

## Concordia Lutheran School

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# EAGLE BANNER

**December 4, 2024**

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Wed. December 4

-Crispy Chicken Salad  
-Midterms, Grades 3- 8

#### Thurs. December 5

-Meatball Bomber  
-Christmas Program, 6 p.m.  
Grades K - 8

#### Fri. December 6

-Pizza  
-School Colors Day  
-Christmas Program, 10 a.m.  
Grades PS3 - 8

#### Mon. December 9

-Grilled Cheese  
-PTL Carnival of Lights 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>  
CODE: CLSLIGHT24

#### Tues. December 10

-Hot Dog Tuesday  
- T-Shirt Tuesday  
- Basketball Games:  
Away vs Trinity Racine

**Christmas Program**  
**Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**6 p.m., Grades K-8**

**Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**10 a.m., Grades PS – 8**



### ESSENTIAL EXPERIENCES

As we wind down the sharing of our Set Apart to Serve (SAS) initiative information in our newsletter, we want you to know that SAS has developed tools and training for congregations around essential experiences that lead youth to consider church work.

Through these essential experiences, youth have the opportunity to observe, develop and practice skills that serve, influence, teach, and organize our lives together under God’s Word.

Youth begin considering their future in the years around confirmation. This is the age of greatest influence. Watch, listen, and talk with your youth to encourage them to develop their interests and desire to serve our Lord.

**Visit [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve](https://lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve) to learn more.** Click on the videos and resources to learn how we can encourage our children and friends to serve the Lord in His church.

~ Set Apart to Serve|Encouraging Future Church Works

**Pray for the young people in your congregation!**

### COME WORSHIP WITH US!

Join friends and family from school at one of the worship services to celebrate the Second Sunday in Advent.

Saturday, 12/7 @ Faith – 4 p.m.  
Sunday, 12/8 @ Faith – 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday, 12/8 @ Holy Cross –10:00 a.m.

### Advent Services

Wednesday, 12/4 @Holy Coss 4 p.m.  
Wednesday, 12/4 @ Faith 7 p.m.

### SET APART TO SERVE

Please take a moment starting tomorrow to check out **Mrs. Link’s** story, posted on the Set Apart to Serve bulletin board. The Lord guided her steps to Concordia in a very intentional way.

**Coming up on December 11<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Ratkovec** will share the Lord’s leading on her path to service to Him at Concordia Lutheran School.

## GOING ABOVE & BEYOND IN NOVEMBER

The area of academic emphasis for the month of November was **Science**. The following students are to be commended for going above and beyond: Kinsley Warnock, Austin Berg, Liam Cottingham, Luis Rivera (October/Art), Isaac Thilleman-Reyes, Leila Eaton, Raelynn Warnock, Chloe Bishop, Zari Morrison, and Brayden DeMarco. **Note:** December's Above & Beyond is Music. Check out the classroom news to find out more!

## MIDTERM REPORTS COMING HOME TODAY

Mid-quarter progress reports are coming home TODAY. **Please review these with your child, sign, and return to them to school promptly.** Keep working hard on getting all assignments in on time. Email notifications from RenWeb Support prompted by our office are sent when assignments are missing, or a grade is below 70%. Please take note and address the concern with your child. Thank you!

## OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IS HERE !

This Christmas, we invite you to focus on Christ and celebrate the everlasting gift of hope and joy that He brings through the singing of Christmas hymns and the story of Jesus's Birth. **Please join us on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. (K – 8) and Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. (ALL).**

The children are encouraged to dress in Christmas colors of red, green, plaid, etc. , as noted in the Dojo post.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be selling Christmas Cookies before and after the program. All cookie sales will help fund their Washington DC class trip in April.

## DON'T BE FOOLED

**Please disregard the Racine Unified "School Choice" registration emails or mailings.** They do not apply to you unless you desire to attend RUSD. The "School Choice" wording is confusing and has led parents to believe that by applying they are making application for a voucher to participate in the Parental Choice Program. That is not the case. If you apply for RUSD School Choice registration, you will be enrolled in Racine Unified. Please take note!

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Please give a shout out of thanks to Jim Bates for his DOJO Store donations and Christine Morrison for her donations of Legos for Lego club. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Our next Dojo Store will be held in January.

## 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 via the local news. For up-to-date information on closings, tune to Channel 4, Fox 6, or Channel 12. Typically, notification is released by 6:00 a.m. **Please keep in mind that if RUSD is closed or goes to a 2-hour delay, Concordia will be closed.** Also 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.

## PTL SAVE THE DATE: CULVER'S NIGHT

Please mark your calendar to join us for Concordia Lutheran PTL Family Night  
**When:** Thursday, December 12, 2024  
**Where:** Culver's - 4542 Douglas Avenue  
**Time:** 4 – 9 P.M.

