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The Timber Times
September 13, 2018

School News

Mission Offering

After some deliberation, our faculty has decided to send our chapel offering to Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Las Vegas, NV. This is the excerpt from the email we received from the administrator for WELS Home Missions:

“Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, a Home Mission congregation in Las Vegas, Nevada, dedicated their new church facility on August 19th with 165 people attending. Over the course of six Sundays during the summer months, Shepherd of the Hills was blessed with more than 100 first time visitors. A new Early Childhood Ministry Director was assigned from Martin Lutheran College to start a new preschool. She will be leading the effort to receive official licensure of the preschool, with prayers that enrollment can start in late Fall or early January. During that process, the church will be resurrecting their Toddler Time program to garner interest for the new preschool and engage families in the community with the new church.”

As of last week, we have already collected \$28.55! Thank you for your giving hearts!

Newsletters

Don't forget—our newsletters are available online this year! We hope

that is able to provide you with just one more way to stay in touch with us.

New Sermon Series

Pastor West began his sermon series on Genesis last Sunday with creation. He will be continuing to go through the book in church during the coming weeks, so please join us if you are able!

Sunday School and Bible Class

St. Matthew has also started Sunday School for the kids and Bible Class for the adults on Sunday mornings at 9:00AM before church. We would love to have you join us!

Half Days

Our first half day will be **TOMORROW!** The students will be released at NOON (no lunch here at school). Please pray for the teachers as they begin their new curriculum study!

Outreach Event

Our outreach event at Northtown Mall will be tomorrow from 3:30-7:30PM. We would love to have you stop by and check out our booth! We pray that this booth is a great opportunity

Upcoming Dates

September

- 12 **HAPPY BIRTHDAY MR. BIEBERT!**
- 13 Soccer @ Summit 2:00
- 14 HALF DAY—Release at 12:00
- 14 **Outreach Event—Northtown Mall 3:30-7:30**
- 17-21 **MAP Testing Week**
- 18 Soccer v. CCA 3:30
- 19 Soccer Practice 3:30-5:00
- 20 Soccer @ Southside 3:30
- 24 Soccer v. PCA 3:30
- 26 Soccer Practice 3:30-5:00
- 27 HALF DAY—Release at 12:00
- 28 Soccer Practice 3:30-5:00
- 30 PreK-8 Sing 10:00AM

to share our church and school with others in the community!

Soccer

Our first Mighty Timbers game is **TODAY!!!** If you see a soccer player around, wish them luck! We look forward to hearing all about the game!

Air Quality

Just a reminder that if the air quality dips into the unhealthy range, we will not go outside for recess. If your child is especially sensitive to the smoke, please let us know if there is a way we can accommodate him or her. Thank you for your help!

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Artwork by Georgia Hohenthal
One of our featured students this week!

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General School News – Continued

Remind

Make sure you stay up to date by signing up for Remind messages! If you haven't done so yet, or are confused as to how to sign up, please see your child's teacher, and they would be happy to help!

Remind is the fastest way to get updates about last minute school closings, and any other important notes the teachers need to share with you!

Aftercare

We are offering aftercare every day from 3:45-6:00PM. If you are planning to use aftercare, please let your teacher know no later than THAT MORNING. This allows the aftercare supervisor enough time to plan accordingly. Thank you!

Piano Lessons

We are looking for students who would like to tickle the ivories this year! Talk with your children, and if piano lessons are something they would like to take part in, please let Mrs. Biebert know! We have limited availability this year—only 12-13 students. The teacher does lessons for 2nd grade on up. Lessons will tentatively be starting in October!

Donna Lindsay Benefit Night

This event will be taking place Friday, September 28 from 6:00-8:30PM. We hope all of you are able to attend this event! There are also numerous ways you can volunteer to help out—setup, clean up, food service, etc. Another huge help would be putting together a basket to donate for the silent auction.

Questions? Contact Kayla Biebert (715) 402-0114 or Holly Roberg (509)991-7411.

I have included a poster of the flyer in the newsletter here. If you go to our website, you can copy and paste this link to register: <https://holly.therobergs.com/donna/>

Dutch Bros. Cards

Ella Diaz and Laura West each have one Dutch Bros. card left! Grab it while you still can!!! We are currently in the process of ordering more Dutch Bros. cards, so if you missed the first wave, do not be alarmed: there are more coming!!!

Classroom News

Beginning this issue, the teachers will be writing a little something about the goings-on in their classroom throughout the week. You can find that on page 4!

