



# I am the vine; you are the branches." - John 15:5

# **Worship Schedule:**

Sunday, September 10th @ 10:00 a.m. (Education Sunday)

- Sunday School & Bible Class @ 9:00 a.m.

Monday, September 11th @ 6:30 pm.

**Welcome Back!**: We are excited to have our students and families back along with some new faces for the 2023-2024 school year! Join us in welcoming those returning students as well as some of our new students:

#### PreK-4:

Chandler Asel
Hunter Bullock
Bruce (Warren) Collicker
Colton Couturier
Emma Faulk
James Hurley
Eli Jablonski
Atlas Kerkau
Joseph Nalewyko III
Iris Nordstrom
Connor Roth
Bowen Rousee
Elisha Thooft
Jace Vallender
Opal Welton

Wyatt Westphal



## PreK-3:

Jade Beyer
Kate Brown
Scarlett Connaghan
Leo Fabera
Brayden Jezewski
Riley Kramer
Sutton Kramer
Hudsyn Scharich
Eva Watkins
Avery Weiler

## Kindergarten:

Ella Albrecht Oakleigh Ball Wesley Beyer Lilah Foster Chance Herrera Aurora Longley Aiden Pillot Abigail Vanness Adam Weiler Jr.

#### Grade 1:

**Paisley Reinig** 

**Education Sunday:** Education Sunday is Sunday, September 10th. This Sunday is an opportunity to thank our Lord for providing us with the school and Christian education that we are able to provide. There will be a picnic following the service that will include food and games for all ages. Please join us for this special event!

<u>Sunday School & Bible Class</u>: With the beginning of the school year brings the start of Sunday School and Bible Class. Those programs will resume Sunday, September 10th.

**Enrollment**: Once again the Lord has blessed us with our enrollment. Our preschool enrollment is 26 students (16 in PreK-4 & 10 in PreK-3). Our K-8 enrollment is 76 students, up from 75 students last year. *Thank you to all the parents, families, staff, volunteers and congregation members who support our school and who place a priority on Christian education!* 

<u>Mums Fundraiser</u>: Order forms and money need to be turned in to Mrs. Killinger by Tuesday, September 5th (today!). Mums will be delivered to school and available for pickup on Thursday, September 14th.

<u>Dismissal Change</u>: To more efficiently use our building and parking lot space, we will again this year have two pick up locations at the end of the day. Children will be dismissed either to the front hallway facing the Pine Road parking lot or the Multi-Purpose Room located by the Ridge Road parking lot. Teachers will work with the children the first week of school in directing them to which parking lot they are to be dismissed to.

<u>Mission Program</u>: Our first quarter mission offering is going to support Kingdom Workers Indonesia, who are helping to bring clean water and sanitation solutions to rural Indonesia along with the message of the gospel. On Monday, September 18th a presenter from Kingdom Workers Indonesia will present to our students about the work that is being done there. Parents and congregation members are invited to attend this presentation.

<u>Registration Day Forms</u>: Although we made most of Registration Day digital, there are a few forms that were taken home on Registration Day that need to be returned. Specific information about these forms will be provided this week. If you have forms that need to be returned, please do so as soon as possible.

**Registration Day Bills:** If you have not paid your book fees in full for the school year, you are reminded that monthly payments are expected until your account is paid in full. Monthly reminders of the status of accounts will be sent out. *To avoid interest fees, please arrange to have your account paid in full by January 1st, 2024.* If there are special circumstances that might impact your account, please discuss that with Mr. Thooft.

**QuickSchools:** If you do not have your QuickSchools login information please contact your child's teacher to be sent that information. QuickSchools is the best way to stay up to date with your child's grades.

**Remind Group & Facebook Group:** If you have not joined our school-wide Remind group please contact Mrs. Friske to get signed up. Remind is a great way for us to get announcements out to all school families in a timely way. If you are on Facebook and are not already a part of our private school group, please consider joining. Reminders are posted in the group as well as information and photos of school events.

MLS Cross Country: The MLS Cross Country meet for grades 3-8 will be held on Wednesday, September 20th @ Wickes Park in Saginaw. Three races will take place on this date. 3rd and 4th graders will run a ½ mile course at 4:30. 5th and 6th graders will run a 1 mile course, starting around 4:40 and the 7th and 8th graders will run 1 ½ miles around 5:00. If your child is interested in participating please let Mr. Thooft know by Monday, September 11th.

<u>Owosso Cross Country</u>: Grades 3-8 are also invited to participate in the Owosso Cross Country Meet put on by Salem Lutheran School. Dates for these meets are Wed., Sept. 13 and or Wed., Sept. 27 at 5:00 P.M. Students are not required to participate in both meets. The meets will be held at DeVries Nature Conservancy (address is 2635 N. M-52). If your child would like to participate, please contact Mr. Thooft by Monday, September 11th.

<u>Water Bottle Filling Station</u>: New this year is the installation of a water bottle filling station. Students will be able to easily fill and refill their water bottles during the school day. We are thankful to the CEA for this improvement to our school.

## **Birthdays:**

Avery Weiler - PreK-3 - September 2nd

#### **Coming Up:**

- 9/05 First Day of School ½ Day
- 9/08 MALL League Meeting
- 09/10 Education Sunday/Church Picnic
- 09/15 Principals' Conference
- 09/21 Family Fun Night
- 09/22 ½ Day of School (Faculty In-Service)
- 09/24 CEA Meeting (After Church)
- 10/04-10/06 State Teachers' Conference (No School)
- 10/11 Class Pictures

## **Upcoming Singing Schedule Dates:**

- 09/10 Grades 1-8 (Education Sunday)
- 10/15 Cantate Choir
- 10/22 Cherub Choir
- 10/29 PreK/Kindergarten

# <u>Soccer Game Schedule (Games begin at 4 unless otherwise noted)</u>:

- 09/08 vs Salem @ Owosso (4:30 pm)
- **09/12 vs** St. B's **@ Bethel**
- 09/14 vs Trinity @ Trinity
- 09/15 vs Sag/Hem @ Bethel
- 09/19 vs SJBC @ Kawkawlin
- 09/22 vs Trinity @ Bethel
- 09/26 vs Burton @ Bethel (5:00 pm)
- 09/30 Tournament @ TBD

**Check these out!:** Did you know our Synod had a variety of family resources? Below are a couple links that include family devotions that can be used at home as well as articles on a variety of parenting and family topics. I pray these resources are helpful to you and your family.

Family Devotions: <u>Family Devotions – WELS</u>

Forward in Christ Parent Conversations: Parents - FORWARD IN CHRIST

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## **MLS Jr. Cardinal Sports Programs**

This fall MLS is excited to offer three different opportunities for grade school age children to come experience MLS! Deadlines to register for these programs vary and are coming up soon, so don't wait to sign up. We are offering the following programs:

Jr. Cardinal Flag Football League (September 13 to October 21)

Jr. Volleyball Club (October 15 to November 19)

Jr. Cardinal Pom Clinic (October 15)

