



THE CORRESPONDENT

APRIL 20th, 2017

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

Party under the Stars-6-8 th grade	4/21
50 th Anniversary Celebration @ 2 pm	4/29
Early Dismiss @ 1:15 pm	5/3
Plant Sale- 9 am to 4 pm on 5/5 and 9 am - noon on 5/6	5/5-5/6
Track Meet @ LIS	5/11



Jesus is my Superhero
(Joshua 1:9)

Mission Statement:
Central Lutheran assists our families and congregations by preparing children to be disciples for this life and the life to come.

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THE TRUCKLOAD
PTL PLANT SALE IS MAY 5-6th. WE HAVE GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE IN \$10 AND \$25 INCREMENTS. A SIGN- UP GENIUS FOR WORKERS IS BELOW. WE WILL NEED TABLES, WAGONS AND POP/BEER FLATS. MULCH WILL BE AVAILABLE THIS YEAR. THERE WILL BE NO STICKERING TO DO, SIMPLY UNLOADING! BRING GLOVES AND WE WILL GIVE AS MUCH NOTICE AS POSSIBLE ABOUT THE TRUCK ARRIVAL!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4dae2ea13-ptlplant>

K-8th grade students will be singing at the CLS 50th Anniversary Celebration service @ 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 29th. Buy meal tickets in office by April 20th.

Benton Theatre Rising Stars will host a summer theatre camp from June 12 - June 23 at the high school auditorium. Camp runs from 9am - Noon weekdays and students in grades K-8 are invited to participate. All students will perform in From Page to Stage on Friday, June 23 at 7:00pm. Registration forms can be obtained at all elementary centers or contact Mary Horst at 454-9021 for more information. Registration forms and fees are due May 15th.

PARTY UNDER THE STARS
THE STUDENT COUNCIL INVITES ALL CLS 6TH-8TH
GRADERS TO ENJOY A FUN NIGHT OF GAMES, MUSIC
AND SNACKS FROM 6-8 P.M. ON FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST.
NO COST INVOLVED, JUST PLAIN FUN!!!!!!

LOST AND FOUND WILL BE GOING TO
GOODWILL ON FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST.

SCRIP NEWS

Just in time for graduation, confirmation and Mother's Day and teachers. Special \$5 and \$10 denomination gift cards available for a short time. They include Target, Starbucks, Red Lobster, IHop, Barnes & Noble, Applebee's, AMC Theatre, and Amazon.com. Newhall Locker, Shortcakes, and Hole in One cards available for meals to celebrate your special occasion.

Central Lutheran School's 50th Anniversary

RSVP NOW for the 50th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday April 29th!

Please join us to celebrate, reminisce and take the opportunity to reconnect with your CLS classmates and families!

- 2:00 pm Worship Service (*K-8 CLS students will be singing during the worship service*)
- Meal and Fellowship to follow. *Food by Sutton's Catering. Cakes by ShortCAKES/The Bakehouse.*

Tickets will not be sold at the event.

Deadline for tickets: April 20th.

\$10 per person (Age 6 and up); Age 5 and under are FREE
Cannot join us for the meal? Please join us for worship, no ticket necessary.
Contact the CLS Office to purchase tickets, or go to www.cls50years.org.



The Hy-Vee/Drug Town Cash for Students campaign ended April 1st. The total receipts gathered and turned in was \$281,975.00, which in turn gives CLS a check in the amount of \$1,410.00. Thank you to all of you who helped with this campaign. Hy-Vee is again sponsoring this awesome campaign starting now, running through March 31st, 2018. Save and turn in the receipts and place them in the designated box at church or at CLS.

**Thank you,
Margy Thiessen, Cash for Students coordinator**

Transportation Reimbursement Forms for 2nd semester are due back in the office by Wednesday, April 26th. The reimbursement form is attached at the end of the Correspondent.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The accident that the following devotion references occurred close to where my husband and I lived. I have driven down that same road in a small bus with my high school volleyball team.

