



Cougar Chronicle

December 4, 2019

Upcoming Events:

Wed Dec 4
5:30 pm Advent
Supper
7:00 pm Worship

Sat Dec 7
Basketball at
Redwood Falls
5:00 pm Christ
Lutheran volunteers
at Light up the
Night

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

Wed Dec 11
8:30 am Chapel
5:30 pm Advent
Supper
7:00 pm Worship

Advent: Our first midweek advent service is tonight at 7:00 PM. Prior to our worship we will be serving a spaghetti supper from 5:30-6:30.

Spirit Day on Friday: A reminder that the first Friday of the month (December 6) is Cougar/Spirit Day! Students are encouraged to show their Cougar pride by wearing blue and white.

Basketball: Our basketball teams will be attending the St. John's Basketball Tournament at Redwood Falls on Saturday. Good luck Cougars!!

On Time: While we know that there are many things that can mess up our schedules, it is very important that parents pick up their children from extra curricular activities on time. Many times those who are helping with the programs have schedules to meet as well and cannot stay around past the end of practice. Coaches are obligated to stay until every child is picked up. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas Concert: On Sunday, December 8th the children of our school (Preschool-8th grade) will present their Christmas concert. The concert begins at 3:00 PM. We will line up in the classrooms at 2:45. Pre-concert piano music begins at 2:30.

Serving Committee for Concert: Cookies and juice/coffee will be served after the concert in the cafeteria. Parents signed up to host the fellowship time are: Megan Konold, Lacey Kesteloot and Lacey Timm.

Christ Lutheran Night at Light Up the Night! We hope you are planning to stop by Independence park this Saturday anytime from 5-9 as Christ Lutheran is hosting the Prairie Home Hospice Light up the night festivities. A number of our members have already volunteered to lend a hand with the various things that need to be done such as concessions, line attendants, greeters and tractor drivers. If you can believe the forecast, and when can't you believe it, looks like it is going to be a nice "warm" evening! If you would still like to volunteer you can sign up on the sheet at church tomorrow at the Advent Service. If you would like to be a backup in case someone can't make it talk to pastor. All of the proceeds that night are going directly to our local hospice so come and be a part of the giving. **Singing**-We are asking that any students in 3-8 grade lend their voices singing Christmas carols at 7:30 at the shelter. We will have printed songs for them to sing.

PTF Advent Meals: PTF will be serving a meal prior to the Wednesday evening Advent services on December 11th and 18th. Parents on the committee for the 11th are Wendy Rubendall and Hannah Prah - chairpersons, Heather Fischer, Lori Schultz, and Susan Krenz; for the 18th they are Donna Wendorff - chairperson, Susan Krenz, Michelle Lee and Heather Fischer.



December Birthdays

Ethan Wendorff-4
Martin Krenz-5
Eliana Marius-6
Evan Krenz-12
Mrs. Ellingson-12
Ramsey Winter-19
Adyson Fischer-22

Spelling Lists: The spelling list sheets that your students can use to study for the classroom and school spelling bees were sent home on Monday, December 2. The faculty will finalize a date for the school spelling bee at their next faculty meeting in December.

Science Fair: We will be having a Science Fair again this year; however, there will be some changes to how it has been done in the past and when it will be held. This year we will be having our Science Fair on Sunday, March 15 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. instead of on a Friday night like in year's past. Another change is that this will be mandatory for all students in grades 3-8. The final change is that students will be required to be at their display boards to explain their project, what they have learned, and answer any questions from the judges. This is all explained in greater detail in the Science Fair Handbook that will be sent home on Monday, December 16. Please take note of the due date deadlines for the project as has been done in the past. Please contact Mr. Obry with any questions.

Childcare During Christmas Break: In order to better staff the childcare center and know the needs of our families over Christmas break we ask that you please respond back to Sarah Zander no than **Monday, December 9th**. We are hoping to fulfill the needs of all of our families over Christmas break. We will let you know by next Wednesday, December 11th if we will be providing childcare services over Christmas break. Please indicate which days, if any, you will be needing our childcare center.

CLOSED: December 24th, 25th & January 1st

If we have enough staff and children in attendance we will be open 7:30AM- 5:30PM on: Monday, December 23rd, Thursday, December 26th, Friday, December 27th, Monday, December 30th, Tuesday, December 31st and back to classes on January 2nd

Singing in Church: Please note that grades 3 – 8 will be singing in next week's (December 11th) Advent service at 7:00 PM. Please have your child meet in the church basement at 6:45 PM.

Children's Christmas Eve Practice: Our first Children's Christmas Eve practice will be held on Saturday, December 14th. Grades K-8 will meet from 9:00-11:00 AM. Preschool students are asked to be here from 10:00-11:00 AM and meet in their classroom. The following Saturday, December 21st, all of the children (Preschool-8) will meet from 9-10:30 AM. Attendance is VERY important.

Christmas for Kids: Christ Lutheran will be hosting "Christmas for Kids", a one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, December 14th for kids from Preschool through 4th grade. It will run from 11:00 AM (right after our first children's Christmas practice is over) until 1:30 PM. If you plan to send your child please register them so we know how many to plan for lunch. There is a signup sheet on the table in the narthex at church or you can call the office to register.

Influenza Symptom Screening Tool: Attached with today's Cougar Chronicle is an influenza guideline to help you determine if your child has influenza like symptoms and if they should stay home from school. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Flock, our school nurse at joyce.flock@yahoo.com.

Walking Taco Meal Fundraiser: We are planning a Walking Taco meal on Saturday, January 11th after the St. James basketball games. Proceeds from the meal will be used to purchase some additional basketball uniforms. If you would be willing to help with this meal, please contact the office.