



Worship Service Opportunities

Sun. Dec. 17 Worship @8:15 & 10:30 a.m., 8:15 Sunday School Christmas Program. Mon. Dec. 18 Worship @6:30 p.m. Wed. Dec. 20 Chapel @8:05 am.

THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL



Thursday, Dec. 14

Girls B-ball practice 3-5 pm.

Friday, Dec. 15

Grades 4K-2 field trip to Grand Theatre 8:15-11:15 am. PTO snack day. Brownies will be available for purchase during am. recess.

Sunday, Dec. 17

See you in church.

Monday, Dec. 18

Girls B-ball practice 3-5 pm.

Tuesday, Dec. 19

Boys B-ball practice 3-5 pm.

Wednesday, Dec. 20

Grades 1-8 Christmas Program 6:30 pm.

CHAPEL OFFERING



During the 2nd quarter of this school year, the chapel offerings collected on Wednesdays will be used to support the work of Rev. Dr. Daniel and Joan Jastram. Rev. Dr. Jastram serves as a missionary throughout Asia, based in Tokyo, Japan. Please consider sending a weekly chapel offering with your child every Wednesday. The goal for each quarter is \$300. This breaks down to .30 per student weekly. So far this quarter, Chapel offerings total \$156.96. Thank you for your support.

REMINDER TO PARENTS

THE MONTHLY EDUCATION FEE PAYMENTS WERE DUE ON DECEMBER 1. A \$15.00 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED IF PAYMENT IS RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 15.

Principal Brian Elmhurst - Extension 1011
IN THE CLASSROOM

-[message](#) through FastDirect

The seventh and eighth grades are getting ready for Christmas break. It has been a great first half of the school year. Before Christmas break we will be having a math test, reading homework and religion assignments. Please encourage your students to continue to stay focused in school as we near the Christmas break.



is ready to go. All we need is an audience now! The students should arrive at school on Wednesday, December 20th at 6:10. The students should report to the lunchroom to drop off jackets.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The seventh and eighth grade Christmas Party will be held on December 22nd. Cookies and treat are always welcome.

FAMILY GREETERS

We are looking for some families that are interested in greeting in church on Sundays. This is a great way for our school families to connect with our church families. If you are interested in this type of outreach, please contact Lori in the church office.

PreSchool/PreKindergarten Rebecca Griesbach - Extension 1005 -message through FastDirect

We will be reviewing the letter Ll and Cc, their sounds and things that begin with them. We will also be reviewing the color brown, a square and the number 4 four. The 4K will practice counting 1-40 and the 3K will be 1-20. We will be practicing our Christmas Program at the beginning of the week and then Dress Rehearsal Wednesday at 8:15am (3K here between 8:00-8:45) and then the Christmas Program that night at 6:30 (meet in the room by 6:15). Please do not panic if your child does not want to come up in front for the program or does not sing. We are practicing each day and encourage but some feel like deer in the headlights that night. If they end up being frightened they may come and sit with you in the pew. I do not let the children know this but feel I should share this with you just in case.

A huge thank you to Thrivent Action Team and all the parents who volunteered to help set-up, clean-up, bring candy or milk for the Happy Birthday Jesus Celebration in the basement after the Christmas Program.

Policy Reminder

Inclement Weather

In case of severe inclement weather, St. Paul follows the directive of the Manawa School District.

An automated phone call will be given to all parents from the public school representative announcing these cancellations/late starts/early dismissals.

All preschool classes for the day will be cancelled if there is a 2-hour delay.

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becca Griesbach - Extension 1005 -message

Dec 13-3K/4K/Kindergarten Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal at 8:15. All 4K will have class from 8:00-11:00.

Dec 13-3K/4K/Kindergarten Christmas Program at 6:30 pm

Dec.15-4K-2nd Field Trip to the movie *The Star*. The bus will be leaving at 8:15 and returning at 11:15. There will be no afternoon 4K class that day with us all going on the field trip together.

Dec 15- Christmas Program DVD order form & money due.

