THE PANTHER PRESS

September 23, 2026

Be Still and Know that I am God!

- There will be no school on Friday, Sept. 25th, for a teacher work day.
- **Walk-a-thon fundraiser** will be Friday, Oct. 2, at St. John Vianney in Fairmont from 12:45-2:15. You are welcome to come walk with us! ALL proceeds go towards supporting our school!
- Pumpkins will be available from the Luther family this Sunday the 27th following services at both SJL and Zion, and again after school on Friday, Oct. 2. All free-will donations go to our school!
- Having computer issues or need one set up? A reminder that Paul Luther is offering his expert IT services for a donation to the school. Contact Mrs. Koeritz for more information.
- Children in K-6 will be singing in church at SJL on Sunday, Oct. 11th, @ 8:30.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapel weekly at 9:00 am
Tuesday & Thursday
Please join us!

Wed 9/23	Fall Teacher conferences
Fri 9/25	No School-Mid Qtr break
Wed 9/30	BOCE Meeting
Fri 10/2	Walk-a-Thon
Mon 10/5	PreK-2nd Field Trip-Orchard
Fri 10/9	3-6th Field Trip-McGowen's
Sun 10/11	K-6th grades sing @ SJL

WORSHIP with us

St James Lutheran
Sunday Divine Service: 8:30 AM
Sunday School/Bible Class: 9:30 AM

Zion Lutheran
Sunday School/Bible Class: 8:45 AM
Sunday Divine Service: 10:00 AM

Mrs. Henry's Preschool Classroom

- **We will be taking our fall field trip to Center Creek apple orchard on Monday, October 5th. Permission slips are coming home today. Please sign and return.**
- **Thank you for coming in for conferences. It's going to be an awesome year.**
- For Jesus time we continue to practice the Common Table Prayer, Jesus loves Me, and Jesus Savior Wash Away. We read about Baby Moses.
- Our literacy skill focus has been initial sound identification. We are using our mystery box to match objects to the letter sound that they begin with.
- Our math skill focus has been patterns. We used counting bears to create patterns and find out what comes next. We are also continuing to practice numbers 1-6.
- Star Student starts on Monday!
  - Monday 9/28 Albert
  - Wednesday 9/30 Maizey
  - Friday 10/2 Reegenn

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. Schoen's
Kindergarten Classroom

- **Please send your child to school with appropriate shoes for the kids to be running around during recess outside.**
- **We are going to Center Creek Apple Orchard on Monday, October 5th. A permission slip was sent home with each child this week.**
- In reading we are focusing on letter A. We are also working on the word: we. Please practice these sight words as well as begin working on the color words that I already sent home.
- In math we are working on numbers 0-5. We are working on identifying those numbers as well as count that many objects and write those numbers in the line correctly.
- Please continue to have your child practice writing their names in the lines with only the first letter beginning with a capital. If you need more copied off please let me know and I would be happy to send more home for your child to practice writing their names.
- Thank you to you all for signing up for conferences tonight. I look forward to seeing you all.

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

- **Walk-a-thon** fundraiser is coming up quickly! I hope you've been able to gather some donations. Prayers for good weather would be appreciated!
- **Field trip** to the Center Creek Apple Orchard will be Monday morning, Oct. 5th.
- Pumpkin Jack is now living inside a large, well-sealed plastic cheeseball container! We will observe the effects of decomposition and look forward to the joys of a rotten pumpkin. ☐
- 2nd grade is learning how to round numbers to the nearest 10. 1st grade is all about addition!
- **Spelling** test for Unit 1 Week 3 will be Thursday, Sept. 24.
- **Memory work**: E verse: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights.
- Be still and know that I am God!



9/29: Patricio Hernandez Silva

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

- We learned so much at our Safety Field Trip at Heritage Acres. Hopefully your child shared some safety tips with you. We learned NEVER to drink a liquid that doesn't have a label on it! We learned tractor, auger, ATV, and lawn mower safety. We learned never to walk BEHIND farm animals! We learned how to be safe with electricity. My personal favorite is always the grain bin station. We pretended that Jax fell into a grain bin filled with corn, and learned that not one of us would be strong enough to pull him out. Not even Amanda or me!! So we have to be so careful on working farms. Your children were VERY well behaved!
- One thing the Firemen shared with us was how important it is for the children to know their address. If they ever have to call 911 - help can come more quickly if they know their address. We will work on this throughout the year.
- **Name That State** We are already up to eight states!
- In **Religion,** we learned about the first murder when Cain killed Abel. It's crazy how one sin can lead to several others.
- **Accelerated Reader**:EVERYONE has their mid-quarter halfway points!! YAY! Way to go!! Keep reading to get all of your points for the end of the quarter.
- **Spelling Test** is Thursday this week!
- **McGowen Farms Field Trip -** Friday, October 9th. Thank you to Nicole Nelson, Amanda Morris, and Ashlee Hoeppner for volunteering to drive/ chaperone! More info will be coming home closer to the date!
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ST. JAMES LUTHERAN
CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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

