



# Wednesday News

Wednesday, May 8, 2024



FIRST LUTHERAN  
SCHOOL

<u>Principal's Message</u>	<u>This Week at a Glance, etc.</u>	
<p>Parents, check out the monthly article in the <i>Forward in Christ</i> periodical. The series is called "Parent Conversations." In the May edition this article discusses reinforcing the importance of Confirmation in the child's faith life. How very appropriate that this past Sunday we confirmed our own 8th graders. In the article two parents, a mother and a father share their thoughts with the reader. Preparing our children as Christians to face life in a sinful world is the goal of parents and teachers.</p>	<b>May 7-10</b>	<b>Teacher Appreciation Week</b>
	<b>Wed., May 8</b>	K-4 Track, Field & Fun Day - First, LG 12 noon-3pm
	<b>Thurs., May 9</b>	Grades 3-6 to Old World Wisconsin 11am-2:30pm Grades 4K-8 sing for Ascension service - 6:30 p.m.
	<b>Fri., May 10</b>	Dominos lunch <i>Kids Heart Challenge™ Drawing</i>
	<b>Sat., May 11</b>	Amber Albee Swenson from Time of Grace - 11:30 am
	<b>Mon., May 13</b>	Grades 5-8 Track Meet in Delavan Grades 3-4 go fishing (weather permitting) noon-2:30 pm
	<b>Wed., May 15</b>	Toddler Open Gym - 9 - 10:30 a.m. Grades 5 - 8 to Brewers Game
	<b>Thurs., May 16</b>	Grades 1 - 4 visit the Milwaukee Domes
	<b>Fri., May 17</b>	<b>No School</b>
	<b>Mon., May 20</b>	Gr. 5 - 8 to Milwaukee Water Treatment Plant
	<b>Thurs., May 23</b>	Piano Recital - 6:30 p.m.

<u>Wrap-Around Care</u>	<u>FRIDAY LUNCH</u>
<p><b>Director:</b> Mrs. Sandy Christian  <b>Contact:</b> 262-949-5094 or <a href="mailto:sjchristian60@gmail.com">sjchristian60@gmail.com</a>  <b>Hours:</b> 6:30-7:20 a.m. and 10:45-6:00 p.m.  <b>WEB:</b> <a href="http://firstelkhorn.com/school">firstelkhorn.com/school</a></p> <p>*Children should bring their own water bottles &amp; SNACK daily.</p>	<p>This week Friday we will be offering Dominos pizza for lunch. Order forms are coming home today and are due back to your child's teacher by 2:45 p.m. on Thursday. Late orders cannot be accepted. Please do not combine orders on forms - each student is to have their own form filled out. Each slice of a large pizza is \$1.50. Please indicate on the bottom of the form your payment method - cash/check or student account. Please make checks payable to "First Lutheran School."</p>

## School News

### MR. FALK'S RETIREMENT

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, May 26th. At 9:30 a.m., we will hold a special service to thank him for his service and wish him well in retirement. A light breakfast will be served following the service.

### KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

♥ The students did an amazing job with the Kids Heart Challenge and raised over \$1,300!!!

♥ Principal Falk lost the paper, rock, scissors game and will be camped outside of school on May 16th!

♥ Thanks again for all your efforts students and parents!

### FORENSICS

Both teams did well. Noah and Emilie achieved honorable mention. Olivia received bronze. Owen and Henry received silver. Bailey was our gold medalist and Ashley brought home a perfect score trophy.

### BREAKFAST & BIBLE BITES!

Thank you families for making Breakfast and Bible Bites a memorable experience!

### TRACK 5-8

On May 13th the 5th-8th graders will be participating in a track meet with the other private schools from our area. Concessions will be available.

Be sure to send your child in comfortable clothes to compete, this year's school t-shirt, sunscreen, and a lunch/snacks.

### GRADUATION SERVICE

We will be having a graduation service for our 8th graders on Thursday, May 30th at 6:30pm.

Afterwards, join us in the gym for a fun after-party celebrating their accomplishment!

### TEACHER APPRECIATION

What a blessing it is that we have such kind & loving teachers and staff. ✝️ Join us in thanking them May 7-10.

### SCHOOL RE-ACCREDITATION

As our school is accredited, every seven years, we must be re-accredited. This is a major project, so we will be starting soon in order to have everything completed by 2025. The Board of Christian Education will be contacting members and requesting their help with this process. Please consider serving in this way.

### 2024-2025 REGISTRATION

Registration forms for the next school year came home. Your prompt return of the form is appreciated!

