

Raiders News

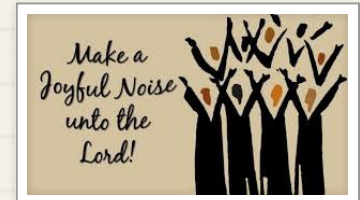
March 18, 2022

Grades 5-8 Sing in Church, Sunday @ 10:30am

We look forward to seeing you this Sunday at the 10:30 am service here at Reformation to hear grades 5-8 sing their praise to Jesus.

There are also these options for your family at 9:30am before the service:

- Grades 5-8 bible study
- Kids4Christ
- Adult bible class



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

How to Worship When War Hits Home: Start with God

<https://timeofgrace.org/how-to-worship-when-war-hits-home-start-with-god/>

I was emotionally holding it together right until the point when the young man prayed for "my people." It was our church's usual post-sermon prayer time, except this time a special guest was standing by my side in front of the congregation. He was a 20-something immigrant whose home country had recently been invaded and whose very existence was in grave danger. This young man's childhood home was now in a war zone. His family was there too. So he led us in prayer for that war zone. His words began with general truths about God—his mercy and power—but then the prayer got specific. "We pray, Lord, for my people."

That little word—*my*—hit me hard. His people were running to bomb shelters, leaving their pets and their possessions behind, hoping that their loved ones were not among the dead. My people were sitting on padded church chairs, sipping locally roasted coffee, and making post-church plans for brunch. The sharp contrast between his people and my people, between dodging bombs and doing brunch, was a moment I will not soon forget.

I am not sure what the headlines are on the day you are reading these words. In my case, they are alarming. People are dying. Peace talks are failing. Threats are intensifying. A war has begun, and the rumors of something catastrophic happening don't feel unreasonable. If this is how it feels to read the headlines, I cannot imagine how alarming it is to live them.

But before that alarm makes me forget what I believe, I reach for my Bible. Because “wars and rumors of wars” is something that Jesus once mentioned. **“You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed”** (Matthew 24:6).

That feels unrealistic, doesn't it? How can we not be alarmed when pregnant women are giving birth in bomb shelters, the global economy is spiraling, and evil seems to be winning? Answer –You start where my immigrant friend started. You start with God.

Recall his prayer. He intentionally didn't begin with “my people.” He began with “our Father.” Before he got to the specifics of his war-torn homeland, he reviewed the general truths about the God who rules over all the lands. First think about God's character, God's power, God's mercy, and only then will you be ready to read the headlines without letting them rob you of the peace that goes beyond understanding.

Maybe today you could do the same. Whatever alarming news is on your phone (or at your front door), you could make a list of all the things you know about God. Think of who God is, what God knows, what God does, and what God has done. Think about the presence of a good Father, the promise of resurrection, and the power of the Spirit who dwells in the heart of every Christian. Don't rush this list, because inner peace requires it to be long.

Finally, pray that the Holy Spirit would remind those caught in war of those same truths, no matter how troubling their world might be. Pray that the words of Jesus would calm their alarmed hearts: **“In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world”** (John 16:33).

Shepherd's Care for Spring Break – March 28 to April 1

Thanks to Miss Iyla for answering our prayers to help out with Shepherd's Care. To that end, we are able to offer Shepherd's Care during Spring Break from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

If you are in need of childcare during that week, please fill out the Google Form to indicate that to us.

<https://forms.gle/YWMYWJWnkdUXmAiU6>

If you do NOT need childcare during Spring Break, there is no need to fill out the form.

Save the Dates for Upcoming Events and Activities

EasterFest – Saturday, April 9, 2-4pm

Family fun including Easter crafts, petting zoo, bounce house and egg hunts!

Vacation Bible School – July 25-29

Summer fun learning about Jesus' love, with a science-y twist!

