

# ~ News and Notes ~

January 27, 2012

## “Firmly Planted, Deeply Rooted, Growing Strong”

*“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.” Colossians 2:6-7*

**Are you listening?** Mr. Wunderlich led chapel this week and asked the students, “What do you do when someone calls your name?” Most of us would respond to them. Sometimes, however, we can't hear the person calling our name. In our Christian walk, God speaks to us through the Bible as well as those around us. In our lives, **there are many items that distract us** and don't let us listen clearly. Through all of these distractions, God's voice continues to call out to each of us, “Come to me”.

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All families from the church, school, and community are invited to help us **“Pack the Place” tonight**, January 27<sup>th</sup>! Our ILS students will be playing four games against St. Vincent Catholic School, **beginning at 6:00 pm**. Stay for one game or cheer them on the whole night as we show our ILS spirit and enjoy an evening with our large ILS family!

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We are now offering **open enrollment for all students at ILS!** If you wish to enroll your child at ILS, call or stop by the school office any day during the week between 8:00 am and 3:00 pm to register. Do note that these registration times are open to the community – all interested parents should plan to register to secure a spot for next school year! The early registration discount for preschool, pre-kindergarten, and kindergarten has expired. Registration is now the regular rate of \$75 for preschool and pre-kindergarten and \$150 for kindergarten.

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**Reservations are now being accepted for the annual ILS Dinner Auction** scheduled for Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. The silent auction starts at 5:00 pm followed by dinner and the oral auction. Tickets are **\$35 per person**. To encourage attendance, we are offering a special price for reservations of full tables of eight. **Full table reservations will be \$30 per person (\$240 per table)**. To take advantage of this price, payment must be received at the time of reservation. Reservation forms are available in the narthex. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

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Join us this Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> for a night of comedy as the **7<sup>th</sup> Grade students present “Heaven Help the 'Po Taters”!** This performance begins at 6:00 pm – there's laughs for the whole family!

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Our annual **Geography Bee** will be held on **Tuesday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 pm in the cafeteria**. Selected students in 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be participating to determine the most geographically literate students at ILS. All are welcome to attend and to cheer on the qualifying students. Blessings to all of our participants!

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Save the date for the **Lower Grade musical!** On **Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**, students in 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade will showcase their talents in the production of “The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit”.

**Every Wednesday during February**, ILS will host an informal **Open House from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm** for school tours, classroom visits, and time to talk with the principal. There will also be a weekend Open House held on **Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 – 3:00 pm**. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about our school, please have them stop by for a visit.

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**ILS will host the annual 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball tournament** next weekend, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>! We will host schools from around the area for a weekend of basketball competition.

As always, **volunteers are needed to assist Mr. Hallien and the Booster Club** in various ways during the tournament. If you are interested in helping, please return the volunteer form that was sent home this week by Monday or contact Mr. Hallien.

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To show our school spirit and support for our Boys' basketball team in the upcoming tournament, the ILS Student Council has made plans for next week to be **ILS Spirit Week!** All students have the opportunity to participate in a dress-up theme for each day as well as attend the pep assembly at 2:00 pm in the gym on Friday!

**Monday** – Crazy Sock and Crazy Hair Day! (no dyed hair, please)

**Tuesday** – Pajama Day!

**Wednesday** – Dress Up / Pageant Day!

**Thursday** – Sports Team Day!

**Friday** – Extreme Red & White Day!

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Join us Friday mornings for **“Partners in Prayer”**. The doors of the church will be open every **Friday morning between 7:00 – 8:30 am** for families to pray with their children. If you are not able to join us Friday morning, we hope that you will pray with us throughout the coming week for the following school families and staff members:

**Staff Member:** Ruth Marschel (4<sup>th</sup> Grade) and Lisa Hudson (4<sup>th</sup> Grade student teacher)

**Special School Students and their Families:** Mitchell (Kammy – 5<sup>th</sup>)

Mittler (Kristen – 8<sup>th</sup>)      Montgomery (Serenity – 8<sup>th</sup>; Madie – 3<sup>rd</sup>)      Mueller (Kalli – PK)

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To help prepare for our **March 10<sup>th</sup> Dinner Auction**, we are in need of volunteers to follow up on solicitation letters. **We have 12 "solicitation zones" yet to be covered in Washington** and the surrounding areas. The preliminary work is done for you! You are just making a quick stop to pick up a donation or a phone call to see if they are able to donate this year. Packets can be picked up from the school office. If you have any questions about solicitations, please contact Shelley Nadeau, solicitations chairperson, at 636-221-0653 or [shelleynadeau@aol.com](mailto:shelleynadeau@aol.com).

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There are **four additions to the basketball schedule:**

\* 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Tournament at St. George on Feb. 24 – 25<sup>th</sup>

\* 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Tournament at St. George on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> only

\* 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls game at Lourdes on Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 pm (make-up game from Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>)

\* 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys @ St. Johns Ellisville at 5:00 pm on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.

