

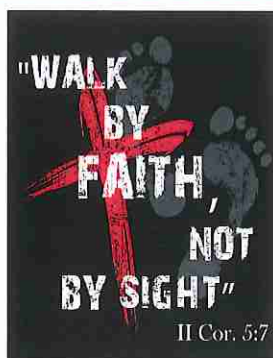


THE CORRESPONDENT

Dec. 13th, 2018

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

CLS Christmas Program 6:30 pm	12/14
Bball vs Davenport 12/1/2/3 pm	12/15
Bball @ CR Trinity 4/5/6/7 pm	12/17
Bball vs INCA JV ONLY 4:30/5:30; JV Girls vs Benton 6:30	12/18
Bball @ Heritage 4:30/5:30/6:30 pm	12/20
Bball @ St. Joes Marion GIRLS ONLY 4:30/5:30	12/21



Walk by Faith, Not By Sight!
(2 Corinthians 5: 6-7)

Mission Statement:

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

Principal

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CLS Christmas Program is this Friday, December 14th at 6:30. All students should be in classrooms by 6:15 pm.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Christmas Grams are now selling in the Student Store and in the office.

Christmas Grams will cost \$1. The candy canes will be accompanied by a message. There is no limit as to how many grams you may buy or receive.

The student store is now open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7:45-8:00. There will be a new claw machine with prizes for 25 cents!

It is that time of the year where our Student Council asks you to bring in packages of toilet paper for the annual toilet paper tree for the Atkins Food Bank. The toilet paper tree will be set up in the annex through the night of the Christmas concert on December 14th. Send in your packages of toilet paper to build our tree!

On December 21st, we will be having classroom Christmas parties and it will be ugly Christmas sweater day. Students are invited to wear their ugly Christmas sweaters that day!



4th Grade led chapel on Wednesday. They had a Grinch themed chapel that showed how the Grinch tried to steal Christmas like King Harod tried to steal Christmas. All ended well when God sent his only son Jesus to save us!

CLS ST. Louis Trip for our Current 6th-7th Grade Students

Students in the 6th/7th grade are trying to earn dollars towards their 2020 St. Louis School Trip. They will be working with Lynch Creek Farms to sell wreaths, centerpieces, garland, trees and an entire autumn collection. The items ship directly to you at home and you can pick your own ship date so it arrives when you want it! Decorate your home the easy way and support the students at the same time! The flyer is at the end of the correspondent. Please contact Mrs. Carley with questions!

SCRIP - SCRIP NEWS -LAST CALL!!

December 17th is the last day to order SCRIP if you need it for Christmas. Monday morning, the 17th we will be placing an order which is expected to be received December 19th. This is also the last order before the final 2018 CAIP payments will be calculated. Thank you for your support. Get your SCRIP orders in today for those last minute purchases and gift cards! The books will be in the office from Monday-Friday next week for all of your buying needs for Christmas. Help the school and your sanity by stopping in to complete your Christmas shopping.

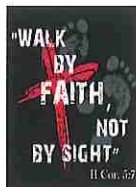
ILSTO UPDATE

Please consider donating if you have not done so already. If you know of anyone who may benefit from the tax credits please give them a call. A word at your church services or place of work may also help us reach our limit and continue the tuition assistance to our Lutheran school families. We got some very good news for next year. We will be able to raise an additional \$50,000 for tuition assistance for our Lutheran students in 2019. Wonderful News!

Now if we can get the legislature to increase the \$13 million during the upcoming legislative session, that would be more good news! As the ILSTO poverty guidelines have increased for 2019 to 400% Poverty levels, additional funding will be needed to cover these additional families.

Thanks again for your support of the ILSTO program.

If you have a CLS student who wants to register for the open gym soccer starting in January and February, please bring cash to the first practice. Boys and Girls in grades 1-4 may RSVP to Amy Jones and girls who are age 11, 12 and 13 only should RSVP to Chris Auger if they are planning on attending. Information sheets went home last week. Any questions, please contact them.



