



GSL eNews

Monday, November 14, 2022

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

November

14-December 12

Annual GSL Student Food Drive Led by 5th Grade

15-December 1

1st Trimester Middle School Art Show

15

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Opening Reception for 1st Trimester Middle School Art Show
5-6:30 p.m., Anchor Center Alumni Lobby

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

17

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

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

4th Grade Parents Look-Ahead to 5th Grade
6:30-7:30 p.m., Anchor Library

18

Celebration, Hosted by Sarah Ranson
8:05 a.m., Anchor Gym

Middle School Spelling Bee
8:30-9:15 a.m., McClure Hall

21

Lower School Vision Screenings
8:30 a.m. - noon

22

Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day
Dress Uniform for Grades 1-8

Lower & Middle School Chapel



Annual Food Drive at GSL

November 14 - December 12

Fifth grade students invite the GSL community to participate in the Annual Food Drive, their service learning project. The food drive begins November 14 and runs through December 12.

Donated items will be given to the Mid-South Food Bank and GSL Church Food Pantry. New this year: In addition to gathering typical most-needed items such as canned meats, soups, peanut butter, beans, and rice, we're also accepting non-food items such as paper towels, cleaners, and personal hygiene products. **[Click here to view the food drive flyer, which includes a list of the most-needed items.](#)**

The goal is for every participant to bring in five items. Donated items will be collected by teachers/advisors in the classrooms.

Thank you in advance for helping our community! Questions? Email **[Felicity Letsou](#)**.

8:15 a.m. in the Church

Lower & Middle School Classroom Visits
9 a.m.

Preschool Chapel
9:30 a.m. in the Church

Preschool Classroom Visits
10:15 a.m.

Noon Dismissal for Thanksgiving Break

ACE: After School Care Open
Noon - 5:30 p.m.; bring lunch and snack

23-25

Thanksgiving Break, No School

28

Classes Resume

29-December 2

ERB Testing for Grades 3 and 5-8, 8:30-10 a.m.

ERB Testing for Grade 4, 9-10:30 a.m.

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Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

December

1

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

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

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Celebration, Hosted by Jessica Muller
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

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It's Holiday Storytime at GSL!
9 a.m., Anchor Library

5-6

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

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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 Hanukkah Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m.

4th Grade Parents Tour 5th Grade, 8:30 a.m.

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Celebration, Hosted by Allyson Campbell
8:05 a.m., GSL Church

3rd Grade Christmas Around the World
Presentations, 8:30 a.m.



First Trimester Middle School Art Show

**Opening Reception Tuesday, Nov. 15,
5-6:30 p.m., Alumni Lobby**

Join us for our opening night reception in the Anchor Center (second floor Alumni Lobby) and see some excellent artwork by our first trimester arts block students in grades 5-8. This year's special Glow Room will feature fluorescent artwork illuminated by black lights!



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

Open to all parents, grandparents, and friends of GSL, the Athletic Booster Club was created to support and enhance 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.

Also: GSL Booster Club is looking for a parent or two to help stock the concession stand this basketball season. Please reach out to **Rick Kohlhof** for more information if you can help!

QUICK LINKS

- [Create a Family Library Account](#)
- [Refer a Friend to GSL](#)
- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
- [Lunch Service](#)
- [2022-23 Important Dates Calendar](#)
- [Preschool Handbook](#)
- [Lower & Middle School Handbook](#)

Weekly eNews Distribution

To add an email address to the eNews distribution list, please email [Associate Director of Communications Marci Woodmansee](#).

Contacting ACE After School Hours

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

Updated Health Policy

To provide more clarity and guidance to families, GSL has updated its Health Policy in the handbooks. Families are strongly encouraged to read the updated Health Policy, which offers guidance as to when a child should be kept home, and when a child may return to school following an illness.

View the 2022/23 Preschool & Lower/Middle School Parent/Student Handbooks on our Parents page.

As always, please consult your pediatrician with questions related to your child's health. We appreciate your help and support as we work to keep everyone safe and minimize the spread of illness so our students can stay in school! Questions? **Email** Nurse Calzia.





Grandparents & Special Friends
are invited to
Grandparents' Day
at Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal School
Tuesday, November 22, 2022



Things to Know about Grandparents' Day

Chapel will take place at Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 1720 Peabody Avenue, Memphis, TN 38104.

