# **Raiders News**

## January 13, 2023

## Devotion: God's Son Is Baptized

After Jesus was baptized, he immediately went up out of the water. Suddenly, the heavens were opened for him! He saw the Spirit of God, descending like a dove and landing on him, and a voice out of the heavens said, "This is my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with him." Matthew 3:16,17

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

How does it make you feel when a teacher praises the project you spent so much time on? How does it make you feel when a coach tells you how proud they are of your hard work? How does it make you feel when a parent tells you how pleased they are by your good behavior? It feels amazing, right?

Unfortunately, because of sin, God couldn't say those things to the people of this world. Adam and Eve disobeyed God and sinned against him. We have to admit that we have also disobeyed God and sinned against him.

God is holy. That means that he can't praise disobedience. He isn't proud of sinners. He'll never be pleased when people turn their backs and walk away from him.

When God's Son, Jesus, came to this world, he was just like us in so many ways. He had eyes and fingers and feet, just like us. He got hungry and tired and sad, just like us.

But Jesus was different from us in one very important way. He never disobeyed God. He never sinned against any of God's commands. Jesus was perfect and holy in every way.

That's why, when Jesus was baptized, God could praise Jesus and shout from heaven how proud he was of him: "This is my Son, whom I love. I am well pleased with him."

Well, that might be amazing for Jesus, but how does it help sinners like us? Here's some really good news. When you were baptized, you were connected personally to Jesus. His perfection became your perfection. His holiness became your holiness.

Imagine Jesus wearing a pure, white robe, without a single stain or spot on it. Then imagine him taking that robe and wrapping it snugly around you. That's what happened when you were baptized.

Now, when God the Father looks at you, he doesn't see any spots or stains or sins. He sees the perfect life of Jesus. That means that God can (and does) look at you now and say, "This is my son/daughter, whom I love. I am well pleased with him/her."

#### Closing Prayer:

Jesus, thank you for wrapping your holiness around me when I was baptized. Help me please you in everything I think, say, and do. Amen.

#### Hot Lunch - Orders due by noon on Friday!

Treat your student to a hot lunch! Thanks to parents volunteering to help, we are able to offer a limited hot lunch program. 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 CLOSES AT NOON on the Friday prior to each week of lunch choices. Hot Lunch is available next week on Wednesday, January 18 (pizza). Order form for January 16-20: <u>https://forms.gle/fsspZJAaMyEQk76J8</u> Ordering ends at noon on Friday, Jan. 13.

There will be no late orders as volunteers and staff will be ordering, purchasing, and preparing items according to preorders. Volunteers are needed to help on hot lunch days. We're asking for two people to help, from 11am-12:15pm. Click here for more information and to sign up: <u>https://signup.com/go/aeuwobT</u>



### 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 **in January**. 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.

#### **Raiders Athletics Update**

Our Raiders boys and girls basketball teams continue their practices and the boys will now be playing league games each week on most Tuesdays and Thursdays. You can find the game schedule on the online calendar here and come cheer them on: http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/calendar/

You can also add our school calendars to your personal calendars with the "Google calendar" link in the lower right hand corner.



On Friday, January 13, we hosted some of our nearby WELS schools for boys and girls basketball games. We look forward to meeting on the court again on Friday, January 27 on the campus of California Lutheran High School in Wildomar, CA.

#### Annual Reformation Invitational Basketball Tournament - February 2-5, 2023

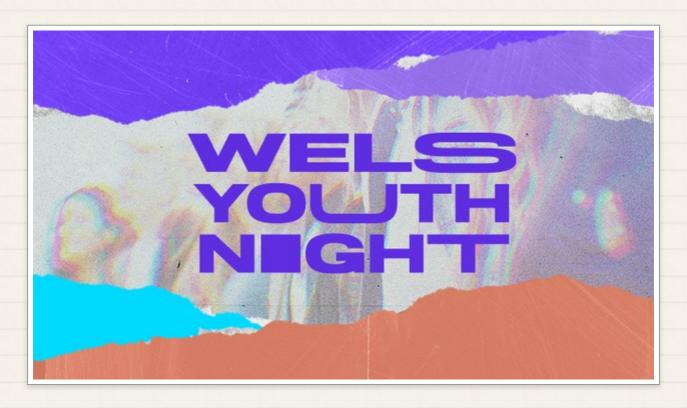
We are getting excited to host the 44th Annual Reformation Invitational Basketball Tournament on February 2-5! We will welcome eleven schools and 22 teams for a fun weekend of basketball and community with fellow Christians. What an awesome Reformation tradition and a blessing to be able to gather in this way! All members of the Reformation family are welcome to be involved with the tournament – the schedule will be released soon so that you can come and enjoy some games, and there are a variety of ways that you can help as well.

