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EAGLE BANNER

December 17, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed. December 17

- -Chicken Nuggets
- -Lunch Order Forms Due Today

Thur. December 18

- -French Toast Sticks
- -Christmas Program @ 6 pm, K-8
- "Glory to God in the Highest"

Fri. December 19

- -Munchable
- -Christmas Program 10 am, PS3-8
- "Glory to God in the Highest"
- -School Colors Day

December 20 - January 4

-Christmas Break/No School

Mon. January 5

- -School Resumes
- -Mostaccioli Bake
- -KHC Kick Off
- -Cans for Classroom Drop Off Week

Tues. January 6

- -Hot Dog Tuesday
- -T-Shirt Tuesday

Wed. January 7

- -All School Chapel
- -Chicken Noodle Soup

LOOKING AHEAD....

ZOOM Open School Board Meeting

January 12th @ 6 p.m.

A link will follow in January.

Continuing Conversations on COURAGE

Did you know that wolverines are widely known for their strength and bravery? They show no sign of fear when challenged, but instead stand their ground against opponents, even those much larger in size.

Today we discussed the wolverine as an encouraging example of overcoming fear. People who have courage do what is RIGHT, TRUE, and JUST.

Our discussion today addressed as individuals with courage, we will:

- Know what the truth is (or find it out).
- Get help when we are afraid.
- Do what is right.
- Be willing to stand alone.
- Help those who are bullied or abused.

God stands with us!

WORSHIP WITH US!

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

Saturday, 12/20 @ Faith – 4 p.m. Sunday, 12/21 @ Faith – 9:00 a.m. Sunday, 12/21 @ Holy Cross –10:00 a.m.

Advent Services

Wednesday, 12/17 @ Holy Cross 4 p.m. Wednesday, 12/17 @ Faith 7 p.m.

TELLING THEIR STORIES

Mrs. Bosak's story is posted! Read how she became part of the ministry at Concordia on our Set Apart to Serve bulletin board.

Up next **Mrs. Knoch**, our 1st Grade Aide, will be sharing her story.

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE EVENT

"Save the Date" for our KHC event this year (Jan. 29). Please see the attachment with the news! Our kickoff event is January 5th. Look for more info coming soon!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM DETAILS

Glory to God in the Highest will be presented on:

Thursday, December 18th at 6:00 p.m., K – 8th

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Students report at 5:45 p.m.

Friday, December 19th at 10:00 a.m., PS - 8th

Doors will open at 9:30 a.m.

A Bake Sale supporting our 8th graders DC travel will follow both programs, while supplies last.

The students have been working diligently to share their love of Jesus and His birth with their family and friends. We are excited to share their message with you!

ONLINE REGISTRATION COMING SOON FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

On January 15th families that are currently enrolled in the school can reapply. This provides you with two weeks of lead time to register your children before enrollment is opened to new families. All families must complete this online process and are asked to do it promptly. More information on "how to" will be sent the first week of January.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY/SEX EDUCATION WEEK

As in past years, the faculty will be teaching a brief unit on "A Christian's View of Sex" to students in grades K-8, beginning January 12, 2026. A letter detailing the week's studies is attached. Teaching materials are available for your review. Please contact your child's teacher to request an opportunity to look at materials.

ABOVE & BEYOND

Each month our students (K-8) have an opportunity to earn an academic achievement award. Specific grade appropriate criteria have been established for each subject in our curriculum. The academic emphasis for the month of November was Science. At this time, we are pleased to report the following student went "Above & Beyond": Austin Berg, Liam Cottingham and Erik Konicek.

December's emphasis is Music. <u>Use information from your child's teacher to encourage your child's participation!</u>

POSITIVE OFFICE REFERRALS

Kindness and helpfulness have been overflowing here these days! We give thanks for students who spread joy throughout our building through it. Congratulations to the following recipients who received commendations: Jacob Koll, Jaxson Woodley, Matthew Nelson, Levi Critelli, Addy Miller, Miabella Martinez, Elle Holst, Levi Bevers, Mason Imhoff, Norah Naatz, Weston Sadowski, Sariah Harris, Molly Silich and Lilylove Carter. for letting their lights shine for Jesus and his people through their positive choices and acts of kindness.

COMING SOON FACTS PREMIER INTEGRATION

Beginning January 8th will begin using an integrated version of the FACTS Tuition Management and FACTS SIS systems. As of this date you will access your FACTS account via FACTS Family Portal. This integration will give you one place to look at your students grades and see any balances with one login. A flyer is coming home today with more information and is also attached to the banner. Thank you!