### SUMMER CAMPS:

*Luther Prep is excited to offer many different summer camps starting in June! Registration is now open! Visit [lps.wels.net/summercamps](https://lps.wels.net/summercamps) for more information and to register. Please contact [LPSCAMPS@LPS.WELS.NET](mailto:LPSCAMPS@LPS.WELS.NET) with any questions.*

*Shoreland Lutheran offers many sports camps during the summer. Register online at [slpacers.org](https://slpacers.org)*

## First Lutheran Athletics

### SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

🏆 The 5-9th graders of FLS Elkhorn and Lake Geneva did an amazing job at the softball tournament this weekend at Sunset Park. They worked together really well and won 3 out of 4 games!

🏆 Congratulations Dallas, Ella, Isaac, Zander, Henry, Owen, Ashley, Noah, Katie, and Ellie! A job well done!

🏆 Thank you to Pastor Kuschel and Jeff Slack for coaching this year. We appreciate you!

🏆 And Parents! Thank you for your enthusiasm and support. You really energized our team!

🏆 Last but not least: thank you Sara Krueger and Ann Kuehl for working the Concession Stand. Thank you Bongards for picking up all the items for us! It was all very tasty!

### ATHLETIC CALENDAR

You can access up to date information through our Athletic Google Calendar. On our website - click on school - athletics. Or, if you already use a Google calendar on your phone or computer, you can access the information by syncing the calendar *FLS Athletics* to yours. If you have questions, please contact the office.

*Look cool and show off your school!*

Order your First Lutheran School Gear and athletic Badger logo from MyLocker.

<https://www.spiritshop.com/school/wisconsin/elkhorn/first-lutheran-school>

## EXTRA- CURRICULARS

### PIANO

Our piano recital on **May 23rd** will be here before we know it! All of the students have been working hard on their pieces.

Some students will be playing preludes on Sun. May 12th and others on May 26th. Thank you to those that already played on April 21st. It's a great opportunity to serve with the talents God has given.

**May 21st** will be the last piano lesson for this school year, so no lessons the last week of school.

🎵 **Sarah Dobberstein- [syakes19@gmail.com](mailto:syakes19@gmail.com) - 262-903-4158**

### BAND

This week (May 6-10) will be the last week of lessons for the year. Thank you for all your efforts!

Next week (May 13-17) I'm hoping to visit each school and do a bit of instrument demo and recruitment for the next school year.

If your child is using a Shoreland instrument, you are free to keep using it during the summer. If you are renting an instrument, that can also continue through the summer.

I will be available all summer long if you have any questions regarding music, instruments, lessons, or anything regarding the grade school band program. Please feel free to reach out to me via email, text, or a phone call at the contact information listed below.

📧 **Keith Wordell - [wordellk@slhs.us](mailto:wordellk@slhs.us) - (612)805-3829**

## How Can I Help My School?

To help with non-budgeted expenses, First Lutheran School participates in a couple of ways to raise funds:

Scan your receipts using the app or have it done in the office!



Shop with Scrip is now



Many cards are available in the office, you can place an order through the office or online. Please contact the office for our Enrollment code.

Please contact the office with questions.

*Your support is appreciated!*

## Classroom News

### Mrs. Kuehl: 4K

- For Show and Tell on Friday, please bring your Trash to Treasure project started last week so we can get pictures of each child with their creation!
- We will be singing for the 6:30 pm in the Ascension service tomorrow night. Come join us as we remember our Lord's return to heaven after completing His earthly work so that we can have a Heavenly Home! Children should be in our classroom no later than 6:17pm.
- In our Bible lesson this week we learned about Philip as he shared the Gospel with a man from Ethiopia. This man desired to be baptized and went back to share the good news with others!
- Watch folders for booklets to continue coming home to practice reading! Booklets should be returned to school the following day.
- On days when it is not raining, the children should bring a second pair of older tennis shoes instead of boots for outside play. We still want to keep our classroom free of dirt and mud.
- If your child has a summer birthday, please watch the folder for the date we will be celebrating it with your child this month here at school!

## Mrs. Kuehl: Kindergarten

- For Show and Tell on Friday, please bring your Trash to Treasure project started last week so we can get photos of each child with their creation! (2 projects are already here.)
- In our Bible lesson we learned about Jesus' faithful disciple Philip, who shared God's Word with a man from Ethiopia and also baptized him. God blessed His Word as it went out to the far corners of the world! We are so thankful!
- We will be singing for the 6:30 pm Ascension Service tomorrow evening. Please join us as we celebrate the Lord's return to heaven after He completed the work His Father sent Him to do for us! Let us praise His holy Name! Children should be in our classroom by 6:17pm.
- Continue to watch folders for homework bags. All work in the bags should be completed and returned the following day.
- On days when it is not raining, the children should bring a second pair of older tennis shoes instead of boots for outside play. We still want to keep our classroom free of dirt and mud.
- If your child has a summer birthday, please watch the folder for the date we will be celebrating it this month here at school!

