



# Zion Lutheran School

*The Fruit of the Spirit*

September 26 – October 2, 2017



<i>Tues., Sept. 26</i>	<i>Wed., Sept. 27</i>	<i>Thurs., Sept. 28</i>	<i>Friday, Sept. 29</i>	<i>Sat., Sept. 30</i>	<i>Sun., Oct. 1</i>	<i>Mon., Oct. 2</i>
5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> soccer practice, 3:30-4:30pm	<u>Chapel, 8:15am</u> <u>2:45 Dismissal</u>	5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> soccer practice, 3:30-4:30pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> soccer practice, 3:30-4:30		Sunday School, 9:15  Church, 10:30	2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> soccer practice, 3:30-4:30

**September Memory Verse: Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your souls and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”** **Matthew 22:37-40**

## From the Principal

This week starts the last full week during the month of September. The month of September has gone by really quickly.

At the end of the week last week Parent/Teacher Conferences were held at Zion Lutheran School. We had a very good turnout for conferences. Thank you for being part of your child’s education. If you have any questions about conferences please contact your child’s teacher and they will be able to answer your questions for you.

Have a wonderful week in the Lord.

### It’s Still About Jesus – Parent Pages

Recently the term “nones” has been used to describe a group of American adults who claim no religious affiliation. It is interesting that some of these survey responders indicated that religion is important to them; they just avoid church. What they do not realize is that the more they stay away from church, the less important Jesus is in their life.

This is a scary idea for Christian parents. We want our children to be with us in heaven, and we want them to know the power of the faith God gives them. There are so many strange and dangerous “spiritual” paths for our children to wander. Our children need to have resilient faith rather than become aimless “nones.” Our goal for

them is a healthy, effective spiritual life. This cannot happen outside of God’s Word.

Faith grows through our interaction with the Word and Sacraments, and the Small Catechism is a reminder that Luther knew family has a critical role in nurturing faith. Raising children who are spiritually healthy is not accomplished through a simple list of activities. A family nurtures spiritual growth by building a foundation around ritual, study, the world and service.

The first area in which are faith grows is ritual. Ritual is an often dismissed aspect of learning. Ritual establishes what is important simply because it is what we do every day and every week. The brain pays attention to activities we repeat and in so doing creates strong neural pathways. This connects everything we learn to what the brain understands to be important — a beautiful part of God’s design. Regular church attendance is an important ritual. We do not attend church in order to be rewarded; we attend church because it is where we find the Word and Sacraments. Other rituals, such as family prayer, devotion times and celebrating baptismal birthdays, also reinforce that a family loves Jesus.

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### Zion Lutheran Youth

We would like to invite all students a Zion Lutheran in grades 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> to join us for our next youth meeting. The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth will be meeting on Wednesday, October 4. We will be meeting at Zion Lutheran School

in the gym beginning at 6:30 p.m. We will have games, snacks, and a Bible study. We hope that you will be able to join us for Youth on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Childhood Cancer Crusaders

Charlee Lemon, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and her brother Bryant Heapes, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, started a non-profit organization called Childhood Cancer Crusaders.

Check out their decals for \$5.00 and t-shirts for \$20.00 to \$25.00 (depending on size). Also, visit their Facebook page called '*childhood cancer crusaders indy*' for a place for people to post photos of themselves with their ribbons!

We are proud of you, Charlee & Bryant!



Oct 19	Soccer Games, 4:30 & 5:30, Indy Field
Oct 20	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
Oct 25	Report cards go home!
Oct 27	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Oct 30	5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade soccer game, 5:30, Indy Field
<b>Oct 31</b>	<b>Reformation</b>

## Please Call the Office!

Parents: please call the school office before 8:15am when your child is going to be absent or tardy. We need to know if we should order a hot lunch for him/her. For students being picked up early, please let us know in advance and come to the office to sign your child out. We appreciate your cooperation.

## PTL News!

Thank you to all who helped with the snack tent at German Fest. Our profit is \$444.52. Good job, everyone!

Please turn in your **Box Tops** at school by October 13. We need time to process them and mail them before the October 17 deadline. Then keep savings them again!

## Important Dates

Oct 3	Soccer Games, 4:30 & 5:30, Indy Field
Oct 9-10	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> , Professional Church Workers Conference
Oct 12	Soccer Games, 4:30 & 5:30, Indy Field
Oct 12-13	Independence Fire Department visits
Oct 16	Picture retakes
Oct 17	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> grade soccer game, 4:30, Tyro Field
Oct 18	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade lead Chapel, 8:15am Birthday Lunch