



# GSL eNews

Sunday, January  
11, 2026



## THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

### Jan. 13:

Middle School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church

Fan 5 Night, Neon Theme

### Jan. 14

Middle School Spirit Day: Tropical/Hawaiian  
Dress-Down Day (Middle School only)

Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church

### Jan. 15

All-School Red & White Dress-Down Day for  
Homecoming

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

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m., ACE Room

Preschool Preview Day, 9 a.m., Anchor Library  
(Please tell your friends!)

Homecoming Pep Rally, 2:15 p.m.

Fan 5 Night, Blackout Theme; games as listed in  
Homecoming box below

Homecoming Presentation of 8th Grade Families  
and Winter Spirit Award Winners  
6 p.m., Anchor Gym

### Jan. 16

Middle School Spirit Day: Favorite Jersey Dress-  
Down (Middle School only)

Celebration Chapel Hosted by Sarah Ranson,  
8:05 a.m., Church  
(Parents welcome to attend)

Re-Enrollment Contracts Sent to Current Families

[Click here for online School  
& Athletic Calendars](#)

## NEXT WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

### Jan. 19

MLK Day Observance, No School

### Jan. 21

Lower School Chapel, 8:05 a.m., Church

## ALL-SCHOOL RED & WHITE DRESS-DOWN!

SAINTS HOMECOMING &  
8TH GRADE FAMILY  
PRESENTATIONS!



THURSDAY, JANUARY 15  
GO, SAINTS!

### *Basketball Homecoming and Red & White Dress-Down Day!* Thursday, January 15

This Thursday night—a Fan 5 Game Night—we'll celebrate Basketball Homecoming! We will also hold our Eighth Grade Family Presentations. We are excited to continue this GSL Homecoming tradition of introducing eighth grade students and their parents/guardians at mid-court in front of the fan audience. We will also award one boy and one girl from this class with the Winter Spirit Award (as voted upon by their peers).

#### Activities in the Anchor Center as follows:

2:15 p.m.: SK-8th Grade Pep Rally

4 p.m.: 7/8 Boys JV vs. St. Louis

5 p.m.: 7/8 Girls Varsity vs. Collegiate

5:45 p.m.: 8th Grade Parents arrive to line up in the Anchor Cafeteria for presentation

6 p.m.: Presentation of 8th Grade Families

6:30 p.m.: 7/8 Boys Varsity vs. Collegiate

We look forward to seeing you all at GSL's 2026 Basketball Homecoming. GO, SAINTS!

### Jan. 22

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

Preschool Chapel, 8:35 a.m., ACE Room

Fan 5 Night, Whiteout Theme

Lower School Spirit Night, 5 p.m., Anchor Gym  
(see details below)

Performance Lab Presentation for Families and Friends, 5:45 p.m., Performing Arts Room

### Jan. 23

Celebration Chapel Hosted by Nancy Miller, 8:05 a.m., Church  
(Parents welcome to attend)



**20% OFF ALL YOUTH AND TODDLER SHORT SLEEVE TEES ON ONLINE STORE, JAN. 5 - 23**  
**FOR DISCOUNT, USE CODE — SPIRIT20**



### Preschool Preview Day: Jan. 15

Please help us get the word out! We have a Preview Day THIS THURSDAY, Jan. 15, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Anchor Library.

Will you please share this event info with any friends, neighbors, or colleagues who have preschool-aged children? [Click here to access our admissions page](#) for the entire list of upcoming events and registration info. Please also know that you are always welcome to come along with your friends who tour!

### Spirit Wear Discount!

The P.A. is offering a 20% discount on all **youth and toddler short sleeve t-shirts** (these items only) through the online Spirit Store, now through **January 23!** To snag your gear, visit the online store [HERE](#) and use code **SPIRIT20** (all caps) at checkout. Go, Saints!



### Final FAN 5 Game Nights! 1/13, 1/15, and 1/22

Let's fill the Dogpound student section in the Anchor Gym for our designated **Fan 5** 7/8 Varsity Boys & Girls games this season! [Click here to access the Athletics Calendar](#) for game times.

