Raiders News

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: THE GIFT OF A GOOD GROUP

REFORMATION

When I was growing up in the church, I had no idea that I needed a group. Thanks to my mother, I would show up at church every Sunday to hear about Jesus, a habit that led me to open my bible at home and read more about Jesus. But did I connect with other Christians to pray for each other, confess our sin to each other, and forgive each other in Jesus' name? I didn't even think about that.

But the Scriptures mention it all the time. Listen to how one believer gushed about such groups: "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" Psalm 133:1 It is both morally "good" and emotionally "pleasant" when Christians can do life together without cliques, divisions, or unaddressed hurts but rather with metal commitment, honest concern, and genuine love.

Make no mistake...a group like that is hard to create and maintain. Satan knows its power, so he fights and lies to prevent it, convincing too many us that we are fine with a "personal relationship with Jesus." But God knows its power too, so he gives us this clear reminder and promise to be with us as we take the next step to living in true Christian unity.

So what could you do today to be a living example of this passage? What stop could you take to connect with another Christian and do life together? I'm not sure what that step is, but I do know it's good to get one step closer to living together as the people of God.

Mike Novotny January 7 Grace Moments

New Men's Bible Study to Start!

I would like to invite you to join me and other Reformation men to study God's Word through a book written by Pastor Mike Novotny. Mike is a co-pastor at the CORE, is the lead speaker for the media ministry Time of Grace, and serves as the chairman of Conquerors Through Christ. Mike lives with his wife and children in Appleton, Wisconsin.

The book is called "3 Words That Will Change Your Life." *GOD is here.* That tiny little sentence can change everything. Truly understanding God's presence is the key to more happiness, less. Boredom, more rest, less rush, more love, less drama, more peace, less fear.

A deeply satisfying life doesn't require a sabbatical, a new career, or a new year's resolution. As long as God is glorious enough and near enough, you can cast aside the cheap substitutes you've settled for and enjoy the life that truly life here and now. This book will help you shake off the guilt and shame of sin and see yourself as God sees you.

Find the joy he has been waiting to give you as you discover how three little words can revolutionize your relationship with God.

So, join us, in this new year! If you are interested please reach out to me at <u>rossm@refsd.org</u> to let me know that you are interested so that I can order books. The book will cost us around \$13-\$14 depending on how many we order and the shipping costs. I will order books and ask for each person to reimburse the church for their book. Please reach out to me by January 18th.

Our first meeting, will be on Saturday, January 30th at 9am. I will make the decision whether this book study is in person or via Zoom at a later point. If you have any questions, please let me know. God's blessings!

Mike Ross Reformation Lutheran School Principal

> Kids nutrition is our mission

NEW – SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS

Ki's School Lunches will be available to purchase starting **Tuesday**, **January 12**. <u>Ordering is</u> <u>LIVE NOW! https://kis.naturallunches.com/</u> You can order hot or cold entrees along with fresh fruit and vegetable sides, with a large list of optional add-on items. Ordering will be available for Tuesdays and Fridays, when there is a full day of school for grades K-8. Refer to the attached pages for more information – all of this is on our school website also. You MUST order in advance, lunches are not available on-site for purchase on the day of service.

Parking Lot Reminders

When using the back parking lot for Kindergarten and Grades 2-8:

- Please drive slowly
- Please <u>do not pass</u> other vehicles unless directed by a staff member. Patience is key; use the time waiting to say a prayer to seek guidance for the day ahead.
- If you need to park and personally go to your student's classroom, please use the front parking lot. We encourage you to set a meeting with the classroom teacher. Please remember that we are trying to avoid having additional adults spending time on campus during the school day to minimize our interactions and exposures.
- If you arrive after 8:30am, please use the front parking lot and students will enter school through the front office.

Mr. Ash's Classroom Update

The students in grades 3-4 are excited to be back on campus after Christmas break! They are enjoying their time together in the classroom and on the playground. If you come on campus during recess on a typical day, you can see students outside playing dodge ball, jumping rope, and talking with each other by the picnic tables. Many of the boys love the afternoon recess to play football with two willing and wonderful Christian leaders, Pastor Birkholz and Vicar Choi. We say a huge thank you to them!