Registration Information for the 2022-2023 School Year

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." Colossians 4:2

"I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus." I Corinthians 1:4

These two passages have been on my mind as we have worked through this interesting year and as we now dive deep into our plans for the 2022-2023 school year. Thank for being here! Thank you for being a part of our Reformation family. I pray you and your children are happy and thriving. We are joyfully blessed to serve you and your family by providing Christian education here at Reformation.

Reformation Lutheran School is a great place to educate your children.

- A place where Christ-centered education is taught in an increasingly dark world.
- A place that offers the Light of the Gospel in contrast to the sin of the world.
- A place where students excel in high school after leaving as Reformation graduates.
- A place where children are safe.
- A place that teaches them about their Savior, so that we may provide an education that lasts more than a lifetime!

We now ask you to join us in planning for next school year. To re-enroll and take advantage of the reduced Early Bird Registration fee, please return [THIS](#) completed form and arrange for the \$250 payment. On April 7, the registration fee amount adjusts to \$300.

As you may know, private schools like ours offer a consistent curriculum that is based on God's Word. We won't be adding new areas of focus that are contrary to what the bible teaches. This way we can concentrate on refining our curriculum and growing as educators. Our concentration in the coming years will be exactly that. We will continue to find ways to increase student achievement and share God's Word with all of you. We want you to have an opportunity to re-enroll before we receive applications from new students beginning April 7th. We would want all our students to re-enroll for next school year!

Early Bird Registration for the 2022-2023 school year starts right now! Continuing students who re-enroll by April 6th will have a guaranteed seat for the 2022-2023 school year. The Early Bird Registration Fee is \$250.

Kindergarten Classroom Donation Wish List

Kindergarten is in the lookout for some items for some new classroom centers.

- Blocks
 - Wooden
 - Lego
 - Duplo
 - Bristle
- Little People
 - People
 - Accessories
- Marble Works
- Magna Tiles
- Vet/ Doctor
 - Play medical sets
 - Good condition stuffed animals
 - Receiving blankets
 - Small Plastic Animals
- Building set
 - Play tools
- Camping
 - Play camping gear
 - 1. Smores set
 - 2. Lanterns
 - 3. Campfire
 - 4. Etc.
- Donut/Ice Cream Shop
 - Play Ice Cream or Donuts
 - Plastic coffee or tea sets
- Flower Shop
 - Plastic flowers
 - Plastic vases
- Farm Stand
 - Play fruits and vegetables
 - Small baskets
- Post office
 - Mailboxes
 - Stationary
- Puppets
- Early Reader Books

Here is an amazon list for a few ideas in case you may have a few other things that you may be wanting to clear out of your home that could be a blessing to our classroom. Thank you!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2877BPF89R6F7?ref=cm_sw_em_r_un_un_KADD8spjydk74

Message from Mrs. Buth

In case you missed the meeting on Tuesday, we have provided a link to the video recording. You may watch at any time. A reminder: please remember to turn in your Summer and Fall plans form on Monday March 21.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/12itF1U2h78_0NU0IG-sSUxgls6628pJP/view?usp=sharing

Update from Mr. Ash's Classroom

The students in grades 3-4 are exciting to go on their first field trip of the school year today! They will be going to California Lutheran High School to watch the play *Briar Rose: The Tale of Sleeping Beauty*. CLHS will be hosting our class and treating the students to a story time and activities with the characters, lunch with the characters, and recess. The kids will be entertained for the entire morning!

In the classroom, we are studying bible lessons about the parable of the talents and Mary's anointing of Jesus. They are learning how God gives all people different talents, and he wants all believers to use their talents to give glory to God, and help their neighbor. The students also learned that Mary showed her praise to Jesus by anointing Jesus to honor him and prepare him for his burial on Good Friday.

The class just finished up a unit in science on how animals have structures that help them move and protect themselves. They made a "Super Animal" that used different animal structures to protect itself from predators and harsh climates. They are studying the Midwest region of the United States in social studies. The class will be taking a closer look at the climate, landforms, and economy of this region, and they will find out what makes it so different from the West region where they live.

