



**November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Mission Statement** St. Peter Lutheran School exists to help parents bring up their children in the training and instruction of the Lord, to provide academic excellence using God’s Word, and to share the Gospel of Christ with the world.

**Church Singing:**

Sunday, December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jr. Bells	8:00am
Sunday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Grs 5-8	8:00am
Sunday, December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Children’s Christmas Program	10:30am & 4:00pm

**Staffing**

This past Sunday (11.26.23) St. Peter Congregation called Rachel Carson to be our 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher starting next school year. Mrs. Carson and her family are members of St. Peter. She currently teaches at Weyauwega/Fremont public school. Please do not hesitate to speak with her about the call we extended to her. Encourage Mrs. Carson and above all keep her and her family in your prayers as she deliberates the call God has placed before her.

**Saturday Christmas Program Practice**

We will be having a special children’s Christmas practice on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16. It will run from 9-11 am at school. Students in grades 3K and 4K will have their part of the program practiced immediately at the beginning and then they will be dismissed so that they do not have to remain for another hour plus. Parents of 3K/4K students should get more information from their child’s teacher. All students attending St. Peter Lutheran School are expected to attend this important practice. The children’s actual Christmas program will be held the next day on Sunday, December 17 at 10:30 am AND 4:00 pm. Students are also expected to participate in both the morning and afternoon services.

**Kitchen News**

The new stove arrived right before Thanksgiving. THANK YOU, LORD! Mrs. Rodencal now has a fully functioning stove. She is more than pleased. Hot lunch menus shouldn’t have to be as limited and will return to ‘normal’.

**Free Vision Screening:** Waupaca Lions club will be doing free vision tests on December 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Peter’s for any child that turned in the permission slip.

**Christmas Concert:** Join us for music and fellowship Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 3:00 PM in the school commons with refreshments, crafts, & piano music and at 4:00p a sacred concert in the Church Sanctuary with traditional & contemporary songs.

## **Christmas Traditions**

This week in chapel Mr. Waege reminded us to set aside time for Jesus this Christmas. When I heard him say that, I remembered all the times I haven't done that to its fullest extent. There have been times I was too focused on food and presents. Jesus may have been a piece of my Christmas but too quickly set aside for other 'things'. What traditions do you and your family take part in and are they connected to our Savior? This week's featured article is entitled "What Christmas traditions do you cherish in your family?" In that article, one of the authors mentions 'spiritual talks' he has with his children. Christmas traditions should always include 'The Reason for the Season – Jesus!' The article can be found at this link - [Forward in Christ](#).

## *Classroom News:*

Mr. Miller's Classes: Grades 5-6 completed their study of the 6<sup>th</sup> Commandment. The students did a wonderful job of showing maturity especially when it came to some of the terminology that was shared with them. This week we developed the meaning of leading a pure and decent life as well as what it means for husbands/wives to love/honor each other. Grade 8 Math started a unit on number relations, functions, inputs, and outputs. They are finding out that 'careful reading' is an important virtue to have when learning. Grades 3-4 Art will complete their project started before Thanksgiving. We will attempt to take straight lines and create the illusion of curved ones.

3K News: We are busy working on our song for the Christmas Service. It is sounding great! We are busy exploring all things Christmas! Things are starting to look a little different in our play areas and our classroom. Most importantly, our Bible lessons are focusing on the birth of Jesus! This week we heard how the angel came to Mary and told her she was going to be the mother of baby Jesus.

4K News: This week we talked about The Three Men in the Fiery Furnace. They trusted God to keep them safe. We talked about the letter J and made a jaguar and a jellyfish. We are busy making Christmas decorations for our classroom. We are busy learning our song for Christmas. Please mark your calendars so that your child will be able to participate in the Christmas Service on Sunday December 17th at the 10:30 and 4:00 service.

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade News: Our class enjoyed celebrating thanksgiving with some turkey-related activities! We changed the Hokey Pokey to a turkey dance and played the Turkey Hop in Phy Ed class. We are also finishing up our book reports to "Disguise a Turkey" as a famous person in history. Check out our disguised turkeys in the hallway starting tomorrow!

***Parents, please have your child wear their Flock T-Shirts on Dec. 6 and Dec. 12.***

## **Drop and Shop Story Hour:**

Reminder that our Drop and Shop story hour is this Saturday from 9:00-1:00. Last call for RSVP. Please let Mrs Warnke ([bethany.warnke@splschoo.com](mailto:bethany.warnke@splschoo.com)) know by Friday if you plan to send your child. We hope you can join us aboard the Polar Express!