



GSL eNews

Monday, October 4, 2021

CALENDAR PREVIEW

Next 4 Weeks

October

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

Blessing of Animals at GSL Church,
6 p.m. on Anchor Hill. All people & pets welcome!

6-8

Fall Break - No School
ACE @ Play available for those who register

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Classes Resume

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Trezevant Hall, 9-11 a.m.

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Spirit Wear Sale, 3-6 p.m., Anchor Center

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Required COVID testing for all 5/6 football
participants and unvaccinated 5/6 athletes in other
sports, Trezevant Hall, 9-11 a.m.

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All School Red & White Dress Down Day
Honoring Fall Sports!

School Picture Make-Up Day

All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.,
Chapel Talks by Addison Epps and Finn Church

Middle School Pep Rally, 2:15 p.m.,
Lemaster Playground

Final Home 7/8 Football Game, 6 p.m.,
Snowden Field (2233 Harbert)

**SPIRIT
WEAR
SALE!**

**TUES., OCT. 12, 3-6 PM
ANCHOR CENTER**

Spirit Wear Sale!

**Tuesday, October 12 from 3-6 p.m.
Anchor Center Lobby**

Many of our popular items are back in stock such as GSL caps, the St. Bernard and the Bullet bus t-shirts, plus many new items that you don't want to miss! We have packs of new Styrofoam cups, ponytail holders, bracelets, & awesome sweatpants! **We are also selling as a PRE-ORDER ITEM: a long-sleeve cotton holiday shirt to be delivered by November 18.** Perfect for our annual Red & Green Dress-Down Day on December 17! **Click here to order** your holiday shirt - the order deadline is Friday, Oct. 22.

REMINDER!



**COVID-19
Testing Days**

COVID Testing This Week

Monday, Oct. 4: FREE voluntary testing using antigen rather than PCR tests. **Important reminder:** **Even if your child tested before**

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Lower School Coffee with Marti McCloud, 7:45 a.m., Anchor Center Library

Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Ellyse Woolard

Required COVID testing for all 7/8 football participants and unvaccinated 7/8 athletes in other sports, Trezevant Hall, 9-11 a.m.

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

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PS Speech & Language Screenings, 9 a.m.

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St. Luke's Feast Day - Dress Uniform for Grades 1-8

All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.,
Chapel Talks by Betsy Halliday and Henry Thompson

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Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Juan Roncal

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

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Flu Shots & Nasal Mist at GSL for parents & students 4 years and older, 7:30-9:30 a.m. (more details to come next week)

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Required COVID testing for all 5/6 football participants and unvaccinated 5/6 athletes in other sports, Trezevant Hall, 9-11 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.,
Chapel Talks by Skylah Gregory and Thomas McGoff

Preschool Halloween Parade, 9:30 a.m.

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Black & Orange Dress Down Day
Lower School Wacky Socks Day
Middle School Mad Scientist Day

Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Kimberley Morrison and Carmen Navarro

Middle School Hearing Screenings, 8 a.m.-Noon, Music Room

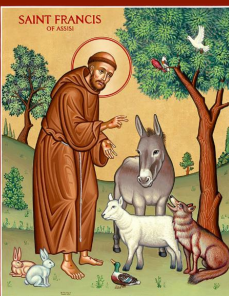
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when we were doing the \$30 PCR tests, we need you to re-register before we can test your child with the free antigen tests. [Click here to register.](#) You will only have to register once, but we do need to get your permission for this test. See email sent Friday, Sept. 17 with full updates on our new, free antigen testing program. Other October testing dates listed in calendar at left.



Tardy Check-In Procedures

Friendly reminder: Any Lower School and Middle School students who arrive after 8 a.m. must check in at the front office on Belvedere, and they must be accompanied by a parent. Students are not allowed to check themselves in late. Thanks!



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Blessing of the Animals and Holy Eucharist

**Monday, October 4
6 PM**

**Grace-St. Luke's Church
Anchor Hill
Peabody and Lemaster**

gracestlukes.org/events/pet-blessing

Blessing of the Animals **Monday, October 4 at 6 p.m., Grace-St. Luke's Church**

Celebrate the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi with GSL Church! All people and pets ("creatures great and small") are invited to an outdoor Blessing of the Animals and Holy Eucharist with Music at 6 p.m. tonight on Anchor Hill. We will commemorate the commitments of love, simplicity, and care for the poor, and animals, commonly attributed to Francis, who prayed that all might become instruments of the peace of God for the world. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and please ensure pets are leashed or otherwise secured and under the owners' control at all times.