## Mrs. Szmanda: Grades 1-2

- Christ Light this week: Elijah Goes to Heaven and A Boy Comes Back to Life. God gave us our life here on earth and he will give us eternal life in heaven for Jesus' sake.
- Language Arts: Spring reading: ., garden, Frog & Toad, insects, and more! Figures of speech: onomatopoeia, similes & metaphors, personification, and idioms
- Spelling: none this week
- Math: beginning multiplication
- Science: Plant parts and life cycle, photosynthesis, seeds.
- Butterfly watch: We are waiting for our butterflies to emerge from their chrysalides, maybe by the end of the week!
- Grades 1-4 will be taking a field trip to the Mitchell Park Domes on Thursday, May 16. If you are interested in driving or accompanying us, please speak to Mrs. Szmanda. We will bring a bag lunch and, weather permitting, eat lunch at the Domes before coming back to school. Please have your child wear his/her yellow FLS shirt from this year, if possible.
- Since the Show Dome theme is about artist Georgia O'Keeffe, we will be taking a closer look at her art. We have enjoyed creating flowers, Georgia O'Keeffe style!
- **We sing for Ascension tomorrow night Thursday, May 9, at 6:30 pm. Please meet in the classroom at 6:17 pm.**

## Miss Buelow: Grades 3-4

- Third grade has SHARE this week.
- We will be taking a field trip tomorrow, Thursday, May 9th to Old World Wisconsin.
- Our fishing field trip will be Monday, May 13th, weather permitting.
- We will be taking a field trip on Thursday, May 16th to the Mitchell Park Domes.
- Pet share week for third and fourth grade is May 20-24th. Please contact Miss B to schedule a time to visit.
- We sing for Ascension tomorrow night Thursday, May 9, at 6:30 pm. Please meet in the classroom at 6:17 pm.
- If you have any questions, you can reach me at 414-550-7304 or [missbuelow@firstatthecross.com](mailto:missbuelow@firstatthecross.com).

## Mrs. Lahmann: Grades 5-6

**Christ Light/Catechism:** *Saul is Chosen.*  
We will spend the rest of the year studying the Apostles' Creed in Catechism.

**Math:** Plotting points on a coordinate plane, using different graphs, parallelograms, and finding the area of a shape.

**Grammar:** The students, as a combined class, will practice how to diagram sentences.

**Science:** We will begin a new chapter on technology.

**History:** Aztec civilizations.

We will be taking a field trip tomorrow, Thursday, May 9th to Old World Wisconsin. A separate information sheet is coming home today.

**Collaboration:** The students will build tall towers with spaghetti noodles and marshmallows that should support an egg.

**We sing for Ascension tomorrow night Thursday, May 9, at 6:30 pm. Please meet in the classroom at 6:17 pm.**

**MAP TESTING:**

Week of May 13th

**Upcoming Dates:**

May 9-Old World Wisconsin field trip/sing in church 6:30pm

May 13- Track Meet in Delavan

May 15- Brewers Game field trip

May 17- NO SCHOOL

May 20- Water treatment facility field trip

Question or concerns?  
Sarah Lahmann 262-573-6710  
[mrsalahmann@firstatthecross.com](mailto:mrsalahmann@firstatthecross.com)

## Mrs. Kuschel

### <sup>5</sup>/<sub>6</sub> Reading:

*Al Capone Does My Shirts* By: Gennifer Choldenko

Moose is torn... Should he do the right thing and tell his parents and risk disappointing them, or not?

### <sup>5</sup>/<sub>6</sub> Art:

Check out our Candy Shoe Designs in the hallway! The students did an excellent job and they look delicious!

### <sup>5</sup>/<sub>6</sub> Creative Writing:

This week we have moved into peer editing. Students will be using their checklist to see how their classmates did.

### Physical Education:

K-8: Track Events

### <sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> Creative Writing:

The students are turning their Fractured Fairy Tale into a script! We discussed the elements of a script and the students have a hard copy that they started. Our next step will be creating a computer draft.

### <sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> Literature: *Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* By: Dusti Bowling

We have now reached the climax of the story- Aven has discovered the missing picture and how it relates to her origins. What will Aven do with this new knowledge?

### <sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> Art:

4-Style Art Challenge! Students will draw an image and divide it into four sections. Each section will be a different style of drawing. Stay tuned!

★ Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you might have. 320-522-0002

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## Mr. Falk: Grades 7-8

- The Old Testament readings in Deuteronomy show how God brought the Israelites into the Promised Land near the end of the life of Moses.
- Our history lessons are nearing the end of the chapter about the Vietnam War era including the presidencies of Johnson and Nixon. We will review with a kahoot on Tuesday and have the test next Wednesday.
- In our math lessons the students are learning about solving expressions that include radicals, applying distributive property with integers and variables, as well as Estimating angles measures using an analog clock face.
- We sing for Ascension tomorrow night Thursday, May 9, at 6:30 pm. Please meet in the classroom at 6:17 pm.