

Raiders News

September 23, 2022

Grades 1-4 sing this coming Sunday, September 25, at 10:30am



Devotion: "And"

This Bible passage is so simple we may think, "Of course I want to serve God! I'm a Christian!" But there's a sneaky word in the passage— "and." Maybe we want to serve God, but we also want the things money gives us. We want God... AND money.

We want to give our offerings... AND take the big vacation. We want to serve at our church... AND be involved in our other activities. We want to go to church... AND watch sports on TV. And. And. And... we want it all!

The thing is, we can't actually have it all. God might give us some good things on this earth, but we don't get everything. We live in a world where many people want worldly things before God. That's because the devil wants you to fall away from God, and he knows that money and the things that money can buy can do that. How sad. The devil will use the lives of famous people and maybe even our friends to convince us that having money and a beautiful, fun life will make our lives better. We can easily become distracted from loving and serving God.

God doesn't want you to love him and money. Just him. He wants us to serve him first. The tragedy is... we don't. Not a single person has ever lived who perfectly loves and serves just Jesus. We all serve God "and" ourselves. What do we do?

In comes our great rescuer—Jesus. Jesus loves us. Not us “and” the world. Not us “and” living a beautiful, fun life. Not us “and” a long life in this world. Just us. Jesus gave up his life to love us and rescue our lives. So even when we do serve money first, we repent and remember that he saved us for the better life! So there’s no need to worry about our money! God has taken care of all of us. Rather than serving God and money (which is impossible), we can serve God with money by being “ready to give!”

Beautiful, pure devotion to God is backwards from what the world says. Don’t live your best life now! Our best life will be in eternity! Wait for that day. Pray for that day. Remember, your money will come to nothing on that day. Only true life with Jesus will remain!

Message from the Principal:

We have officially finished our fourth week of school! It has been such a wonderful blessing to see all of the students on campus this month. One of the things that we have been really stressing this school year is family. Everyone is excited that we have been able to have chapel buddies once again! The older students have been paired up with the younger students and sit with them during chapel. This year, we are taking those relationships even further and not just having the students interact once a week during chapel. We are also having monthly activities where chapel buddies get a chance to hang out with one another and get to know each other. If you follow us on Facebook and Instagram, you may have seen some photos from our first week of school highlighting this. It is really such a heartwarming experience getting to see the older students work with their chapel buddies. The blessing of our Reformation family extends to more than just chapel buddies though. In Christ, we are all one family of believers. Through this blessing of family, we have the opportunity to support each other, love one another, and grow in our faith together. Thank you for sending your children to Reformation and being a part of our family! May the Lord continue to bless this school year!



School Picture Update!

Please note that grades K-2 will be having their annual school pictures taken on Thursday, September 29, along with the preschool classes due to their scheduled field trip on Friday.



Athletic Update

Our volleyball activities are continuing, and next week we have upcoming competitions to look forward to. On Thursday, all students in grades 5-8 participate in friendly volleyball games with schools from our WELS school network in Southern California again. The games begin at 1pm – you are welcome to bring a lawn chair and come support our Raiders!

Thursday, September 29–Games at Reformation starting at 1:00 P.M.

Thursday, October 13–Games at Reformation starting at 1:00 P.M.

The girls volleyball team is getting ready to begin their league play. The first game for the team is Thursday, Sept. 29 at 4pm at St. Paul's Lutheran School (in Pacific Beach). The team is eager to use the skills and teamwork they have been practicing. Practice and game schedules are visible on the online school calendar:

<http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/calendar/>

Go Raiders!

CLAIREMONT FAMILY DAY RESCHEDULED TO SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15



Do you ever tell someone where you go to church and have them respond, "Oh, I didn't know there was a church over there!"? We have an opportunity to meet many of our Clairemont neighbors and tell them more about our church and school, located right here on Mt. Abernathy Ave.

On Saturday, October 15, we will host an information booth as a part of the Clairemont Family Day event, which offers fun, entertainment and information to thousands of attendees at the South Clairemont Recreation Center and Park. We'll have a prize wheel to spin, information to hand out, and a 'guess how many' raffle contest. Please contact Sarah Rodrigues (rodrigues@refsd.org) or another member of the Evangelism Committee if you have questions about this community outreach event.