Central Lutheran School Assists Our Families and
Congregations By Preparing Our Children To Be Disciples
For This Life and For the Life To Come.

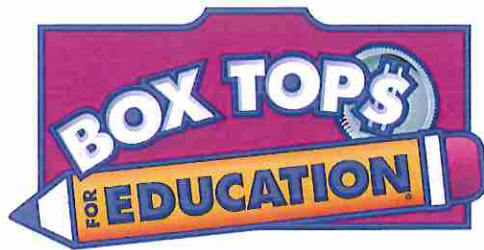


Frankly Speaking - From the CLS Principal's Desk
Please see the insert included with the correspondent entitled "Family Matters".

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 Wed 6:30pm, Sun 9am Sunday School 10:15am	Zion Lutheran Church Shellsburg Worship 10am Sunday School 8:45am
Grace Lutheran Church Blairstown 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



Box tops earned CLS over \$400 this fall! 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 last year!!



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Chapel News:

2nd Trimester Offering: Soles for Jesus

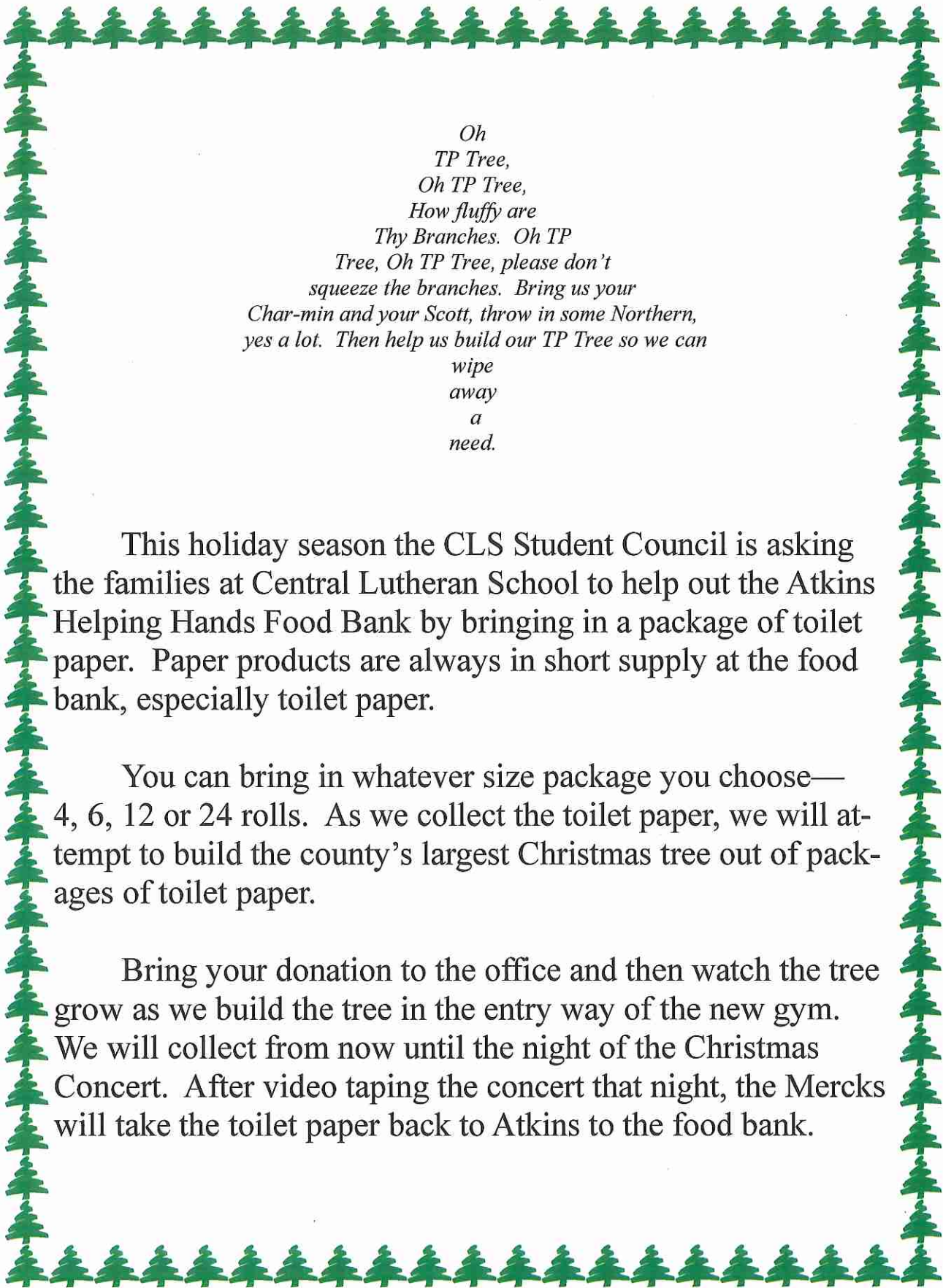
Next chapel leader: Ms. Getka & Mrs. Williamson