VALENTINE'S WEEKEND RUMMAGE SALE 😉

Our 8th graders are hosting a Valentine's Weekend Rummage Sale from February 14th – 16th to help fund their trip to Washington DC. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

PAJAMA DAYS RETURN IN JANUARY

Our 8th graders are running \$2 pajama days in January for their class trip to Washington DC. Please send your \$2 cash in a marked envelope or baggie. Dress code still applies.

Pajama dates: Thursday, January 8, 15, 22, & 29.

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!

ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER?

As a Thrivent member you may have Choice Dollars that can be directed to the organization of your choice. LEA is a Thrivent Choice®-enrolled organization. **Directing Choice Dollars is easy!**

Visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more OR call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt. Please take a moment to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars® to support the ongoing

work of your LEA. **The deadline for allocating 2025 dollars is March 31st, 2026.** THANK YOU, Thrivent members, for supporting LEA!

PARENTS OF BUS RIDERS... PLEASE NOTE!

First Student would like to remind you: Track your child(ren's) bus and get updated information you need by using the First View 1.0 app. This will give you the most up to date arrival times and bus drop off times. Thank you!

SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

Please be advised that in the event of inclement weather that requires school to close, Concordia will provide notifications 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.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

The school is exploring a variety of different options for providing parents/guardians direct and explicit emergency notifications. At this time, however, please be advised that at this time all emergency announcements will be provided via Class Dojo and email until further notice. Please monitor your Dojo app faithfully and be certain your emergency contact information is up to date. Thank you!

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 including the following families and their children, along with members of our staff, in your prayers: King (Zacharias), King-Nabors (Hannah), Kinsley (Rhetto, Kleimola (Penelope, Westono, Mrs. King (Sanitation/Lunch Service), Mr. King (6th Grade Homeroom/MS Language Arts), and Mrs. Kelin (Principal).

MIDDLE SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS AHEAD

Buckets Pub 2nd **Round:** Wednesday, January 21st 4 – 9 p.m. 2031 Lathrop Ave., Racine, WI. 10% of all sales go back to the 6th – 8th graders for their Camp LuWiSoMo & Washington D.C. trips.

QDOBA Night: Tuesday, February 10th from 4 – 8 p.m. 6035 W. Durand Ave, Mount Pleasant, WI. Order online with Digital Coupon Code on flyer, show the flyer at the

restaurant or enter code QDOBAGIVES online. 25% of Sales go back to the 6^{th} – 8^{th} graders for their Camp LuWiSoMo & Washington D.C. trips

PTL THANKS YOU

Thank you to the families that attended the Christmas Carnaval of Lights . You raised \$73.75 for class trips and school supplies in the classroom. PTL is grateful for your generosity!

PTL DINE & DONATE FAMILY NIGHT OUT

Panera Dine & Donate: Thursday, January 8th 4 – 8 p.m. promocode FUND4U at panerabread.com. 5304 Washington Avenue, Racine, WI

Raising Cane's Dine & Donate: Thursday, February 19th from, 4 – 10 p.m. 6303 75th Street, Kenosha, WI. Mention the fundraiser at the Restaurant or apply code RCFUND96 to online or app orders.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS

Our chapel offerings for November and December will go for the "Journeys School Flood Relief." We are eager to show our love and support their ongoing rebuilding after the immense damage earlier this year.

Today we raised **\$48.00** bringing our grand total to **\$617.00**. We reached our goal of \$600.00. Well done, good and faithful servants. Your gifts and prayers are greatly appreciated.

TODAY'S VERSE TO REMEMBER

For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon[a] his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

~ Isaiah 9:6

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

It's not what's under the tree that matters, it's who's around it.

~ Charlie Brown

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Our faculty and staff send warm Christmas wishes to you and your family as you celebrate Christ's birth! We look forward to sharing the new year with you!

ATHLETICS NEWS & NOTES

Practice times and information will be available via the TeamReach and Game changer apps.

Please note: For the safety and well-being of all, students attending athletic events must be under the direct supervision of a parent or other authorized adult.

January 9th

Away vs Trinity Caledonia

5 p.m. B Squad Girls

6 p.m. B squad Boys

7 p.m. A squad Girls

8 p.m. A squad Boys

January 12th

Home vs Kenosha Christian Academy

5 p.m. B Squad Girls

6 p.m. B squad Boys

January 13th

Away @ St. John's Burlington

B squad Boys Only



RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH NEWS FOR YOU!

Racine Lutheran High School invites prospective students and families for the 2026–2027 school year to our Winter Open House on Wednesday, January 14, from 5:00–7:00 PM. This is a drop-in event with no registration required. Academic enrollment applications are well underway, and we anticipate a waitlist forming by February. Families are encouraged to tour our beautiful building, meet our teachers, staff, administrators, coaches, and students, and pick up an enrollment application folder.



Grade School Fan Nights: Girls Varsity Basketball – Saturday, Dec. 20th, 4 pm