



St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

December 13, 2024

Equipping and Empowering Families and Students Through Christ

Keep in Christ in Christmas Worship Opportunities at St. James in December

December 15: 8 and 10:30 Worship services

December 18: 8:20 a.m. Chapel

7:00 p.m. Advent Worship

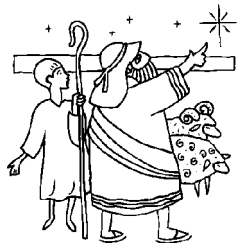
December 22: 8 and 10:30 Worship services

Sunday School Christmas Program at 10:30

December 24: 4:15 p.m. Christmas Eve Divine Service

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 25: 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Divine Service



On Earth Peace

The students and staff will present our Christmas program on Thursday, December 19 at 6:30 p.m. and again on Friday, December 20 at 10:00 a.m. We invite you all to join us at whichever time works best for you to celebrate our Savior's

birth knowing that it is only the beginning of his road to Calvary, and his resurrection.

Christmas Spirit Week December 16-20



Monday: Christmas Pajamas

Tuesday: Dress as your favorite Christmas movie/show character.

Wednesday: Christmas Accessory Day

Thursday: Ugly Christmas Sweater Day

Friday: Dress Your Best – School Christmas Program at 10:00 a.m.

Celebrate St. James: We have received a very generous anonymous donation to our fund. Our new total is \$64,859.45. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Chapel update: The new total for our offerings for Love Inc. this quarter is \$237.28.

Sun., December 15

8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Divine Services

Wed., December 18

8:20 a.m.

Chapel

7:00 p.m.

Advent Worship

Sun., December 22

8:00 a.m.

Divine Services

10:30 a.m.

Sunday School Christmas Program

In Our Prayers: This upcoming week please add these prayer requests to your daily prayer time.



Say a prayer for...

† Thanks for living in a country where we can celebrate Christmas freely and without fear of punishment.

† Thanks for our everyday blessings of food, clothes, home, family.

† For hearts that yearn for God's Word.

† For safety in traveling through winter conditions.

† For those who are ill, especially Mrs. Olsen's father, Mrs. Kotila's niece, Kayden's grandpa, and Pastor Loeslie.

† Help us to keep Christ at the center of all our Christmas celebrations.

† For the homeless to find warm shelter.

† For missionaries serving your church around the world.

† For Christians living in places where it is dangerous to profess Jesus as their Savior.

† For those serving in the military, especially those who must be away from their families.

† For students and staff as we strive to be disciples sent by Jesus to do His will wherever we are.

† For our leaders to govern with wisdom and integrity.

Heads up for January

We do NOT have school on the 2nd and 3rd. HLWW DOES have school those days.

January 17th: We DO have school and HLWW DOES NOT. There is no bussing on Jan. 17th.

Next Weeks at St. James:

Mon., Dec. 16

4:00 p.m. Home BB game vs. Wayzata

Tues., Dec. 17

3:00-4:45 p.m. BB practice

Wed., Dec. 18

8:20 a.m. Chapel

7:00 p.m. Advent Worship

Thurs., Dec. 19

Library

6:30 p.m. P-8 Christmas Program

Fri., Dec. 20

10:00 a.m. P-8 Christmas Program

Sun., Dec. 22

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship services

10:30 a.m. Sunday School Christmas program

Dec. 23- Jan. 5

Christmas vacation

Meet your 2024 fifth and sixth grade boys basketball team. Standing: Tanner Koch, Braxton Gulso, Bryce Koosman, Micah Reich. Kneeling: Ragnar Grotte, Josh Teske-Holmgard, Owen Davis.



The boys have one more home game, next Monday, December 16 at 4:00 p.m. vs. Wayzata. Come watch the action and cheer them on.

New to St. James this year: Lydia Kurtzhals was born on December 6, 2012 in Rochester, MN. Her parents are Aaron and Naomi Kurtzhals. Her younger siblings are, Judah and Grace.



Lydia's favorite person in the Bible is Jesus and history is her favorite subject in school. In her free time, Lydia likes to do botany, sewing, art, baking, biking, reading, running,

and writing. Little House on the Priage and Wingfeather Saga are her favorite TV shows. Mexican food is her go to meal. If she could change something in our world, Lydia would end abortions. For a career, Lydai is deciding between teacher, singer, photographer, botanist, or fashion designer.

Our 1-4 grade students submitted Christmas drawings to the Howard Lake Herald. Look for some of those to be appearing in upcoming editions of the local newspaper.



Fresh air: Second graders enjoy the time to climb and play outdoors.

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