

GSL eNews

Monday, Dec. 13, 2021

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

December

13-17 Lost & Found Items on Display, Anchor Center

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Last Day for GSL Food Drive led by 5th Grade

Voluntary COVID testing, LL-8, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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Required COVID testing for unvaccinated 5/6 athletes and unvaccinated 4th-6th grade play participants, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

Returning Families' Financial Aid Applications Due (see information below)

16 Dress Uniform Day for Grades 1-8

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

17

Red & Green Dress Down Day

Celebration Christmas Caroling, 8:05 a.m. on the Lemaster Playground, hosted by Mr. Kvande

Required COVID testing for unvaccinated 7/8 athletes and play participants, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

Little Lukers Polar Express Pajama Day

Faculty/Student Basketball Game, 1:30 p.m., Anchor Gym

Last Day of School Before Christmas Break!

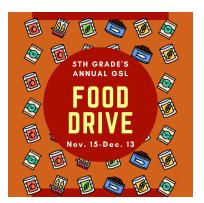


Give to GSL This Month

As the year draws to a close, now is an ideal time to give or pledge a gift to Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal School. By completing charitable gifts by December 31, 2021, you could be eligible for additional tax savings next April.

At GSL, we deeply appreciate every gift – and every donor. If you have any questions about a gift you are considering, please email Director of Advancement <u>Brenda Berry</u>. If you would like to make a pledge or gift now, you may do so <u>online</u> or by mailing your gift to GSL's Advancement Dept., 246 S. Belvedere Blvd., Memphis, TN 38103.

From everyone at Grace-St. Luke's, we thank you and wish you a safe and wonderful holiday.



January

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Classes Resume

Voluntary COVID testing, LL-8, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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Required COVID testing for unvaccinated 5/6 athletes and unvaccinated 4th-6th grade play participants, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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All School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

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Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Allyson Campbell

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Annual Student Food Drive Ends TODAY!

Donated items will be given to the Mid-South Food Bank and the GSL Church Food Pantry. Thanks to all for helping to make this a successful food drive!



Fan 5 Games Are Back!

Tuesday, 1/4 vs. St. Francis Thursday, 1/13 Homecoming vs. TRA Tuesday, 1/25 vs. Fayette Friday, 1/28 vs. St. Ann + Im. Lutheran

GSL's Fan 5 and the Dogpound Student Section are back! We always invite fans to come cheer us on, but we want to especially draw your attention to these designated Fan 5 games in January. Our first Fan 5 game on December 9 was a great success, with Saints getting the W in all 4 games! We look forward to seeing you for Fan 5 soon. Wear red & white or your Fan 5 t-shirt!

Want to keep track of all our upcoming athletic events at GSL? <u>Click here to access the</u> <u>Athletics Calendar</u> on our website!

QUICK LINKS

- Report Student Vaccination Status
- <u>Create a Family Library Account</u>
- Refer a Friend to GSL
- ACE: After School & Enrichment
- Lunch Service
- 2021-22 Important Dates Calendar
- 2022-23 Important Dates Calendar
- Preschool Handbook
- Lower & Middle School Handbook
- <u>COVID-19 Parent-Student Handbook</u>

Weekly eNews Distribution

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

Contacting ACE After School Hours

To connect with ACE after school hours, call the Auxiliary Programs line at 901.278.2685.





Speedy Saints Ran for a Great Cause

Congratulations to the many families, faculty and staff, and STUDENTS who participated in the 20th Anniversary St. Jude Memphis Marathon Weekend!

If your child(ren) participated in one of the races and you would like their name included in the Spring 2022 issue of *The Anchor* magazine, please <u>email Marci Woodmansee</u>.

Returning Families: Financial Aid Applications Due Dec. 15

GSL offers tuition discounting to eligible students in grades SK-8. Because preschool tuition can often be claimed as a tax deduction, financial aid is not offered to preschool students.

Returning GSL families interested in applying for tuition discounting for the 2022-23 school year must submit a financial aid application no later than Wednesday, December 15. Financial aid award notifications will be sent to families in January at the time of re-enrollment.