Thank you to Jake Timm, Kennedy & Hadley's Dad, for volunteering to record & make the Christmas Program DVD. All money raised will go towards education supplies for the classroom. We are very blessed to have such talented parents volunteer their time and skills.

Dec 21-3K Classroom Christmas Parties

Dec 22-4K Classroom Christmas Parties

Dec 23-Jan 1- Christmas Break - No School

Kindergarten Debbie Hintz - Extension 1008 -message through FastDirect

The Christmas Program is TONIGHT; Wednesday, December 13th at 6:30p.m. Please have your child to the Kindergarten room between 6:10 and 6:15. This will give enough time for a bathroom break and putting on of costumes. At the end of the program the children will exit together. Children may leave the line and join their families in the pew as we walk by. Any remaining children can be picked up in the fellowship room located at the back of church. Please leave costumes in the back fellowship area before coming downstairs. There will be a Happy Birthday Jesus Celebration in the school lunchroom (basement) after the program and the children will receive treat bags. Everyone is invited; parents, grandparents, siblings, etc. Funding for our event has been provided through a Thrivent Action Team and our families. Thank you!

Please return all library books to school before the break!

Our classroom Christmas party will be next week Friday in the afternoon. Shauna Timm is sending a healthy treat and Carrie Meidam is sending drink pouches. The student of the day may bring a sweet treat.

Religion: The First Christmas; Math: Comparing Numbers/More and Less; Reading Theme: The Polar Express; Phonics: r and k.



Imhorst - Extension 1015 -



Spelling was wonderful this week. All had 100%...except for one who only had the challenge words wrong. Great Job kids! Christmas program practice is on! They are really doing a great job on their lines and songs. Wonderful work parents and students! Christmas party is coming up. Friday, December 22nd at 1:00 will be the party. We have Darci VandenHeuvel and Ashley Schertz down for games, Darci VandenHeuvel down for healthy treats, and Taren Redmann down for sweet treats. Please check in with us if this is not going to work for you. We encourage you all to stop in and see the wonderful holiday writing your children have done. It is up on our classroom wall. Stop in any time. God's blessings to you all.

Upcoming event:

Christmas Program is on Wednesday, December 20th at 6:30.

Christmas party will be at 1:00 on Friday, December 22nd.

Christmas break will be from Saturday, December 23rd until we come back on Tuesday, January 2nd.

2nd Grade Brenda Jenks - Extension 1020 -message through FastDirect

Our story of the week is "Dear Juno". A Spelling pretest will be given Thursday and the final Reading and Spelling test will be on Monday since there's Christmas program practice Friday afternoon. We are looking forward to the movie Friday morning: please send in permission slips and \$5 if you haven't yet. Chaperones are welcome to attend (cost: \$5) but will need to drive separately due to limited space on the bus. We will be leaving St. Paul at 8:15 and should return around 11:00 or 11:15. Our class Christmas party will be next Friday afternoon, December 22, beginning at 12:45. I will be sending out FastDirect messages to parents who have volunteered to provide refreshments. Have a wonderful weekend.

3rd and 4th Grade Rachel Beyer - Extension 1023 -message through FastDirect

Christmas parts were handed out and sent home on Monday. Your child's part is highlighted. Parts should be memorized by Friday. The parts are short and easy to learn. Thanks to all who sang last Sunday. Next week Wednesday is the Christmas program for grades 1-8. It begins at 6:30 so be to school by 6:15. Have a great rest of the week and weekend.

5th and 6th Grade Josh Korotka - Extension 1022 -message through FastDirect

Thank you to those that sang last Sunday. It was great! Please remember with basketball, time is limited after school but homework is still a priority. Week 13 memory is due Friday and they will have Reading and Spelling tests also. In science we are learning about sound waves and soon we will study about light waves. This is a new topic for most. Please review what we read in class for a better understanding. Next week we will be exchanging Secret Santa gifts. Everyone has a person's name. Please limit the gift to \$5-\$10.