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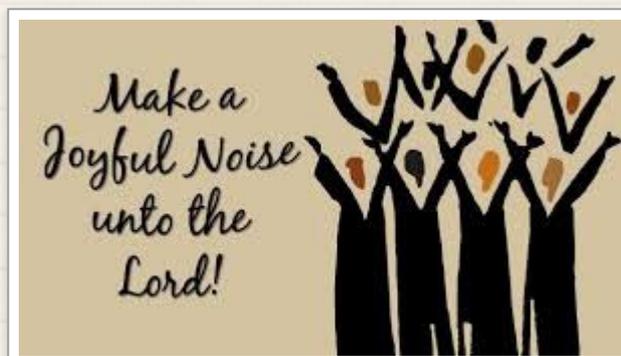
October 28, 2022

Message from the Principal: Reformation Celebration

This Sunday, October 30th, we are remembering the Reformation of the church that took place just over 500 years ago. It also marks the 60th Anniversary of Reformation Lutheran Church. It has been such a privilege and a blessing to serve God's people in the Clairemont area! To celebrate these two occasions, we have some special church services planned. This Sunday there is some special music planned as we reflect on the past 60 years of God's blessings.



All of the school children will be singing in either the 8:00 am or the 10:30 am service. We have been learning *"God's Word is Our Great Heritage."* You may come to either worship service you like. Of course, you may come to both of them if you like! And then the following Sunday, Nov. 6th, we will be looking forward to the future of God's continued blessings of our ministry in San Diego! There will be a potluck lunch after the service where we can have fellowship and reflect on God's blessings past, present, and into the future! We look forward to seeing all of you and worshipping our Savior with all of you!



Devotion: If I Were a Poor Man

A certain ruler asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

[Jesus answered], "You know the commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, honor your father and mother.'"

"All these I have kept since I was a boy," he said.

When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

When he heard this, he became very sad, because he was very wealthy.

Those who heard this asked, "Who then can be saved?"

Jesus replied, "What is impossible with man is possible with God."

Luke 18:20-23,26,27

In the Broadway musical *Fiddler on the Roof*, the lead actor, Tevye, sings a song entitled, "If I Were a Rich Man." It is a popular song even among those who have never sat through the entire three-hour show. And why not? There are not many popular songs that sing the praises of being poor. Would people be humming the tune if the title had been, "If I Were a Poor Man"? I doubt it.

In the upside-down kingdom of God, we actually sing with honor, "If I Were a Poor Man." Oddly, it is the question of a rich man that gives Jesus the opportunity to teach us that the kingdom of God is more poor than it is rich.

We are using "rich" and "poor" differently than normal. The kingdom of God is not about material wealth, but about spiritual riches. And the more we understand that sinners are spiritually poor, the wealthier we will be with the riches only God can provide.

Jesus' conversation helped the rich young man see his spiritual poverty. The young man thought he was spiritually rich, "All these [commandments] I have kept since I was a boy." But when Jesus asked him to give up his wealth to people who were poor and then follow Jesus, the man became sad. He loved his wealth more than he loved God. Jesus' request opened the young man's eyes to his own spiritual poverty.

What if Jesus had the same conversation with us? Would it open our eyes to how spiritually poor we are? But that conversation must happen so that we can realize we cannot earn our way into God's kingdom. We may think we have spiritual wealth to offer God, but we don't. It is better to see that we are spiritually poor. We cannot do it by ourselves.

The crowd grasped what Jesus was saying. How can sinners be saved when we have nothing to offer God? God saves us purely by his grace. He makes the impossible, possible by showering us with *his* riches. "What is impossible with man is possible with God."

Whether you are wealthy, middle-class, or poor, it makes no difference; heaven is only for the spiritually poor!

RECENT 7/8 GRADE TRIP TO CATALINA



The Santa Catalina trip of 2022/23 was a great success! Our 7th and 8th graders had a wonderful time snorkeling, kayaking, and learning about oceanography. Anisa, our group leader, did a great job engaging the students and making them excited to learn about interesting aquatic animals. The trip was very fun, and many participants would love to do it again.

written by Charlotte Wilson



FALLFEST IS TOMORROW!

Reformation Lutheran Church & School Presents

FallFest

Saturday, Oct. 29
2:00-4:00pm

Bounce Houses * Trunk or Treat * Snacks
Carnival Games * Crafts * Photo Booth

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.

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

- Donate candy or make a donation to support event costs
- Invite friends to attend FallFest with you
- Volunteers are still needed! Sign up to volunteer during the event or help with set up/clean up (Volunteer sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/PxOrQgH>).



The students' chapel offerings for this school year are going to support Thai Village. Thai Village is a ministry that is supported by the WELS which is based out of Chiang Mai, Thailand. Thai Village provides vocational training and employs local Thai artisans as a way to build community and share God's love with low-income people. They work closely with Promise Lutheran Church in Chiang Mai and provide support for Christian outreach and education. Our mission offerings help to support the ministry efforts of Thai Village as they reach out and serve those in need in Thailand.

