

Cross Lutheran School & Early Childcare Center

Guiding children to learn, to love, and to live under the grace of God's forgiveness.

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NEWS for the week of **December 4, 2023**

Childcare Center & School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapel offerings this month will be used for missionary support. Throughout the year, offerings will also support the education of Berlina, a teenage girl in Haiti. Wed., Dec. 6- CEA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. in the church The CEA Winter Dinner Auction will be held Saturday, February 10, 2024. Currently, donations are being accepted. If you or someone you know would like to donate an auction item or sponsor the event, please call Rita Herford at 989-553-1550.
DK-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basketball Practices will be held after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd-5th grade practice ends at 4:30 6th-8th grade practice ends at 5:00 Wed., Dec. 6- Chapel 8:05 a.m.; Parents/guardians are welcome to join us for Chapel each week! Thurs., Dec. 7- School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. in the church; These are open meetings, and anyone is welcome to attend. Ideas about how to use money from a school safety grant will be discussed at this month's meeting. Fri., Dec. 8 - Christmas Fair- Students will be doing their Christmas shopping this Friday. This is an opportunity for students to buy and wrap gifts for family members. Be prepared for them to come home with a lot to carry! Be sure to send them with the items below that day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Money (Most gifts range in price from \$0.25- \$5.00) A wallet or ziplock bag <u>with their name on it</u> to keep their money in. A list of immediate family members to shop for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing down some "ideas" of what to look for is helpful, especially for younger students. Wrapping Paper and Tape or Gift Bags/Tissue Paper <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Gift bags highly recommended for younger students) Prefilled TO/FROM Tags Large Bag(s) or Containers to carry gifts home Fri., Dec. 8 - Walsh Meat Packing Fundraiser delivery/Bake Sale; items will be available to pick up in the gym after school. Cross CEA will also have a bake sale going at that time as a quick and easy way to have goodies to take/freeze for family get-togethers. Please plan to come inside at pickup so you can buy some goodies! Sat., Dec. 9- Robotics Tournament @ Caseville School Wed., Dec. 13- Christmas Caroling for all ages @ 4:45 pm, followed by a potluck around 5:30 pm. Sat., Dec. 16- Basketball Tournament @ Harbor Beach Schools (3rd-6th grade) Tues., Dec. 19- Christmas Palooza, performances at 1:00 and 7:00 p.m. Dec. 21-Jan. 2- Christmas Break; No School

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Preschool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AM preschool class time runs from 8:00-11:00 a.m. • Activities this week: Zoo Phonics characters a-z, name practice, coloring, Focus on number 6, tracing, triangle, oval and rectangle, counting, Letter J, identifying numbers and shapes, Literature and Literacy theme this week: Shapes, boxes and Christmas, Bible time focus: Jesus' birth.
Church Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are always welcome to attend Cross Lutheran Church on Sunday mornings. Our service begins at 9:30 A.M. Our next Communion Service will be on Sunday, December 3rd for the start of Advent. • Sunday School classes every Sunday from 8:45 a.m. to 9:25 a.m.- All are welcome!