

Raiders News

November 20, 2020



REFORMATION
— LUTHERAN SCHOOL —



**Live in Grace,
Walk in Love**

*"Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children
and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave
himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."*

Ephesians 5: 1-2

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

WELS Family Devotions

<https://wels.net/family-devotion/>

Did you know this resource exists? What are some resources you use for family devotions? Family time is incredibly important. Family time is arguably even more important now in 2020. Therefore, quality family time should be a top priority in our households.

1. Family devotions help create a firm foundation for children's spiritual growth. By reading God's Word and praying together, you help train your children to carry these practices with them after they move out and grow up. A family is able to grow together spiritually, to understand one another better, and emulate God's love to one another.
2. 2020 is hectic. That is putting it simply. So, family devotions help us connect with our parents/children in a meaningful way that makes the largest impact on our lives. Taking time to pause and focus on God shows children that God is closer to us rather than giving the impression that he is not here. We need to know that God is here with us, that he wants a relationship with us, he wants to love us. 2020 is year in which we need to show more love, and God's love is the best example!
3. It doesn't need to be complicated. It doesn't need to be long. It just needs to happen. You can read a family devotional book each day, gather for prayers before bed, watch a Reformation chapel service on Youtube, or sing some music. Whatever or however you organize this family devotion time, great a calm, loving, and memorable time for the family.

Our synod, Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), has a lot of great resources if you know they are there. I'm sharing one of those resources with you today. Don't worry about what not having material to do family devotions. The link here takes you to today's family devotion which starts with a bible passage, followed by a short meditation, prayer, a few stanzas of a hymn, and some questions divided by age group for the children to reflect on. God's blessings with your family devotions!

Christmas Program Formal Dress

This year all students of Reformation will be presenting a virtual Christmas program called "Happy Birthday Jesus". Everyone has started working on the program and we are excited to share the story of Jesus' birth with everyone.

Each classroom will be recorded outside in early December as they sing and recite passages from the Bible. We are asking all students to dress up on the day that they are recorded. Girls can wear dressy pants and top or a dress. Boys can wear nice pants and a polo, button up shirt or sweater. We will be sharing more information after Thanksgiving break.



Update from Mrs. Buth and Miss. E's classroom

Transitional Kindergarten has been working hard during the month of November. During our Bible lessons, through the story of Joseph, we learned that Joseph had many troubles. Sometimes we have troubles too. We get sick. Or people may do things that make us sad. Maybe something we like gets broken or we get hurt. Troubles like these can make us feel sad. But like our lesson, God was with Joseph and he had a plan for Joseph's life and he was going to help Joseph. God has also promised to help us. Our Bible verses show us this in Psalm 46:1 "God is our help in trouble". God wants us to come to him for help. How can we go to God for help? By praying to him. We know that God will help us just as he promised. So Tk would like to challenge all of you to remember to prayer and ask God for help.

What else is happening? We continue to learn about letters: how to identify them, what sounds they make, and how we can make the letter with our bodies. We now know the letters A-J. During math time, we have been learning about sorting objects by color, shape and size. We also have been learning about groups of "more" or "less" and "the same". As we lead up to Thanksgiving, we have been learning about what it means to be thankful and how we show that to others. That's all for now. Check back with us next time to see what we are learning about next.



Tech Tip

Do you love Reformation School? We could use your help in sharing the wonderful things we have to offer here at Reformation. As parents and families at Reformation, you are our greatest asset in letting others hear about us! We could use your help in spreading the word about our amazing school. Some of those ways you can help are to give us positive reviews on sites like [Yelp](#), [Google](#), and [Facebook](#). You can also post reviews of our school on sites like [Private School Review](#) and [Niche](#).



Update on Ki's School Lunches

Many families responded to the survey we sent out to measure interest in Ki's School Lunches – thank you! Ki's is working out things on their end, but it looks likely that we resume service with Ki's in January. We would have ordering available for Wednesdays and Fridays. There are quite a few holidays and days with no school between now and the end of the calendar year, so it makes sense to start fresh at the start of 2021. Please keep an eye out for more information!

Christmas Break/Shepherd's Care

Winter Break is fast approaching and school will be closed December 21-25 and December 28-January 1. Our school calendar indicates that Shepherd's Care would be available December 21-23 and December 28-30. We are hoping to be able to offer childcare while school is closed, and your responses to this survey will be important for our planning.

We would be offering a Winter Camp childcare group (for students in grades K-8), separate from our current Shepherd's Care group (that is at its capacity of 14 children). The hours of childcare would be 8:00am-3:30pm on December 21-23 and December 28-30. The cost will be \$40 per day and you will be billed through FACTS. Please note that in order to make this winter group happen we need a minimum of 4 children per day. The maximum children we can have is 14. If you are interested please fill out the survey below.

