



IT ALL BEGAN WITH GOD

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Upcoming Events:

Wed Dec 19

5:30 pm Advent
Supper

7:00 pm Worship

Sat Dec 22

9:00 am Christmas
Eve practice

Sun Dec 23

8 & 10:30 am
Worship

Mon Dec 24

5:30 pm Children's
Christmas Service
at Samuel

9:00 pm Candlelight
Worship

Tues Dec 25

9:30 am Christmas
Worship

Thur Dec 27

6:30 pm Middle
School Fun Night

Ugly Sweater Day: On the last day of school before Christmas break we are going to make Samuel an **ugly** place to be. Break out that sweater that's buried at the bottom of your closet and wear it proudly! What qualifies as an **ugly** sweater you ask? Well, any Viking sweater would be a good choice or whatever else you have. You don't have to go and buy one; make an okay sweater you have **ugly** by decorating it. Be creative! Be original! Be a good sport and come up with an **UGLY SWEATER**. Remember Friday is the **ugliest** day of the year!

Preparation: We hope you will be able to join us for our final midweek Advent service tonight at 7:00 PM. What a great time to remember what's really important this time of year.

Advent Meal: The PTF of Samuel is hosting a barbeque supper prior to tonight's worship service beginning at 5:30 PM. Thank you to all who have donated food for this!

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 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.

Christmas Eve Reminder: Preschool students should meet in their classroom by 5:10 PM. Grades K – 8 should meet in the lunchroom by 5:10 PM. Please pick up your children in the classroom 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.



December Birthdays

Ethan Wendorff-4

Martin Krenz-5

Aria Schwartz-5

Eliana Marius-6

Evan Krenz-12

Mrs. Ellingson-12

Ramsey Winter-19

Adyson Fischer-22

6-8 Room Christmas Party: We have a Noon dismissal on Friday which is our last day of school before Christmas Break. We will be practicing the Christmas Eve Service in the morning. After practice we will be finishing up Spelling Tests for those that will have to take them on Friday. We will then head to our Christmas Party until we dismiss for lunch at 11:30. If you would like to bring in treats for our Christmas Party that is completely fine. Please just give me a heads up if you will be bringing treats.

As for a gift exchange, I run it a little differently than may have been done in the past. I'm asking that each student brings a \$5 gift card of their choice from any store/restaurant within Marshall. What I then do is either have a drawing or play a Christmas trivia game where either the person whose name is drawn or whoever gets the most points from the trivia game gets to pick from the pile of gift cards and I go on down the line until everyone has been able to pick a gift card. Please let me know if you have any questions on this or anything else about our Christmas Party day.

Christmas Vacation: School will dismiss for Christmas break on Friday at noon. School will resume on Thursday, January 3rd.

Are You Coming? Attention middle school students in grades 5 through 8 – we are planning a “Fun Night” during Christmas break on Thursday, December 27th from 6:30-9:00 PM at Samuel. Join us for games, snacks, devotion, fellowship, and FUN! Sign up on the sheet by the bulletin board by December 26th.

Snow Shoveling: We are in need of people to sign up to shovel the school entrances, especially the EC entrance so teachers can get in by 7:30 AM. Contact the school office if you can help. There is also a sign-up sheet at church for the school shoveling.

Spelling Bee: The Christmas vacation is a good time to work extra hard on the spelling words. Please note that the spelling bee is being held early in January so you will not have as long after Christmas to study! 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 14, and the bee for grades 1-4 will be on Wednesday, January 16th. Both will begin at 1 PM. Let's see who will be the next Samuel Lutheran School Spelling Bee Champion!