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School News

Mission Offering

No chapel this week because of the short week, so our total is still at \$326.06. We still have one more chapel to go before quarter one is over!

Extra Long Weekend!!

Special reminder that we have an extra long weekend this weekend! No school tomorrow-Friday!!! However, if you are missing some of your friends and teachers, we will be camping at Beaver Lodge!!!! You are welcome to join in on the fun!

Extra Sweatshirt

We have an extra youth medium sweatshirt from our school store! It is a BRAND NEW green sweatshirt! Cost is \$27. Come pick it up in the office if you would like it!

Spirit Week

Last week was a blast! It was so fun seeing everyone dressed up all week! Thanks for your wonderful school spirit!

Camping Weekend

LAST CALL!!! We are camping **this Thursday-Sunday** at Beaver Lodge! Call them at (509)684-5657 to reserve your sight!

Baby Pictures!

Laura West correctly guessed last week's baby—Carter Brumback! Take a look at page 3 to have a change at guessing this week's baby!

Student Interviews

Benjamin Roth is our 6th grade student of the week this week. Check out page 4 to learn a little more about him!

Box Tops Correction

Box Tops should be turned in **TO-DAY!** If you have any box tops, please give them to your child's teacher! Thank you!

Mr. Biebert has a Call

Last Thursday, Mr. Biebert received a call to serve as principal in Eagle River, WI. Please pray for Mr. Biebert and his family as he deliberates where best to serve the Lord. Mr. Biebert would love to hear from you about the call! If you have any thoughts, concerns, or encouragements, please reach out to him in person, email, or phone! Please look at the next page to read his letter of acknowledgment.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

The elementary school will have conferences the first week of November. An email was sent out with a sign up

10/23 Cleaning

Upstairs: Most

Downstairs: Most

Upcoming Dates

October

21-23 **NO SCHOOL—FALL CONF.**

22-25 St. Matthew Camping Outing

27 Soccer Practice 3:45-4:45PM

29 Soccer Practice 3:45-4:45PM

30 BookIt! Calendars Due

for each teacher. Sign up is first come, first serve, so if you have a tight schedule, please sign up ASAP!

No Teacher Section

Due to the short week this week, the teachers do not have a section in this week's newsletter.

No School!

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY
OCTOBER 21-23

MR. BIEBERT'S LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Dear Members of St. Matthew Lutheran Church and School,

On Thursday, October 15th I received a call to serve as the 5-8th grade teacher and principal at Christ Lutheran Church and School in Eagle River, Wisconsin. While I can't say I was expecting this, I do feel privileged, humbled, and excited to consider the wonderful opportunity this would be to serve Christ's Lambs in Eagle River, Wisconsin. However, the beauty is that I also get to consider how humbled and privileged I am to serve here at St. Matthew. God is certainly blessing our church and school.

There will be many things to consider over the next few weeks, and so I look forward to talking with many of you about the ministry here and how you see the gifts of God's people being used. I will try to be a good listener as I do my best to soak up information that will prayerfully lead me to a decision.

No matter what the decision is, I wanted to thank you all for the prayers and support you have showed to my family from the moment we arrived here. Please also take the time to pray for Christ Lutheran and its ministry in Eagle River.

I have been reminded of two of my favorite Bible verses through the short time that I have held both calls. The verses are from Hebrews 10:24,25 where it says: "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

The body of believers is not a bunch of separate bodies, but one. It is made up of believers all around the U.S. and world. So, encourage each other at St. Matthew, pray for and encourage those at Christ Lutheran as well, and pray that the body of believers is built up all around the world.

The call process is not about one person, but rather an exciting time for congregations to see the importance of the call and commission that Christ has offered up to the church to feed his lambs. What a blessed opportunity to refocus on that opportunity here at St. Matthew. God is good always! It is comforting to know that his will be done despite the actions of sinful human beings.

God's Blessings to all of you.

Your Principal,
Jacob Biebert

GUESS THAT BABY!



CARTER BRUMBACK



TAKE A GUESS
AT THE NEXT
BABY BELOW!



Take a guess as to which student this is!

First person to correctly guess will win a prize!

Must tell Mrs. Biebert in the office to be eligible for prize

Students cannot guess themselves



STUDENT INTERVIEW

Name / Grade: Benjo / Grade 6

Favorite food?

Sushi

Favorite hobbies?

Wakeboarding, Sports, and Cliff Jumping.

If you could go anywhere, where would you go? Why?

Israel because it would be cool to experience places Jesus was.

What job will you have as an adult?

Professional Baseball Player

What do you love most about school?

Having Mr. Biebert as a teacher

Who do you admire? Why?

Gabe because he is really good at sports and helps me with homework a lot.

What is your favorite bible passage?

Romans 5:20b—"But where sin increased, grace increased all the more."



Weekly Message

Giving Up

At a certain point, you just have to cut your losses and move on. The car that has been in the repair shop multiple times this year might need to get sold. That house plant you have been trying to grow keeps dropping leaves, and it may need to get thrown away. Sometimes, you have to cut your losses and move on.

Jesus shared a parable about a landowner and his vineyard. In the parable, the tenant farmers who rented the vineyard from the landowner turned out to be rather terrible. Worse than being lazy or dishonest, they actually harmed or killed the servants the landowner sent to collect the rightful rent. You would expect the owner to give up on the renters, drive them out, and move on to new renters. Instead, the landowner sent his son to people who had mistreated everyone who has

been sent to them.

This is precisely what God did after so many of the prophets he sent had been harmed or killed over the centuries. Instead of giving up on the people of this world, God sent his Son, Jesus, to save the people of this world, including you.

Isn't it comforting to know that you have such a loving God, one who has not given up on you, one who sent his own Son to restore your relationship with

him and give you eternal life in heaven? Spend this day being thankful you have a God who won't give up.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, thank you for not giving up on me. Amen.

“Listen to another parable: [Jesus said] There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit. “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.”

Matthew 21:33-37