



# Good Shepherd Charger News

“Here I Stand”

1 Corinthians 16:13

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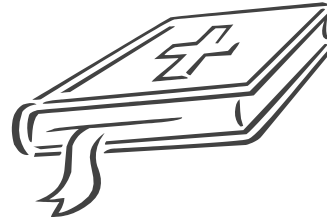
## Something to Consider:

Jesus answered and said to them  
“Those who are well have no  
need of a physician, but those  
who are sick. I have not come to  
call the righteous, but sinners, to  
repentance.”

Luke 5:31

When Jesus and His disciples  
walked through the hill country  
of Nazareth, He ministered to all  
who came to Him. He touched  
those who needed healing and

made them well. He healed those  
whose minds were sick and fail-  
ing. But Jesus also spoke of those  
who needed spiritual healing...  
those whose souls were sick with  
sin and on the verge of spiritual  
death. Jesus brought healing to  
every part of His followers' lives.  
Perhaps your body is fit and  
healthy, your mind quick and  
strong, but you have no relation-  
ship with God. Your spirit has



been mortally wounded and only  
God can make you whole again.  
Seek Him out. Tell Him what you  
need. He's the Great Physician.

## Charger Headlines:

### Advent Season

This season brings great joy and  
giving. As we await for the com-  
ing of the Lord, let us always set  
our mind on Him and the true  
message of Christmas. Good  
Shepherd has services available  
the next three Wednesdays at  
4:30 & 7:00pm. Soup Supper is  
offered from 5:30-6:30pm  
followed with Advent Singing  
from 6:30-7:00pm. Come and  
celebrate the coming of our Lord!

**Christmas Concert ECC—Gr. 2**  
The Preschool-Gr. 2 Christmas  
Concert will be Tuesday, Decem-  
ber 12th at 7:00pm.

Kindergarten and preschool stu-  
dents should meet in the cafeteria  
at 6:45pm.

Grades 1-2 should meet in the  
music room at 6:45pm.

Concert dress for Preschool-Gr.  
2: nice dress clothes of any color.  
(Please, no denim). Doors to the  
church will open at 6:30pm.

Please do not arrive earlier  
than 6:30pm to avoid waiting in

the cold.

### Christmas Concert Gr. 3-8

The grade 3-8 Christmas Concert  
will be Tuesday, December 19th  
at 7:00pm.

7th and 8th Band students and all  
string students should arrive  
at 6:40pm, immediately put in-  
struments together in the cafete-  
ria and come to the Church Sanc-  
tuary.

Grade 5-8 choir students will  
meet in the cafeteria at 6:40pm. If  
also in band, put instrument on  
your band chair and return to the  
cafeteria.

Grades 3-4 will meet in the music  
room at 6:40pm. 4th grade band  
members should put their instru-  
ment on their chair in the sanctu-  
ary and then go to the music  
room.

Parents and guests: doors will  
open at 6:30pm. Please do not  
arrive earlier as you will not be  
able to enter and be seated un-  
til 6:30pm due to student supervi-  
sion.

All Band students will need in-  
struments and music.

Concert dress for grades 5-8:  
black bottoms and white dress  
shirt/blouse, or all black. Coats/  
ties optional. Concert dress for  
Gr. 3-4: best dress of any color.  
(Please, no denim).

### Call Received and Accepted

Julie Bedard, our director and 4's  
teacher, has received and has  
accepted a call to be the Early  
Learning Center Director at  
Amazing Grace Lutheran Church  
in Oxford, Florida.

Her last day here at Good Shep-  
herd will be January 26, 2018.

We wish her God's Blessings as  
she begins this new ministry. The  
Board of Christian Day School  
and I have begun the process of  
finding a new director/teacher.