The basketball games need people to help with the scoreboard/game clock and the scorebook. Games will be held here at Reformation (on Feb. 2, 3, 4 and 5) and at St. Paul's Lutheran School (in Pacific Beach, on Sat. Feb. 4). Additional information is included on the sign up page. If you can help in this way, please sign up online here: https://signup.com/go/PyRgEBA

We offer a concessions stand during the tournament to help provide food and drinks, allowing fans to stay and enjoy time together. You can help by joining the snack bar as a volunteer to help prepare food, take orders, etc., or you can help by donating items that will be sold to help offset expenses and increase raised funds. Additional information is included on the sign up page. The funds raised through the snack bar will support athletic programs at Reformation with equipment, supplies and program expenses. Sign up online here: https://signup.com/go/rnPMgDB

If you have questions about the Tournament, please contact our Athletic Director, Sarah Rodrigues (<u>rodriguess@refsd.org</u>).

## SOCAL WELS YOUTH NIGHT, JANUARY 15



## From Mompliments to Godpliments (Building our Identity in Christ)

The second Youth Night is **NEXT SUNDAY!**Please join new friends and old friends for another phenomenal night of worship, study, connections, games, food and fun.

When: Sunday, January 15th, 2023 (NO SCHOOL MONDAY for CLHS and most grade schools!) Time: 5:00pm -10:00pm

Schedule:

- 5-6 pm Registration, Teens gather, play games, hang out, snack
- 6-6:20 Welcome and Mixer Games
- 6:20-6:25 Welcome and Prayer
- 6:25-6:40 Worship
- 6:40-7:10 Keynote Speaker
- 7:10-7:50 Small Groups and Snacks
- 7:50-8:00 Closing and Announcements
- 8:00-8:10 Closing Prayer and Worship
- 8:10-10:00 Fellowship: Games, Snacks, Chilling. \*Youth Groups and Teens leave when they are ready.

Who: Southern California Youth (6th-12th grade)

Where: Ascension Lutheran Church, Escondido

Register by: Saturday, January 14th. It is okay to register at the event!

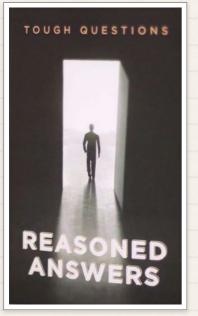
Cost: FREE for the teens

## **Click Here to Register!**

## Kids4Christ Sunday School

Kids4Christ: 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





### **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 Quesions Reasoned Answers" by Dr Paul Kelm. See you there!

## **Reformation Family Calendar**

January

15 WELS Youth Night

16 Campus Closed - No Grade School, No Preschool, No Shepherd's Care - MLK Day

#### February

**3** Noon - Grade School Dismissal

3-5 Reformation Basketball Tournament

6 Campus Closed - No Grade School, No Preschool, No Shepherd's Care

17 No Grade School - CLHS Basketball Tournament

17-19 CLHS Basketball Tournament

**20** Campus Closed - No Grade School, No Preschool, No Shepherd's Care - Washington's Birthday

22 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service

#### March

1 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service

3 Campus Closed - No Grade School, No Preschool, No Shepherd's Care - Teachers' Conference

8 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service

**15** 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service

22 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service

29 7:00pm Lenten Worship Service

#### April

6 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service

7 7:00pm Good Friday Worship Service

10 Campus Closed - No Grade School, No Preschool, No Shepherd's Care - Easter Monday

11-14 No Grade School - Easter Break

#### May

**3** Kindergarten Signing Day

12 School Play

29 Campus Closed - No Grade School, No Preschool, No Shepherd's Care - Memorial Day

#### June

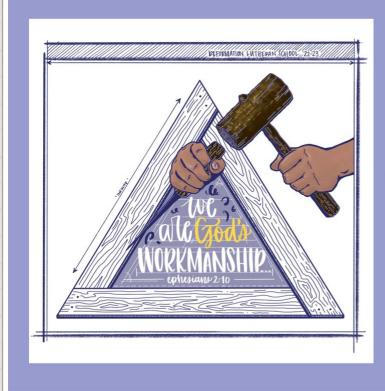
2 School Picnic

2 Last Day of School

4 Kindergarten Promotion & 8th Grade Graduation

*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. (<u>http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/</u>)



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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