



Good Shepherd Charger News

“Anchored in Christ”

Hebrews 6:19-20

Thirtieth Edition

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Something to Consider:

God's mercy is so abundant, and His love for us is so great, that while we were spiritually dead in our disobedience he brought us to life with Christ.

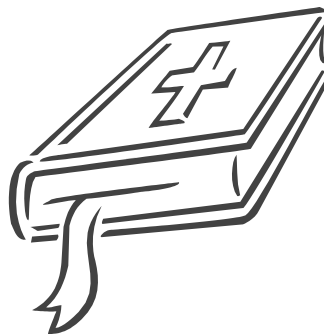
Ephesians 2:4-5

Before you ever thought about Him, a merciful God loved you and executed a plan to redeem your life. His goodness and mercy defeated sin and judgment and opened the way of peace for you. That mercy

is available to you every day.

If you feel you have failed God, His mercy will free you from guilt and condemnation. If you feel you have failed someone else, His mercy will be upon you as you seek to make things right. And God's mercy will always be available for you to pass along to others.

We all need mercy—both to give and to receive. God is the source. Look to Him and He will give you all you need.



Charger Headlines:

Young Scientists Do Outstanding at Fair

Students from Good Shepherd Lutheran School in Collinsville, Illinois, participated in the Regional Science and Engineering Research Challenge at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on April 2, 2016 and received 'Outstanding Awards' for their projects. The IJAS State Science Exposition will be held at the Millikin University on May 13-14, 2016.

Grade 5: Jacob B., Lillie C., Marlaina G., Kanalu W.;

Grade 7: Ryan P., Molly S.;

Grade 8: Reagan G. Reagan G. also won the 'Metric Award' for best use of SI measurements, Best in Category for Applied Math and Physics and \$100, received second place in the paper session and \$100. She also qualified for the IJAS State Science Exposition for her project and paper.

VBS at Good Shepherd

Online registration is now open for

this summer's VBS at Good Shepherd - "Barnyard Roundup". VBS will be held the week of June 27th - July 1st, 6 pm - 8:30 pm (note this will be in the evening this year). It is for students currently completing Pre-K thru 6th grade. (Min. age is for those students turning 4 before 9/1/2016). Your children are welcome to invite their friends to VBS, provided that they also meet the age requirement.

We also need lots of volunteers!!!! Our VBS is one of the largest in the community, requiring the help of 150+ volunteers. Current 7th graders & above are eligible to volunteer (this is an excellent way for 7th graders to earn a good portion of their NJHS hours).

Go to the following website to register/volunteer: <https://vbsmate.com/8E0CA7C8>

You will be able to pre-order a t-shirt and/or music cd/dvd when you register. This will help us determine how many of each we

need to order. Payment will be made upon pick-up, either before VBS during a designated church service, or at the beginning of VBS. (We will notify everyone of the pick-up arrangements at a later date). We are waiting to find out the cost of the t-shirts but a cd/dvd will cost \$5.

Join our FB event page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/862292660548677/> (You still must register online even if you "join" our page. The registration link can be found on the event page in the event description).

Church Lost and Found

Please check the narthex coat rack for jackets and coats that have been left. Thank you.

Summer Camp

Summer Camp is fast approaching. Please reserve your spot by returning the registration form and fee to Mrs. Molitor. Forms can be obtained in the school office or in TRACKS.

A Look Ahead

Saturday, April 9

-GSLs Track Meet at CHS

Monday, April 11

-Board Meeting 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 12

-Achievement Testing
Concludes

Thursday, April 14

-Chapel 8:20am

Friday, April 15

-NO SCHOOL—School
Improvement Day

-Illinois Lutheran Honor
Band Festival

Looking Ahead...

May 14-20

-8th Grade Trip Washington
DC

May 24

-Awards Banquet 6:30pm

May 26

-Kindergarten Program
7:00pm

May 27

-End of Quarter
-School Picnic 8:45-11:30am
-School Year Ends,
Dismissal 11:30am



Charger Headlines Continues...

Charger Bucks—Scrip

Weekly orders will be processed on Monday, April 18, & 25. The green order sheets need to be turned in to the school office by 9:00am on Mondays to be processed that week. Walk-up sales will be after school on Fridays and will continue on Sunday mornings between services. Questions, please contact the school office 344-3153.

Remember that you can place your order online. You may access the link for shopwithscrip.com through our school's website. Tell your family & friends about this program - anyone may participate.