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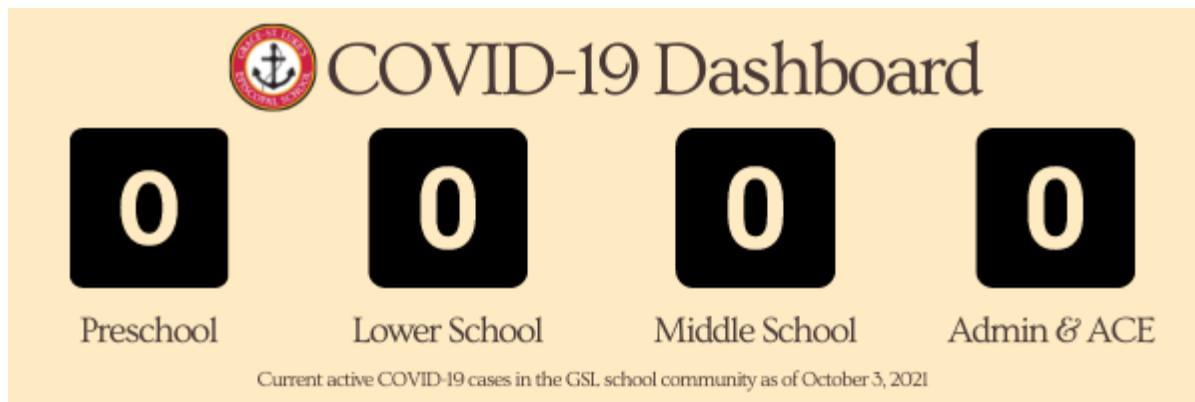
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BETTER TOGETHER



2021-22 ANNUAL FUND

GSL: We Are Better Together

Prior to the pandemic, the phrase "better together" referred to all aspects of life at Grace-St. Luke's. From classroom projects to outdoor play, on the sports field or in the art studio, our community is at its best when working together.

Today, better together has come to exemplify so much more. It represents our joint commitment to remaining strong and supporting each other in ways we never imagined possible or necessary. And it is this resilience and strength of the GSL community that has inspired the theme for the 2021-22 school year Annual Fund: Better Together.

To ensure the ongoing growth of our great school, GSL relies on donations to support and enhance the academic program, as well as extracurricular activities. When you give to GSL, you are doing more than providing a gift to the school. You are investing in YOUR community, a place that has students, parents, grandparents, faculty/staff, alumni, and friends saying proudly that they are Lukers for Life.

You can help GSL reach its fundraising goal of \$350,000 by making or pledging a [gift online](#). If you are interested in learning more, or to discuss other options for giving such as stock donations, [email Director of Advancement Brenda Berry](#) today or call 901-278-0200. You may also contact one of this year's annual fund co-chairs: [Kathleen](#) & [Schorr](#) Behnke or [Jenn](#) & [Ryan](#) Gibbs.

Thank you for considering a gift this year to Grace-St. Luke's. Thank you for being a part of this warm, wonderful community. And thank you for helping make GSL a great place to be. Thanks to the uniqueness that you and your family bring to GSL, we are that much better, together.

All-School Red & White Dress Down Day Honoring Fall Sports

Thursday, Oct. 14

2:15 p.m. Middle School Pep Rally

Lemaster Playground

**6 p.m.: Final Home 7/8 Football Game at
Snowden Field (2233 Harbert)**

Parents \$5; Grandparents/Students \$2

Let's get together and show our Saints Spirit at our final home 7/8 football game this season! Middle School will kick off events with an afternoon Pep Rally, and we invite all families to come to the game at Snowden Field! Concessions will be open and it will be a fun night. Middle School will keep track of how many students from Red Team and White Team attend the game, which will go toward the teams' grand points total at the end of the year!

**RED & WHITE
DRESS DOWN
DAY @ GSL!**

**+ LAST 7/8 FOOTBALL
HOME GAME!**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14
6 PM AT SNOWDEN FIELD**

GO SAINTS!!!

It's a "Wrap!"

Thanks for Supporting Our Fall Fundraiser



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Charleston Wrap fundraiser! Through sales and donations we raised almost \$20,000 in profit to put toward teachers' wishlists for their classrooms. And congratulations to Third Grade for being the top selling grade! Grayson Logan, Mays Meeks, and Jordyn Shelton were the top individual sellers. Well done, all! We know that time and resources are limited and that the bulk of the work of this fundraiser falls to parents. The Parents' Association is grateful for all of your support.

Lower School Coffee Connection

Friday, Oct. 15, 7:45-8:45 a.m., Anchor Library

Calling all Lower School Parents! Please join us for conversation and coffee with fellow parents and Head of Lower School Marti McCloud. We look forward to seeing you!



CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL TODAY!

