

God's Word is our Great Heritage



Cougar Chronicle

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Upcoming Events:

Thur Apr 5
NO SCHOOL
7:00 pm Worship

Holy Week: We hope you will join us for our Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 PM on Thursday. On Good Friday we will have a service at 1:00 PM and a Tenebrae service at 7:00 PM. Easter Sunday sunrise is at 7:00 AM with the festival service at 10:00 AM. From 8-9:30 AM breakfast will be served at Samuel.

Fri Apr 6
NO SCHOOL
1:00 pm Worship
7:00 pm Worship

Eighth Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting: A reminder there is a meeting for the parents of the 8th grade confirmation students on Thursday evening after the Maundy Thursday worship service. We will meet in the church basement.

Sun Apr 8
7 & 10:00 am
Easter Worship
8:00 am Easter
Breakfast

Singing in Church: Students in Pre-K second year through 8th grade will sing on Good Friday in the 1:00 PM service. Please have your child meet in the church basement at 12:45 PM.

Easter Break: There will be no school Thursday, April 5 - Tuesday, April 10. **School will resume Wednesday, April 11th.**

Mon Apr 9
NO SCHOOL

Children's Theater Students in grades K-5 will be attending the MLC Children's Theater production of *The Emperor's New Clothes* on Friday, April 27th. We will be leaving school at 8:45 AM and return by 3:00 PM. Lunch will be provided. If you are able to assist with transportation please contact your child's teacher.

Tues Apr 10
NO SCHOOL

Wed Apr 11
8:20 am Chapel

All-School Musical: Students in grades Pre-K - 8th grade will present their musical, *My Country*, a salute to America, on Sunday, April 22nd at 3:00 PM. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria following the performance.

Birthdays this month!!

James VanKampen
- 5
Andrew VanKampen
- 19
Bailey Wolff - 25

Serving for Musical: All families are asked to bring bars or cookies for the fellowship time after the musical. Parents signed up to work for it are Amanda Berg, chair, Lynn and Patty Schaffran, Julie Lyons, and Amy Doering.

Wednesday Chapel: As you know every Wednesday morning the student body and faculty meet in the gym for a chapel service. This service is conducted by Pastor Schreiner. We are also privileged once a month to have Pastor Berg of Wood Lake and Pastor VanKampen of Cottonwood leading the service. We begin chapel at 8:15 and are usually done by 8:45. Everyone is invited to worship with us. If you have this time free, why not join us.

County Fair Receipts: The County Fair program ends on March 31. Please turn in all receipts by April 11 so they can be sent in on time. Thank you!



Kindergarten Community Helpers:

COOKS ARE COMMUNITY HELPERS: We visited the kitchen where Mrs. VanKampen was cooking. She told us about being a cook. She told us she needs to “COOK, CLEAN, and CHECK”. She showed us some of the tools that she uses to cook. She has big mixers and bowls. They are bigger than the ones we use at home, but they aren’t as big as the ones used by the bakery at Hy-Vee. She has a really big refrigerator and two ovens that she can use. She also has a convection oven that cooks things with hot air so they bake faster than a regular oven. There are four freezers to store food that she needs to make our lunches. She also showed us all the big cans of food that are stored in the storeroom. She needs all these things because she COOKS for a lot of people. Mrs. VanKampen also showed us the dishwasher. It washes the trays and silverware and it also sanitizes them to get rid of all the germs. She uses this to keep everything really CLEAN. Then she showed us how she can CHECK things. This means that she uses thermometers to check temperatures. She has to check the freezers and refrigerator to be sure they are keeping things cold enough. She also has to be sure the hot things are kept hot. If things aren’t kept HOT or COLD, germs can grow and that could make us sick. She gave us hats that said we were “Junior Assistant Cooks”. Being a cook is a very important community helper job.

POLICE OFFICERS ARE COMMUNITY HELPERS: Officer VanLeeuwe came and talked to us about her job as a Marshall police officer. She works at the police station and at the high school. At the high school she teaches students to stay safe and talks to them about not using drugs. She also is there to help if there is a problem. Sometimes she has to stop fights or go get students who don’t want to go to school. She showed us all the tools she has to use on her tool belt. One of her tools is a radio. People can talk to her on this and tell her where she needs to go to help someone or if she needs help she can use it to call other police officers. She also has a cell phone so people can call her if it is not an emergency. Next she showed us her keys. There are a lot of them and she has a special pocket to put them in so they don’t make noise. One of the keys was for her handcuffs. We got to hold her handcuffs. They were really heavy. She has gloves to use to protect herself if she has to help at an accident. She also has tools to use to keep herself and other people safe. One of these is a spray that stings your skin and eyes if she uses it. Another is called a Tazer. She only uses this if someone won’t stop doing wrong things and hurting people. Her other tool is her gun. She only uses this to protect herself and others when they are in danger. She showed us the extra bullets for her gun. She also wears a bullet proof vest to protect herself. She has lots of patches on her uniform. One shows that she is a police officer for the city of Marshall. Another one has her name on it and one is her police badge. One badge is a United States flag. The last thing she showed us was her car. She showed us the lights she uses if there is an emergency or if she has to stop someone. We got to sit in the car. The seat in the back was hard-she said it was easier to keep clean. There were bars on the windows in the back of the car. She showed us the computer she uses in her car. It can give her lots of information about people. She has extra tools in the trunk of her car like a medical kit to use if someone is sick or hurt. She gave us police badges. Thank-you, Officer VanLeeuwe, for helping keep us safe.

POST OFFICE WORKERS ARE COMMUNITY HELPERS

Mrs. Nobles, the Post Master in Marshall, gave us a tour of the Post Office. She met us in the front part of the Post Office where she showed us the post office boxes. These are used by people who don’t get their mail at home. Lots of businesses use them, too. If you have one of these boxes, you get a key to unlock it. There are different sizes of boxes. Regular people have small boxes and businesses have bigger boxes because they get more mail. Next we got to go in the back part where they were working. She showed us the post office boxes from the back. They are all open so they can be filled with mail. Mrs. Nobles showed us some of the new stamps that you can buy to use on letters. One had pictures of dogs. A new one that you can get in April has pictures of flowers. She showed us where the mail goes when you put it into the slots out front. Your mail goes into a big basket. Then they sort this mail by size and put it in bigger baskets called hampers. These hampers are picked up by trucks and the mail is taken to St. Cloud. In St. Cloud big machines turn all the letters so the stamps are all in the same corner. Then another machine sorts the mail by zip code and gets it ready to be sent back to the right post office so it can be delivered to the right address. We got to see where the trucks come in to deliver or pick up mail. There were a lot of empty hampers there. They are waiting to be filled with mail when the trucks come in. Some hampers had “RR” and a number on them. That means they will have mail that goes to people who live in the country. Others had “C” and a number on them. These are for CITY mail. Next, Mrs. Nobles showed us where the mail carriers sort all the mail they have to deliver. We saw where the school’s mail is kept until it is delivered. Last, we got to see the big vault where they keep extra stamps and money. Everything gets locked up at night. We learned a lot about the post office and what the workers do. Thank-you for your work as community helpers.