We have some Fan 5 shirts left in stock; they are marked down now to \$15 each and students can buy them from the Athletic Office during the day or from the concession stand during games. As a reminder, students can wear the shirt with their uniform pants/skirts on Fan 5 game days.

### ACE News at GSL

The Spring 2026 ACE brochure is **posted online**, and registration is open. [Click here](#) to sign up now for ACE: Enrichment classes, ACE: After School Care, and ACE @ Play dates on UltraCamp. We hope your child will join us! Have questions? Please [email Ariel Denton](#), Director of Auxiliary Programs.

### Featured Enrichment: Winter Bedazzling with Ms. Mary Catherine and Ms. Mimmie

Students will personalize winter accessories. We will have a blast adding jewels, beads, pendants, or other decor to hats, earmuffs or gloves, which will be provided. The items will be returned within one week of design. We can't wait to see you sparkle and shine!

Grades: JK - 2nd



Spring 2016

Day of the Week: Tuesday  
Date: January 13  
Number of Classes: 1  
Time: 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.  
Instructors: Mary Catherine Moore and Mimmie Fisher  
Cost: \$55  
[Click here](#) to register by Monday at 5 p.m.

### Display Your Work on LEGO Day at GSL Open to SK-8th Graders

Want to build a LEGO kit and display it at GSL? The library will host its first-ever National LEGO Day event on January 28 for GSL builders! Here are the guidelines:

- Open to SK-8th Graders.
- Share a picture or details about your entry with one of the librarians to have your entry pre-approved for display.
- Your entry must be a kit with a minimum of 500 pieces.
- You must build the kit by yourself. No adult assistance.
- Entries will be accepted beginning the first week in January through Friday, January 23.
- There will be a reception in the library on Wednesday, January 28 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. for our LEGO participants and their families.
- All entries will be ready for pickup to go home after the reception.
- Last day for pickup will be Friday, January 30.



Photo: A LEGO Taj Mahal built by alumnus Connor Homayouni '15, currently on display in the Anchor Library. This kit features almost 6,000 pieces!



### Save the Date: Lower School Spirit Night Thursday, January 22

All Lower School families are invited to join us in the Anchor Gym on Thursday, Jan. 22, for Lower School Spirit Night. You'll see our Dogpound spirit section, get a glimpse of the Middle School athletic experience, and enjoy up to four exciting basketball games in the Anchor Gym! Free admission for all Lower School families. Please plan to join us. This is also our final Fan 5 Game Night for 2025-26!

### Volunteer for Annual Appreciation Luncheon!

The annual Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon will be held on **Thursday, February 5, from 11 a.m.-1:45 p.m.**, hosted by the Parents' Association! We are so excited to be able to offer our teachers and staff a sit-down luncheon experience to celebrate all they give to GSL.

Interested in helping with this event? The P.A. is calling for parent volunteers to watch classrooms. These are one-hour time slots that mostly fall during students' lunch and recess or rest times. To sign up to

volunteer, [click here](#).

Questions? Email our Event Chairs [Amy Golden](#) or [Elizabeth Warren](#). Thank you in advance for helping so teachers can enjoy this treat!



"A wise and fresh approach to mindful parenting."  
—Tam Brach, PhD, author of *Radical Acceptance*

# RAISING GOOD HUMANS

A Mindful Guide to Breaking the Cycle of Reactive Parenting and Raising Kind, Confident Kids

Hunter Clarke-Fields, MSAE  
Foreword by Carla Naumburg, PhD



## Preschool Sip & Share Coming Soon (Start Reading Now!)

Friday, February 6  
8 a.m., ACE After School Care Room

Preschool parents are invited to attend our Sip & Share group discussion in February on *Raising Good Humans: A Mindful Guide to Breaking the Cycle of Reactive Parenting and Raising Kind, Confident Kids* by Hunter Clarke-Fields, MSAE.

Head of Preschool Cynthia Hill will lead this group discussion, and we are looking forward to some interesting conversation and shared perspectives. We'll have coffee, juice, and a small breakfast treat! Please see the separate email sent Wednesday, Dec. 10 for more details and to RSVP.

