



GSL eNews

Monday, February 6, 2023

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

February

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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, with Chapel Talks by Bella McAdams, Sam Wilkinson, and Shane Barron
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon
Sponsored by the P.A.
11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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Celebration Hosted by Harmony Swenson
8:05 a.m., Anchor Gym
(Families are welcome to attend Celebration!)

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All-School Red, White & Pink Dress-Down for Valentine's Day

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., GSL Church

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

5th/6th Second Trimester Music Performance
6 p.m., McClure Hall



Register Today for the Father-Daughter Dance!

February 24, 7-9 p.m.

Anchor Center Cafeteria

**(For 4th-8th grade girls and their favorite
father-figures)**

[Click here to register.](#)

The deadline is today, February 6!

Please join us for an enchanting evening in a forest full of magic and wonder at this year's GSL Father-Daughter Dance for all 4th-8th grade GSL girls and their favorite father-figure. Costumes of enchanting forest creatures are encouraged!

Cost is \$40 per person and includes a t-shirt for each student, commemorative framed photo, and refreshments. Students may dress down wearing their Father-Daughter Dance t-shirt on Monday, February 27.

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? Please contact your event co-chairs **Alysa Johnston**, **Hayley Hudson**, **Jenny Rixon**, **Molly Smith**, or **Gina Roberts**.

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Celebration Hosted by Jane Williams
8:05 a.m., GSL Church
(Families are welcome to attend Celebration!)

7th Grade Exam: History

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Trivia Event Sponsored by the P.A.
2-4 p.m., Old Dominick Distillery

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Presidents' Day Holiday - No School,
No ACE@Play

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Classes Resume

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

7th Grade Exam: Science

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Dress Uniform Day for Grades 1-8

Ash Wednesday All-School Chapel
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

8th Graders on Internships

7th Grade Exam: Math

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8th Graders on Internships

5th Grade Class Trip Meeting, 7:15 a.m.

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

7th Grade Exam: Spanish & Latin

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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8th Graders on Internships

Celebration Hosted by Sara Ralston
8:05 a.m., GSL Church
(Families are welcome to attend Celebration!)

7th Grade Exam: English

End of 2nd Trimester

4th-8th Grade Father/Daughter Dance
7-9 p.m., Anchor Center

27-March 3

Lost and Found Items on Display

28-March 10

2nd Trimester Middle School Art Exhibit, Anchor
Center

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Lower School Spelling Bee, 9:30 a.m.

Opening Reception for 2nd Trimester Middle
School Art Show
5 p.m., Anchor Center Alumni Lobby

WE LOVE OUR FACULTY/STAFF!

APPRECIATION LUNCHEON
HOSTED BY THE P.A.
FEBRUARY 9, 11 A.M.



Need Volunteers for Annual Appreciation Luncheon **Thursday, Feb. 9**

The traditional Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon is BACK, hosted by the Parents' Association! We are so excited to be able to offer our teachers and staff a sit-down luncheon experience – for the first time since 2020! – to celebrate all they give to GSL.

Interested in helping with this event? The P.A. is calling for parent volunteers to watch classrooms so teachers can enjoy this midday break with their grown-up peers and there are still a few slots to fill! Please help us so teachers can enjoy this treat!

[Click here](#) to access the SignUpGenius to volunteer today!



Reminder: The Annual Fund Textathon is Coming Soon!

Get ready! Parent volunteers will be calling and texting you soon and look forward to explaining what a difference every donation to the Annual Fund can make!

If you have already pledged or donated to the 2022-23 Celebrating 75 Years Annual Fund, THANK YOU! Your donations help GSL provide classroom enhancements such as laptops and smart boards, and help with facilities and maintenance needs. Your gifts also support the teachers, ensuring they have access to professional development along with incredible benefits.

March

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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.

Spring Play: Grandmother Tales
7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

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All-School Wacky-Tacky Dress Down Day

Read Across America Celebration,
Hosted by Jan Willis, 8:05 a.m., GSL Church

Spring Play: Grandmother Tales
7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

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Spring Play: Grandmother Tales
10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., McClure Hall

If you haven't yet given or pledged and it's not convenient for you to receive a call or text, you may make a pledge or donation through our new [online giving form](#).

Questions? [Email Director of Advancement Brenda Berry](#).



Celebrating Black History Month

Black History Month was created to focus attention on the contributions of African Americans to the United States. It honors all Black people from all periods of U.S. history, from the enslaved people first brought over from Africa in the early 17th century to African Americans living in the United States today. This month at GSL, we are excited to be working on an all-school project to create a paper quilt featuring famous African Americans. Please be on the lookout for this collaborative piece or art, which will go on display in the Anchor Center February 10!

QUICK LINKS

- [Create a Family Library Account](#)
- [Refer a Friend to GSL](#)
- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
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- [Preschool Handbook](#)
- [Lower & Middle School Handbook](#)

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Contacting ACE After School Hours

To connect with ACE after school hours, **call the Auxiliary Programs line at 901.677.2245**.



Valentine's Chess Tournament at GSL

Saturday, Feb. 11, Anchor Center
Registration 8:30-9 a.m.; First Round 9:15 a.m.

[Click here to download flyer](#) with full details on this fun event!
Sponsored by Shelby County Chess and Mid-South Chess.

Europe Trip is Back!

Tentative Dates: July 12-22, 2023

Attention 7th and 8th Grade Families: Don't miss out – GSL's Europe trip is back, and we're traveling to Italy this July! This trip will be led by 7th Grade English & History Teacher Juan Roncal.

Registration deadline extended to Feb. 10;
[click here to register today.](#)

If you missed the informational meeting in January and have questions, please [email Mr. Roncal.](#)



Save the Date for Spring Play: Grandmother Tales

March 2-3, 7:30 p.m.

**March 4, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
McClure Hall**

News from the Fine Arts Program at GSL:
Rehearsals are underway for our spring play!
Please put these performance dates on your calendar today. Ticket info coming soon!

***Fine Arts Program Update:
Spring Musical Performances Ahead***

5th/6th 2nd Trimester: Feb. 16 at 6pm in McClure Hall

3rd Grade: March 8 at 8:15am in McClure Hall

2nd Grade: April 5 at 8:15am in McClure Hall

1st Grade: April 26 at 8:15am in McClure Hall

SK: May 3 at 8:15am in McClure Hall

4th Grade: May 10 at 8:15am in McClure Hall

5th/6th 3rd Trimester: May 11 at 6pm in McClure Hall

Please save the date for these great student performances!



Get Tuition and ACE Statements

With tax season upon us, we remind you that tuition and ACE statements are available online through FACTS and UltraCamp. [Click here for our Business Office FAQs](#) document with the instructions for accessing these forms. (The FAQs are also posted under the Admissions/Tuition tab on our website.)

News from the Church



***Let's Play Ball! Church
Baseball Registration Open
For JK-4th Grade Boys & Girls***

It's that time again! Church Baseball Online Registration is open Feb 1-28 on a first-come, first-served basis and does fill up quickly. [Click here to register](#) and to review current baseball season information. Also: If you are interested in coaching, please fill out the coaching box on the registration form or [email Christi Authement.](#)

CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL TODAY!

