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Giving Thanks to God for Many Years of Grace

Samuel
Lutheran
School



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Upcoming Events: **Early Out:** A reminder school will dismiss on Friday at 2:20 PM.

Wed Dec 19

5:30 pm PTF BBQ
supper at church
7:00 pm Advent
Worship

Fri Dec 21

2:20 pm Early Out

Sat Dec 22

9:00 am Christmas
Eve practice

Sun Dec 23

8 & 10:30 am
Worship
NO Sunday School

Mon Dec 24

5:30 pm Children's
Christmas Service
10:00 pm
Candlelight Worship

Tues Dec 25

9:30 am Christmas
Worship

Our Feature Family: *The Criquet-Danielsons* Dylan

The Criquet Danielson family has lived in Marshall for over 15 years. Dylan, who is the youngest of two children, is 14 years old and in the eighth grade, and has attended Samuel since pre-school. Dylan is very active and loves sports; playing hockey and baseball year-round, along with basketball at Samuel. He manages to fit a few rounds of golf in over the summer for fun. Dylan also plays the tenor sax in the Samuel band. When he finds some spare time, he enjoys playing night games with the neighborhood kids and playing xbox to keep in touch with friends and teammates from around the state. His older sister Rebekah, is 17 years old and a senior at the Marshall High School. She attended Samuel through the third grade. She has been dancing for 14 years, and also keeps busy with Show Choir and Colorguard. She has choreographed for a couple of Musicals, and is currently choreographing for the Middle School Show Choirs. She loves dolphins and whales and hopes to work with them someday as a Marine Biologist. Carlos currently works as a Computer Programmer at Schwans. He is from the Dominican Republic, and studied Nuclear Physics and Mathematics at Moscow State University in Russia. He also spent a year in Italy fulfilling his research residency. From there he came to the United States, where he studied computer programming. Carlos is fluent in Spanish, Russian, and English, and knows enough Italian, French, and Portuguese to communicate. His hobbies include gardening, cooking, and photography. Jennifer works at Schwans as a Systems Analyst. She grew up on a farm in Rothsay, MN, and attended Bethel College (now Bethel University) in Saint Paul, where she also played basketball. She enjoys attending all of her kids' activities as well as scrapbooking and crafting whenever she can find time. As a family, we enjoy traveling, camping, and watching movies. Over the holidays you'll often find us at home playing games and doing puzzles together; a great family tradition! We hope you enjoyed meeting the Criquet-Danielson family. We will resume family profiles after the Christmas break.

**Birthdays
this
month!!**



Ethan Wendorff-4
Dylan Criquet-
Danielson-10
Amanda Biastock-12
Mrs. Ellingson-12
Adyson Fischer-22

Advent Worship: Our final service will be tonight at 7:00 PM. Our theme will be "Secure in the Lord". Prior to worship the PTF will host a BBQ supper beginning at 5:30. Thank you to the Biastock, Lee, Loek, Neyens, Prahl, Wendorff, and Werner families for providing food for this meal.

Children's Christmas Eve Practice: This Saturday, December 22nd all of the children (PreK-8) will meet at Samuel from 9:00-10:30 AM to rehearse for the Children's Christmas Eve Service.

Can You Help? On Saturday, December 22nd starting at 9:00 while the children are practicing for their Christmas service the bags of candy need to be filled. This is done in the cafeteria of the school. After that is completed, about 9:45, we will meet at church to transport chairs to school. If you can help with either or both of these projects, it would be appreciated.

Christmas Vacation: We hope you all have a fun Christmas break. School will resume on Thursday, January 3rd.

Christmas Eve Reminder: PreKindergarten – Grade 2 students should meet in their classrooms by 5:10 PM. Grades 3 – 8 should meet in the lunchroom by 5:10 PM. Please pick up your children in the classrooms and lunchroom following the service.

** Since this is a worship service, please refrain from taking pictures during the service. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones. Thank you.

Great Gift Idea: The PTF of Samuel has Subway and Burger King gift cards in \$10 and \$20 amounts. They also have County Fair and Hy-Vee cards available in some smaller denominations for the holidays. Please see Mrs. Onken in the office to purchase the cards or you can send a check with your student and the cards will be sent home with them.

Benefit: A benefit meal for the Zander family has been scheduled for Sunday, January 13th. Pastor Mark Zander has been experiencing some health issues which caused him to be hospitalized for close to two months. Proceeds from the meal will be used to help with their expenses. More details about the benefit will be forthcoming.

Tables: If you would like to purchase one of the brown tables from school that we are replacing they will be sold on a first come, first served basis for \$20. There are still a few available.

Spelling Bee: The spelling word lists have been given to the students so they can begin learning the words. It seems like a long way off, but before you know it, the days and weeks will have slipped by and we will be into January. A lot can be learned by setting aside a little time each day to study spelling. The official spelling bee is only open to grades 5-8, but we will also have a spelling bee for grades 1-4. The grades 5-8 bee will be held on Monday, January 21, and the bee for grades 1-4 will be on Tuesday, January 22. Let's see who will be the next Samuel Lutheran School Spelling Bee Champion!

Labels for Education Winter Collection Sheet: Labels for Education is offering a special promotion through the end of February. For every 5 *Pepperidge Farms* and 5 Campbell family brands UPC's submitted our school will receive 50 Labels for Education bonus points. Please submit all of your *Pepperidge Farms* UPC's even if you don't have enough to fill a sheet and we will combine them with others we receive. Please turn in your winter collection sheets and UPC's by February 15th.