



Jesus Is Our Good Shepherd

Cougar Chronicle

March 22, 2017

Upcoming Events:

Wed Mar 22
5:30 pm Lenten
Supper
7:00 pm Lenten
Worship

Fri Mar 24
Friday Fun Day

Sun Mar 26
8 & 10:30 am
Worship
9:15 am Sunday
School

Tues Mar 28
7:00 pm Call
Meeting at Church

Wed Mar 29
8:20 am Chapel
5:30 pm Lenten
Supper
7:00 pm Lenten
Worship

Birthdays this month!!



Nathan Noble-6
Hannah Lyons-10
Andrew Heil-16
Mrs. Lyons-16
Mrs. Festerling-17
Grayson Andree-20
Shelby Neyens-23
Jack Thomas-23
Samuel Wiese-24
Brynn Stelter-28

Worship Tonight: Please join us for our Lenten worship service tonight at 7:00 PM. The theme for the service is "Repent: Turn to Jesus; He Longs to Forgive You". Prior to the service you are encouraged to attend the Lenten supper from 5:30-6:30 PM in the church basement. Our youth groups will be serving barbeques. The Fischers, Neyens, and Stelter families are scheduled to help serve this week's meal.

Friday Fun Day: "Are you ready for the madness!?" As the NCAA March Madness begins, we will be having our "Friday Fun Day" right in the midst of it! On Friday, March 24th, students will get to fill out brackets, play some lightning, have a free throw competition, and enjoy several other basketball related things! Students and staff will also get to show off their favorite basketball team with jerseys or shirts on Friday! These don't just have to be teams from the NCAA tournament, they can be ANY basketball team, even the Cougars! Just pick a team and have fun participating!"

Parent Transport Day: Monday, March 27th is a Parent Transport Day. There will be no bus service to or from school that day.

Call: We will hold a meeting to call a director and lead teacher for our ECC on Tuesday, March 28th at 7 PM at church. We pray the Lord of the church blesses us with a person to fill our needs.

PTF: The PTF meeting scheduled for March 27th has been cancelled. Our next meeting will be April 24th at 6:30 PM.

Summer ECC Program: Samuel Lutheran will again have a summer program which is open to those who are 3 years old to those having completed 5th grade. We will be open our regular hours from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. In addition to regular outdoor activities, children will have the opportunity to participate in water activities, crafts, walking trips, intergenerational activities at Boulder Estates and Boulder Creek, and a children's garden. We also participate in the Marshall Public Library summer program and make use of the Marshall Aquatics center on a regular basis. Some time each day is spent on reviewing reading, math, logic and critical thinking through the use of games to keep basic concepts fresh for when school starts again in September. Contracts are available in the ECC classrooms. Since space is limited, we need to have your contract returned by April 7. After that time we will open our program to those that are not attending Samuel Lutheran School. So if you know of someone who would like to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, pass the word along to them about our summer program. For more information or to enroll in the summer program contact the office at 532-2162 or Mrs. Lois Zander (507-401-1893).

Children's Theater: Mark your calendars! Students in grades K-5 will be attending the MLC Children's Theater 2017 production of *Peter Pan* on **Friday, April 28th**. If you know that you would like to drive, please let one of the teachers know your plans.

Thrivent: If you have an insurance policy with Thrivent and are not already taking advantage of their "Choice Dollars Program", like some of our members are, maybe you would consider doing so. This program allows members to choose where some of Thrivent Financial charitable outreach funds go by directing Choice Dollars. You don't have to do anything after you set it up and there is NO cost to you! You can choose to have money sent directly to church or school. Also a reminder to those who are already designating these funds to charitable organizations that you have to call or go online to change or renew where you want the money sent each year by March 31st. They will NOT do it automatically. You can call 1-800-THRIVENT and state "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt or go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice. If you have any questions call the office or speak to Pastor.

Save the Date: Everyone is invited to a retirement open house honoring a very special teacher, Mrs. Lois Zander. The open house will take place on Sunday May 21st at Samuel Lutheran School from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. His lord said unto him, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Matthew 25:21 KJV

FUN-draiser Event: Paint, Canvas and Conversation. Join us for a fun afternoon to raise money for the church and school landscaping projects. Come paint, have fun and take home your own painting to hang on your wall! We will be led by a qualified instructor to help us create our paintings. Adults of all skill levels are invited!

Date: Sunday, April 2nd 3-5pm Location: Brau Brothers (near Perkins) Cost: \$30 which includes all supplies and a beverage. Sign-up sheets are located at church and school. There is a sample of what we will be painting at both locations. Payment will need to be made by Sunday, March 26th (payable to church or school) to Heather Fischer, Jennifer Schreiner or Sarah Zander. Please join us for an a few hours of FUN and fellowship.