Attention Families of 8th Graders!

If you have a student who will be attending MELHS, you can earn tuition credit by purchasing scrip through our Charger Bucks program at Good Shepherd. Invite your family and friends to participate and increase your credits! The ordering process is the same and your tuition credits will be posted to your MELHS account in February and August.

Lutheran Summer Camp

It is time to register for Lutheran Summer Camp. Camp is being held once again at Camp Piasa in Grafton, IL. Children finishing 5th - 8th grade are allowed to register. Spaces are limited! To ensure a spot please register early. Be sure to register prior to May 15, 2016, to avoid a late registration fee!! Registrations will not be accepted after June 11, 2016.

Registration Handbooks can be picked up from the church office or by emailing:

stewart97@sbcglobal.net

Camp weeks are as follows:

Campers currently in 5th or 6th Grade: Sunday, June 26 – Friday, July 1

Campers currently in 7th or

8th Grade: Sunday, July 3 – Friday, July 8

Directors 5th & 6th Grade Week – Chris & Adrienne Schaefer (618-792-4971)

Directors 7th & 8th Grade Week – Mike & Amy Stewart (618-409-1327)

GSLS Students To Sing At Busch Stadium –Cardinals Tickets Still Available!

Cardinals baseball tickets are still available through the school office to participate in this great opportunity for our choir students.

GSLS has been accepted this year for the first time to sing "Take Me out to the Ballgame" at Busch Stadium on Sunday, July 17th, 2016 as the Cardinals take on the Florida Marlins at 1:15pm! This performance will be open to students who are currently in 1st-8th Grade (during the 2015-16 school year). We can take up to 100 students to sing. Parents, please contact Mr. Stegman via email to reserve a spot for your student! We will practice toward the end of the school year and also a few times through the summer. Families may purchase tickets through the school office. We have two sections reserved for Good Shepherd families in the Left Field Pavilion section 371 and 372, so we will all be able to enjoy the game together! All participants must purchase a ticket through the school office AND reserve their spot by email with Mr. Stegman in order to participate. Tickets are offered at a greatly discounted

price—just \$18 and include a coupon for a FREE hot dog and soda at Busch Stadium—a \$50 total value! This great value is available only while supplies last, so reserve your spot and buy tickets for friends and family now!

Adult Instruction Classes

If you would like to know more about the teachings of the Lutheran Church, we encourage you to join us for our next series of Adult Instruction Classes beginning Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. These classes will explain questions such as...

What is the Christian response to atheistic denials of God's existence?

How can we be sure the Bible really is God's word?

What about abortion, divorce, homosexual behavior, transgenderism, pornography, greed, gossip, etc.?

Which is more scientifically verifiable – creation or evolution?

Who is Jesus? Who is the Holy Spirit? What is the Triune God?

How can a person be sure of salvation?

Should children be baptized? Can they have faith?

How can confession of sin keep me mentally and spiritually healthy?

What is the reason for Holy Communion?

How does it affect my spiritual and physical health?

What does the Bible teach about the end of the world?

How can I make a real difference in this world while I'm here?

What will happen when I die?

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: Quintin B., Jacob B., Joey C., Lillie

C., Payton F., Eli G., Jordan G., Abbey G., Marlaina G., Riquerah G.

Athletic Camps

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Athletic Camp forms were sent home for:

Girl's Volleyball entering grades 3-5 / 6-8

Boy's and Girl's Basketball entering grades 3-5 / 6-8.

The forms can be found on our web site under recent news. Return the completed forms

along with payment to the school office. The deadline for the camp forms is May 6th.

Girl's Basketball June 06– 10

Girls entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm

Girls entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

Boy's Basketball June 13-17

Boys entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm

Boys entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

Girl's Volleyball June 20-24

Girls entering gr. 6-8 9:00am-12:00pm

Girls entering gr. 3-5 1:00-2:30pm

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.

3rd Quarter Honor Roll

High Honor Roll with Distinction

8th Grade: Daniel B., Elise H., Nick H., Will O., Elizabeth S.

7th Grade: Jared C., Millie C., Faith M., Sidney P., Hannah R., Molly S., Gabe S., Justin W.

High Honor Roll

8th Grade: Thomas B., Jacob B., Alex C., Lauren F., Reagan G., Scott H., Gabby J., Max L., Henry L., Colleen L., Hunter L., Mark M., Jeremy O., Hannah S., Macie S.