The students are studying the bible truths about Moses leading the Israelites out of Egyptian slavery and manna and quail in the desert. The kids are making a design for a rain gauge, and then they will create one using household items. We are also learning about pueblos and presidios in California history. We are so fortunate to have a mission and presidio right in our backyard!

The students are working so hard to accomplish their goals and New Year's resolutions (I made up the last one). They come into the classroom every day ready to tackle the challenges of the day, and they pray that Jesus continues to be with them and guide them in the classroom and outside on the playground.









Join the Reformation Team!

We are looking to add a Shepherd's Care staff member to our team. This position serves as an on-site supervisor in our before and after school K-8 child care program.

Primary Responsibilities:

Provide a Christ-centered, safe and loving environment for a small group of students in grades K-8. On a daily basis, this includes supervising homework, answering homework questions, supervising play and providing other appropriate activities.

Hours:

Monday through Friday, 7:00 am - 8:15 am AND 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm (Work days follow the Grade School calendar, available online. Shepherd's Care is open most days of the school year.)

The ideal candidate enjoys being around children. They should also be reliable, punctual, flexible, comfortable communicating with children and adults, and have a willingness to learn and grow. High school diploma is required.

If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please contact Brennan Buth at <u>bailesb@refsd.org</u>.

Dress Code Reminders

- Please take a moment to refresh our school's uniform policy. Details are found on pages 20-23 of the School Handbook, which can be found online: <u>https://a916ffd6132790ff0925-072b1e3e147e66666674a9fae4af79d58.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/uploaded/h/0e10830343_1598</u> 298479_handbook-2020-2021.pdf
- Please remember that all pants should be 'Dockers-style' uniform pants, not leggings or other tight-fitting pants. When girls wear skirts or dresses, they must wear shorts as well.
- Shirts are to be plain white, red or navy blue polo-style/collared shirt or blouse.

Preschool Offers Safe Space to Learn, Play and Grow

Reformation Lutheran Preschool has space available to care for little ones age 2.5-3 and potty trained. We provide a safe and caring environment for your child to play, learn and grow as they make friends and prepare for school success. Visit us online or in person today to learn more, and share this information with families who may be in need of care for their children. http://reformationpreschoolsd.org/



Year-Round Preschool Enrolling NOW! Space available for 2.5-3 year olds who are ready to learn, play and grow in a safe and loving environment. Visit TODAY!



Lost & Found Items

Along with current COVID-19 prevention efforts to reduce the number of additional people on campus comes a difficulty for parents trying to locate misplaced student belongings. We encourage all families to label all your student's items (sweatshirts/sweaters, lunch bags, water bottles, etc.) so they can be easily returned to your student when found on campus. If your student is missing an item, please contact his or her teacher for assistance in locating it.

Jewelry and other Items of substantial value will be in the office. Please check there as well. We have had odd items fall out of cars and backpacks in the morning. Thank you.



Wednesday Chapel available on YouTube

Parents and families are invited to join us for our weekly chapel worship service, Wednesday mornings at 8:30am, using videos through YouTube. Chapel services, along with Reformation's weekly worship services, are available on our YouTube channel at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM0y6DBdor8AryGfhd2cfYA</u>.

Wednesday chapel services are streamed live at 8:30am and also posted online for viewing at your convenience. Please join your Reformation family for these worship opportunities. For more details about weekend worship at Reformation Lutheran Church (Saturdays at 6pm and Sundays at 8am), go to <u>http://www.reformationsandiego.org/worship-services/</u>

Arrival Time Encouragement

School days begin at 8:30am. Students in grades K-8 need time to transition and prepare for their school day to be successful. In many classrooms, students are filling in daily planner pages or completing other preparations before 8:30am. Please make every effort to bring students to school early enough (as early as 8:00am) to help them prepare for a successful school day.

Reformation Family Calendar

Wednesdays at 8:30am - Live-Streamed Chapel Service everyone is welcome!



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/)

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

ON SATURDAYS AT 3:00 PM & SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM



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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