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Samuel
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Upcoming Events:

Wed Mar 6
5:30 pm Lenten
Supper
7:00 pm Lenten
Worship

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

Mon Mar 11
NO SCHOOL

Wed Mar 13
8:20 am Chapel
5:30 pm Lenten
Supper
7:00 pm Worship

Fri Mar 15
6:30 pm Pine Car
Derby

Birthdays this month!!

Nathan Noble-6
Hannah Lyons-10
Hannah Scott-13
Andrew Heil-16
Mrs. Festerling-17
Shelby Neyens-23
Levi Doering-25
Carlie Heil-28



Worship Tonight: Please join us for our Lenten worship service tonight at 7:00 PM. The theme for this year's midweek Lenten services is "Names of Wondrous Love". Prior to the service you are encouraged to attend the Lenten supper from 5:30-6:30 PM in the church basement. Tonight our youth groups will be serving lasagna. The Pochardt, L. Schultz and Wendorff families are scheduled to help serve this week's meal.

Singing Tonight: Students in grades 3-8 will sing for the Lenten service tonight. We will meet in the church basement at 6:45 PM.

Our Feature Family: The Hagberg/Loecks Kristina

Kristina is in the 6th grade and has attended Samuel Lutheran since 1st grade. Her five sibling rage in ages from 18 to 33 (3 brothers and 2 sisters). She is the proud aunt to 7 nieces and has a nephew coming his summer. Kristina plays trumpet in the band and is also taking piano lessons. She participated in cheerleading when she was younger and is now active in volleyball and basketball. This year she will be starting JO volleyball. Kristina loves to sing and listen to music, especially her new obsession, One Direction. She likes reading, playing games, swimming and camping. Kristina spends a lot of time in the barn playing with her seven cats. Deanna has been an RN at Avera Marshall for 24 years and loves being able to help her patients. She enjoys reading, camping and gardening which also includes freezing and canning in the fall. Deanna has become an avid Vikings fan and helps Gary cheer them on even when they lose. Gary has worked in the Quality Department at Ralco Nutrition for 8 years. He enjoys gardening, doing yard work and attending an occasional Vikings game or NASCAR race. We hope you enjoyed meeting the Hagberg/Loeck family. Next week we will feature the Noble family.

Scholastic Book Fair: The Scholastic Book Fair will be held March 15-18. The book fair will be open Friday, March 15th from 5:30-8 PM, Sunday, March 17th from 1:30-5:00 PM and Monday, March 18th from 2-6:00 PM. A letter and a preview list of books from the "Story Laboratory" will be sent home with students today. Be sure to take time to read it and find out what is happening at the Book Fair. A new option we have available this year is online shopping which offers a larger selection of books and is open for anyone, family or fiends, to use from March 9th-20th. All books ordered online will be shipped to school, free shipping, after March 20th. Be sure to check out the link <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage//samuelluthsch>.

Penny War or "All for Books": A classroom penny challenge will be held next Thursday through Sunday, March 14-17 of the Book Fair. Anyone interested can bring in pennies and place them in the jars in their classrooms. The classroom with the most pennies will choose a book for their classroom, as well as win an afternoon treat and individual prize! Let's have some fun!

No School: There will be no school on Monday, March 11th for winter break.

MLC Basketball Tournament Recap: The Cougars were in the Division 2 Boys bracket. Our first game was on Saturday morning at Martin Luther College (MLC) against St. John- Dakota. It was a rough game and some players got injured. We tried our best, but didn't win. Riley Swanson, our best post player, went for a rebound and dislocated his pinky-finger. The game ended out 45 to 34. Our second game was later that day at Minnesota Valley Lutheran (MVL) against Belle Plaine. We played a good game with Riley back and won. The final score was 42 to 26. Our last game was on Sunday afternoon at MLC. With all of our players back, including Dylan, we won against Red Wing. Our score was 44 to 31. We won the Consolation prize for our third year in a row! *Kristina Hagberg*

We Did It! Thanks to everyone who "liked" the Thrivent Financial page during the month of February. We received the full \$250 from them which will go to the new uniform fund.

Singing in Vesta: Students in grades Kindergarten through second grade will join the congregations in Vesta and Echo on Sunday, March 17th. Vesta's service begins at **9:00 AM** so please have your child there by 8:45 AM. Following this service we will travel north a few miles to Echo. Their service begins at **10:30 AM**. We will sing at the beginning of their service and your child is excused following our song of praise. If you need assistance with transportation please let your child's teacher know.

EFE Visit: We want to welcome our visitors this week. Students from Martin Luther College (MLC) are spending a week in Mr. Festerling and Mrs. MacArthur's rooms for an Early Field Experience. Sophomores and juniors take time from their spring break to spend a week in an elementary classroom to get a feel what it is like to be in the classroom. It is an experience that helps them know that teaching is really what they want to do for their future vocation. This week Miss Naomi Schwark will be in Mrs. MacArthur's room and Mr. Jason Dutcher will be spending the week in the 6-7-8 grade room.

Afternoon of the Arts: The Afternoon of the Arts will be held on Sunday, March 17th at 3:00 PM. The band will perform and grades 3-8 will sing at this concert. Art projects from all the classes at Samuel will be on display in the gymnasium. Following the concert treats and coffee will be served in the cafeteria. All parents with children in grades 3-8 should bring treats. The parents signed up to work that day are Wendy Rubendall, Debbie Evens and Jon and Stacy Wolff.

Spring Ahead: Remember to set your clocks ahead this Saturday, March 9th as Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 AM on March 10th.

Shower: You are invited to attend a baby shower honoring Becky Swanson on March 23rd from 1-3:00 PM in the church basement. She is registered at both Walmart and Shopko.

Recycling Rumble: It's Samuel Lutheran School vs. Huntsville Tennessee Valley Ambucs from Madison, AL in the 2013 Funding Factory Recycling Rumble. We have been matched based on a comparable recycling rate. Drop off your empty laser and inkjet cartridges, used cell phones, iPods, iPads, MP3 players, GPS devices, games consoles, digital cameras, and laptop computers now through April 23rd to help in this competition. The organization that sends in more qualifying items during this time period will receive a 25% bonus of the value of their products.

Please also continue to send in Box Tops, Labels for Education, County Fair receipts, and Land 'O Lakes milk caps. County Fair receipts for this school year (with dates ending March 31st) must be dropped off at school or church no later than April 9th. Thank you!

Pioneers: Pioneers will meet on Friday, March 15th at Samuel for the Pine Car Derby. It is scheduled to begin at 6:30 PM.