Another way to support Thai Village is through the purchase of artisan goods that the local people make. The proceeds from these sales help Thai Village reach more people and provide more support. They are also used to help financially support the variety of local artisans that work with Thai Village. From now until Nov. 6th, we will have a display in the back of the church for people to look at and purchase some of the items that the artisans make. There are many items that can be used for home decorations, jewelry, and some amazing items that would make wonderful Christmas gifts.

You may come and look at the items any time, but someone will be available to help with purchasing items on Thursday after school from 3:00-4:00 pm as well as on Sunday, Oct 30 from 7:45am-Noon. Items can be purchased with cash, check, or credit card.

For more information about Thai Village check out their website: <https://thai-village.org/>





Samaritan's Purse – Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to those of you who have donated to Operation Christmas Child. We are getting closer to our goal of being able to fill 60 boxes as a student body! We are still looking for some items as well as donations for the \$10 (cash please) for shipping for each box. Please check our amazon list for needed items.

Each student will pair up with their chapel buddy and will get to go around the gym and fill the shoebox (provided) for a child in an impoverished part of the world. The best part is that through this box they will get the opportunity to hear the good news of our Savior. It's an awesome opportunity for the students to get to fill at box and then think about and pray for other kids.

Amazon list for shoebox item donations:

You can search for the list: Operation Christmas Child Reformation

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3TCMDQYUZSK7S?ref_=wl_share

Operation Christmas Child promo video in case you have not heard of this ministry before.

<https://video.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child-overview-2022-short/>

*If you would like a tax deduction stop by the office and Miss Susan can help you with that.

Any questions please reach out to Mrs. Bohl- bohlj@refsd.org



New School Hot Lunch Options Starting SOON!

Treat your student to a hot lunch! Thanks to parents volunteering to help, we are able to offer a limited hot lunch program. **The first day will be Monday, November 7.** Each entree item will be served with a small bag of chips and a fruit or vegetable. Prices and available items are listed on the online order form. A new order form will be available every Monday.

ORDERING CLOSSES AT NOON on the Friday prior to each week of lunch choices. **So, the first orders are due by NOON on Friday, November 6.** There will be no late orders as volunteers will be ordering, purchasing, and preparing items according to pre-orders.

Orders will be billed through FACTS at the start of the following month. Sorry, no credit or refund for students absent due to illness or other unexpected absence.

Monday, November 7 - Chick-fil-A sandwich or nuggets - with apple slices, small bag of chips. \$6 total.

Wednesday, November 9 - Little Caesars pizza - with baby carrots, small bag of chips. \$4 (one slice) total, \$1 each additional slice

Online order form: <https://forms.gle/7G7xATxqoQJy1Tic9>

Or, find the link on the school website:

<http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/school-lunch-options/>

Athletic Update

Volleyball season was a success! Our girls volleyball team concluded league play with a challenging first-place game against the upper grade students from City Tree Academy. They battled from behind, forcing a third set, and showed awesome teamwork to secure the win! Thanks to all the parents for making adjustments to support your player, thanks to the players for working hard and thanks to Adrianna Fleming and Sarah Rodrigues for coaching the team.



On Saturday, October 22, a group of 7th and 8th grade students represented Reformation at the annual SoCal WELS Grade School Volleyball tournament at California Lutheran High School. After a full morning of volleyball, they were fourth in the standings. They battled through two more matches and ended the tournament in the fourth place position. Thank you to the students, parents and staff members who joined us for the tournament, which is always a fun day of competition and fellowship with fellow families from our network of schools in Southern California.



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, November 28th**. 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.

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

October

29 FallFest 2:00-4:00pm

30 8:00am & 10:30am Reformation Sunday Special Worship Service



November

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

6 Reformation 60th Anniversary Celebration and Luncheon

24 11:00am & 7:00pm Thanksgiving Worship Service

24-25 Thanksgiving Break - No Grade School or Preschool

30 Advent Worship Service (7:00pm) and Soup Supper (5:45pm)

December

7 Advent Worship Service (7:00pm) and Soup Supper (5:45pm)

14 Advent Worship Service (7:00pm) and Soup Supper (5:45pm)

16 1-8 Grade Christmas Program 7:00pm

17 Christmas in Clairemont

18 PK/K Christmas Program 10:30am

21-26 Preschool Christmas Break

Dec. 21 to Jan. 3 Grade School Christmas Break

Chapel Service - Wednesdays at 8:30am

Worship Service - Sundays at 8:00am & 10:30am

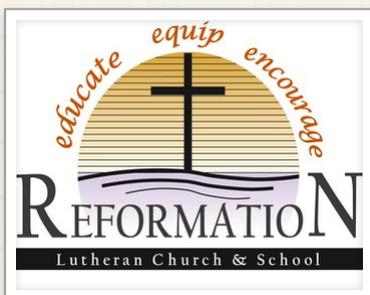
Kids4Christ - Sundays at 9:30am

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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