December Hymn: Oh Come, Oh Come Emmanuel

Singing: Hymn Sing & Hosanna Choir

Bring in your used ink cartridges for us to turn in to Staples Rewards program!





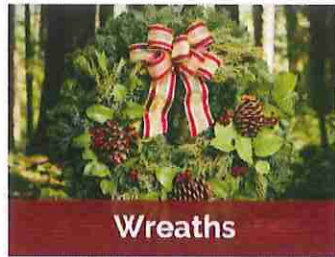
*Oh
TP Tree,
Oh TP Tree,
How fluffy are
Thy Branches. Oh TP
Tree, Oh TP Tree, please don't
squeeze the branches. Bring us your
Char-min and your Scott, throw in some Northern,
yes a lot. Then help us build our TP Tree so we can
wipe
away
a
need.*

This holiday season the CLS Student Council is asking the families at Central Lutheran School to help out the Atkins Helping Hands Food Bank by bringing in a package of toilet paper. Paper products are always in short supply at the food bank, especially toilet paper.

You can bring in whatever size package you choose—4, 6, 12 or 24 rolls. As we collect the toilet paper, we will attempt to build the county's largest Christmas tree out of packages of toilet paper.

Bring your donation to the office and then watch the tree grow as we build the tree in the entry way of the new gym. We will collect from now until the night of the Christmas Concert. After video taping the concert that night, the Mercks will take the toilet paper back to Atkins to the food bank.

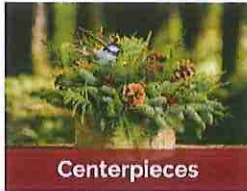
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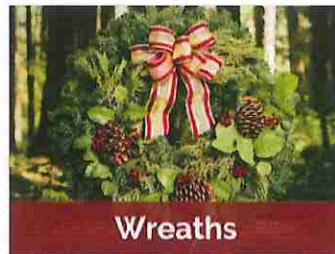
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Family Matters

A CHRIST-CENTERED RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES AND TEACHERS



REAL. PRESENT. GOD. God With Us

"I got your back!" "I'm here for you!"

A promise by someone to be there when needed is very meaningful. Words such as these give us a sense of assurance. They are words that give us hope and a sense of well-being. The promise of someone to come alongside us, supporting us in a time of need, is a sign of love in action. When love is experienced in this way, side by side, it can be one of the greatest bonding moments in life.

As parents we know that our presence with our children can be very meaningful to them. It has a powerful impact on a child when a father or mother:

- › shows up at a musical or drama performance,
- › attends a game or competition,
- › comes alongside a child during a time of uncertainty,
- › attends an academic awards ceremony,
- › just sits down with a child for a chat on the couch,
- › asks him what he wants to do with an open Saturday — and then does it with him, or
- › is there for her when she sheds a tear when physically or emotionally hurt.

