



GSL eNews

Monday, November 27, 2023

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

November

27-December 11

Annual GSL Student Food Drive Led by 5th Grade

27-December 2

1st Trimester Middle School Art Show on Display,
Anchor Center Alumni Lobby

27-December 1

ERB Testing for Grade 3, 8:30 a.m.
ERB Testing for Grade 4, 9 a.m.

28-December 1

ERB Testing for Middle School, 8:30 a.m.

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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.

JK Parents Look-Ahead to SK,
6 p.m., Lower School Flex Room

December

1

Celebration Hosted by Jessica Muller, 8:05 a.m.,
GSL Church (*Parents welcome to attend*)

4-5

Auditions for Middle School Spring Play,
3:10-4:30 p.m., Performing Arts Room

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2023 Grandparents' Day Photos

We had such a wonderful time last week with all of our grandparents and special friends! A big thank you to all families who participated in this fantastic GSL tradition. [Click here](#) to view our 2023 Grandparents' Day photo album on Facebook!



Audition for the Spring Play: Saints' Stories

December 4-5

3:10-4:30 p.m., Performing Arts Room

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Information Session & Tour for
Prospective Parents, 8:30 a.m., Anchor Library

5th-8th Grade Students' Black/African American
Affinity Group Social, 12:45 p.m.,
After School Care Room

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All School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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No School for Students:
Faculty/Staff Professional Development Day

9

Preschool Holiday Storytime at GSL,
9 a.m., Anchor Center

Kindergarten Holiday Storytime at GSL,
10:30 a.m., Anchor Center

11-15

Lost & Found Items Set Out

11

3rd Grade Holidays Around the World Project
Presentations, 12 p.m. in McClure Hall;
lunch following in Trezevant Hall

12

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Lower School Advent/Christmas Evening Chapel,
6 p.m., GSL Church (*All families invited*)

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

5th-8th Grade Students' Black/African American
Affinity Group Social, 12:45 p.m.,
After School Care Room

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Dress Uniform Day for Grades 1-8

All-School Chapel: A Service of Lessons & Carols,
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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All-School Red & Green Dress-Down Day!

Celebration: Christmas Holiday Sing-Along with
Dr. Surber, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church
(*Parents welcome to attend*)

Little Lukers Night Before Christmas Pajama Day,
11 a.m., After School Care Room

Last Day of School Before Holiday Break

18-29

Holiday Break, No School

27-29

Our spring production, *Saints' Stories*, will
celebrate our amazing faculty and staff.
Middle School students are invited to audition
either Monday, Dec. 4 or Tuesday, Dec. 5 after
school. Pickup is on Belvedere Blvd.

Production Dates: Feb. 29 - March 2, 2024.
[Click here](#) for tentative rehearsal schedule.



***GSL's Annual Food Drive Led by
5th Grade
Now through Dec. 11***

Please help us feed the hungry in Memphis! This
drive benefits the Mid-South Food Bank and
Grace-St. Luke's Church Food Pantry. Our goal: 5
items per person! Drop-off boxes are located
around the school and in the Admin Office.
[Click here for flyer listing most-needed items](#)



***Upcoming ACE Enrichment
Offerings***

The following enrichment classes still have
openings and are sure to put your children in the
holiday spirit, so please check them out!

Christmas Holiday Slime 1st - 4th: **[Click here to register.](#)**

Santa's Sewists 1st - 4th: **[Click here to register.](#)**

Santa's Sewists PK-JK: **[Click here to register.](#)**

Santa's Sewists SK Edition: **[Click here to register.](#)**

Let's Get Jolly! SK - 4th: **[Click here to register.](#)**

January

1
New Year's Day, No School

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Faculty & Staff In-Service, No School

3
Classes Resume

QUICK LINKS

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

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Contacting ACE After School Hours

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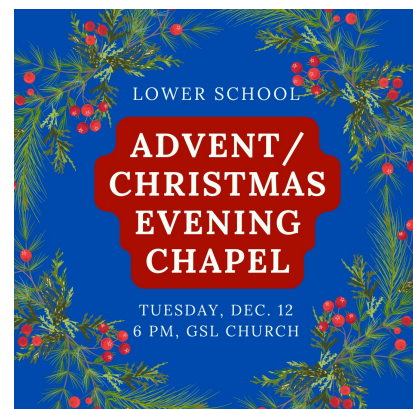
Preschool Information Session December 6 at 8:30 a.m., Anchor Library

PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS! This admissions event is for parents of children who will be ages 16 months-4 years by June 1, 2024. It's a great opportunity for prospective parents to tour the Preschool and learn more about our play-based program (and the new Little Saints program!) at GSL. [Click here to RSVP.](#)

Save the Date for Advent Christmas Evening Chapel

**Tuesday, Dec. 12
6 p.m., GSL Church**

This 2nd annual event will feature readings, singing, and acolyte duties by Lower School students for all school families to enjoy, as a way to experience GSL's weekly morning chapel custom in the evening. This special chapel will feature organ music by Grace-St. Luke's Church Music Director Patrick Scott, trumpet by GSL SK-6th Grade Music Teacher Braden Jensen, and favorite Episcopal hymns and carols. Please make plans to join us!



Save on Basketball Game Admission Fees ... Join the 23-24 Booster Club!

Open to all parents, grandparents, and friends of GSL, the Athletic Booster Club supports and enhances the Middle School Athletics program. [Click here to sign up!](#)

By purchasing an annual Booster Club membership, your immediate family gets FREE ADMISSION to all the regular season 5th-8th grade home games at GSL. Grandparent memberships are also available.



To see the Athletics Calendar for upcoming games this season, [click here](#). Go, Saints!

Christmas Break Soccer Camp at GSL

**Dec 27-29, 3-5 p.m.
Lemaster Playground**

This camp is for 5th-8th grade boys and girls and will be taught by our Middle School Soccer Coaches Tony Posner, Andrew Sighting, and Katie Longoria. [Download this flyer](#) for more information and make plans to join us! [Click here](#) to register today. The deadline is Dec. 22.



Summer Europe Trip for 7th & 8th Graders

May 30-June 8, 2024

We relaunched the traditional GSL trip to Europe last summer (see photo here of our group in Italy)! It's not too late to sign up for our adventure to Spain in Summer 2024, which will be led by Juan Roncal and Sarah Ranson.

Here's how to join us:

1. [Click here for the GSL trip website](#) and then click "Sign Up Now."
2. Fill out the application info and Emergency Contact info on the CONTACT page. Click Next.
3. Select your choice for the optional Travel Protection Plan on the INSURANCE page. Click Next.
4. Review the optional excursions, rooming & travel plans on the CUSTOMIZATION page. Simply select any of the options you wish to have. Click Next.
5. Choose a payment plan and method that is most convenient for you on the PAYMENT page. Click Next.
6. Review all of your info and tick the boxes to confirm all of the legal info on the CONFIRMATION page. Click "submit application" to complete enrollment.

We hope you'll join us! Please email [Mr. Roncal](#) with any questions.

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