7th Grade: Evan B., Sophia B., Kyla E., Olivia G., Christopher H., Ryan P., London R., Connor Z.

6th Grade: Autumn D., Matthew H., Megan H., Khushi J., Alice K., Claire L., Trevor P., MaryAnn R., Anna R., Trinity S., Garrett S., Maggie S., Sydney S., Ella W., Jenae W.

5th Grade: Jacob B., Joseph C., Lillie C., Eli G., Jordan G., Abbey G., Marlaina G., Ashleigh J., Domiano L., Katie M., Jacob M., Timothy P., Nick S., Sam S., Bella S., Sophie T., Gavin T., Jake W., Kanalu W.

Honor Roll

8th Grade: Maddy B., Cierrah E., Taylor H., Morgan J., Elke S., Brady S., Caleb T., Anna W.

7th Grade: Noah C., Tyler K., Martin L., Will M., Bryan R., Eli W.

6th Grade: Emma B., Kyle C., Carson C., Declan G., Eli L., Carmen S.

5th Grade: Riquerah G., Kinley H., Tyler H., Paige H., Blake M.

Retreads...

Achievement Testing

These important tests will be taken Tuesday, April 5th through Tuesday, April 12th. While it is not helpful to "cram" for these examinations, parents can positively influence their child's scores in three ways:

- 1) Encourage a positive attitude
- 2) See that your child gets plenty of rest, beginning Monday night.
- 3) See that your child eats a nutritious breakfast each morning.

GSLs Golf Classic

Volunteers are needed to make the Good Shepherd Golf Classic a success.

We invite you to participate in the 14th annual Good Shepherd Golf Classic at Arlington Greens Golf Course in Granite City. The 4 player Golf Scramble is Saturday, April 30th with a shotgun start at 8:00am. The cost is \$80 per golfer, 18 holes of golf, carts, buffet-style meal, plenty of refreshments, and a chance to win cash prizes for lowest team score (multiple flights), closest to the pin, longest drive, and more. Hole Sponsor cost is \$125 which entitles sponsor to a 12" x 18" sign on the tee box.

Net proceeds to fund the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Athletic Fields.

Register online at:

www.goodshepherdcollinsville.org under Recent News or pick up forms in the school office.

Grade 3 & 4 Spring Musical

The Christ's Kids Choir of Good Shepherd Lutheran School invite you to attend their spring musical performance of "Esther-ordinary Faith.." The performances will be on Friday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, April 24, at 2:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Come join us as we hear how Esther saved her people in the Old Testament, helping us see how Jesus saves us! To order your copy of the Spring Musical DVD, please make checks payable to Good Shepherd for \$14 by Fri., April 29th.

Box Tops and Labels Program - Collection contest

The final BTLP collection date for the 2015-2016 school year is Wednesday, April 27th. The grade that collects the most box tops and labels per student by this date will earn a free dress day. The Campbell's Labels for Education program will end on August 1st so it's important

to turn in your remaining labels before the end of this school year. Thank you! Note: We will continue to collect Box Tops and Tyson Project A+ labels next year.

Summer Camp

Registration is open for all children completing K-8th grade. Forms are available in the school office and in the TRACKS area. Camp begins Tuesday, May 31st and the last day will be Friday, August 12th. Eleven weeks of fun and folly with age appropriate events planned for K-3 and 4-8 graders. Hours of operation are from 6am - 6pm.

Chapel

The Chapel offerings for the months of April and May will benefit families that need assistance with food. The SOS Spirit of Sharing is a way to assist families by feeding them.

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Paper and Aluminum Recycling

As a reminder, cardboard is not accepted in our recycling bins. Please continue to recycle your paper and aluminum.

Thank you to those who have been participating in this program.

CHS Summer School

Summer School enrollment is open until Friday, May 6th at Collinsville High School for incoming freshmen. Electronic copy can be found on their district website at www.kahoks.org under Kahoks Newsfeed or in our school office. Questions, please call CHS 346-6320 ext. 1129.

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Box Tops and Labels

The winning class for the Box Tops and Labels Program contest for the month of March is Mrs. Pritchard (3-2). Mrs. Pritchard's students collected 742 box tops and labels with an average of 37 per student.

We ended February with a total of 19,462 box tops and labels and added 2,210 more this month, for a total of 21,672 box tops and labels collected so far this school year.