The power of the presence of a parent in the life of a child — at any age — cannot be overstated. You never outgrow the need to have a parent in your life, nor does a parent outgrow the desire to support and be there for his child.

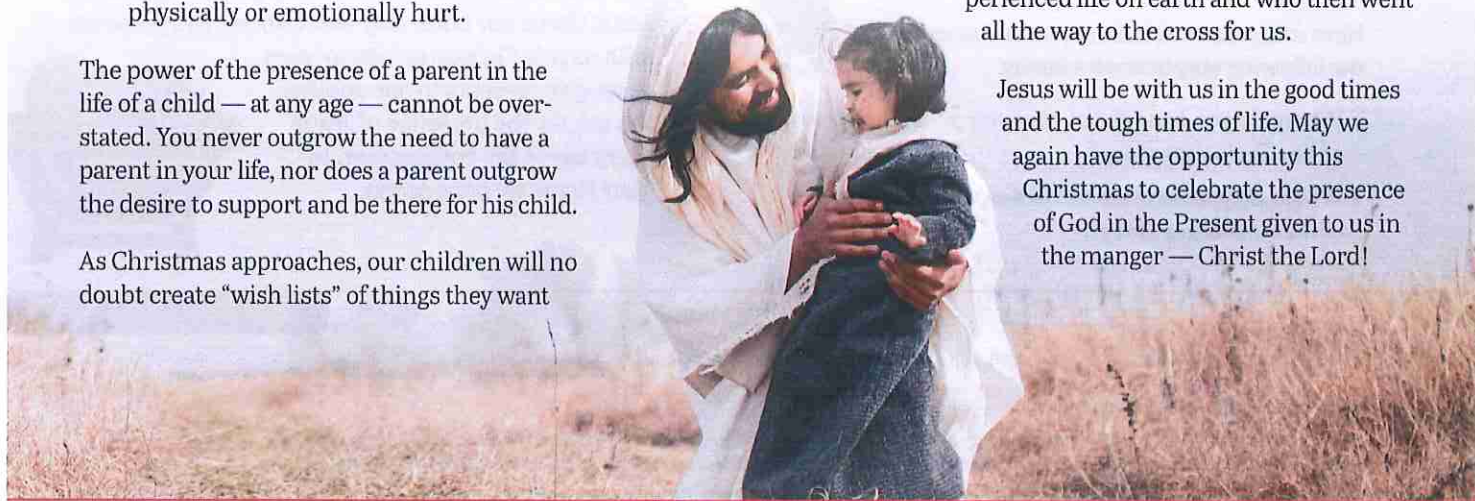
As Christmas approaches, our children will no doubt create "wish lists" of things they want

as gifts. That list may be in the form of a letter to Santa or an email to the North Pole. It might be a list compiled on a computer, printed in a colorful design and placed on the refrigerator for all to see. It might be done as a text or even presented in video form. Get ready parents — these requests are coming!

In contrast to these lists, which can read like an invoice from an online ordering company, consider the "mature" individual, who when asked what she wants for Christmas, simply says, "to be around my family and friends." She is no longer interested in presents — she is interested in presence. It takes us a while in life to get to the place where others become the priority over objects, where people are more important than possessions.

Our loving God is all about people. He created us in His image. He loves us and forgives us, welcomes us back when we stray, is interested in our daily walk of life. As we celebrate Christmas once again, we experience that God has given us the greatest present, by giving us His presence through the gift of Jesus as our Savior. God came in the form of a baby, who grew up, who experienced life on earth and who then went all the way to the cross for us.

Jesus will be with us in the good times and the tough times of life. May we again have the opportunity this Christmas to celebrate the presence of God in the Present given to us in the manger — Christ the Lord!





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FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019

4:00pm – 8:00pm

\$7.00

(INCLUDES SOUP, RELISH, DESSERT, & BEVERAGE)

Proceeds will go towards technology and security upgrades.

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