We are looking for friendly volunteers to help host our booth and tell our neighbors about Reformation! Sign up to volunteer at the Reformation booth at Clairemont Family Day: <https://signup.com/go/aqYcQAv> or use the sign up sheet in the church entryway.



Our friends at Truth in Love Ministry will be hosting a seminar and in-depth training on their relational, not confrontational, witnessing approach.

This seminar includes:

- Training on the Build Bridges, not Barriers witnessing approach—an approach to strengthen and not strain your relationships, including 5 key witnessing principles
- An overview of Mormonism's teachings
- Opportunities to get you witnessing

Date: Sunday, October 16, 2022

Time: 12:30pm - 2:30pm

Location: Reformation Lutheran Church

Learn more about the ministry, take home valuable resources, and become trained in sharing your faith. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to events@refsd.org.

Hope to see you there!



School Uniform Store

Is your child growing too fast? Does it feel like you're buying school uniforms all year round? Well look no further for you children's uniform needs. Reformation has a well stocked Uniform Store that is open 5 days a week, Mon-Fri 8am-9am and 2pm -4:30pm. We have boys and girls sizes from 2T up to Xtra Large.

This year, on the last Monday of the month, we will be putting out clothing on tables to make shopping that much easier. Our next "open store" will be Monday, September 26th. Drop on by for some awesome deals! And don't forget, we are always accepting donations of "gently used" uniform items to add to our collection.

FALLFEST IS NEXT MONTH!



On Saturday, October 29, join us for family-friendly fall fun! We'll have bounce houses, trunk-or-treat, carnival games, crafts, snacks, DIY photo booth and more! Invite your family and friends, it's sure to be a fun afternoon! The event takes place from 2-4pm and all the activities are complimentary.

We're also looking for volunteers to help plan FallFest, the first FallFest Committee meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 9:15am. If you want to join the meeting remotely, send an email to Sarah Rodrigues (rodrigues@refsd.org).

Homestay families needed!

Reformation has been a part of the international student program for more than 10 years. We have an increased interest in our international student program recently. A Korean international student agency wants to partner with us to send Korean students to Reformation for short-term and long-term enrollment. Short-term students would attend Reformation for a few weeks to a few months. Long-term students would attend Reformation for the entire school year.

Some of these students who are at our school for the short-term and long-term need church members and school families to stay with while they attend Reformation. Reformation Lutheran School needs host families from our church and school who would open their home to an international student.

The homestay families will do everything necessary to care for the child and to make them feel at home while they attend Reformation. Each homestay family will receive \$600 per month to provide for the international student they are hosting.

The homestay families will enjoy sharing their life with the international student and sharing God's Word and love with them in their home.

If you want more information concerning the homestay program, please contact Michael Ash at 858-880-5855 or ashm@refsd.org if you would be interested in hosting one of the international students this school year. Thank you!

Back to School Guide for Christian Families

Check out this post from Northwestern Publishing House (NPH). It has some great tips for helping get families back into the routine of the full-time school year.

Back to School Guide

Bible Class for Grades 5-8

Mrs. Jessica Bohl has started a new bible class for grades 5-8. This class will meet in room 18 from 9:30am to 10:15am. We are looking forward to covering topical bible studies to help our students prepare to be the light in our broken world. This class will be covering "Tough Questions Reasoned Answers" by Dr Paul Kelm. See you there!



Kids4Christ Sunday School

Kids4Christ (Sunday School) is back in person! Children of all ages will meet in the gym for a fun, interactive series of Bible lessons.

When: Every Sunday 9:30 - 10:15AM

Where: PreK-K & Grades 1-4 in Room 16

Administrator: Barbette Lowndes

BHLowndes@att.net

Reformation Family Calendar

September

25 Grades 1-4 Sing at 10:30am Worship Service

29 Preschool and K-2 Pictures

30 3 - 8 Grade School Pictures



October

10 No Grade School or Preschool - Staff Inservice

15 Clairemont Family Days

17-21 7th/8th Grade trip to Catalina

29 FallFest 2:00-4:00pm

30 Reformation Sunday

November

2-4 No Grade School or Preschool - AZCZ Teacher's Conference

6 Reformation 60th Anniversary Celebration and Luncheon

24-25 Thanksgiving Break - No Grade School or Preschool

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/>).



*For we are God's
workmanship,
created in Christ
Jesus for good works,
which God prepared
in advance so that
we would walk in
them.
Ephesians 2:10*



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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