EASTERFEST AT REFORMATION LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2-4 P.M.

Come celebrate Easter with us! The whole family will enjoy a variety of activities, including an Easter craft to take home, Easter Storytime, petting zoo, a bounce house, and egg hunts. The event and activities are free for everyone to enjoy! Bring the kids and invite some friends for a fun day out, no RSVP or advance registration required.

More information on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/709356509460130/>

Volunteers can sign up online (<https://signup.com/go/GwBsbUZ>) or in the church entryway.

Donations requested! Egg hunt candy (individually wrapped pieces and won't melt too quickly!) and plastic egg donations (brought to the front office) would be greatly appreciated! Please bring donated items by Tuesday, April 5.



2021 Statement and Payment Summary

At times, families are looking for a statement of their payments for a calendar year, for childcare or other school expenses. FACTS can provide you this statement with a few clicks at any time. You can choose a calendar year or a specific time frame for a payment summary report. Click [here](#) (attached pdf file) to see how to navigate to this statement in your FACTS account.



The Chosen: A New Bible Study Starting April 20

Join us as we watch episodes from Season One of The Chosen. We will begin the class by watching an episode and then spending some time in discussion of the episode afterward. Class will be held in the sanctuary. This Bible study is open to all ages and starts Wednesday, April 20 from 6:00 - 7:30pm.

What is the Chosen?

The Chosen is a “multiseason series about the life of Christ” and the people who followed Him. It dramatizes the stories of Peter, Philip, John, James, and the other disciples, giving historical context and some fictional plotlines to paint a picture of what Jesus’ ministry looked like in the lives of real people – the ones we read about in the gospels. The Chosen is not meant to replace God in our minds or hearts, but to present a visual aid to one’s existing journey with the Lord. Join us as we watch and discuss together this ever-popular show on the life of Christ!

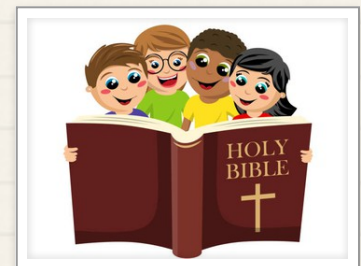


Teenage Girls' Life Group

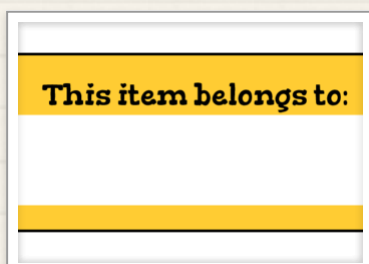
Shine: Sparkling with God's Love. The world needs to hear about God’s grace. He wants us to shine His brilliant love into the darkness of sin. He wants us to reflect His love like billions of pieces of bright, brilliant glitter to those who are hurting. We will dig into God’s word and find out how we can shine the Gospel of Jesus to His people. This after school study is for girls grades 5 – 8. We will meet on the back patio at 3:20 on Mondays. Books will be provided. A voluntary donation of \$5 is appreciated.

Bible Class for students in grades 5-8!

Mrs. Jessica Bohl has starting a new bible class for grades 5-8. This class will meet in the kindergarten room (room 6) from 9:30am to 10:15am and light snacks will be provided. We are looking forward to covering topical bible studies to help our students prepare to be the light in our broken world. See you there!



NEW YEAR RE-BOOT REQUESTS



Student Belongings

Please label your student’s belongings with their name. This includes water bottles, lunch boxes and clothing items such as jackets and sweatshirts. It’s easy to find washable labels online or at stores like Walmart. Please also encourage your student to bring everything home each day. We know you invest your money in all of their items, and labeling them will help your items not be lost forever. Also, our campus will look great without a variety of things laying around at the end of each day.