The **6<sup>th</sup> grade girls game scheduled for Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>** has been changed to a **5<sup>th</sup> grade girls game**. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys game is unchanged.

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Students voted on "**Classroom Creations**" for the **Dinner Auction**! Each class will have their own themed basket that will raise money at the auction. In the next couple of weeks, you'll receive a letter from your Classroom Creation Coordinator with details about how you can help. Here are the titles:

PS & PK classes	"Building Small Families"
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	"Simply Sinful"
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	"Top of the Morning"
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	"Let's Play Ball"
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	"Rainy Day Fun"
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Kindle Fire
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	"Let's Explore"
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	"Meat – It's What's for Dinner"
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	iPod

**ILS yard signs are now available for pick-up.** Simply stop by the school to pick up a yard sign and sign your name on the check-out sheet. Then display it in a prominent location in your yard. We hope to have all signs displayed and have our name visible during February.

Sunday January 29 <sup>th</sup>	Monday January 30 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday January 31 <sup>st</sup>	Wednesday February 1 <sup>st</sup>	Thursday February 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Friday February 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Saturday February 4 <sup>th</sup>
8:00 am Family Worship	4:30 pm 5 <sup>th</sup> Girls & Boys BB game at St. John, Ellisville (A)	<b>1:30 pm</b> <b>Geography Bee</b> <i>(cafeteria)</i>	8:00 am Chapel		<b>ILS Basketball Tournament</b>	<b>ILS Basketball Tournament</b>
9:30 am Sunday School and Bible Class	6:00 pm 6 <sup>th</sup> Boys; 7 <sup>th</sup> / 8 <sup>th</sup> Girls & Boys BB game vs. St. Johns Gildehaus (H)	6:00 pm 5 <sup>th</sup> Boys; 7 <sup>th</sup> / 8 <sup>th</sup> Girls & Boys BB game vs. St. Gertrude (H)			2:00 pm ILS Spirit Week Pep Assembly	6:00 pm Family Worship
10:45 am Family Worship						
<b>6:00 pm</b> <b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade Play</b> <b>"Heaven Help</b> <b>the Po'taters"</b>	Crazy Sock & Crazy Hair Day!	Pajama Day!	Dress-Up / Pageant Day!	Sports Team Day!	Extreme Red & White Day!	

**Future dates to note:**

February 12 <sup>th</sup>	ILS Open House
February 17 <sup>th</sup>	No School – Teacher Conference
February 20 <sup>th</sup>	No School – President's Day

**Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders:** Registration for WHS (Class of 2016) for private and parochial students will be held on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. This 6:00 pm meeting will be held in the CJB Theatre at WHS. Attendance is necessary for enrollment. For more info, call Mariane Brueggemann at 636-231-2170.

**Parents of Teenagers** – we had a good start for this new group with over 15 people attending! We will meet again on **Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the youth room.** The purpose of this group is:

***Immanuel Lutheran's Parents of Teenagers (IL POT)*** offers to parents of teenagers Christian support as we grow together in Gods Word, providing resources for the challenges we face as Christian parents. In doing so, we will encourage one another, grow through fellowship and fun, and take the opportunity that is placed before us as a chance to reach out to others (inward and outward) who have the same or similar challenges that we face in God's gift to us of teenage children. This group is for ALL parents of teenagers, soon to be teenagers and parents of college students. **All parents are invited to join us!**

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**ILS families can now be notified via text message when school is canceled** due to inclement weather! We ran a test of the system on Wednesday and 57 families received the text! If you would like to be added to this contact list, call the school office.

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***Items available through the school office for those interested:***

Washington Parks & Recreation will host their annual **Daddy-Daughter Sweetheart Dance** on **Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. This event is open to girls ages 3 to 10. Registration is due by January 26<sup>th</sup> or until the program is filled, whichever comes first. For more information, call 390-1080.

The **Washington Youth Sports Association** is hosting sign-ups for the upcoming 2012 season. Register for youth baseball and softball will be held at Schnucks from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm on January 28<sup>th</sup>, February 4<sup>th</sup> and February 11<sup>th</sup>. Contact Mike Stapp at 636-239-7908 for more information.

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**Thank you to the volunteers who assisted at ILS this week:** **Basketball Coaches:** Mark Hoemann, Ray Weaver, Jeff Blocker, Mike Yelton, Larry Beck, Sam Eckman, Robbi Eckman, Raehard Wesselschmidt; **Computer Lab Assistant:** Stacy Landers; **Lunchroom Helpers:** Don Hagan, Julie McKenzie, Cynthia Bingamann; **Recess Supervisors:** Jessica Page, Sally Brock; **Teacher Aides:** Linda Landers, Cynthia Bingamann, Sally Brock; **Library Volunteers:** Chris Blocker, Julie McKenzie; **Oasis Volunteers:** Judy Juengling, Debbie Hinrichs, Barb Hill, Betty Curran; **Cheer Coach:** Susan Mittler; **Scrip Organizers & Helpers:** Angi Grellner, Chris Blocker.

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