

GSL eNews

Tuesday, January 2, 2024

CALENDAR PREVIEW Next 4 Weeks

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Faculty & Staff In-Service, No School

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Classes Resume

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Dress Uniform Day for Grades 1-8

All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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Celebration Hosted by Lee Schaffler, 8:05 a.m., Grace-St. Luke's Church (Parents welcome to attend)

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Italian Dinner Bake Sale!

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Middle School Spirit Dress-Down Day #1, (Middle School only): Favorite Team Jerseys

Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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All-School Red & White Dress-Down Day for Basketball Homecoming

All-School Chapel Featuring Chapel Talks by Zoey High and Ty Merrell, 8:05 a.m., Grace-St. Luke's Church

Soar into SK Event for current JK students and SK applicants, 8:30 a.m., Lower School



Italian Dinner Hosted by Class of 2024!

Thursday, January 25 5:30-7:30 p.m., Anchor Center

Please join us on Thursday, January 25 at the Italian Dinner presented by the GSL Class of 2024! The proceeds from this all-school event go to support the 8th grade class trip to Nantahala.

All GSL families can enjoy this evening by purchasing a dine-in meal or take-out option, as well as a commemorative t-shirt (shirts are PRE-ORDER ONLY!). The deadline to order t-shirts is next Tuesday, January 9!

Note: The traditional pre-event Bake Sale will also be held on Tuesday, January 9, from 9:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. in the Anchor Center. Send spending money and support our 8th graders. Students will be allowed to shop during the day.

To register and get more info on the dinner and/or the t-shirts, please click on the links below:

- Italian Dinner & Carnival Registration
- T-Shirt Order Form

And, a reminder to bring CASH OR CHECK for the following:

Tipping Your Servers

Feel free to be generous in tipping your wait staff! All proceeds help defray the cost of the 8th graders' class trip.

Kid Carnivals

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

Homecoming Pep Rally, 2:15 p.m., Anchor Gym

Homecoming Games, Winter Spirit Awards, and 8th Grade Family Presentations, 4-7:30 p.m., Anchor Gym

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Middle School Spirit Dress-Down Day #3 (Middle School only): PJs

Celebration Hosted by Amanda Meyer, 8:05 a.m., Grace-St. Luke's Church (Parents welcome to attend)

SK, 2nd and 4th Grade Hearing Screenings, 8:30 a.m - 12 p.m., Lower School

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School or ACE

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Classes Resume

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Middle School Winter Sports Pictures, 12:45 p.m.

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All-School Chapel, Featuring Chapel Talks by Grant Barger and George Leslie, 8:05 a.m., Grace-St. Luke's Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

Performance Lab Directing Scene Presentations, 5:30 p.m., Performing Arts Room

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Celebration Hosted by Katie Searle, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church (Parents welcome to attend)

Middle School Geography Bee, 8:30 a.m., McClure Hall

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Lost and Found Items Set Out

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

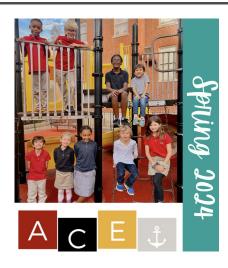
Italian Dinner Presented by the GSL Class of 2024, In-Person Again! (see info in box) 5:30-7:30 p.m., Anchor Center

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Parent-Teacher Conference Day - No School Free Conference Care available ACE @ Play available with registration There will be two Kid Carnivals this year: *PK-1st Grade* | Anchor Center ACE Room on the second floor

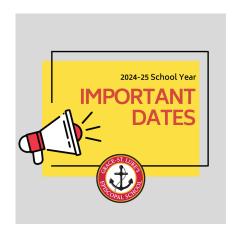
2nd-7th Grade | Anchor Center Gym Tickets are available for purchase via the registration form above, or at the door (\$7 each). Carnivals will be held during dinner hours. *No charge for Miss Lee's LL students with parental supervision.

