

ROYAL REDEEMER LUTHERAN SCHOOL COUNTDOWN



Dear Royal Redeemer Lutheran School Families,
We pray you and yours stayed warm and safe through this snowy week; it was beautiful! Please note, for weather cancellations, etc. updated contact information is critical to keeping you informed. If you have moved or had information change, please let the office know. Today marks half-way through our 2nd quarter and we are so thankful for 60 days of school, in-person. It has been such a joy learning and growing each day together! As we continue in Advent remember to get into your Home Sweet Home devotion kits, daily! Traditionally, in an Advent wreath, the first purple candle lit is the candle of Hope, a reminder of the hope we have in our coming Savior. May we rejoice in the hope of we have in Jesus and may God bless you this week ahead!

Kindly in Christ, Principal Heidi Malone
The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Luke 1:35



10. Faith First

Mrs. LeBaube our Director of Children's

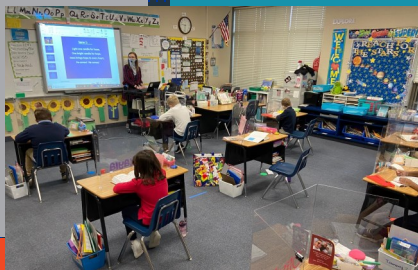
Ministry will be leading Chapel this coming week. Please join us Wednesday for our online Chapel linked here:

December 9 at 9:05

9. Chapel Offering—Helping Hand Fund

This month, money collected from our Chapel offering will go towards our Helping Hands Fund.

The helping hand fund will bless others in our school community who are going through some financial hardships this year. A form is being sent home to all families to indicate if there is a need we can help fulfill this Advent season.



8. Snow Gear

We do go outside for recess everyday unless the wind chill and temperature falls below 20 degrees or if it is raining. Please remember to send in hats, water proof gloves, warm coats, snow pants and especially boots for your children. They love to play in the snow; even the big kids!



7. Redeemer Kids at Home

Hope you are all enjoying your Advent at Home kits that were sent home last week. The theme for week 1 is Decorate. Linked here is the video to go along with your activity.

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. Isaiah 9:2

RRLS exists to equip each student to achieve educational excellence, inspire a lifelong love of learning, and grow Christian leaders.



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6. PTO

The next PTO meeting will be Friday, Dec. 11th at 9:00am at Panera in Strongsville. We hope you can attend!



4. Athletics:

Good luck to Varsity Girls & Boys Basketball as they play at Bethany tonight at 6:30 vs. St. Paul (girls) and at 7:30 vs. Bethany (boys).

Tomorrow morning RRLS plays vs. St. Paul at 11:30 (girls) and 1:00 (boys). Go Rockets!



5. Preschool Corner

Dear Preschool Families,

What a way to kick off December! We were gifted a snow day, and I've heard many of you were able to go outside and enjoy all that white stuff at home. Here at school, we have been working on handwriting, literacy, math, and more, but also learning about this special time, Advent. You should have received two fun things to do at home in celebration alongside us here at school. First, a daily Advent Activity calendar came home; each day you can complete a quick activity together and add a loop, to make a beautiful decoration for your home. In addition, our children's ministry sent home a doughnut box stuffed with weekly activities to celebrate each theme of Advent, Hope, Love, Peace and Joy. If you have any questions, or did not receive these items, do not hesitate to reach out.

As the snow continues to fall and chilly weather arrives, please be reminded that we still make every effort to get our students outside. Please ensure that you are sending the appropriate outerwear for your little one, including things like a heavy coat, hat, gloves, snow pants, and especially boots. You can work with your teacher to establish if any of these items need to go home daily, or can be kept at school as well. Thank you for working with us on this.

Stay warm and have a blessed weekend as the hustle and bustle of Christmas is upon us!

Avery Zacharias
Early Education and
Preschool Director



Feeling Festive!

As we continue to prepare our hearts for the celebration for the birth of Jesus, there's a fun tradition of Christmas attire (socks, accessories, ties, etc.) are encouraged all month long! Let's get in the spirit of joy all December long!

