Raiders News

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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: I-2

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Heroes of Christmas: Zechariah

When people say they were speechless after some shock, their silence probably didn't last very long. In a minute or two they opened up with a torrent of talk. One of my Christmas heroes really was speechless—he literally was struck dumb by God to ponder the powerful angelic message that he didn't believe.

The poor man may have thought that he would never utter another word as long as he lived. He submitted to God's discipline without bitterness. But when the miracle child appeared, just as the angel Gabriel had promised, he showed to all, and to his God, that he fully grasped the great role his infant son would play in preparing the world for Mary's even greater Son: "*Then they made signs to his father, to find out what he would like to name the child. He asked for a writing tablet, and to everyone's astonishment he wrote, 'His name is John"* (Luke 1:62,63). Giving his baby the name the angel had foretold was a silent testimony that showed understanding, obedience, and trust in God's revelation. God smiled from heaven and released his servant's tongue.

What glorious praise then came out of his rusty mouth! The "Song of Zechariah" in Luke chapter 1 is an outburst of poetic faith and joy that his child would herald the ministry and work of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world.

When you read Zechariah's story, your heart will jump for joy too. <u>https://timeofgrace.org/heroes-of-christmas-zechariah/</u>



Christmas Dress Up

Next week Friday, December 18, students are welcome to wear festive Christmas-theme clothing in place of their normal uniform clothing. Please still follow sizing and fit instructions that are laid out in the School Handbook and be sure students are still dressed in clothing appropriate for school. Many of our classrooms will be celebrating Christmas in their classrooms, so let's have a little fun with our clothing as well. We are excited to see their Christmas spirit shine through in their clothing choice for the day. As you are, we are looking forward to the birth of our Savior!!



Update from Ms. Ceci's classroom

Hello from second grade! Even though this year has been hard for everyone, we're so glad we have been able to have a good and fun school year so far. Our class has gotten really close and we've made some great memories in the midst of all the struggles of 2020. We have been following all the protocols and new rules, which have allowed us to stay safe and healthy. We're thankful for that!

In the classroom we have been working hard and learning. We have been practicing a lot to become better readers and writers. We work on math using many fun tools, reports, we've learned about animals and plants in science and our country and like blocks, play money, and counters. We have done art projects and book Christmas season, we have been learning about the most important gift of all; American symbols in social studies. On Fridays, we go on virtual field trips and work on STEM projects! We learn so much doing those. Going into the to Christmas and learned about Jesus' life on earth and great love for us. Have the birth of our savior Jesus.

We have studied the Bible stories that lead up a Merry Christmas and a happy new year. See you in 2021!









Update on Ki's School Lunches

Many families responded to the survey we sent out to measure interested 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!

Tech Tip

If anyone would like to purchase a Chromebook Tablet for their children from school we still have a small number of them available! They are \$300 each. This cost is independent of the school assessed technology fee. Please see the linked document for more information about the device. **Please note we do not have the optional keyboard for them though. ** When purchasing them through the school they will also come with management software preinstalled so you can monitor your child's access on the device. If you have any questions, please let Mr. Bohl know.

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ENHANCED LEARNING The Lenovo 10e Chromebook Tablet is the ideal tool to help K-2 students begin their journey of learning with problem-solving games, assessments, and handswww.lenovo.com

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. <u>http://reformationpreschoolsd.org/</u>

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 <u>bailesb@refsd.org</u>.



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

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 <u>http://www.reformationsandiego.org/worship-services/</u>

Reformation Family Calendar

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



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 24 - Christmas Eve Worship Service - Outdoors at 3:00pm December 25 - Christmas Day Worship Service - Outdoors at 10:30am

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. (<u>http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/</u>)

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

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



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About Us

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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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