Pick Up Number Hang Tags

When you pick up your students after school, PLEASE be sure you display your pick up ID number in your vehicle. This is especially important for families of students in grades 1-8 picking up in the back parking lot. Sometimes it is difficult for our staff to see your friendly faces through the windows and sometimes we have other people helping out with identifying cars/parents picking up. Please help us out by displaying your number on your mirror or other prominent place. If you need a replacement hang tag, please request one from Sarah Rodrigues (rodriguess@refsd.org).



We are hiring! We need your help.

You can help us help you! Reformation Lutheran School is currently hiring (just like everyone else) for a few positions.

- Shepherd's Care Supervisor
- Preschool Classroom Aid

If you know of anyone who might have the time or qualifications, we would love to meet with them or spend some time talking with them about these open positions. Please refer anyone to principal@refsd.org. Thank you for helping us staff so that we can better serve the families of Reformation!

GOOD SHEPHERD BIBLE CAMP (GSBC) CONTEST

GSBC CONTEST DESIGN THE 2022 THEME!

EXTENDED!



We want YOU to design next year's theme!

- 3 Possible Winners!
 - Camper (4th-6th grade)*
 - Camper (7th-10th grade)*
 - Staff (11th grade+)*
- Prize for each winner:
 - A FREE week of camp!



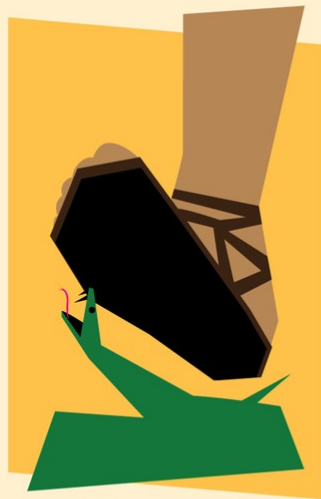
*Grades based on 2022-2023 school year

Good Shepherd Bible Camp is hosting a contest, and we have extended our deadline! We want YOU to design our 2022 theme! What's the prize? A **FREE** week of camp for up to 3 individuals (two campers and one staff)! To enter, submit your name along with a theme, Bible verse, logo, and your name to gsbcmail@gmail.com by **February 11th** for a chance to win! For more information and to see past themes, head over to our Facebook page!

Ki's School Lunches – Order Today!

You can take a break from packing a lunchbox on Mondays and Thursdays 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 and cancel (when necessary) up to 8am the same day. Go to www.kisschoollunches.com or <http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/schoollunch-options/> for additional details and to create your account to place an order. The Ki's website has detailed information on the "How it Works" page. Orders must be placed by noon the day prior to lunch service. You can place orders for the entire month now.

There is an opportunity to volunteer to help with Ki's lunches distribution. Lunches are delivered to us shortly before lunchtime and volunteers distribute lunches to the students. Can you help with this? The time commitment is 11:30am-12:45pm on either Monday OR Thursday. We are asking for one adult volunteer for each day. Can you help? Contact Sarah Rodrigues at rodriguess@refsd.org or (858) 279-3311, ext. 1.



