



Good Shepherd Charger News

“In His Time”

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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Something to Consider:

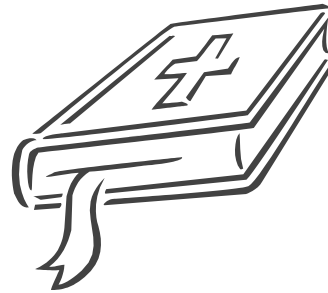
Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 2:21

Some people believe that you can't be certain of your salvation until after you die. But the New Testament is filled with assurances—that God's deep desire is for everyone to receive the gift of salvation, that Christ's sacrifice on the cross was sufficient to cover all sin,

that any person who is forgiven and cleansed by Christ's blood is heir to eternal life.

God doesn't want you to live your life wondering if you will make it to Heaven. He wants you to know that He is preparing a place for you. Jesus said to the thief who hung beside Him on the cross, “This day you will be with me in paradise.” That day, with his dying breath,



a criminal turned to Jesus and received the assurance of his salvation.

Charger Headlines:

Advent Season

This season brings great joy and giving. As we await for the coming of the Lord, let us always set our mind on Him and the true message of Christmas. Good Shepherd has services available the next two Wednesdays at 4:30/7:00pm with a soup supper in between. Come and celebrate the coming of our Lord!

Christmas Concert Gr. K-2

The K-2 Christmas Concert will be Tuesday, December 9th at 7:00pm. Kindergarten students should meet in the cafeteria at 6:40pm. Grades 1-2 should meet in the Music room at 6:40pm. All K-8 string students will be performing and should meet in the church sanctuary at 6:40pm (including K-2 string students). Concert Dress for K-2: best dress of any color. (Please, no denim). Doors to the church will open at

6:30pm. Please do not arrive earlier than 6:30pm.

Christmas Concert Gr. 3-8 and Band Pictures

The grade 3-8 Christmas Concert will be Tuesday, December 16th at 7:00pm. 5-8th grade band yearbook pictures will be taken in the church beginning at 6:00pm with individual pictures (if desired) immediately following. Band students should arrive at 6:00pm and immediately put instruments together in the cafeteria and come to the Church Sanctuary for the full band picture. Grade 5-8 choir students will meet in the cafeteria at 6:40pm. Grades 3-4 will meet in the Music Room at 6:40pm. Strings students may put cases in the connecting hallway and meet in the sanctuary at 6:40pm. Parents and guests: doors will open at 6:30pm when band

pictures have concluded. Please do not arrive earlier as you will not be able to enter and be seated. All Band students will need instruments and music.

5th grade band students will need folding music stands if they own one.

Concert dress for grades 5-8: black bottoms and white dress shirt/blouse.

Concert dress for grades 3-4: best dress of any color. (Please, no denim).

Christmas Concert DVDs

Complete the order form if you would like to order a DVD of the Gr. 3-8 or K-2 Christmas Concerts. The cost will be \$14 for each DVD. The concerts will be on separate DVDs. Please make checks payable to GSLS and send to the office with the order form distributed at the concert.

A Look Ahead

Sunday, December 7

-Singing for the Savior Choir
8:00am

Monday, December 8

-Scrip Orders Due By 9:00am

-Market Day Pick-up Day 3:00-4:30pm

-Girls AD Basketball at Zion
Belleville 6:30pm

-Board Meeting 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 9

-Gingerbread House Through
Thursday, December 11th

-Christmas Concert Grades
Kdg.-Grade 2 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 10

-Gingerbread House Through
Thursday, December 11th

-Daisies and Brownies Pictures
8:00am in the cafeteria

-Advent Services 4:30 & 7:00pm

Thursday, December 11

-Chapel 8:35am

-Gingerbread House Concludes

-Girls & Boys D Basketball
Home vs St. Paul Troy 6:30pm

-Boys AC Basketball at Holy
Cross 6:30pm



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks – Scrip

We have two weekly order dates left before Christmas - Dec. 8th, & 15th.

Plan ahead and order each week for gifts and entertaining. Please have your order in the school office by 9:00a.m. Walk-up sales will resume on Fridays from 2:45 - 3:30 p.m. and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. If you have any questions please contact the school office 344-3153. Tell your family & friends about this program - anyone may participate!

Looking for the Perfect Gift?

Take the guesswork out of gift giving.... Christmas Scrip Certificates are available! Scrip certificates can be redeemed for gift certificates to over 40 stores including American Eagle Outfitters, Best Buy, Build-A-Bear, Kohls and more! And, Scrip Certificates help both our school families and our school. It's the perfect gift! Available now in the school office!

Market Day

Pick up day is Monday, December 8th from 3:00-4:30pm in the cafeteria. We appreciate your support and we are looking forward to seeing you at our next Market Day sale!!

Church Doors Locked

The church doors will remain locked during Chapel. All parents coming to Chapel or visitors will need to enter through the school doors for security purposes.

Box Tops and Labels

The winning class for the Box Tops and Labels Program contest for the month of November is 2-2. Mrs. Schultz's class collected a total of 576 box tops and labels with an average of 27 box tops and labels per student.