Parking is available in the lot across from the church (southeast corner of Belvedere and Peabody), behind the Anchor Center, and on Belvedere, Peabody, and Lemaster.

Grandparents/Special Friends: If you are bringing your grandchildren to school, please go directly to the church with your grandchildren. There is no assigned seating, so please sit where you prefer.

Grandparents/Special Friends who are meeting their grandchildren at GSL should go directly to the church. The children will join you in the church prior to the start of Chapel.

Bottled water and muffins will be available between Chapel and classroom visits.

After the classroom visits, children may leave campus for the day with their grandparents/special friends. Students who stay at school will be picked up in carpool at 12 p.m. ACE: After School Care is open until 5:30 p.m.

Questions? Call (901) 278-0200.

We look forward to seeing you on November 22!

Lower & Middle School (Senior Kindergarten - 8th Grade)	Preschool (Little Lukers, Pre-Kindergarten, and Junior Kindergarten)
8:15 a.m. Join us at Grace-St. Luke's Church for Chapel with your grandchildren	9:30 a.m. Join us at Grace-St. Luke's Church for Chapel with your grandchildren
9 a.m. Visit your grandchildren's classrooms	10:15 a.m. Visit your grandchildren's classrooms



Grandparents' Day Tuesday, November 22

Last month, invitations to GSL's Grandparents' Day were mailed to all grandparents and special friends. If your child's grandparent or special friend did not receive an invitation in the mail, please email [Director of Advancement Brenda Berry](#) so one can be mailed out right away. Alternatively, you can forward them this email, as a copy of the invitation is pictured above.

Here is some important information to help you and your children prepare for this special day.

Lower & Middle School Students



Grandparents' Day will begin with Chapel at Grace-St. Luke's Church at 8:15 a.m. for Lower & Middle School students (grades SK-8). Students can arrive at school at their normal time (between 7-8 a.m.), or they can arrive between 8-8:15 a.m. in time for Chapel.

If students come to school with their grandparents/special friends, they should go directly to the church.

If they are dropped off at school, they should go to their classrooms. They will walk to the church with their class in time for Chapel. Students will locate and sit with their grandparents/special friends in the church.

After Chapel, students will escort their grandparents/special friends to their classrooms. After the classroom visit, students are free to leave for the day with their grandparents/special friends. Students who do not

leave with their guests will stay at school until dismissal at 12 p.m. (As a reminder, ACE: After School Care is open from 12-5:30 p.m. Students who attend after care should bring a lunch and snack.)

Students who are not staying for after care are encouraged to leave all backpacks and other school supplies at home on Grandparents' Day.

Preschool Students

Grandparents' Day will begin with Chapel at Grace-St. Luke's Church at 9:30 a.m. for Preschool students (grades LL-JK). Students can arrive at school at their normal time (between 7-8 a.m.), or they can arrive between 8-9:30 a.m. in time for Chapel.

If Preschool students come to school with their grandparents/special friends later in the morning for Chapel at 9:30 a.m., they should go directly to the church. If they are dropped off at school, they should go to their classrooms. They will walk to the church with their class in time for Chapel. Students will locate and sit with their grandparents/special friends in the church.

After Chapel, students will escort their grandparents/special friends to their classrooms. After the classroom visit, students are free to leave for the day with their grandparents/special friends. Students who do not leave with their guests will stay at school until dismissal at 12 p.m. (As a reminder, ACE: After School Care is open from 12-5:30 p.m. Students who attend after care should bring a lunch and snack.)

Preschool students who are not staying for after care are encouraged to leave all backpacks and other school supplies at home on Grandparents' Day.

News from GSL Church



Make Your Own Advent Wreath at Grace-St. Luke's

Sunday, November 27

9:15-10:15 a.m., Trezevant Hall

All ages are invited to celebrate the Church New Year – the First Sunday of Advent – by crafting a household wreath in Trezevant Hall. This event is for parishioners and visitors to share unique fellowship time on the Sunday after Thanksgiving Day and together begin the waiting journey to Christmas. Helpers, instructions, greenery, candles, holiday treats, and music will be provided, but

please bring your clippers and/or scissors. [Click here to register today.](https://tinyurl.com/4se3rc9s)

CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL TODAY!