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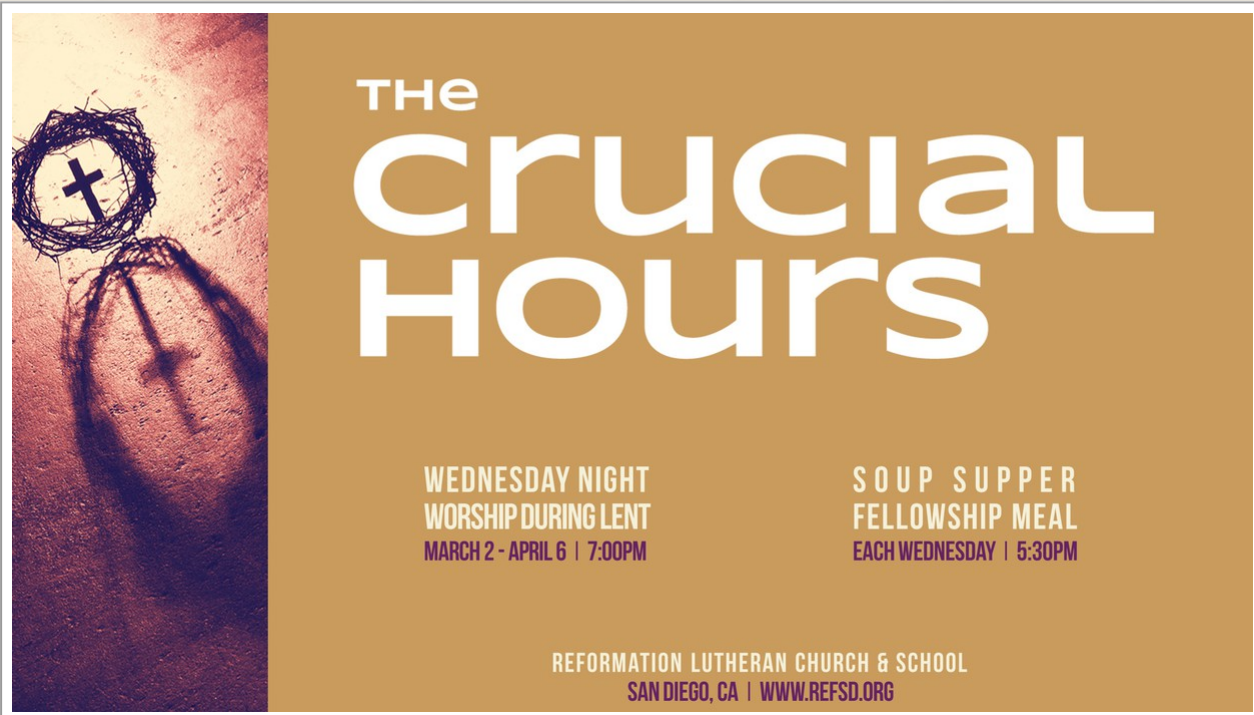
JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS
MARCH 6 - APRIL 3
8:00AM & 10:30AM

**THE LORD SAVES
THOSE WHO ARE
CRUSHED IN SPIRIT.
PSALM 34:18**

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Crushed: A Worship Series for Lent at Reformation.

When someone is devastated or defeated or despondent we speak of them as being "crushed." It could be due to some agonizing loss or unrealized dreams that they are crushed. It could be due to carrying a heavy load of guilt over some past mistake that they are crushed. In a broken world, it is simply a matter of time before we feel crushed. That is why we need Lent. The word Lent comes from an Old English word for Spring – "lengten" – the time when the days grow longer. For 1400 years the Church has set aside the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter as a time of repentance and renewal. Believers humbly acknowledge that sin is the ultimate source of all the crushing moments in life. Our sin even crushed Jesus. Yet, on Easter Sunday, Jesus took up his life again. Our Savior crushed both death and the serpent's head. Yes, Lent is a solemn season. But it is also a season of great hope. With the psalmist we say, "The Lord saves those who are crushed in spirit" (Psalm 34:18). Join us each Sunday this Lent for *Crushed: A Worship Series for Lent at Reformation*.



The Crucial Hours – Lent 2022 at Reformation

Decisive. Critical. Crucial. When we describe something as crucial, we are indicating that it is of great importance and the cost of failure is extremely high. For example, tense negotiations are often described as being “at a crucial stage.” A playoff football team’s coach may describe winning their next game as “crucial to our survival.”

The word crucial is derived from the Latin word for “cross.” In that sense, the events of Holy Week – especially Holy Thursday and Good Friday – were crucial because they all led to Jesus’ cross where the decisive, critical, crucial battle would be fought and won. Our weekly Wednesday worship during Lent will help us focus on those decisive events, those critical moments, those crucial hours, and how they were just that for Jesus, for those around him, and for us.

