



THE PANTHER PRESS

January 9, 2025



Standing Firm in Jesus

Take Up the Whole Armor of God

- **All students of SJL will be going outside daily for noon recess as long as the weather is above zero degrees wind chill. Please make sure they are dressed appropriately and have winter gear, hats, gloves, boots, etc. Thank you!**
- **If you have extra or outgrown winter items to add to our share box at SJL especially gloves and hats, please bring them in as we are running low on items for kids who don't bring any to school. Thank you!**
- The end of the 2nd quarter has arrived which means teachers are working on report cards!
- National Lutheran Schools Week will be Jan. 26-Feb. 1. We are looking forward to many fun activities that week!
- Grandparents day will be on Friday January 31st in the morning. Please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible how many grandparents will be coming with your child. Chapel will start at 8:30.
- We will be going ice skating on Monday, January 27th. We will be leaving school around 9:00 and skating from 9:30-11:00. We would appreciate any help with driving students to and from the arena as well as tying up skates. Please let your child's teacher know if you or family member would be able to help us with this. Thank-you!

Mrs. Henry's

Preschool Classroom

- Welcome back! I hope and pray you all had a wonderful Christmas break!
- It is such a joy to be back and see the kids again. We had a great time catching up and learning about epiphany and the journey of the wise men.
- We made our own crowns and stars.
- Ask your children about the story of the Wise Men and the meaning of Epiphany. They should be able to tell the story!
- We are practicing recognizing our names and writing our names.
- **Standing firm in Jesus!**

Mrs. Schoen's

Kindergarten Classroom

- Wednesday was the end of the 2nd quarter already! We are halfway through kindergarten already. Students already know the alphabet and should identify numbers 0-20!
- Thank-you for the wonderful Christmas gifts. I appreciate all of them.
- Please continue to work on counting to 100 with your child and rhyming words. We have been working on adding numbers this week in math and the kids have been doing amazing with this!
- **Students need to continue working on reading their sight words and color words!**
- We have learned how to read the words: I, can, the, we, see, a, to, go, you & do.
- Standing firm in Jesus!



Weather Related Announcements can be found on our Facebook page, KEYC (TV Channel 12, website, facebook) or KFMC/KSUM (106.5FM), in addition to teachers sending text messages to parents. If you are interested, KEYC has an option for notifications for any organization you chose. Download the **KEYC News Now** app on your phone, go to **Settings** and choose **Closings**, then scroll down to **St James Lutheran - Northrop**. Call the office if you have any questions getting it set up.



Dec 14th: Ms Linnette Mundfrom
 20th: Tanner Howe
 Keenan Poppe
 Jada Mahoney
 24th: Ms Heather Wiederhoeft
 Jan 2nd: Braxtyn Roberts
 11th: Rhett Morris

The mission of St. James Ev. Lutheran Church & School is to learn, teach, live, and proclaim the truth of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ our Savior as revealed in God's Word.

Mrs. Koeritz's
1st & 2nd Grade Classroom

- Thank you so much for the lovely Christmas gifts – I've truly enjoyed them!
- Remember that the best way to become a better reader is to read.
- In science we're all about the weather! We're learning about weather patterns, instruments, seasons, storms, and clouds.
- Our read alouds were all about snowmen. Friday's art should result in some very unique examples!
- Spelling: The next list will come home Monday, Jan. 13th, with the test on Friday the 17th.
- Memory Verse **O: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.**
- Stand firm in Jesus!

Mrs. Wolter's
3rd & 4th Grade Classroom

- THANK YOU, GOD, for ALL the blessings in our life!!
- Thank you for all the thoughtful gifts your children gave me for Christmas! I love every single one!
- Thank you most of all for the gift of your child!! I am truly blessed to be their teacher!
- Please send hats, gloves, and coats with your child to school! Thanks!
- We are learning about Paul Revere and Patrick Henry this week in History!
- Both third and fourth graders are reading **BOYS AGAINST GIRLS**, by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor. Ask them what an abaguchie is?!!
- We have started a money unit in math. I noticed that some children are struggling with identifying coins and their value. I will contact you if you need to work more with your child at home.
- We are up to 27 States and Capitals!
- Spelling Test UNIT 3 Week 4 on Friday!
- Stand firm in **JESUS!!**

ATTENTION!