1 John 1:8-9 - If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

You've seen it; I've seen it: people who are driving their cars and trucks while they are texting. We noted these drivers because there was something "off" in the way they handled their vehicles. Maybe they were driving too slow or too fast; maybe they were weaving from side to side; maybe they kept sitting at the stop light after the red light had turned green. There was always something which gave us a warning. That was the way it was for the anonymous female caller who phoned two Texas counties to report a driver who continued to text even as his white pickup swerved from one side of the road to the other. The police dispatched cars to intercept the dangerous pickup, but it was too late. Even as the squad cars were on their way, they received another call that said the pickup had been in an accident. It was an accident which took the lives of 13 church people: 13 seniors aged 61 to 87. Now, if we could ask the 20-year-old truck driver *why* he had done such a thing, he would probably, and most sincerely, say, he had never intended for such a tragic accident to happen: he didn't think what he had been doing was that bad; he had only taken his eyes off the road for a minute; although he knew other people should never text and drive, he thought he could.

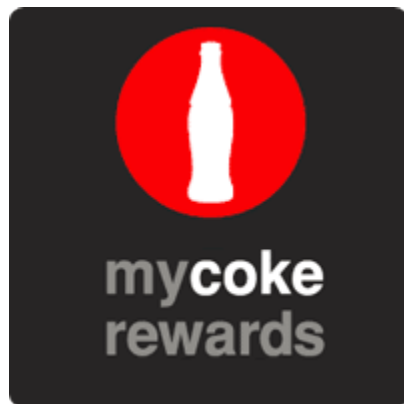
You know, I *imagine* if I could visit with Adam and Eve after the fall into sin, they probably would have come up with a similar list. I *know*, over the years, many others have come up with a similar list after sin had brought tragedy into their lives and the lives of those around them. I know I have used that fine-sounding list myself; maybe you have too. Here's the problem: God isn't interested in our lists of excuses. He doesn't want to hear our justifications and explanations of why we have done wrong. The Lord wants two things from us. First, He wants us to come clean and confess our wrongdoing. Then, after He sees a repentant heart, He is able to offer forgiveness, which takes us to the second thing the Lord wants. He wants us to rejoice in the forgiveness His Son won for us and all of humanity on the cross and at the empty tomb. Scripture is plain: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Please note what God is saying: He will forgive us when we *confess* our sins; not *make excuses* for them. It is my prayer this will be as comforting for the young man who was responsible for those 13 deaths as it is for me. (From Lutheran Hour Ministries)

~Mrs. Perez

Sunday Worship Schedule

St. Stephen's Lutheran Atkins Worship 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am	St. John Lutheran Church Newhall Worship 8am, 10:30am Sunday School 9:15am	St. Andrew's Lutheran Church Van Horne Worship 10:00am Sunday School 8:45am
St. Mark's Lutheran Church Garrison Worship Sat 6pm, Sun 8am Sunday School 9am	Trinity Lutheran Church Vinton Worship Sat 5:30pm, Sun 9am Sunday School 10:15am	Zion Lutheran Church Shellsburg Worship 10am Sunday School 8:45am
Grace Lutheran Church Blairtown Worship 10am Sunday School 9am	First Lutheran Church Belle Plaine Worship Sat 6pm, Sun 10:15am Sunday School 9am	St. John Lutheran Church Keystone Worship Sun 10am Sunday School 8:45am

SUPPORT CLS



Bring in Coca-Cola bottle caps and codes. Ending March 22.



Box tops earned CLS over \$1400 this year! Thank you to all who contributed to the contest!!

Turn in all Hy-vee receipts – CLS earns 0.5% of the total. \$1410 was raised this year!!



Chapel News:

3rd Trimester Offering: Hearts for Jesus
Next chapel leader: Kindergarten
April Hymn: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Singing: Kindergarten



We will recycle your old cell phones.