Join us this year for Lent, a special period of 40 days during which God’s people cleanse their hearts through repentance and prepare to celebrate the festival of Easter with joy. Lent is a time during which God renews his people’s zeal as we reflect on the breadth and depth of Christ’s love for us in willingly suffering and dying to redeem us from sin’s curse.

Join us at Reformation each Wednesday this Lent as we ponder and apply God’s Word to our lives today. We will also have soup suppers beforehand in the gym, beginning at 5:30pm. For more information, visit www.refsd.org or find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/ReformationSanDiego

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

- March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6
- Soup Supper: 5:30pm
- Choir Practice: 6:00pm
- Evening Worship: 7:00pm

Reformation Family Calendar

- 21 Teenage Girls' Life Group - 3:20pm
- 23 Lenten Worship Service 7:00pm
- 28-31 No Grade School - Spring Break (Preschool in session)
- 30 Lenten Worship Service 7:00pm



April

- 1 No Grade School - Spring Break (Preschool in session)
- 4 Teenage Girls' Life Group - 3:20pm
- 6 Lenten Worship Service 7:00pm
- 7 Spring Pictures
- 9 EasterFest 2:00-4:00pm
- 10 CLHS Sacred Concert - 4:00pm
- 11 Teenage Girls' Life Group - 3:20pm
- 14 Maundy Thursday Worship Service 7:00pm
- 15 Good Friday Worship Service 7:00pm
- 17 Easter Worship Services 8:00am and 10:30am
- 18 Campus Closed - No Grade School, Preschool or Shepherd's Care - Easter Monday
- 20 The Chosen: Bible Study 6:00pm
- 25 Teenage Girls' Life Group - 3:20pm
- 27 The Chosen: Bible Study 6:00pm

May

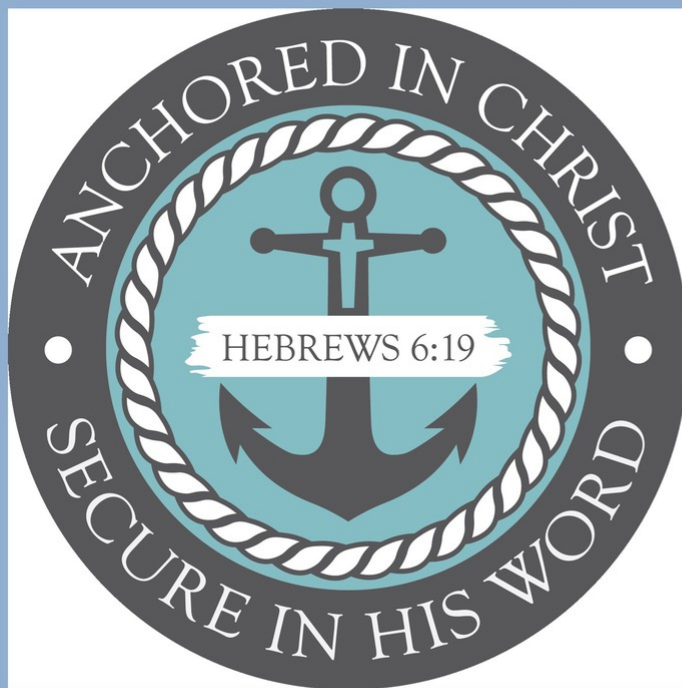
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- 19 The Chosen: Bible Study 6:00pm
- 23 Teenage Girls' Life Group - 3:20pm
- 26 The Chosen: Bible Study 6:00pm
- 29 Confirmation

June

- 3 End of School Picnic
- 3 Last day of school
- 5 Kindergarten Promotion/Eighth Grade Graduation
- 13 Summer Camp Begins

Teenage Girls' Life Group - Mondays at 3:20pm
Chapel Service - Wednesdays at 8:30am
Worship Service - Sundays at 8:00am & 10:30am
Kids4Christ - Sundays at 9:30am
Foundations 101 - Sundays at 9:30 am

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/>).



*We have this hope
as an anchor
for the soul,
firm and secure.*

Hebrews 6:19



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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