To learn more and access the financial aid application, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Questions? Contact Shelly McGuire via email or at 278-0200.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Every financial aid recipient pays something to GSL.
- The 2021-22 financial aid recipients are paying \$633,000 in tuition this school year.



Spring ACE Brochure Is Here!

Our new offerings are ready for your perusal!<u>Click here</u> to view the brochure, then <u>register on UltraCamp</u>.

ACE Holiday Reminder

ACE is open until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, December 17, but we will be closed over the winter holiday break. We wish you an amazing holiday season and can't wait to welcome you back in January!

You Shop, GSL Gets Cash Back!

It's true – when you shop at Kroger, AmazonSmile, and Lands' End, they give back to GSL!

AmazonSmile: If you shop on Amazon, simply switch over to AmazonSmile, where you can select Grace-St. Luke's School as your designated charitable gift recipient. (You must select a recipient before you can browse or shop.) AmazonSmile Foundation will donate .05% of the price on eligible purchases. <u>Click here to sign up with AmazonSmile and</u> <u>designate GSL!</u>

Kroger Community Rewards: Designate GSL to receive a

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percentage of proceeds from all your Kroger purchases. This can add up to thousands of dollars annually! Just go to your Kroger account online and click on Community Rewards to search for GSL - our number is AJ099. Click here to visit Kroger and designate GSL!

Lands' End School Rewards Program: GSL can receive a cash-back reward from total uniform purchases at Lands' End. Our school number is 900096512. <u>Shop now to give back to GSL!</u>

For more info about ways you can give to GSL<u>email Director of Advancement Brenda Berry</u>.





Anchor Magazines On the Way

Be on the lookout for your copy of *The Anchor* Fall 2021 magazine – it should be arriving in your mailbox very soon! (Or <u>click here to read it</u> <u>online</u> today!) This issue's theme is science, and we share stories from every division that illustrate this critical component of our academic curriculum! You'll also see photos from around campus, fun facts about our newest Saints on staff, a list of college placements for the Class of 2017, a slew of alumni updates, and our annual giving report that lists all who gave to the school in 2020-21. So grateful for all of you! We hope you will read and enjoy!

PS: Need extra copies for yourself? Want to share with friends? Have a business or office where you could display issues for prospective families to see? <u>Email Marci Woodmansee</u> if you need more – we love to share

our stories with the community!



COVID Vaccines: Ages 5-11

The COVID-19 vaccine has been approved for 5- to 11-year-olds. Families are encouraged to take advantage of this great advance in the fight against COVID-19 and **consider vaccinating your child!** Visit <u>vaccines.gov</u> to get a list of local providers.

And after your child gets vaccinated, please remember to <u>click here to update their</u> <u>vaccination status</u>!



Upcoming COVID Testing

Monday, Dec. 13: Free voluntary testing Grades LL-8

Wednesday, Dec. 15: Free mandatory testing for unvaccinated 5-6 athletes and play participants Friday, Dec. 17: Free mandatory testing for

unvaccinated 7-8 athletes and play participants

<u>Click here to register</u> if this is your child's first time to receive the antigen test. See Athletics email sent Wed., Nov. 3, for details on which athletes are required to test.



2022-23 School Year Important Dates

Important dates for the 2022-23 school year, including the first and last days of school, spring break, and parent-teacher conferences, have been set. <u>Click here to</u> <u>view</u> the 2022-23 School Year Important Dates document.

Advent-Christmas-Epiphany Messenger from GSL Church

Pick up a copy of the GSL Church Newsletter at the information center in the church hallway or <u>click here to access</u>. It features updates from the Rector and Associate Rectors, Reflections on Advent, Recreation & Wellness news, Formation offerings for all ages, Music at GSL, and info on Festive Advent, Christmas & Epiphany services, as well as the Children's Christmas Pageant Dec. 24! All are welcome to attend and participate!



CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL TODAY!