A poster for a baseball coaching search. It features a red background with a white and gold baseball glove graphic in the center. Inside the glove is a baseball. Below the glove, the text reads "BASEBALL COACHES NEEDED" in bold, with "GSL SCHOOL" underneath. At the bottom, there is a circular logo for Grace-St. Luce's Episcopal School and the text "5TH-8TH GRADE BOYS". At the very bottom, it says "★ EMAIL [RKOHLHOF@GSLSCHOOL.ORG](mailto:RKOHLHOF@GSLSCHOOL.ORG) FOR INFO ★" and the website "gslschool.org/about-gsl/careers".

A poster for a memorial service. It shows a group of people standing in front of the National Civil Rights Museum at the Lorraine Motel. The text on the poster reads "REMEMBERING HIS LEGACY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY NO SCHOOL JANUARY 19". There is a circular logo for Grace-St. Luce's Episcopal School in the top right corner.

### Seeking Baseball Coaches

We are searching for 5th-8th grade baseball coaches for this spring. Please visit [gslschool.org/about-gsl/careers](http://gslschool.org/about-gsl/careers) for more details and application info. Go, Saints! ⚾

Our community-wide Shoe-Drive Fundraiser is here! **Share this flyer** with friends, family and neighbors! All January, we invite you to bring in any gently worn, new, or used shoes you no longer need. This project is truly a win-win-win-win:

- Clear out your closets for the New Year
- Keep usable items out of landfills
- Support micro-businesses in developing countries
- Help fund our youth summer mission trip

Collection bins are located near Emily Merrell's office, Circle Drive, and throughout the Church. Church Youth will have a drive-by drop-off on Wednesday, January 21 making it easier for you to donate!



### ***Spring Soccer Registration*** **January 1-31**

Grace-St. Luke's Church sponsors Spring Soccer for students in JK-4th grade. The 2026 spring soccer season is April 11- May 23. This is designed for continued skill development during the spring.

Registration is open from now until January 31. Please [click here](#) to register and access spring soccer information. Registration fills up quickly, so please register sooner rather than later.

For continuity and when possible, the intent is to keep the spring soccer teams and coaches TOGETHER from the previous fall season. Soccer is offered twice annually, so this is the only sport in which players will stay on the same team for a full calendar year.



### ***Biscuits & Bible***

Biscuits, Bible, and belonging is what it's all about on Wednesdays at 6:45 a.m. at the Red Door! Fifth graders and up enjoy a light breakfast, a brief scripture reflection, and conversation that encourages curiosity, connection, community and confidence in God's love. All youth are welcome...no preparation needed, just come as you are.



### ***Join the GSL Boy & Girl Choir or St. Cecelia Training Choir this Winter & Spring!***

#### **St. Cecelia Training Choir**

SK-2nd grade

Rehearsals either Monday 3:30-4 p.m. or

Wednesday 5:30-6 p.m.

For more info contact Sam McDaniel:

[smcdaniel@gracestlukes.org](mailto:smcdaniel@gracestlukes.org)

#### **GSL Boy & Girl Choir**

3rd grade and above

Rehearsals either Monday 4:15-5:15 p.m. or

Wednesday 4:15-5:30 p.m.



### **Light the Night Youth Group Lock-In: Jan 24-25**

Our "Light the Night" Youth Group Lock-In will be lit! Middle and high school students will have a blast with fun games, service projects, crafts, a dance party, and a unique night filled with unforgettable experiences. We are thrilled to welcome our friends from Church of Holy Communion to join us. Hurry, as registration is limited to 32 youth. Get your neon ready!

**[Click here for registration form.](#)**

The fee is \$25 per person, plus a snack to share. Payment can be made via Venmo @GSL\_Episcopal\_Church.

## **QUICK LINKS**

- [Anchor Fund - GIVE TODAY!](#)
- [MyGSL Parent Portal](#) for Class Lists, Lunch Info, Uniform Guidelines, and Preschool & Lower School/Middle School Handbooks
- [Online Spirit Wear Store](#)
- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
- [2025-26 Important Dates](#)
- [2026-27 Important Dates](#)
- [Create a Family Library Account](#)
- [Refer a Friend to GSL](#)

### **Contacting ACE After School Hours**

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

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