Hot Lunch Menu Change:
Friday 1/17: Roast beef, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Dinner Roll, Peaches

Mrs. Meyer's
5th & 6th Grade Classroom

- **Thank you** for the kind Christmas gifts! Each gift was so thoughtful! :) Your generosity is greatly appreciated!
- **Happy New Year!** Praying for God to bless your 2025.
- We plan to go outside for recess, so please make sure your child is wearing a **warm coat, hat, and gloves** everyday!
- Quarter 2 ended yesterday! Unfortunately, NOT all of the students earned their AR points on time and now are playing catch-up! :(
- **Quarter 3 starts today! Please have your child start reading NOW!!!**
- Now would be a great time to begin working on your **science project** if you have not already done so.
- Standing Firm in **JESUS**



Chapel weekly at 8:40am
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Please join us!

- Wednesday 1/15:** Gen Z Presentation @ MLHS 7pm
- Monday 1/20:** NO SCHOOL - ML King Day
- Tuesday 1/21:** PTL (Zoom) 7pm
- Wednesday 1/22:** BOCE Mtg 7pm
- 1/26 - 2/2:** NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK
- Sunday 1/26:** Students sing at SJL 8:30am
Pancake Breakfast 9:45-noon
Winter Carnival @ MLHS 1-3pm
- Monday 1/27:** Ice Skating @ 9:30
- Tuesday 1/28:** History Day Presentation @ ML
9-11:15 or Noon - 2:15
- Friday 1/30:** Grandparents Day
- Sunday 2/2:** Students sing @ Zion 10am

Basketball Game Schedule

- 1/9: HOME 4:15 B Girls, 5:15 B Boys
- 1/13: HOME 4:00 B Girls, 5:00 B Boys
- 1/23: Imm. Lakefield 4:00 B Girls, B Boys
- 1/28: Trinity Janesville 4:30 B Girls, 5:30 B Boys
- 2/3: HOME 4:30 B Girls, 5:30 B Boys
- 2/6: HOME 4:30 B Girls, 5:30 B Boys
- 2/7-8: SPL Fmt Tourney B Boys & Girls



Pancake Brunch

SUNDAY, January 26, 2025

10:00 A.M.- NOON



In Celebration of National Lutheran Schools Week

**Pancakes & Sausages
(Gluten Free Pancakes available)
Applesauce & Beverages
w/all the trimmings**

**Cost: FREEWILL DONATION
Proceeds will go towards
Curriculum**



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"Gen Z Mental Health Strategies for Parents, Adults and the Gen Z'er"



Guest Speaker
 Kathleen von Kampen, MA, LMFT, LMHP, DCE
 Gracepoint Ministries Therapist &
 Professor of Psychology at Concordia University NE

Kathleen specializes in individual and family therapy for anxiety and depression from a Christian and strengths-based perspective. Kathleen has worked extensively with young adults through mental health and adjustment concerns, helping to navigate life's stressors, and has completed specific training to support new moms and couples with the transition of perinatal needs and postpartum depression as the family grows.

Wednesday, January 15 7:00 p.m
Free Event & Open to the Public
Free Babysitting Provided

Please call 507-436-5249 by January 10 to reserve a sitter



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Honoring Christ...Welcoming All

2025 Mac 'N Cheese Cook-off



COME, TASTE & VOTE

Sponsored by the  **Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School Class of 2025**
 315 Martin Luther Drive PO Box 228 Northrop PH. (507)436-5249 www.martinlutherhs.com

FRIDAY, January 24 5:00 –7:00 p.m.
During Boys Jags Basketball Game at MLHS



Cost: \$7.00/person
Allows for sampling of all Mac 'N Cheese varieties entered in the competition and one vote for your favorite.

Open to the public.

Several cooking teams will be serving their special Mac 'N Cheese recipes and competing for your vote!

******To enter the cook-off challenge, go to www.martinlutherhs.com/Special Events or call the school. Entries are due by January 17th.**

Children's Winter Carnival



Sunday, January 26th 1-3 p.m.
\$5 per child or \$15 per family, parents are free



Inside Fun:
 Games & Prizes
 Bouncy House
 Snacks
 Parent Lounge

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

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HISTORICAL EXPERIENCES

WE MAKE HISTORY COME TO LIFE!

The Great Northfield Bank Raid
Minnesotans Foil the James/Younger Gang

Tuesday January 28

(Snow Date:
 January 30)

Hear and see the events of September 7, 1876 play out before you as Arn Kind brings this exciting historical event to life.

9:00-11:15 a.m.
Grades 5-8

Noon-2:15 p.m.
Grades 9-12

Provided by
 MLHS
 Parent/Teacher League



Free Event! Visitors are welcome!

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