Please keep this process in your  
prayers as we move forward with  
the ministry at Good Shepherd!  
Questions are always welcome –  
Mr. Mayhew - Principal

## A Look Ahead

### Monday, December 4

-Charger Bucks—Scrip  
Orders Due by 9:00am

-Girls AC Basketball at  
Unity 6:00pm

### Tuesday, December 5

-Gingerbread House

-Boys AC Basketball at  
Edwardsville 6:30pm

### Wednesday, December 6

-Gingerbread House

-Advent Services 4:30 &  
7:00pm

### Thursday, December 7

-Chapel 8:25am

-Gingerbread House

-Girls AC Basketball at  
Litchfield 6:00pm



# Charger Headlines Continues...

## Charger Bucks – Scrip

We have two weekly order dates left before Christmas: Dec. 4th and 11th. Please have your order in the school office by 9:00am on the Mondays listed. Plan ahead and order each week for gifts and entertaining.

Over 700 vendors to choose from at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com).

Walk-up sales will be after school on Fri., Dec. 1st, 8th, 15th; Mon. 18th, Tues. 19th, Wed. 20th, and Thurs. 21st. from 3:00 - 3:30pm. and on Sunday mornings between services.

## Looking for the Perfect Gift?

Take the guesswork out of gift giving.... Christmas Charger Bucks (Scrip) Certificates are available! Charger Bucks certificates can be redeemed for gift certificates to many different stores. The certificates help both our school families and our school. It's the perfect gift! Available by contacting the school office!

## ECC Job Opening

Job opening in Early Childhood Center: We are seeking an energetic, cheerful individual who loves Jesus and children. You must be able to sit on the floor or small chairs and able to use an iPad. The position

would begin in January and is 5 mornings a week - Monday and Friday 6:30 - 11:30; and Tue., Wed., and Thur. 8:15-11:30.

Please contact Julie Bedard at ([jbedard@gslcs.org](mailto:jbedard@gslcs.org)) or call the school of-fice: 344-3153.

## GSLs Sportswear Available for Purchase

Stop by the school office to see the variety of GSLs sportswear available for purchase. We have a limited supply of styles and sizes.

## 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.

## Congratulations ILMEA

Congratulations to the following students for their work in the All District Music Festival on Saturday at Southern Illinois university in Carbondale: Abbey G. in the all district band, Elliot J. and Joey C. in the all district choir, Maryann R., Lars G., Jenae W., Claire L., & Harry M. in the all district orchestra! They were accepted after auditions on Columbus Day and practiced with students from all a over southern Illinois for their concert Saturday night.

## Thank You For Your Pie Orders

The Jr. High students would like to thank you for ordering freshly baked pies from Eckert's Country Store in Belleville, IL. GSLS is the second largest in sales for Eckert's Pie fundraiser. Thank you helping raise funds for their Washington D.C. trip.

## It's that time! Emergency Closing

If school must be closed due to the weather, parents will be notified. In addition, you can listen to your radio or TV for: *Good Shepherd, Collinsville.*

Good Shepherd Collinsville's name will be listed.

## Please do not call the school or teachers and other workers at their homes.

Listen to radio stations: KMOX (1120), KXOX (630), WIL-FM (92.3), WRYT (1080), and WIBV (1260). TV stations KMOV (4) or KSDK (5).

Good Shepherd Collinsville **does NOT** follow Collinsville Unit 10's plan for the late start or closings. At Good Shepherd, if school is in session it will start at the regular time.

Should parents decide to pick their child up early due to weather, please call the school office in advance.

# 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 Ms Combs home-

room: Abbey G., Marlaina G., Matthew H., Khushi J., Alice K., and Domiano L.

# Auction Up-dates

## Shopping for Auctions Donations

When out shopping, please keep the Good Shepherd Lutheran School Benefit Auction in mind. Many of those deals would make great auction donations.

## Auction Volunteers Needed

GSLs Auction is scheduled on Saturday, March 17th to be held on campus. 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 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!

## Homeroom Basket Themes

3 Yr. Old PK	Arts & Crafts for Kids
4 Yr. Old PK	We Love Our Pets
Kindergarten	Lego Boys & Lego Girls
1st Grade	In the Garden
2nd Grade	Summer Time Fun
3rd Grade	Games & Puzzles
4th Grade	Let's Go Camping
5th Grade	Get Grilling
6th Grade	Family Movie Night
Ms. Comb's Jr. H.	Spa Day
Mr. Rinker's Jr. H.	Restaurant Basket

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.

