



GSL eNews



Sunday, January 4,
2026

THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

Jan. 5:

No School (Faculty/Staff In-Service)

Jan. 6

Classes Resume

Jan. 7

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

Jan. 8

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

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

Preschool Spirit Night, 5 p.m. *(See details below)*

Jan. 9

Celebration Chapel Hosted by Hannah Miller, 8:05 a.m., Anchor Gym
(Parents welcome to attend)

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

NEXT 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.



Spirit Wear Discount!

To celebrate upcoming Preschool and Lower School Spirit Nights this month, 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, **January 5-23!** To snag your gear, visit the online store [HERE](#) and use code **SPIRIT20** *(all caps)* at checkout. Go, Saints!



Fan 5 Night, Blackout Theme; games as listed in 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 Returning Families



**FAN 5 Game Nights Next Week
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 bottoms on Fan 5 game days.



Retrieve Your Missing Items from the Lost & Found!

Lost & Found is still very full, as you can see in the photos above! Please check our locations in Lower School (tall black cabinet just inside the side doors across from the Admin Building) and the Anchor Center (big hanging rack and table in cafeteria). Items that went missing in 2025 can be yours again in 2026!

**ACE: Enrichment News -
Spring Brochure Posted & Registration Is Open!**

The Spring 2026 ACE brochure is now **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. A separate email was sent to all families on Friday, Jan. 2 with additional details.

We hope your child will join us! Have questions? Please [email Ariel Denton](#), Director of Auxiliary Programs.



Spring 2016



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: Preschool Spirit Night Thursday, January 8, 5 p.m., Anchor Gym

All Preschool families are invited to the 5/6 JV Boys basketball game January 8 at 5 p.m. to experience our school spirit during basketball season. Families will get free admission, kids will enjoy free pizza and Saints favors, and everyone is encouraged to wear red and white. There will be a halftime activity for preschoolers. [Click here for flyer](#) (shared with Preschool families the week of Dec. 15) outlining the details.

We look forward to seeing you!

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

Next 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!

ALL-SCHOOL RED & WHITE DRESS-DOWN!

SAINTS HOMECOMING &
8TH GRADE FAMILY
PRESENTATIONS!



THURSDAY, JANUARY 15
GO, SAINTS!



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!

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 wise and fresh approach to mindful parenting."
—Tara 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



4th- 8th Grade Girls Sweetheart Dance

Friday, January 30

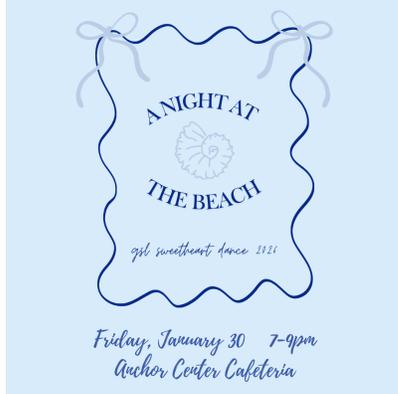
7-9 p.m., Anchor Center Cafeteria

Please join us for a "Night at the Beach" at the Parents' Association's Sweetheart Dance!

All 4th-8th grade GSL girls are invited with their favorite father figures. Girls are invited to wear semi-formal dresses with a tropical or beachy flair and dads/father figures are welcome to wear a Hawaiian shirt or other semi-casual beachy attire.

\$45 per person includes a t-shirt for each student, commemorative framed photo, and refreshments.

Students can dress down wearing their Sweetheart Dance t-shirt and jeans on Monday, February 2.



To register, click [HERE](#). **Registration closes at midnight this Friday, January 9!** Questions? Please contact event chairs [Mimmie Fisher](#) or [Carrie Irvine](#).

4th- 8th Grade Boys Son-Day Fun Day
Saturday, February 7
5-7 p.m. (Check in begins at 4:30 p.m.)
Anchor Center Cafeteria

Get ready to test your knowledge at the Parents' Association's Son-Day Fun Day—Game Nite Edition! Son-Day Fun Day is the place to be for moms/mother figures and their 4th-8th grade sons.

\$40 per person includes trivia hosted by Cerrito Entertainment, "Minute to Win It" games, dinner provided by the Rendezvous, photo booth, a special t-shirt for students, and the chance to win awesome door prizes.

Students can dress down wearing their Son-Day Fun Day t-shirt and jeans on Monday, February 9.

To register, click [HERE](#). **Registration closes at midnight this Friday, January 9!** Questions? Please contact event chairs [Tara Barton](#), [Melody McAnally](#), or [Crazy Schneider](#).



EFS Application Information for 2026-27

The Tennessee Department of Education recently announced guidelines for the 2026-27 [Education Freedom Scholarship](#) (EFS) Program application cycle. Grace-St. Luke's will participate again in the EFS program, which is available to students entering SK-8th grade in August. JK-7th grade families received a separate email on Dec. 9 with additional details and program deadlines. Please note that GSL is not involved in managing the program, reviewing applications, determining eligibility, or awarding scholarships.

EFS Scholarship questions should be submitted directly to EFS [via email](#). For further assistance, please contact Shelly McGuire via [email](#) or at (901) 278-0200.

Seeking Baseball Coaches for Spring

We are planning ahead for spring sports at GSL and searching for 5th-8th grade baseball coaches now! Please visit gslschool.org/about-gsl/careers for more details and application information. Go, Saints! ⚾





**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

We had a great first semester of B&B! We look forward to seeing returning and new faces this Wednesday, January 7 at 6:45 a.m.



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

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.
For more info contact Dr. Patrick Scott:
pscott@gracestlukes.org

Shoe Drive

If Santa brought you or loved ones new shoes for Christmas and you plan on getting rid of old ones, **save them for Grace-St. Luke's Church's community-wide Shoe-Drive Fundraiser!**

Throughout January, we invite GSL School families 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



For every pound of shoes we gather, our youth group will earn money toward our mission trip...so every pair makes a difference! Please deposit your unwanted shoes in any of the collection bins that you'll find around GSL at the start of the year. We'll even have a drive-by drop off!

Please keep in mind: Shoes should be in good enough condition to be worn confidently to work, school, or social events. Need us to do a porch pick-up, or have other questions? Please [email Marta](#).

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.

Weekly eNews Distribution

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



Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal School | 246 S. Belvedere Blvd. | Memphis, TN 38104 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!