8/31 Cleaning

Upstairs: McLaughlin
Downstairs: McLaughlin

Scrip

We are participating in the Scrip program once again this year. For those of you not familiar, Scrip is a rebate program. Shop your favorite stores with Scrip gift cards and earn money back for your tuition and St. Matthew! For more information, please contact Mrs. Biebert (715)402-0114, and visit the website at www.shopwithscrip.com

Background Checks

If you did not do a background check last year, and are planning on participating with school field trips or volunteering with the children in any capacity, please go to our website and click on the "Get Involved" tab. From there you can begin an online volunteer application, which is free to fill out. We ask that you have this information completed before you do any type of volunteering with the school! Thank you for your help!

Donna Lindsay Benefit Fundraiser

Please join us for this catered, fund-raising event that is intended to garner prayer, service and financial support for Donna Lindsay's battle with cancer!

- ★ Catered BBQ dinner
- ★ Free childcare
- ★ Silent auction
- ★ Live music
- ★ Team Lindsay Merchandise booth

Event Details:

- ★ Friday, September 28, 2018 6:00-8:30 PM
- ★ Spokane First Church of the Nazarene GYM
- ★ 9004 N. Country Homes Boulevard Spokane, WA 99208



*God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.
Psalm 46:1*

Get event updates by following the Donna Lindsay Benefit Fundraiser Facebook Page



Online Registration open!

- ★ Click here to [Register](#) through Spokane First Church of the Nazarene's website.
- ★ Use the "Other" Row
 - ★ **Other Donation row MUST include Donna Lindsay and the number of Attendees.
- ★ Suggested donations are \$15 per adult and \$10 per child

1. Already created a profile? - "Log In" as Returning Member

2. To make a new profile - Click "Create Profile"

3. To make a new donation - you have the ability to link your donation back to "Me!"

4. To make a new donation without linking your donation history - Complete 4

Voluntary (Offering):	\$ 0.00
Gifts (Monies):	\$ 0.00
Monies to Forward (P&R):	\$ 0.00
Total:	\$0.00

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Special Thanks



SPOKANE FIRSTNAZ



We need your help! If you would like to volunteer for this event please email Holly.Roberg or call/text 509-991-7411

Note: Day of the event walk-ins are welcome on a first come first serve basis. Donation amounts are flexible, as we do NOT want the event cost to prevent you from showing your love and support for Donna!

PAISELY MOORE

GEORGIA HOHENTHAL



GRADE: PreK-4 AM

FAVORITE HOBBIES/THINGS TO DO:

Going on walks, color, playdough, painting, playing outside.

SUPER POWER:

Racing in the sky..

WHICH ANIMAL WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO BE?

Puppy dog—I love it.

FAVORITE THING ABOUT SCHOOL:

Learning.

YOUR FAMILY:

Mom, Dad, big sis, baby sis, 3 dogs.

GRADE: PreK-4 PM

FAVORITE HOBBIES/THINGS TO DO:

Read

SUPER POWER:

Fly because I've never flown before.

WHICH ANIMAL WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO BE?

Bird because I want to flap my wings.

FAVORITE THING ABOUT SCHOOL:

Homework and doing names.

IF YOU WERE PRESIDENT, WHAT WOULD BE THE FIRST THING YOU WOULD DO?

Pray.

YOUR FAMILY:

Mommy, Daddy, my sister Cora, sissy, Grandma, Grandpa, and Nana.

Classroom News

Preschool News

Miss Donna Lindsay(509.638.5361)

What a fun new week for the preschoolers! We started a brand new 2-week theme about apples. All of our centers are focused on apples from Bingo dotting in the Art Center, sequencing and sorting laminated apples in the Science Center, to sorting pom pom "apples" with tweezers in the Sensory Center. Some of us even got to make Apple Shakers for a craft!

Thursday is our Fall Walk Day for the 4 year old class, and the 3's get to go next Monday. This is our first field trip! How exciting! We are going to look for colored leaves, rocks, ants, sticks, pinecones, squirrels, etc. This is always a fun walk.

We have been making new friends in preschool, sharing new toys, singing new songs and learning about God's love for us each and every day! It doesn't get any better than that! Have a blessed weekend!

K-1st Grade News

Miss Rachel Taasaas(360.271.5201)

Homework

Kindergarten

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day.
- Focus letters for the week: Tt, Ff, Kk. Review these letters with your child. What words begin with each letter? Have them point them out on signs, in books and around the house. What sound do they make? Have your child practice writing the letters.
- We read "The Three Little Pigs" and "Henny Penny" this week. Ask your child to retell the stories to you.



First grade

- Read 20 minutes (or more) each day.
- Lightning Words due September 14.