If your child is currently on our roster for before/after school Shepherd's Care, please complete this form letting us know what days your child will be attending during break. Please know that your child still has their spot in Shepherd's Care with Zeyla available during the hours of 7:00 am - 5:00 pm during Dec 21-23 & Dec 28-30. (The Winter Break group is only being offered 8-3:30).

Please submit this survey by Friday, December 4th to assist with our planning. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work within the childcare guidelines and restrictions that are currently in place. Thank you!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSesn1JjY2TejKGHIAqaw3x5GvLDRikqGyQYLKI07HdTQpVzbA/viewform?usp=sf_link



Join the Reformation Team!

We are looking to add a Shepherd's Care staff member to our team. This position serves as an on-site supervisor in our before and after school K-8 child care program.

Primary Responsibilities:

Provide a Christ-centered, safe and loving environment for a small group of students in grades K-8. On a daily basis, this includes supervising homework, answering homework questions, supervising play and providing other appropriate activities.

Hours:

Monday through Friday, 7:00 am - 8:15 am AND 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm (Work days follow the Grade School calendar, available online. Shepherd's Care is open most days of the school year.)

The ideal candidate enjoys being around children. They should also be reliable, punctual, flexible, comfortable communicating with children and adults, and have a willingness to learn and grow. High school diploma is required.

If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please contact Brennan Buth at bailesb@refsd.org.



LEARN **PLAY** **GROW**

at
Reformation Lutheran
Preschool

**Year-Round Preschool
Enrolling NOW! Space
available for 2.5-3
year olds who are
ready to learn, play
and grow in a safe
and loving
environment.
Visit TODAY!**

The poster features a vibrant, multi-colored background. At the top, the words 'LEARN', 'PLAY', and 'GROW' are written in large, bold, sans-serif fonts, each inside a different colored brushstroke-like shape. Below this, the text 'at Reformation Lutheran Preschool' is written in a smaller, red, handwritten-style font. The main body of the poster contains four photographs of young children in a classroom setting. Two children are sitting on the floor, one is sitting at a table, and another is sitting at a table. The text 'Year-Round Preschool Enrolling NOW! Space available for 2.5-3 year olds who are ready to learn, play and grow in a safe and loving environment. Visit TODAY!' is written in a large, bold, purple, sans-serif font.

Preschool Offers Safe Space to Learn, Play and Grow

Reformation Lutheran Preschool has space available to care for little ones age 2.5-3 and potty trained. We provide a safe and caring environment for your child to play, learn and grow as they make friends and prepare for school success. Visit us online or in person today to learn more, and share this information with families who may be in need of care for their children. <http://reformationpreschoolsd.org/>



Lost & Found Items

Along with current COVID-19 prevention efforts to reduce the number of additional people on campus comes a difficulty for parents trying to locate misplaced student belongings. We encourage all families to label all your student's items (sweatshirts/sweaters, lunch bags, water bottles, etc.) so they can be easily returned to your student when found on campus. If your student is missing an item, please contact his or her teacher for assistance in locating it.

Jewelry and other Items of substantial value will be in the office. Please check there as well. We have had odd items fall out of cars and backpacks in the morning. Thank you.

Wednesday Chapel available on YouTube

Parents and families are invited to join us for our weekly chapel worship service, Wednesday mornings at 8:30am, using videos through YouTube. Chapel services, along with Reformation's weekly worship services, are available on our YouTube channel at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM0y6DBdor8AryGfhd2cfYA>.



Wednesday chapel services are streamed live at 8:30am and also posted online for viewing at your convenience. Please join your Reformation family for these worship opportunities. For more details about weekend worship at Reformation Lutheran Church (Saturdays at 6pm and Sundays at 8am), go to <http://www.reformationsandiego.org/worship-services/>

Reformation Family Calendar

Wednesdays at 8:30am - Live-Streamed Chapel Service - everyone is welcome!

November 25 - 11:00 am Thanksgiving Worship Service - Livestream

November 25 - Grade School and Preschool closes at noon. No Shepherd's Care

November 26 - Campus closed - No preschool, grade school or Shepherd's Care.

November 27 - Campus closed - No preschool, grade school or Shepherd's Care.

December 18 - 11:50 am Early Dismissal for Grade School

December 21 to January 1 - No Grade School - Christmas Break

December 24 - 25 - Campus closed - No preschool or Shepherd's Care.

December 31 - January 1 - Campus closed - No preschool or Shepherd's Care.



A monthly calendar is updated on our website, and a full school year calendar is available also. Click here to review these calendars. (<http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/>).

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

ON SATURDAYS AT 3:00 PM & SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM



About Us



The eternal truths of God's Word are the foundation of our school, its curriculum, and all its activities. Our goal in Christian education is to provide each child with the maximum development of God-given spiritual, physical, and mental abilities. We offer Christian education in our Preschool (ages 2.5-5) and Grade School (K-8).

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