

# Spirit Express



# May 2025

#### **Dates to Remember!**

- May 15th- CEA flower pick up- 2pm-6pm
- May 15th- Alt. K
   Celebration/Kindergarten
   Graduation- 6pm
- May 16th/17th- The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe- 7pm/2pm
- May 20th- 8th Grade
   Graduation- 6:30pm
- May 21st- Last Day (K-8)
   Early release 12:00- No
   PM bussing or JEC

# From the desk of Mr. Rausch

On Tuesday, May 20th, the staff and I, the Board of Christian Education, and families will have the privilege of attending this year's 8th grade graduation service. This service marks the ending of the education for this 8th grade class at St. John's and the beginning of their new endeavors in other schools and the future. Please partner with me in praying for each student as they go forward and begin to take on new journeys. Please pray that these wonderful students continue to let their faith shine with God in all they do and pray that the Holy Spirit would be in their hearts and minds as they live their daily lives for Christ.

Below is a list of each of the graduates from the class of 2025 along with either their confirmation Bible verse or their favorite Bible verse:

Mr Rausch

# Class of 2025 Bible Verse:

#### Proverbs 3:6

" In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."

As the 8th Grade Class of 2025 prepares to leave middle school behind and step into high school, Proverbs 3:6 reminds us to keep God at the center of everything we do. Whether we're facing new classes, new friends, or new challenges, we can trust that God is with us; guiding out steps and leading us forward.

#### Samuel Michael Blumenschein



"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 8: 38-39

#### Luke Thomas Boehm



"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

Colossians 2:6-7 (NIV)

#### Eli James Botkin



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

#### **Audrey Grace Clark**



"He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end. I know that nothing is better for them than to rejoice, and to do good in their lives, and also that every man should eat and drink and enjoy the good of all his la-

bor—it is the gift of God."

Ecclesiastes 3:11-13

#### **Lincoln Cash Firestone**



"God is a refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble"  ${\bf Psalm~46:1}$ 

#### **Christopher Lawrence Fisher**



"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

John 16:33

#### Lucas Lee Harbold



]"I can do all this through him who gives me strength."  $\label{eq:Phil} Phil~4:13$ 

#### Nicholas Andrew Hawkins



"A friend loves at all times, but a brother is born for a time of adversity,"

Proverbs 17:17

#### Asher James Holsopple



"About Asher he said: 'Most blessed of sons is Asher; let him be favored by his brothers, and let him bathe his feet in oil.' "

Deuteronomy 33:24

#### Ethan Kelly Jones



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

#### Ava Louise Landry



"But First seek the kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Matthew 6:33

#### Joshua Dean-Lee Murphy



"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with y ou wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

#### Colson Matthew Nageotte



"For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning."

Psalm 30:5

#### **Max Matthew Russo**



 $\hbox{``Set your minds on things above, not on}\\ \hbox{ earthly things."}$ 

Colossians 3:2

#### Addison Noel Snider



"For I have not spoken on My own *accord;* but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak."

John 12:49

#### Bella Grace Sparks



"My grace is all you need, for my power is the greatest when you are weak."

2 Corinthians 12:9

# End of the year reminders from the school office

Just a few friendly reminders as we close out another fantastic school year:

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- 1. Check your FACTS account and make sure all tuition payments, incidental payments (field trips, lost books...) & lunch accounts are all caught up. Please note '25-'26 tuition payments are posted and will be adjusted once EdChoice amounts have been awarded. Payment schedules will run September through June.
- If your child is 5th-8th grade they will need to turn in their Chromebook/chargers otherwise you will be charged for any missing equipment.

- 3. If you have not already completed EdChoice paperwork please turn that in ASAP.
- 4. If your child takes medication at school please be sure to pick it up from the school office by Wed. May 21st, 2025. All medications left over after that time will be disposed of appropriately, unless otherwise communicated. (Ex. student going to JEC summer camp.)
- 5. K-8 Last day of school 5/21/25 is a 1/2 day of school and we release at 12:01pm. There is NO busing that PM so all students will need to be picked up in the car rider line. Reminder JEC will also close at this time!

#### Last day of school schedule

9:00 Yearbook Signing (Gymnasium)

9:30-10:20 Classroom clean up/prepare to leave for summer break

10:30 Closing Chapel (Sanctuary)
Open to parents

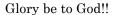
Followed by K-8 Awards Ceremony (Sanctuary)

11:45ish- 8th Grade Clap-out

12:01 Dismissal

#### National Lutheran Schools Week observed

God's work was among us as we celebrated National Lutheran Schools week here at St. John's March 21st-25th. St. John's is blessed to be a part of the rich education provided by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod! As part of the celebration, students and staff participated in many activities and assemblies including Ron the Magician, FFA animal assembly and Animal Olympics Pep Rally. Over 30 children were baptized as well!





















#### It's almost VBS time!

"Jesus is our true north! Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" This years vacation bible school series provides kids with a rock-solid foundation by pointing them to Jesus, their steadfast and unshakeable friend forever!

Mark your calendar 6/8 - 6/12!



VBS Prep Work Days Sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/8050E4FACAF29A7FC1ybswork2

VBS Volunteers Sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/8050E4FACAF29A7FC1vbsvolunteering2

VBS Registration: https://forms.gle/ZKMihUbLeR 54fAX69

## Spotlight Drama Presents...



Tickets are on sale now and also be available at the door.

# Spring field trip fun!

SJS 1st and 2nd graders enjoyed a fun-filled spring field trip at the Columbus zoo. The 3rd graders took in the beautiful sights and sounds of the Franklin Park conservatory!









# Way to go, James!

Congratulations to James Owens! James won 1st place in the Imagine Engineering Drawing contest. In March a local engineer visited the 2nd grade classroom. The 2nd graders learned about the different types of engineering and what engineers do. All of the 2nd graders entered the Imagine Engineering Drawing contest. There were over 10,000 entries from 2nd graders across Ohio. James will receive a telescope as his 1st place prize! Way to go, James!



## Crochet Club

This winter, some of our 5th and 6th grade students participated in the Crochet Club. For many, it was their first time picking up a crochet hook! Each meeting began with a short devotion, thoughtfully connecting the art of crocheting to lessons about Jesus. Students quickly learned the basics and progressed to crafting fun shapes, animals, and other creative items. The club plans to meet again next year, with hopes of sharing their handmade creations with the community!





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# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School (LC-MS)

Please join us for Worship!

Saturday evenings at 6:00pm, Sunday mornings at 9:00am (Church Sanctuary)

Contemporary Worship at 11:00am (Gymnasium)

Adult & Young Adult Bible Study, Youth & Children

Sunday School at 10am

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# May Birthday Blessings!

Evonne Plahovinsak
Oliver Hartline
Samuel Lee
Nicholas Hawkins
Greyson Harmon
Avalon Bremer
Mary Lee
Harper Feucht
Addison Snider
Jeremiah Etling





Emma Hill
Taylor Scheiderer
Miles Griggs
Daisy Mae Vogrin
Jett Scheiderer
Ellie Arnold
Grant Eagy
Brandon Miller
Etta Garey
Cheyenne Conner