

Giving Thanks to God for Many Years of Grace

> Samuel Lutheran School



Celebrating 125 years of

God's Grace

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## Upcoming Events: Our Feature Family: The Biastocks Amanda

Amanda is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader this year and has attended Samuel since preschool. She is active in volleyball (her favorite sport) and basketball at Samuel as well as JO volleyball. Amanda plays the piano and flute in the school band. She also enjoys reading, singing, and playing with her dog Lucky and cat Oliver. Amanda has two older sisters who also attended Samuel. Anna is a junior at SMSU majoring in History. Abigail is a freshman at SDSU majoring in Pre-Physical Therapy. Her parents are David and Lori. David is a Sr. Systems Analyst at Schwan's. He presently serves on the Samuel School Board as secretary. His interests are gardening, landscaping, and spending time outdoors. Lori is a Registered Respiratory Therapist and a Mary Kay Consultant. She works at the Avera Marshall and Murray County Medical Centers. Her interests include reading, crafts, and Sudoku. David and Lori are both on the Christ Lutheran Church 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. We hope you enjoyed meeting the Biastock family. Next week we will feature the Wiese family.

**No School:** There will be no school Thursday and Friday as our teachers will be attending the Minnesota District Teacher's Conference at West High School in Plymouth.

**Lunch Bills:** Lunch bills were emailed this week. If you did not receive it or have questions, please contact Mrs. Onken.

**Conferences:** There will be no school on Friday, October 26th. Parent-Teacher conferences will be held Thursday evening, October 25th from 3:30-8:30 and Friday, October 26th from 8:30-12:00 PM. A note was sent home today for you to return indicating your time preferences. Appointment times will be sent home next week.

**Christmas Greenery:** Our CLYF will be selling Christmas greens (24" Wreath, 36" Wreath, 25' Balsam Roping, Holiday Swag and Holiday Evergreen Planter) after services October 21st and 28th. Orders will arrive by Thanksgiving.



## From the Nurses Office: Dispensing medicine at school:

Our school nurse, Mrs. Flock, recommends that parents give the following types of things at home before school, after school, and at bedtime if necessary so the school does not need to become involved: Tylenol, Maalox, cough syrups, cough drops, vitamins, or any other over-the-counter (OTC) medications. She also suggests mints or lemon drops work as well as the medicated cough drops. Since these are not medicine, teachers could supervise use of these items. If specific circumstances occur where your child needs to take prescribed medicine at times away from home, you would have to contact Mrs. Flock. She is not in the school every day; she comes in once a week to do paper work and give advice if we have any health questions.

Thur Oct 18 NO SCHOOL

Fri Oct 19 NO SCHOOL

Sun Oct 21 8 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School

Wed Oct 24 8:20 am Chapel

Thur Oct 25 Parent Teacher Conferences

Fri Oct 26 NO SCHOOL Parent Teacher Conferences



Andrew Lee-3 Mrs. Zander-3 Mr. Festerling-4 Sophia Haro-11 Alex Heil-15 Noelle Berg-19 Jacob Heil-25 Mrs. MacArthur-28 Pastor Schreiner-29 Matthew Onken-30 **MVL Volleyball Tournament Results:** Last Saturday was the MVL tournament. First we played Mt. Olive 8th grade. We lost the first set 15 to 20 and we lost the second set 11 to 21. Then we played the Patriots. We lost the first set and lost the 2nd. Then we played Emanuel and lost both. Then we played the Raiders in our last game. In the first set we lost 20 to 21 against the best team in the tournament. Everyone improved a lot this season and we say farewell to the two 8th graders, MacKenzie Schultz and Kalley Evens. We will miss you! We also want to thank our coaches for all the hard work they put in this season, Mrs. Donna Wendorff and Mrs. Stacy Wolff.

Guidelines Opting Out Of (or back into) Hot Lunches at Samuel: Our school lunch program operates under the guidance of the National School Lunch Program. As you know, many new guidelines have been put in place as far as healthy menus. This has caused some concern from students, parents, teachers, cooks, board members, and there may be more. At this point, in an effort to encourage some changes in the students eating habits, we plan to continue with menu planning as we have since the beginning of the year. At the school we hold to the important ideal that lunchtime can also be a learning time for the students. We encourage students to at least try a small portion of new items. We would hope parents would also support us in this effort. Encourage your child to eat the hot lunch and try new foods. Menus are posted in the classrooms and on the website. We also know that some children have not developed a taste or liking for some kinds of food. On occasion there may be that one meal in 25 that just does not go down well with your child. If you feel it is necessary for your child to take his or her own cold lunch for that day, we could understand that choice. But, that choice comes with a price. We don't serve a large number of children. Planning is very tight so we don't waste food and don't waste money. Mrs. VanKampen is willing to work with parents if there is the occasional lunch that your child won't eat. To keep everyone well informed, she asks that the school is notified on Friday before the day when your child will eat his or her own cold lunch. If that notification is not made, the school board has suggested that you may not get a lunch refund for that day. Remember that when your child does not eat hot lunch, we also don't get reimbursement for that lunch and thus lose money from the National School Lunch program. We hope this works as an encouragement to have your child try the new things at lunch time, but in the case where it does not work, please follow the guidelines and inform the school of changes. Call the school at 532-2162 or email lonken@christlutheranmarshallmn.org.

**Harvest Festival:** The PTF of Samuel Lutheran School will be holding their Harvest Festival on Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:00 PM. A free will donation will be taken at our pizza supper which will be served from 5:30-6:30 PM. From 6:30-8:00 PM we will have FREE games and crafts for young and old alike. Come out and have some fun and enjoy some Christian fellowship! We are also looking for any volunteers to help with



games/crafts that night and any one that is willing to donate cakes, pies or cupcakes in a **disposable container** that will be used for one of the games at the Harvest Festival. Baked items cannot contain any peanuts or peanut products in them as one of our students has a peanut allergy and we don't want to have any problems. They may be brought to school the day of Harvest Festival, Friday November 9th. We are also looking to borrow 3-4 hay bales. Please respond by November 2<sup>nd</sup> if you can help. Any questions please call or email Hannah Prahl at 507-337-0785 or <u>prahlmh@yahoo.com</u>. Thanks from the Harvest Festival Committee!