



February Newsletter 2018

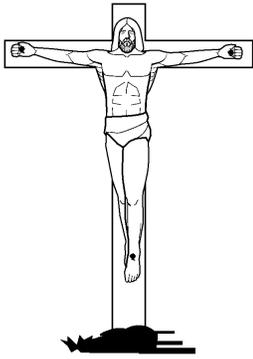
Bumblebee Class



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“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it. “

Proverbs 22:6

How are we training our children? When they are adults and on their own, what will they do? Where will their foundation be? Whether we realize it or not, we are training our children every day by what we do and by what we don't do.

During parent orientation, we talked about how preschool is foundational. We are building the foundation of later learning. You cannot learn to read if you do not know your letters. You cannot learn to add and subtract if you do not know your numbers. You cannot know who Jesus is if you “neglect the gathering of believers”

(Hebrews 10:25)

At this time of year, many people make resolutions to make their life better. One of the most common is to eat better to improve our health. But no matter how many times we start this resolution, no matter how clearly we see the benefits, we still don't do it.

The same is true of attending church, that is, of hearing God's Word preached, receiving His Sacrament of Holy Communion, praying singing and giving thanks (gathering of the believers). We know it is good for us and for our children, yet we are quick to make excuses and do other things that either

serve to starve our faith or feed it such rubbish that it suffers instead of strengthens. So, if eating healthy is important, then it's infinitely more important for us to continually have preached into our hearts the Law that kills and the Gospel that makes alive and gives comfort in every need.

It is tempting to look for this comfort outside of the Church, to think that we're in communion with God while camping or to think we can substitute volunteer work for Sunday morning worship, or many times sports events take us away. Sadly, these are lies of the devil. God is everywhere (omnipresent) yes, **but only in His Word and Sacraments** is He present for you, forgiving your sins and healing your broken heart. He even gives His very body and blood, given and shed for you as a testament. He's attached Himself to these things and promised to be there for you. **God limits himself FOR US so we know exactly where to find Him.** To look for Jesus outside these means of grace is foolish.

But isn't the Church just full of sinners? Of course it is! That's the point. We shouldn't be surprised when sinners gather in the place where forgiveness is promised.

Let's resolve to “train our children in the way they should go” so that when the “rain falls and the floods come, and the winds blow, their house will not fall because it is built and founded on the Rock” (Matthew 7:25)

(excerpts from Lutheran Witness/January 2016)

Memory for February

Love one another
for Love comes from God.
1 John 4:7

Color for February

Red

February meal prayer

I thank you now dear Lord
For my home and friends and food.
Help me serve you all this day
And show my gratitude. AMEN

**Use this prayer before your meals
at home also.**



Winter program

Sunday, February 18—Winter program. The bumblebee class will host a winter program in the church parish hall. It will begin at 3:00 Sunday afternoon. It will last approximately 30 minutes. Mark your calendars. Please plan to attend.

Dates to Remember



**Tuesday, February 13—
Red day.** Wear red if you have it. This will serve as our Valentine party. Children may bring in individual valentines for their

classmates. This is not mandatory. Fill in the FROM portion on the valentines. Leave the TO portion blank. It will be easier to pass out one to each classmate. The bumblebee class has 16 students.



February Birthdays

Logan Fedler (1/2 B-day)
Isaac Johnson
Cuyler Mullin (1/2 B-day)
Myar Rodgers
Austin Miller
Lindsey Steele
Kinsley Franzen



Read Everyday And Discover

Book Orders

due back by
Friday, February 2.

Practice at Home.

Keep the learning going at home. Any extra practice you can give your child at home will only benefit them. Reinforce colors, shapes, and recognizing letters, especially the letters in their name. Let them color at home OFTEN. Coloring improves fine motor skills, and increases their attention span and focus. Encourage them to color the whole picture, not just one part. Encourage them to use more than one color. Do not worry about staying in the lines.

Also, please work with your children so they can put their coats on by themselves. Help them, do not do it for them.

Begin to show them how to zip their coats if they cannot already.

Registration for Fall 2018 has begun.

At this time, our 4/5 yr old PreK class is full. If you are still interested in the class, let me know, and I can put your name on a waiting list. The morning 3yr. Old class is filling fast. There is still room in the afternoon 3yr. Old class. Beginning February 1, we will open registration to the public. Spots are filled on a first come first served basis.

Offering Banks— If your child has not returned his/her bank, you may send it back to school anytime. We will send the empty bank back so your child may keep it. Our jar is filling fast. This money will be sent to Lutherans for Life.



Please keep in your prayers:

This month please include in your daily prayers:

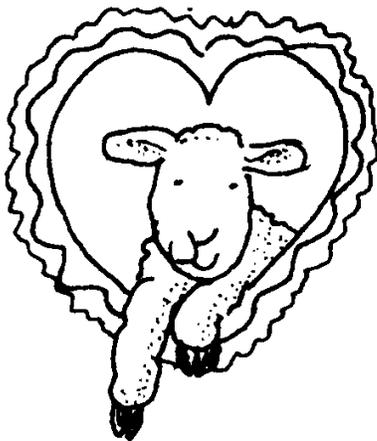
- Kynslee & Cayson Newton
Parents: Darby & Shane
- Ramira Doan
Parent: Renay
- Miah Phelps
Parents: Kaysee & Alex
- Ty George
Parents: Stephanie & David
- Continue to pray for all the children in your child's class
- Pray for our country and its leaders that they make God pleasing decisions.

Faith Lutheran Church News

Divine Service every Sunday morning at 9:30am.
Sunday school and Bible class begin at 8:15am.
You are always welcome.



The Lutheran Hour, airs weekly on 1300 stations and the American Forces Network. Airing nationally since 1930, the Lutheran Hour is one of the world's oldest continually broadcast Christ-centered radio programs. From the show's early years to today, it continues to bring God's changeless Word and offers comfort and hope to millions. Listen to the Lutheran Hour on **KILJ radio 105.5 FM. Sunday mornings beginning at 7:00am.**



These questions and answers are taken from "the Answers Book for Kids" from Answers in Genesis. Check them out at answersingenesis.org. Also, if you ever have any questions, please contact Pastor Scudder at 319-385-8427, or stop in and talk to him! He would love to talk to you!

Questions from Kids

How could God be Jesus and Jesus be God?
How can they be the same, but different?

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him (John 1:1-3)

You are wondering about a very important teaching from the Bible. But there is more here-the Holy Spirit. God is three distinct persons-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit-and each is fully God, yet there is only one God. This is especially hard for us to understand. But remember, God is not like anything else in the whole world.

This might help you to understand a little. In the first chapter of the Bible, God says, "In the beginning God". Now there are some very smart people who study the Bible. These people tell us that the way the word "God" is used here means more than one person. As we read Genesis, we learn that God's Spirit was there at creation, that God Himself spoke all of creation into existence, and Jesus is called the Creator. He is the Creator, and the One who stepped into history and became a man. He did this to help us know God better and to show us how we could one day be with God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Because we are created in God's image, we are like Him in some ways-we can think abstractly, love, have relationships and so on. But there are many things very different from us that are hard to understand, and these make God who He is-He is eternal, and He is the triune God. He is one but more than one.

Other references:

Deuteronomy 6:4; Colossians 1:16; John 1:1