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

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINICPAL: THE GLORY ALL AROUND YOU

"This is one of the best moments of my life." Those words ran through my head as I chased a baby sea turtle while snorkeling with my youngest daughter. Maya and I held hands and floated above one of God's many magnificent creatures until the speckled-shell turtle swam within arm's reach. My fingers grazed its back, and it dove to the seafloor for another mouthful of grassy lunch.

Wow! God is ridiculously good at his job, isn't he? The angels were right, **"The whole earth is full of** [God's] **glory"** (Isaiah 6:3). Notice the word *whole*. You don't have to chase a sea turtle to experience the glory of God. Lie down in your backyard and watch the clouds billow by, remembering that God sweeps away your sins in the same way (Isaiah 44:22). Grab a coffee and watch the birds eat breakfast at your feeder, thinking of how much God loves creatures that he didn't die for, which means he must love you infinitely more (Matthew 6). Watch your daughter's expression as she explores the world, recalling that you are not just a servant but a child of God (1 John 3).

In a million ways every day, God is revealing his power, his kindness, his wisdom, his love, and his character. Take a moment today to be mindful of his glory. And thank Jesus that his glorious death and resurrection made that wonderful God your Father.

by <u>**Pastor Mike Novotny**</u> March 10, 2021 Posted in <u>Living my Faith</u>

Parenting Book Club

Parenting is one of the biggest blessings and one of the hardest jobs that we have. This Book Club is meant to come alongside you and encourage you in this wonderful journey. This is an opportunity for us as parents to connect and lift each other up while also learning new approaches and ways to connect with our children. It will be a mixture of parenting books and other Christian books encouraging us in our faith walk. To start out, we will be having two different opportunities at the end of each month to chat about the book. One will be in person on the school campus and the other will be via Zoom. Look for more information in the weeks to come on what the exact date and time are for the week of March 22 for us to meet and discuss this first book. Look forward to seeing you there!!!



The first book we will be covering is **The Five Love Languages of Children**, by Dr. Gary Chapman and Dr Ross Campbell. In this book we will see how we can make sure that our kids know that we love them. Finding out their distinct love language can help you assist your child in successful learning, have a better approach to discipline and correction, but most importantly, it can help you build a foundation of unconditional love with your child. "Discover your child's primary language—then speak it—and you will be well on your way to a stronger relationship with your flourishing child."

If you have any questions please contact Jess Bohl: 760-585-6123 or jess.bohl07@gmail.com.



Classroom Update from Mr. Ash

Grades 3-4 have been busy with many things after Christmas. Football is the sport of choice during recess. The students also enjoy their time together on the playground. We have been learning an important lesson in religion class about Rahab and the spies that were sent by Joshua to investigate Jericho. We learned that God was giving the Israelites confidence through Rahab that God would give them the Promised Land of Canaan, and we learned that God puts teachers, pastors, parents, and many other leaders in our lives to give us the confidence we need from God's Word that Jesus has won the victory over sin, death, and the devil, and we will receive the gift of eternal life.

We have been learning about the explorers to California in social studies, and the hardships many of them faces on their journey to this amazing state! In science, we are studying about how climate and weather are related.

God is so good that we get to learn together from his word and from many subjects! We are blessed to learn together in person during this difficult time!



Teenage Girl Life Group

This 8-week study is geared towards teenage girls in middle and high school. This particular Bible study focuses on the inner beauty that we receive because of Jesus' love for us. We will use *"Divine Makeover: God Makes You Beautiful" by Sharla Fritz.* Copies of the book will be provided at no charge to the attendees.

Classes will begin on Monday, February 8 at 3:30 pm. If you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Jennifer Lowndes at <u>lowndesj@refsd.org</u>.

Celebrate Easter at Home with an Egg Hunt Egg-stravaganza!

Celebrate the true and glorious meaning of Easter at home with your family this spring! Using pictures and a video, set up an egg hunt for your kids at home that will help them learn the events in Jesus' life as he died on the cross and rose on Easter to be our Savior. We'll provide filled plastic eggs, instructions and materials and a link to the accompanying video. The whole family can participate in a fun and meaningful Easter activity.



To request an at-home Easter Egg-stravaganza kit, please use this <u>online form</u>. Share this invitation with a family you know who may want to learn about their Savior this way.

Kits will be available for pick up here at church on Saturday, March 20, 9am-11am.

NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



MIKE NOVOTNY

3 Words that will Change Your Life by Mike Novoty

GOD is here. That tiny little sentence can change everything. Truly understanding God's presence is the key to more happiness, less boredom, more rest, less rush, more love, less drama, more peace, less fear.

A deeply satisfying life doesn't require a sabbatical, a new career, or a new year's resolution. As long as God is glorious enough and near enough, you can cast aside the cheap substitutes you've settled for and enjoy the life that is truly life here and now. This book will help you shake off the guilt and shame of sin and see yourself as God sees you.

Find the joy he has been waiting to give you as you discover how three little words can revolutionize your relationship with God.

We meet the last Saturday of each month at 9:00am. If you are interested in joining, please contact Mike Ross at principal@refsd.org.



Tech Tip:

Here is a joke to begin today: The roundest knight at King Arthur's table was Sir Cumference. He ate too much pi. Happy Early Pi Day! Today the 5-8th grade students celebrated National Pi Day! Technically Pi Day is this coming Sunday (3/14), but since we don't have school the teachers still wanted to celebrate this momentous day with the students! The students brought in pies, donuts, pizza and other foods that were round. We then spent some time discussing circumferences and areas of all things circular! For more information and some fun activities to do at home check out <u>www.piday.org</u>



Ki's School Lunches - Service has Expanded!

You can take a break from packing a lunchbox on Tuesdays, THURSDAYS and Fridays by ordering from Ki's School Lunches! With more than 35 entrée choices each day, there is bound to be something your student will enjoy. Place orders online (order for the entire month in advance!) and cancel up to 8am the same day. Go to www.kisschoollunches.com or http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/school-lunch-options/ for additional details and to create your account to place an order. Orders must be placed by noon the day prior to lunch service to avoid a last-minute late order charge.



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>

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

ON SATURDAYS AT 7:00 PM (INDOOR)

& SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM (OUTDOOR)

Reformation Family Calendar

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

March

Saturday, 20 - Egg-stravaganza Kit pickup Wednesday, 31 - Preschool closes at 3:00pm



April

Sunday, 4 - Easter Worship Services at 8:00am and 10:30am Tuesday, 13 - Preschool Spring Pictures (only **new** grade school students will be included)

Foundations 101 - Sundays starting January 24 at 9:00 am Men's Bible Study - Saturdays starting January 30 at 9:00 am Teenage Girl Life Group - Monday's starting February 8 at 3:30 pm Women's Life Group - Tuesday's starting February 9 at 6:30 pm Parenting Book Club - starting week of March 22, Exact time and date TBD

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>)



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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Coming Soon! Reformation Summer Camp June 7-August 20.

Registration opens up online on April 1. More information coming soon.