2. Important Dates

- ⇒ Dec 16-18 - Preschool Happy Birthday Jesus parties
- ⇒ Dec 21-Jan 1 - Christmas Break, No School
- ⇒ Jan 4 Registration Begins for Current Families for 2021-2022
- ⇒ Jan 18 - Martin Luther King Day, No School

1. LUNCH MENU *Grilled Cheese is an alternate menu item daily. *Milk is an ala cart menu item and is charged.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Patty on a Bun Lettuce and Tomato Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Fruit Milk	Pancakes with Syrup Sausage Tator Tots Fruit Milk	Chicken Burrito Peppers with Ranch Cinnamon Apples Milk	Chili Cheese Potato Wedges Sour Cream Mini Corn Bread Fruit Milk	Fish Sticks Macaroni & Cheese Vegetable Fruit Milk



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Dear Royal Redeemer Family:

It is with a heavy heart that I share Pastor Harris will be leaving Royal Redeemer at the end of this year. Pastor Harris and Ashley are pursuing an exciting opportunity in Washington DC. We pray for God's guidance as they move and for His blessing as they begin this new chapter in their lives. Please take a moment to read the letter from Pastor Harris, as well.

Once again, despite the many challenges given our current circumstances, **Care and Share blessed 1,305 people** with carry-out and delivered meals on Thanksgiving Day! Thank you to those who volunteered to make this happen, especially Lisa Martin for safely managing the event. Well done, good and faithful servants!

A love worth demonstrating...

Let's continue to bless those in and around our community this Christmas season:

- The Food Pantry currently needs **chunky soup, toilet paper, paper towels, and boxes of candy canes** for December's special food distribution. Please leave donations on the table outside of the Central Entrance by **December 9**.
- Ladies, are you ready to accept the R.E.A.L. Women's Ministry **Christmas Challenge** and demonstrate God's love for others? Check out this link on our website -- **[Christmas Challenge](#)**
- Advent Generosity is underway. St. Herman's has a **significant need for men's thermal, long underwear – both shirts and pants**. There is a basket outside of the Central Entrance for the undergarment donations. Additionally, there are only **6 more children to sponsor for Project Angel Tree** – please consider signing up. Need more information -- **[Advent Generosity link](#)**
- Watch for volunteer opportunities for this year's **virtual Night to Shine** event, a prom for our special needs friends.

A message worth sharing...

This weekend, in our "Home for Christmas" Advent series, I'll share a message focusing on "**A Peace Delivered**," based on Luke 2:14. God's offer of peace delivered through His Son isn't just His gift to us this Christmas, but His desire and will for the rest of our lives.

A truth worth holding...

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests." (Luke 2:14) The good news of Christmas is that Christ came to this earth to live, die and rise again for us. Today, we experience and enjoy the gift of peace: peace with God through faith in Jesus as our Savior, the peace of God within our own hearts and lives, and peace with those around us. What a wonderful blessing that flows to all people from the Prince of Peace!



Please continue to check your email, Facebook, and our website for updates. May God watch over you and your loved ones and keep you in His protection and in good health.

In the love of Christ,
Pastor John Zahrte

A journey worth walking...

All services are temporarily ONLINE ONLY; available via livestream and recorded for later viewing.

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| Sunday, Dec. 6 | 8:30 (Traditional)
10:00 AM (Contemporary) |
| Sunday, Dec. 6 | Drive-up Communion, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM |
| Wednesday, Dec. 9 | Drive-up Communion, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM |

Updated Giving options:

Please take note that we have implemented a NEW, secure online giving portal through Realm, our new, secure integrated database. If you follow the online giving link on our website, the page will look different. Additionally, we have a new text-to-give number (73256) and key word (royred). That option will also direct you to the new online giving platform.

Online

- Visit www.royred.org/give and donate using our secure online giving portal

Text (Standard text message and data rates may apply)

- Text the number 73256
- In the message area, type, royred
- You will receive a text back with a secure link
- Click on the link
- You will be directed to our Realm online giving platform

Mail

- Send your check to Royal Redeemer Lutheran Church

Thank you for your continued sacrificial giving and generosity!