

Concordia Lutheran School

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*"Bringing Christ and excellence
in academics to our children
for life and forever."*

EAGLE BANNER

December 2, 2020

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. Dec. 2

- Midterms issued, gr. 3-8
- Advent services @ Faith 7 pm

Thurs. Dec. 3

- Carnival of Lights; 5 pm – 9 pm

Weds. Dec. 9

- Chapel Services
- Advent services @ Faith 7 pm

Fri. Dec. 12

- Virtual Christmas Program
- November Child Care due

LOOKING AHEAD

Concordia's Virtual Christmas
Program

Friday, December 11th

Watch for the email link!

MORE ADVENT OPPORTUNITIES

Faith Lutheran Church has opportunities each Wednesday for you to prepare for Christ's coming during this Advent season. You are invited to attend the 7:00 p.m. service in the church here. We hope you can join us in celebrating this wondrous season filled with the joy of the Christ Child. Oh come – let us adore HIM!

CHILD CARE REMINDER

Parents of students utilizing Before and After School Care are reminded to have their child **pack a few things to use to pass the time**. If your child wants to take place in a child care coloring contest, send markers and/or crayons, for sure! Due to the protocols in place students may not share items with other students. We appreciate your help in preparing your child for the time they will spend with us!

TARDIES ADD UP

Students are allowed in classes as early as 8:25 am and we ask that you make every effort to **arrive prior to 8:50 am**. Students not in class by 8:50 a.m. are marked tardy. Loss of instructional time and interruptions affect everybody in the class.

MIDTERM REPORTS GR. 3-8

After reviewing your child's midterm progress report, **please return the report with your signature**. You are encouraged to bring any questions or concerns directly to the homeroom teacher or the subject area teacher. Next progress report is Jan. 20, 2021.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ON AMAZON

You can support Concordia by making your Amazon purchases on AmazonSmile. Same products, same prices, same services - but 0.5% of your purchase comes to the school. Use this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1143502>. We are listed as Racine Lutheran Inter-Parish School Assoc. That's us!! It's easy and the school benefits!

CANS FOR CLASSROOMS

Bring your cans in Dec. 7 – 11. Have them ready at drop off or pick up, please. Be sure to put your child's name and grade on them. The class that brings in the most cans will earn a free item at our Fab Food Friday. Thanks for your continuing support of this program.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 12/11

The students of Concordia Lutheran School will celebrate Jesus' birth with individual class recordings. The videos will be streamed on **December 11th**! Your children look forward to bringing you the Good News and the true meaning of Christmas!

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DRIVE CONTEST

Many families find the Christmas season a difficult time to make ends meet. Concordia is hoping to lift this weight from our church and school families who are struggling with this challenge by providing care packages for those in need. As such, we will be collecting non-perishable food items. **The class collecting the greatest number of items by December 18th will earn a party in the new year complete with a treat and special incentive selected by the teacher and students.** Start sending your non-perishable items right away! Please check expiration dates on all items before sending. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL OF LIGHTS

PTL is hosting an easy family fundraiser for you all from the comfort of your vehicle. Join us this **coming Thursday, December 3rd from 5-9 pm** for the Wisconsin Christmas Carnival of Lights at Jellystone Park in Caledonia. This is a spectacular drive-thru holiday lights display. Experience the magic of the season with your family & friends and they will donate 25-30% to Concordia!! Cost is \$25 per carload of up to 8 people. See the flyer in your child's take home folder or simply mention that you're supporting Concordia. Please spread the word to family, friends, coworkers and the community as this event is not limited to Concordia families only; the more cars that go, the bigger the donation. Start your holiday season off by experiencing 2 million Christmas lights on a path stretching over 1.5 miles long! Now that's a sight to see!!

NEW SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

Please be advised that in the event of inclement weather that requires school to close, **Concordia will provide notification to parents/guardians by email, Dojo and local news. For up-to-date information on closings, tune to Channel 4, Fox 6, or Channel 12 or their corresponding radio broadcast.** Typically, notification is released by 6:00 am. In the past, we followed RUSD's closures. However, with their physical classes not in session, we will provide our own notification to you. Please note, the Before/After School Programs will NOT operate on days school is closed. If we are in school and conditions warrant early dismissal, you will be notified by phone or email.

NEXT PTL MEETING

Please mark your calendar now for our next Zoom PTL Meeting on **January 19, 2021 at 6 p.m.** (There will also be a meeting in April.) We look forward to your participation and the sharing of ideas to further our school.

RACINE VOLUNTEER CENTER

The Racine Volunteer center is looking for students ages 11-18 that would like to earn volunteer hours for any reason. Here is a list of current volunteer opportunities:

- Make Christmas ornaments for nursing home residents to use on their doors. You can pick up the kits at 6216 Washington Ave, Suite G in Racine. If interested in making ornaments, please email Sarah Webb at teamleader@volunteerracine.org.
- Monday, December 14th volunteers are needed from 4 pm – 5 on for Christmas Caroling at Ridgewood Care Center.

If interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Sarah Webb at the Racine Volunteer Center. Her telephone number is (262) 886-9612 ext. 103.

CHAPEL SERVICES AND OFFERINGS

November and December chapel offerings will be directed to helping families in need around the world. The Orphan Grain Train is a Christian volunteer network that ships donated food, clothing, medical, and other needed items to those in need. This week we collected \$52.00, bringing our grand total to **\$291.92**. Thank you for your generosity!

A VERSE TO REMEMBER

"The LORD is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him."

~ Exodus 15:2 (NIV)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Give God your weakness and He'll give you his strength."

~ Capt. Dale Balck