We added 2,241 box tops and labels for the month of November totaling 16,042 box tops and labels for this school year.

Piano Recital

Mrs. Fuhrman's students will perform at the piano recital on Monday, December 22nd at 7:00pm in the church balcony.

Children's Community Christmas Party

The community party is open to children ages 0-12 years old and hosted by the American Legion on 1022 Vandalia Street, Collinsville, on Saturday, December 13th from 12:00-2:00pm.

Free food, activities and small gifts for children. Bring your own camera for pictures. Parents must accompany their children.

Festival of Lessons & Carols

To mark the close of the Christmas season, the musicians of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church are presenting a special Epiphany service featuring John Leavitt's Festival of Lessons and Carols. The service will include choir, orchestra and congregational hymn singing. Please join us on January 4 at 4pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1300 Beltline Road, Collinsville, IL. For additional information please call 344-3151.

Getting to Know CHS

Collinsville High School is offering events to assist students in the high school transition and registration/course selection process. The scheduled events are:

*Getting to Know CHS

Thursday, January 22nd in the CHS Auditorium from 7-8:15pm

*CHS Open House

All 8th grade students and families

Saturday, January 24th

CHS Counseling Department

8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-4:00pm

If you have any questions, please call the CHS

In Our Prayers this Week:

Each week this school year, the faculty will be praying for the school families.

Please remember these and others in your prayers. The families of:

Keagan G., Alex H., Olivia J., Lexi J., and Douglas K.

Auction Up-dates

Homeroom Basket Themes

3's PS Arts & Crafts for Kids

4's PS We Love Our Pets

Kindergarten Sweet Tooth

1st Gr. Boys Will Be Boys & Sugar and Spice

2nd Gr. Spending the Day with Grandpa and Grandma

3rd Gr. In the Garden

4th Gr. Summer Time Fun

5th Gr. Mr. & Mrs. Fix-It

6th Gr. Family Fun Night

Mr. Rinker's Homeroom Breakfast in Bed

Mr. Voss's Homeroom Home Office

Mrs. Kegley's/ Mr. Winters Homerooms Games and Puzzles

Auction Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help make this a great auction. Remember, if you can only do a small amount, that is valuable and needed! Please contact the school office.

Auction Reservations

This is a fun way to help support the school. Don't miss out on this fun evening out and wonderful way to support a great cause! Call your friends and get a table or come and

make new friends.

The auction is Sat., March 21, 2015. Call 618-344-3153 or visit the school office for more information. Reservations and donations can be made at the school office.

Auction Donations

Yes! YOU can get involved by donating an item or service or attending the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Auction.

Everyone should be given the opportunity to contribute to this annual fundraiser. Your individual participation is needed for this event to succeed! Please participate for our students!

The purpose of Good Shepherd Lutheran School is to provide each student with a quality Christian Education. We recognize that this begins with the premise that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and in Him we have eternal life. The curriculum and all activities are developed around this premise.

Retreads...

Praise and Thanksgiving

As the holiday season gears up, carefully plan your family time now. Remember when you were a child bursting with anticipation? Focus on the true meaning of the holidays as we approach the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

School Lobby Doors

For the safety of our students, the lobby doors will remain locked until 3:00pm on school days. As a reminder, please do not let other people into the building.

Girl Scout/Daisy Picture

If your daughter is in a Daisy Troop/Brownies/Girl Scouts they are invited to be in a picture for the yearbook. The picture will be taken Wednesday, December 10th at 8:00am in the gym. The girls should bring their daisy vests/sash to wear.

December Chapel Offering

The Chapel offering for the month of December is Collinsville Area Ministerial (CAMA) Food Pantry in our community.

Christmas Sale Items

The Christmas Sales were distributed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 20th & 21st. If you have problems with your order, please do not wait to contact Great American so they can correct the problem. Their customer care phone number is 1-800-251-1542.

Student Gift Exchange

Please read your child's classroom newsletter to see how each class will conduct their student exchange this year.

The school will be emphasizing a service project in hopes that you would consider contributing to Toys for Tots, SOS and Give Warmth. Any questions, contact your child's teacher.

Reminder... Absent From School

If your child will be absent, please call the school office each morning so both the office and the teacher are informed. If your child is sick, he/she needs to stay at home. Remember, your child must be fever free **WITHOUT** the use of Tylenol or Motrin for 24 hours before returning to school. Please do not expose other children unnecessarily. A doctor's written excuse is needed to return to school. Always bring a note to the teacher when your child returns to school.

Also, please pick up your child's work in T.R.A.C.K.S. (After School Care) after 3:30 p.m. Picking up your child's work will help him/her keep up with the class.

Over the Counter Medicine

As a reminder, GSLS is no longer providing over the counter medicine. Please send in the appropriate medicine for your child to take during the school day. We will still call each and every time the medicine needs to be administered.

Morning Drop Off

When you drop off or pick up your children, please do so in the proper areas. The main drop off is meant to be a quick drop off. If you need more time, please use the other lane or park and let your child get their items for school. Thanks for working together in this process.
