales on this gift – no coupons, no shortcuts. When Jesus died for you and me, when He rose again, our invoice reads, “PAID IN FULL!”

During this holiday season, we give gifts as a reminder of the gift that God gave us. It is actually fun to go and enjoy the holiday spirit in churches, homes, and yes, even shopping malls. It’s fun to deck the halls and jingle the bells. It’s fun to get into the spirit of things. Yet the true fun, the true meaning of the season is reflecting on my Savior and yours entering this world as the Babe of Bethlehem. I pray that as you prepare for the coming Christmas, that you would be able to ponder the meaning of Christmas – the amount that God spent on you so that you could have and enjoy real life.

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal



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Come Join Us:

- **Forest Grove Light Parade**

December 7th. We are looking for families to walk in the parade with us. Email Sheila at

hills@FHLCS.org for more info

Reminders:

- If you are looking for a way to support our classrooms, teachers wish lists can be found [here](#)
- Our next PTA Meeting will be Monday Jan. 13th 6:30pm in the Library
- Contact the PTA at pta@FHLCS.org to get involved.



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@fhlcs.org

In Your Family Envelope:

- **No Envelope this week.**

Dates at a Glance:

Monday 12/09	5/6 Girls Bball Here, 4pm 5/6 Boys Green Bball Here, 5pm 5/6 Boys Black Bball Here, 6pm (tent)
Wednesday 12/11	Chapel Host Bethlehem, 8:20am 2 nd Grade Christmas Around the World, 11am
Friday 12/13	Report Cards go Home Mac Potts Christmas Concert, 1pm Bethlehem Walk, 5:30-8pm
Saturday 12/14	7/8 Basketball Jamboree at FHLCS, all day
Tuesday 12/17	Primary Christmas Craft Day, 8:30am Christmas Music Concert, 7pm
Wednesday 12/18	Happy Birthday Mrs. Loncar! Buddy Chapel Host Mt. Olive, 8:20am
Friday 12/20	Christmas Chapel, 2:15pm
Monday 12/23	Christmas Break Begins
Monday 1/06	2020 Classes Begin

Get Involved:

- **Monday Prayer Group:** join prayer group Monday 8:15-9am, Library
- **Tuesday Bible Study** with Mr. Schiemann 8:30-9:30am, St. Peters
- **Thursday Bible Study** with Kerry Bauer 8:30-9:30am, Conference Room

Volunteer Opportunity:

Mrs. Brown is looking for a volunteer to help with various organizational projects in the office. For more information, email her at brownd@FHLCS.org

Special Announcements

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Our 3rd Annual Bethlehem Walk is just one week away! Watch your email for scheduling news, prop requests, & volunteer opportunities. Do NOT forget to invite your friends, family, and neighbors to this fun, free family event!

You are invited to a free family Event:
Bethlehem Walk
December 13th, 5:30pm-8pm
(with a short break from 6:30-7pm)
Take a journey around our campus
and experience the Christmas Story
as told by our students.
Hear "Gloria in the Highest" from the angels.
Feel the crisp night air in the stable filled with animals. Witness the scene of peace, as many gather to worship the newborn Savior of the World.

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Christmas Spirit Week Dec. 16-20

- ❖ Monday 16: Crazy Christmas Socks
- ❖ Tuesday 17: Snow Day (Gloves, Hats, Etc.)
- ❖ Wednesday 18: Dress to Impress
- ❖ Thursday 19: Candy Cane Day (Red and White)
- ❖ Friday 20: Christmas Sweater Day



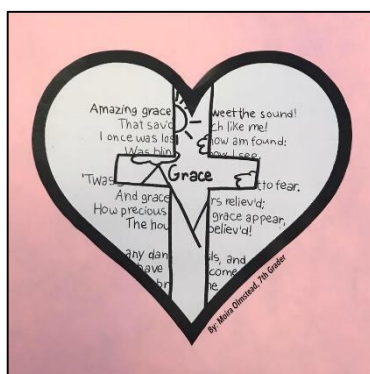
*Sponsored by Student Council

It is not too late to support our 2020 Auction Baskets

Please see the links below to 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](#)



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Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Bethlehem's Christmas Concert

18865 SW Johnson St., Aloha, OR 97003
503.649.3380/office@blcfamily.org
www.BLCfamily.org



December 11th, 2019 @ 7 pm
December 14th, 2019 @ 3 pm

Advent Services

12/1
12/8
12/15
12/22

Christmas
A SEASON OF PREPARATION

Christmas Eve
(Candlelight)
5:00pm
7:00pm

Christmas Day
10am (Caroling)
10:30am (Caroling)

December 29th
(One Worship)
10:30am



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HILLSBORO, OR 97123

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
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Celebrate the Savior's birth!