Memory Work for Thursday, September 20:

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. Proverbs 3:5

Pirate Day

Pirate Day is Wednesday, September 19! Your child may dress up as a pirate if he/she would like to. Please leave all weapons at home. Friendly pirates only.



Remind

If you have not signed up for Remind please take a minute and do that right now. Text the message: @stmatth to the number 81010. It is important that you are signed up for this in case I need to notify you about anything last minute (school delays or cancellations, surprise parties, etc.)

2nd-4th Grade News

Mrs. Kelsey O' Haver (509.570.2023)

Happy first week of school! I have slowly been adding more responsibility to the your child's day. We have not yet started doing every subject, but we should be in full swing sometime next week! I hope your child is adjusting well to school.

Thank you to all the parents who are donating books to the classroom. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and I look forward to reading the stories to the kids and talking about the life lessons they include.

Just so you know - I will be leaving with the soccer team for all games. Whenever this happens, Mr. Biebert will come upstairs and teach for me. This Thursday is the first game, so I will be leaving around 1:50 with the team.

Mrs. O'Haver's Classroom News
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Our first capital & states test will be next week Wednesday, September 19. I am very impressed with how many kids are already prepared for it! Keep quizzing your child at home! We are also looking forward to all those postcards that will be coming in soon. I am hoping that every child will be able to bring a handful in.

Blessings on your week.

5th-8th Grade News

Mr. Jacob Biebert (715.402.0094)

Ya'll ready for another edition of the 5th-8th grade news? I know you have been waiting for this all week, so I will not keep you waiting any longer.

The students have been doing amazing so far this year in regards to responsibility and homework. I have been extremely impressed. Thank you to any part you have had in this and please continue to encourage your children to stay on top of proper folder use with papers, regularly use assignment notebooks, and faithfully take time to finish homework at night.

Our study of acids and bases is getting slowly coming to a close. We attempted to make soap this week. It is still up in the air as to if this was successful or not. If your child comes home with a chunk of soap this year....success.....if not....failure. Only time will tell. I am holding out hope at this point. We have however, started our study of salts. How are salts made? We experimented with positive and negative ions to make this neutral substance. The students saw how quickly salt can be made. Please look for a test on acids, bases, salts, and indicators on Wednesday of next week. A study guide will be coming home soon.

Since we have been studying Washington State history this year in the 7th-8th grade, I have been trying to schedule a tour of the Grand Coulee Dam. I have been having a hard time getting ahold of the gentleman who schedules these field trips. I know they are getting towards to the end of their tour season, but it would still be nice to know if we can go. We will need to leave pretty early in the morning since this is about 2 hours away. I was planning on doing this at the end of September, but we may have to push it to very early August to secure drivers.

Next week we will be having MAP testing. Please make sure your child is getting enough sleep and a solid breakfast all next week especially.

I would ask how the first full week went for you, but I realize that we didn't quite make it a full week with the half day this Friday. I guess I will have to wait till next week. God Bless!!!

Weekly Message

SIMPLY AMAZING

There are some things in life which are simply amazing: the glow of a sunrise, the iridescence of a sunset, the reflection of mountains in a calm turquoise lake. These are all amazing. To these, specific events from life can also be added: the birth of a child, the longevity and health of a relative, the unexpected recovery from a life-threatening illness. These too are all amazing.

There is one more area of my life where I never cease to be amazed, and that is with the love of my Savior.

In connection with today's verse of God's Word, when I consider his care and compassion for the man who could barely speak and was without the sense of hearing, it is simply amazing. Jesus healed him completely. No recovery needed. No therapy required. No further treatment prescribed. It is the same care and compassion Jesus promises for my life.

While I may not see a miracle such as this man experienced, I do know he promises goodness and mercy will follow me all the

days of my life (Psalm 23:6). This is simply amazing that Jesus is so focused on my daily and personal care.

What is even more amazing is the care and compassion Jesus provides for eternal life. I was dead in my transgressions and sin. I was blind to his love and forgiveness. I was an enemy opposed to him at every turn. Yet, Jesus loved me. In that love he did everything to rescue me from my self-inflicted condemnation. He secured new life through his death and resurrection. He opened my eyes through the powerful working of faith. He reconciled me and brought me into his family. I deserved nothing but punishment, but he gave me everything. This is simply amazing.

There is only one response to Jesus' undeserved love. I love him who loved me first. I also live every day in awe, thanking and praising my Savior for what he did—which is simply amazing.

Prayer:

O precious Savior, truly your love is amazing because it is undeserved. Keep me in your love and your compassionate care until I receive the greater blessing you have prepared for me in heaven. Amen.

People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak."

Mark 7:37