## **Prayers for Mrs. Bedard**

Mrs. Bedard has received a call to serve as Amazing Grace Lutheran Church's Early Learning Center Director. This is located in Oxford, Florida. Please keep her in your prayers as she seeks God's guidance and direction in her ministry with her two calls. She will be making her decision by December 2. The call would be for her to begin in February.

## **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. Any questions, contact your child's teacher.

## **Hat, Scarf, and Mitten Tree**

Look for the Hat, Scarf, and Mitten Tree in the school lobby until Friday, December 15th. We will be collecting warm mittens, scarves and hats that will be distributed to local children through Collinsville Head Start, Collinsville Food Pantry and Lutheran Child and Family Services. Thank you for being a part of this ministry!

## **Young Authors**

Authors pick up your pencil and begin your masterpiece. This is a great opportunity for students to learn and show their writing skills and a way to express themselves through this art. Guideline fliers are available in the school office. Begin to brainstorm your thoughts!

The manuscript is due January 26, 2018 to your child's teacher. Please feel free to ask for additional help from your child's teacher.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to 3rd grade student, Grace M., for her submitted artwork which was selected for the 17/18 Christmas card campaign for LESA. Grace's artwork was selected from hundreds of student designs that were submitted by our member schools.

Stop by our main lobby bulletin board to see

her design, "The Best Gift Ever", along with the other four chosen designs.

## **Give A Card That Gives Back**

The unique student-designed Christmas cards featuring a Bible passage and related message are available to order. The featured cards are \$10 per pack of 10 and includes envelopes. To order your cards, call the Lutheran Elementary School Association at 314-200-0797 or visit [www.lesastl.org](http://www.lesastl.org).

## **December Chapel Offering**

The Chapel offering for the month of December is Collinsville Area Ministerial Food Pantry in our community. CAMA is an association of area pastors who work together with the community leaders. The Collinsville Food Bank is the main part of the ministry that not only provides food, but also helps families with other needs.

## **Gingerbread House**

The Gingerbread House is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5th and Wednesday, December 6th with a make-up day on Thursday, December 7th for any students who may have been absent. This is an opportunity for students to shop for their own Christmas gifts for family and friends. Gift prices range from \$1 to \$7. Each class will go shopping together during a scheduled time. Volunteers will be needed, especially with the younger students, to help them read their shopping lists and assist as needed. If you have time during the school day to volunteer for an hour or so, please contact Marie Ruth at 407-3886 or Karen Harris at 792-6037.

## **Thank You Jr. High Students**

Jr. high students who volunteered at the Trivia Night have earned two free dress days on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 20th and 21st. Check with your homeroom teacher to verify if you have earned a free dress day.

## **School Lobby Doors**

For the safety of our students, the lobby doors will remain locked until 3:15pm on school days. As a reminder, please do not let other people into the building including the ECC area.

## **Administration of Medicine**

Administration of medication to students during regular school hours is discouraged unless absolutely necessary for the critical

health and well-being of the student. All requests for administration of medication (prescription and over-the counter) to students must have the completed form: "Parent Authorization / Request for Self-Administration of Medication" which can be found under Authorization Form on the front page of our website, [gslcs.org](http://gslcs.org). All medications administered to the student during school hours must be transported to and from school by a parent or another adult acting on the parent's behalf. No medication will be administered unless the authorization/request form is completed and received. The medication must be received in the form and container as provided by the pharmacy filling the prescription, and no medication may be administered from any container other than one properly marked as above. Over-the-counter medications must be brought to school in their original package, with the students name and date clearly marked on it. Any change in the dosage of the medication and/or the directions for use will require a corrected pharmacy label indicating the changes and a signed note from the physician. Parents will be called each and every time the medicine needs to be administered.

## **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.

Please pick up your child's homework 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.

## **Toys for Tots**

GSLCS is collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Marine Corps Reserves to distribute to economically disadvantaged children in our local area. A designated box is in the school lobby through December 8th. Thank you for the contributions you are able to make!