# Raiders News

September 30, 2022

# Devotion: Are you a beggar?

The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. Luke 19:22

Do you know what a beggar is? You might beg your mom or grandma for one more delicious cookie. But Jesus' story today is about a homeless man named Lazarus. Does Jesus want us to be like him—to leave our homes and live on the streets as beggars? Thankfully, no! Jesus' story is not really about being rich or poor, having lots of amazing food or just crumbs, owning a big home or being homeless. It's about realizing that all people, the rich and the poor, are... beggars. And the biggest thing you have to ask yourself is this: Am I a beggar?

The Bible shows us how we are all beggars. A homeless person with a cardboard sign on the street has a need for food or shelter. But if we are beggars too, then what do we need? Well, we are all going to one day die, and we need someone to save us from that. Our world is decaying and there is violence everywhere. We can't fix it! We need someone to make a "new heavens and a new earth." But there's a lot of wrong feelings like anger and thoughts inside us —we need someone to save us from ourselves.

So, who do we beg from? We beg from the one who gave our bodies and the world to us in the first place—God! We have a God who doesn't simply give us a crumb from his table. He feeds our faith. He sacrificed his Son Jesus to forgive us. He invites us to a feast that will last forever in heaven. With great care and love, he prepares a room for us in his mansion.

Better to be a beggar asking God to save us than the rich man in Jesus' story who ignored Lazarus—even worse, he ignored his own need for God. God never promised an easy life. But, dear beggar of God, our feast is coming! Like Lazarus, we will be at Abraham's side, living with GOD!

So, remember. Remember every day that you have a wonderful thing coming to you! God promises this to you. The more you remember, the more joyful and steadfast we will be as we live on this earth.

# Message from the Principal:

Last week I mentioned some of the blessings that we have as a Reformation family. Mr. Ross prepared a video that showcased our first week's activities. We showed it in church last weekend after grades 1-4 sang. If you were unable to join us last weekend, I wanted to share the video with everyone. Please check out all of our wonderful blessings from the beginning of the year!



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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 <a href="mailto:events@refsd.org">events@refsd.org</a>.

Hope to see you there!







## Ki's Lunch Service - Discontinuing after September

Our service with Ki's School Lunches will be ending. They notified us recently that we do not regularly meet their minimum order numbers and we have had our last lunch service on Thursday, September 29. We're sorry that we will no longer have access to this service. If you have a balance in your Ki's account after this week, it will be refunded to you the same way you paid the funds.

We are researching other school lunch options and hope to offer other options soon. Please complete this survey to help us understand your interest in purchasing lunches for your student(s) during the school day. <a href="https://forms.gle/JHNxz8ER8VdLPHSz9">https://forms.gle/JHNxz8ER8VdLPHSz9</a>

If you are interested in helping with these school lunch efforts or have suggestions and feedback, please contact Sarah Rodrigues (<a href="mailto:rodrigues@refsd.org">rodrigues@refsd.org</a>) or Mr. Bohl (<a href="mailto:principal@refsd.org">principal@refsd.org</a>).

## Athletic Update

Our volleyball activities are continuing, and this week we had two volleyball events. On Thursday, all students in grades 5-8 participated in friendly volleyball games with schools from our WELS school network in Southern California again. It was a beautiful day to enjoy together! We have one more volleyball afternoon to look forward to – you are welcome to bring a lawn chair and come support our Raiders!

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

The girls volleyball team had their first league game on Thursday afternoon. They demonstrated strong teamwork and awesome attitudes and came home with a win! The team is eager to get back on the court next week, with games on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Practice and game schedules are visible on the online school calendar:

 $\underline{http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/calendar/}$ 

CLAIREMONT FAMILY DAY RESCHEDULED TO SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15



Do you ever tell someone where your kids go to school and have them respond, "Oh, I didn't know there was a school over there!"? If you'd like to help our school continue to grow and help fill all the rows in church, 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 (rodriguess@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: <a href="https://signup.com/go/aqYcQAv">https://signup.com/go/aqYcQAv</a> or use the sign up sheet in the church entryway.





### 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-ortreat, 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.

There are many ways you can be a part of this fun event:

- Sign up to host a 'trunk' or booth in the Trunk or Treat trail (send an email to <u>events@refsd.org</u> to sign up!)
- Donate candy or make a donation to support event costs
- Invite friends to attend FallFest with you
- Sign up to volunteer during the event or help with set up/clean up (Volunteer sign up coming soon!)

#### 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

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 Quesions 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

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## Reformation Family Calendar

#### October

10 No Grade School or Preschool - Staff Inservice

15 Clairemont Family Days

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

**27** Picture Retake Day

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

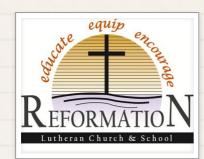
Foundations 101 - Sundays at 9:30 am

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





For we are Gods 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



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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