

# Atonement Lutheran School Newsletter



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*“Teaching children of God the skills needed for a lifetime of learning,  
worshiping, and sharing the love of Jesus”*

Florissant, Missouri

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VERSE OF THE WEEK: (Romans 8:15-16) “For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, ‘Abba, Father.’ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.”

SCHOOL CHOIR: Our school choir, Grade K, will be singing Sunday, October 8, at the 8:15 a.m. worship service. Parents are asked to have the children meet Mrs. Eggers in the balcony at 8:00 a.m. for seating and warm-ups. We appreciate the support from our parents in supporting this important opportunity for the children to share their faith with the congregation as they sing our Lord’s praises! Parents are welcome to stay for fellowship during the Sunday school hour after the service.

FUNERAL SERVICES: Please keep Mrs. Blundell and her family in your prayers on the death of her son. There will be a memorial service here Thursday, September 28, at 10:00 a.m. Also, we remember Pastor Mueller and his family on the death of his mother. The service will be held at Concordia Church, Kirkwood, on Monday, September 25, at 1:00 p.m.

ATONEMENT CHURCH NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Families who do not have a church home and would be interested in becoming members of our congregation are invited to join Pastor Mueller’s New Member Class on Saturday morning, October 28, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Please contact the church office for information.

TEACHEREASE STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS: Please remember that parents may track student academic progress in Grades 1-8 by using our on-line Teacherease grading system which provides percentages and list of missing assignments, if any. Parents were emailed a Teacherease “Welcome” message which allows the setting up of passwords. If you forgot the password, the office can re-send the “Welcome” message. Students in Grades 5-8 received a printed copy of their Teacherase academic progress reports, since they are departmentalized and have multiple teachers for core classes.

HEALTH FAIR: Atonement is hosting a community health fair on Saturday, September 30, in the gym from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There will be vendors with wellness information, a food demonstration from Operation Food Search, Red Cross blood drive, Walgreen’s flu shot program, and the Missouri Baptist mammography van. If you are interested in donating blood or receiving a mammography screening, please contact the parish nurse at (314) 837-1090.

REFORMATION DAY PROGRAM: Atonement will be celebrating the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation by hosting a Katie Luther “Mrs. Martin Luther” program with an impersonation of Mrs. Luther by Bonnie Matzat of Concordia Lutheran Church, Kirkwood. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. in the church and all are welcome to join us for this historic observance of the Reformation.

**MISSION CHAPEL OFFERINGS:** Martin Luther's passion was for every person to have access to the word of God in their own language. In honor of the 500<sup>th</sup> Reformation anniversary, our mission offerings have been designated for the purchase of Bibles for new mission congregations in other countries in that respective country's language. If you wish to purchase a Bible in honor or memory of a loved one, please send \$12 in a chapel envelope or another envelope with your name and the name of the person for whom you would like to have it labeled. We recognize with thanks to Grace Wooten for donating a Bible in honor of Mrs. Hattie Adkins and to Noah Simpson in memory of Darlene Ritter.

**THANK YOU, PARENT VOLUNTEERS:** Parent involvement and volunteering really helps to enrich the learning experience for our children and supports the ongoing success of our children and school. There are a number of opportunities to volunteer for A.P.T.O. programs and events. We also have additional opportunities to volunteer which will be announced through Signup Genius. Our latest event with the faculty-sponsored book fair helped to increase literacy for our children with selling over \$2,000 in books and enabling us to increase our school library with book rewards from the profit earned.

**A.P.T.O. FUND DRIVE DELIVERY, OCTOBER 5:** Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 5, 3:30 to 6 p.m. to pick up your fund raiser orders. Orders will be picked up in the cafeteria, so we will follow an alternate car line-up route using our parking lot lanes in front (see diagram). The side and back parking lot will be reserved for parents to park while picking up their fund raiser orders.

**CLEAN, PAINT, REPAIR DAY:** This is a great opportunity for parents to help keep our school building and grounds in best condition for our children by volunteering at our fall Clean, Paint, Repair (C.P.R.) Day, Saturday, October 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. No experience needed...

**L.E.S.A. SCHOLARSHIP FUND DRIVE:** The Lutheran Elementary School Association's tuition scholarship fund drive, "Brew in the Lou," is scheduled for Saturday, October 14, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Lilypond at Francis Park, 5399 Donovan, St. Louis. This has become a popular event where people gather to enjoy the best in St. Louis beer, wine, spirits, coffee, food, and fellowship while raising funds to help children attend Lutheran schools. Festivities also include live entertainment, arts and craft vendors, the "People's Choice" Home Brew, Bratwurst and Chili Contest, and special food exhibits. Wristbands are \$40 in advance and \$50 the day of the event. Please call (314) 200-0797 for information on this event and to purchase wristbands.

**SPORTS:** The Atonement Eagles continue their busy volleyball and soccer season with league games and tournaments. The most recent league competition was here this week with our soccer team winning, 4-1, against Grace Chapel. Upcoming tournaments include a soccer tournament here this weekend and volleyball tournaments the next three weekends! Go, Eagles!  
"To God be all glory..."

**FIELD TRIPS:** Parents are reminded that Field Trip Permission forms must be signed and returned to teachers for student eligibility to participate.

**ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING, GRADES 8-12:** Decisions and \$200 deposits are due by October 13 to guarantee a space for the 2018 ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston. Find information and forms on the youth ministry bulletin board; or contact Miss Jacobs or Debbie Grupe.