Questions? Email Event Chairs <u>Eleanor Jacobs</u> or <u>Emilie Unglesby</u>. Thank you in advance for honoring this tradition and supporting the GSL Class of 2024 and the special 8th grade class trip to Nantahala. GO, SAINTS!



ACE Spring Enrichment Registration Now Open!

Our **Spring 2024 ACE Brochure** is online and registration is open! Visit our **ACE webpage** for more details!



2024-25 School Year Important Dates

Important dates for the 2024-25 school year, including the first and last days of school, Fall Break, Spring Break, and parent-teacher conferences, have been set. You can view the 2024-25 School Year Important Dates document here and on our website.

QUICK LINKS

- Blackbaud Parent Portal
- Online Spirit Wear Store
- ACE: After School & Enrichment
- Lunch Service
- 2023-24 Important Dates Calendar
- NEW! 2024-25 Important Dates Calendar
- Preschool Handbook
- Lower & Middle School Handbook
- Uniform & Dress Code Policy
- Create a Family Library Account
- Refer a Friend to GSL

Weekly eNews Distribution

To add an email address to the eNews distribution list, please email <u>Director of Communications</u>

Marci Woodmansee.

Contacting ACE After School Hours
To connect with ACE after school hours, call the
Auxiliary Programs line at 901.677.2245.



Basketball Homecoming!

Thursday, January 11, Anchor Gym

- Pep Rally at 2:15 p.m.
- 7/8 Girls Slatery vs. Northpoint at 4 p.m.
- 7/8 Boys Taylor vs. Northpoint at 5 p.m.
- 8th Grade Family Presentations & Winter Spirit Awards Announced, 6 p.m.
- 7/8 Boys Sichting vs. St. Paul at 6:30 p.m.

This is also a Varsity Fan 5 night so let's be sure to fill the Dogpound Student Section! Go, Saints!

Save the Date for the 4th-8th Grade Father-Daughter Dance!

Friday, Feb. 23

Please join us for an ELECTRIFYING evening at the annual GSL Father-Daughter Dance!

Inviting all 4th-8th grade GSL girls and their favorite fatherfigure. Costumes from the movie Grease or the 1950s are encouraged!

Cost is \$40 per person and includes a t-shirt for each student, commemorative framed photo, and refreshments.

Click here to register. Registration deadline is January 26

at midnight so that t-shirts can be ordered. Students can dress down wearing their Father-Daughter Dance t-shirt on Monday, February 26.

Please be on the lookout for a sign up for parents to volunteer to help make this a magical night for our girls and their favorite father-figures!

Questions? Email Event Chair Courtney Woodmansee.



eNews Posting on Sundays at 5 p.m.

Next week, we will start sending the eNews out a day earlier to give families more time to prepare for each week. Beginning Sunday, January 7, the eNews will be sent out on Sundays at 5 p.m. rather than on Monday.

It will be resent to non-openers on Mondays at 5 a.m.



News from the Church



Memphis Boy & Girl Choir News

The Memphis Boy & Girl Choir is hosting auditions to add singers for the spring semester. No prior training required. We work through proper vocal technique, musical theory, and prepare music for spring programs. Come join us!

Training Choir: for 1st & 2nd grade (rehearse on Mondays, 3:30-4pm)

Boy & Girl Choir: for 3rd grade and above girls and boys through voice change (rehearse Monday or Wednesday, 4:15-5:15pm)

Contract **Dr. Patrick Scott** for more information.



Spring Soccer for JK-4th Students

Grace-St. Luke's Church offers Spring Soccer for JK–4th grade boys and girls. Registration is January 1- 31; click here to access link and get more details.

The 2024 season runs April 6- May 18. This is shorter than the fall season and is designed for continued skill development during the spring.



Read the Church Messenger

Read the Grace-St. Luke's Church winter issue of *The Messenger*, the church's quarterly magazine, by following this <u>link</u>. Inside this issue: information on services, music events, Christian education, social justice and outreach, recreation and wellness, and more. To sign up to receive the GSL Church weekly eNews, <u>click here</u>.

GIVE TO GSL ONLINE!