- I hope you have collected several donations for your Walkathon Fundraiser!
- Each child received a Jag Sports Pass!
- Please wear **tennis shoes** to school. We are practicing for soccer outside and we want every-one to be safe! Thank you!
- Our **BAND DAY is MONDAY.**
- If your child is planning to play **basketball**, please let me know.
- We are so excited for our **NEW DESKS**! Thank you to all of our generous desk sponsors!!!
- Thank you for signing up for **Conferences** today!
- **Memory Work** will be Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- **AR (Accelerated Reader) Goals** have been set for Quarter 1. Ask your child how many AR points he or she has earned so far. One week until Midquarter, so they should be half ways to their AR Goal. Thank you!
- You may use arbookfind.com to check if your child's book is a test and how many points it is worth.
- **CHANGE!!!!**
  - **Lakefield Soccer Tournament** is resched-uled for **MONDAY**, September 28, due to the rain. Thank you to Heather for driving the bus for us!
- We had a great time at **Environmental Aware-ness Day** learning about pollination, fish, ero-sion, and reptiles.
- **McGowans Farm** field trip to History Fest will be on Friday, October 9. Thank you to Kristen Schoen, Randi Garletz, Chelsey Armbrust, and Tyler Thompson for volunteering to drive and chaperone! We could use another **driver** if you would like to join us! It is such a fun day!
- **Be still and know that I am God!**

For the safety of our students, doors to the school and church must remain locked during school hours. Please use the doorbell at the church doors if you need inside the building.



ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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SJL Breakfast Menu
October 2026

St. James Lutheran School
Northrop
MarySue Ringeisen, Cook

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
			1) Brekkie Snack Bag Fresh Fruit	**2)** French Toast Loaf Sunflower Seeds Fruit Cup
5) Snackn' Waffle Nutri Grain Bar Fresh Fruit	**6)** Cereal Cheese Stick Applesauce Cup	**7)** Pop Tart Cheez Its Slushy Cup	**8)** Breakfast Bagel Snack Bag Fresh Fruit	**9)** Uncrustable Snack Bag Juice Cup
12) Breakfast Stick Snack Bag Wiggler Cup	**13)** Rice Krispie Bar Yogurt Fresh Fruit	**14)** Assorted Grains Assorted Fruits	**15)** **MEA - NO SCHOOL**	**16)** **MEA - NO SCHOOL**
19) Snackn' Waffle Chex Mix Fresh Fruit	**20)** Pop Tart Snack Bag Juice Cup	**21)** Cereal Cheese Stick Fruit Cup	**22)** Breakfast Bagel Nutri Grain Bar Slushy Cup	**23)** Donut Vegetable Crackers Fresh Fruit
26) Breakfast Stick Snack Bag Applesauce Cup	**27)** Rice Krispie Bar Sunflower Seeds Fresh Fruit	**28)** Uncrustable Snack Bag Wiggler Cup	**29)** Apple Muffin Chex Mix Fruit Cup	**30)** **NO SCHOOL**

****All Meals Include 1% or Chocolate Milk****
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SJL Lunch Menu
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MarySue Ringeisen, Cook

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
****All Meals Include 1% or Chocolate Milk**** **This institution is an equal opportunity provider**			**1)** Pizza Green Beans Peaches Dessert	**2)** Hotdog on Bun Cheesy Hashbrowns Peas Apple Slices
5) Shrimp Poppers Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Bread Mixed Vegetable Pears	**6)** Hamburger on Bun Cheese Slice Potato Chips Baked Beans Pineapple	**7)** Mini Corndogs Mac & Cheese Green Beans Mixed Fruit	**8)** Softshell Taco Lettuce/Tomato/Cheese Potato Ole's Mandarin Oranges	**9)** Scalloped Potatoes w/Ham Broccoli w/Cheese Bread Berry Blend
12) Chicken Patty on Bun Cheesy Hashbrowns Peas Applesauce	**13)** Pork Roast Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Corn Bread Peaches	**14)** Sloppy Joe on Bun Baked Beans Potato Chips Baby Carrots Apple Slices	**15)** **MEA - NO SCHOOL**	**16)** **MEA - NO SCHOOL**
19) BBQ Riblet on Bun Sour Cream Chive Potatoes Baked Beans Pears	**20)** Pancakes Ham/Sausage Oven Fries Green Beans Pineapple	**21)** Hamburger Hotdish Sliced Carrots Bread Mixed Fruit	**22)** Cheesy Chicken on Bun Rice Blend Vegetable Slices Mandarin Oranges	**23)** Chili w/Beans Cole Slaw Crackers Berry Blend Cinnamon Roll
26) Fishwich on Bun Mac & Cheese Peas Applesauce	**27)** Chicken Noodle Hotdish Mixed Vegetable Bread Peaches	**28)** Hot Ham & Cheese Fried Potatoes Corn Apple Slices	**29)** Tater Tot Hotdish Lettuce Salad Bread Pears	**30)** **NO SCHOOL**