We look forward to seeing you there for fellowship and great food. We will receive 15% of your order to go towards classroom supplies and field trips. Thank you for your support!

## "PARENTS NIGHT OUT" 12-13-2024

The 8th grade students and parents will host a "Parents Night Out" evening on **Friday, December 13th from 5-9 pm.** We are offering to watch and entertain children ages 2-11 for the evening so parents can go out, get some shopping done, have dinner, complete some wrapping, or just sit quietly at home alone before their kiddos are home for two weeks on Christmas break 😊🥰. While with us, the kiddos can play games, decorate cookies, do crafts, eat pizza, drink juice, and enjoy a snack while watching an age-appropriate Christmas movie. **Cost is \$15/child.**

## THE CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL OF LIGHTS

### @ JELLYSTONE HOSTED BY OUR PTL

Step into a world of wonder at The Christmas Carnival of Lights – the biggest, brightest & most dazzling drive-through light show! Your visit will help support our fundraiser, benefitting Concordia Lutheran School. Families can journey through a 2-mile wooded path, aglow with over 2 million twinkling lights, all synchronized to your favorite holiday tunes. After your dazzling drive, stop by Santa's Workshop for meet & greets, delicious holiday treats, & magical photo ops. **Join us Nov 25-27, Dec 2-5, or Dec 9-12 to ensure your visit directly supports our organization.** Best of all, 25% of ticket sales for general admission car passes and the Golf Cart Holiday Train will go directly to our cause! **To contribute, purchase your tickets at**

wichristmascarnival.com and use our special promo code: CLSLIGHTS24.

### SAVE THE DATE – SHARE IN THE IDEAS?!

Set aside the date, take part in the festivities, and share some ideas for the celebration of Concordia's 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We will gather for food, fun, and fellowship here on **Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> @ 1 p.m.** Please consider lending a hand to our school board and admin team to make this event special. Please email Mrs. Klein if you help with some planning ideas for this important event.

### DECEMBER'S NEW FRIENDZY THEME

"Teamwork Makes the Dream Work" is our new Friendzy theme focus. Our learning will concentrate on learning to work as a team to serve one another with our gifts. Why? Well, we are BETTER TOGETHER!

Our Goal: To love God and to love others. To use my gifts to serve those around me.

Key Verses include:

God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.  
1 Peter 4:10

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is not commandment greater than these. – Mark 12:30-31

### KEEPING OUR FAMILIES IN PRAYER

As part of our family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We will be including you in our prayers throughout the year, here in school and at our churches. Please join us in lifting up the following families and their children, along with members of our staff, in your prayers **Holst (Elle, Emma), Holmes-Allen (Jamire), Hultman (Spencer), Hutchinson (Carson), Mrs. Holst (Athletic Director), Mrs. Houdek (Substitute Aide), and Mrs. Hughes (4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher).**

### CHAPEL OFFERINGS

"**The Veteran's Outreach**" is our chapel offering project for the month of November and December. Today we raised **\$97.00** bringing our total to **\$623.00**. We have reached our goal of **\$600.00** (or more). Your generous gifts are greatly appreciated. We have two weeks to go! How high can we reach??

### TODAY'S VERSE TO REMEMBER

but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.  
~ Isaiah 40:31

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Christmas is a day of meaning and traditions, a special day spent in the warm circle of family and friends."

~ Margaret Thatcher

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### ATHLETICS NEWS & NOTES

**Practice and Game information will be available via Game Changer for "A" & "B" Squad boys and the TeamReach App for "A" & "B" Squad Girls and Cheerleading.** Parents who are not yet connected are asked to reach out to Mrs. Holst for an assist!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS All **students** attending athletic events **must be under the direct supervision of a parent/guardian or other adult that has accepted responsibility (prior to the game) to serve in their place.** For the safety and well-being of all, children may not be left unsupervised, permitted to play under or alongside the bleachers, etc. **Children should remain with the adult responsible for them.**

NOTE: Students that were not in school the day of a game due to illness may not attend.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Midterm Report Release** - Please keep in mind that any student who has received an F/Fs on two consecutive grade reports will not be eligible to participate in athletics or extracurricular activities. Please contact Mrs. Klein with questions.

### RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS FOR YOU!

- Upcoming Grade School Fan Nights:  
**Girls Varsity Basketball**  
- Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.  
**Boys Varsity Basketball**  
- Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.  
**Bring your Future Crusader Sports Pass for free admission and enjoy the games!**
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade families**  
If you missed our first open house, we are hosting another one on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 5 – 7p.m. We look forward to seeing you in the new year.