



Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our Salvation! *Psalm 95:1*

RESURRECTION RAMBLER

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Children's Christmas Service Details

Service is on **Sunday, December 18, 2:00pm**. All students are **expected to attend** and should go to their **classrooms by 1:30**—unless they are playing pre-service music.

Students playing pre-service music should go to church and sit in the reserved pew by the piano. Mrs. Hardinger will send out a schedule of the order in which they will play.

After the service students will wait in the gym to be picked up by parents.

Dress code is "Sunday Best" attire.

Parking Reminder: Parking spots near the doors are reserved for our elderly and handicapped attendees. Able-bodied folks are asked to park on the street in the surrounding neighborhood. Thank you!

Cheer Squad Pictures

Order forms were handed out last week; pictures will be taken on Wed, Dec 21; please wear your new uniform (handed out on Mon, 12/19).

Every cheer athlete will be photographed individually—regardless if they are purchasing or not. Online ordering is available here: <http://www.lifetouchsports.com>

Snow Shoveling Crews

Thanks to all crews so far—great job on keeping the walks safe for our students, staff members and visitors.

Dec 19 - 22 (no school on Fri, 12/23) ~ Bell, Hovel, Morelos,

Sarkaria, Wood

Jan 3 - 6 (no school on Mon, 1/2) ~ Christensen, Hughes,

O'Byrne, Padilla-Lopez, Zabel

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec 14: Advent Service (6:30pm)
- Dec 15: Piano Recital (6:00)
- Dec 16: Spiritwear Order Deadline
- Dec 18: Children's Christmas Service (2:00)
- Dec 22: Classroom Christmas Celebrations
- Dec 23-Jan 2: Christmas Vacation
- Jan 3: Classes resume!
- Jan 16 & 27: No School
- Feb 9: Living History Fair

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Band Update!

No band next week (December 19-22).

Scrip Cards Make Great Gifts!

Scrip will be placing orders **Monday, December 19 (order will be ready for pick-up on 12/22)**; plan accordingly for Christmas gifts!

Order online: shopwithscrip.com

School enrollment code: E8C8A5BA3296

Contact Chris, Jen or Krista at scrip@resurrection-wels.org. They are happy to help with any questions or special requests.

Our Christian Cornerstone

Bible Lessons For Next Week:

This theme **God provides for all the needs of His people**, begins with the lesson of **God Sends Quail and Manna** followed by **God Helps His People in the Desert**. The students learn how the Israelites grumbled against God and didn't trust him, even when He had miraculously provided manna and quail to feed them.

In the next lesson, students learn how God protected and provided for the Israelites in the wilderness. When they had no water, Moses struck a rock with God's staff, and water miraculously came out of the rock. And when they were attacked by the Amalekites, Moses held up God's staff for the duration of the battle, and the Israelites won. You can help your child remember the blessings from God and also help by thanking God with using Psalm 103:1-2 as a family devotion text.



Hymn for Next Week:

Just As I Am
Christian Worship #397
 (due 12/22)
 K ~ v. 1
 Grade 1-2: v. 1-2
 Grade 3-4: v. 1, 2, 6
 Grade 5-6: v. 1-4, 6
 Grade 7-8: v. 1-6

Advent Services

Our area WELS churches look forward to Christ's coming with mid-week services on Wednesdays. Please join us for one of these!

Resurrection - Dec 14

5:30 - meal, 6:30 - worship ("Symbols of the Season")

Ascension - December 14, 21

6:00 - soup & sandwich (no meal on 12/21); 7:00 - worship

Christ Our Rock - December 14, 21

6:15 - soup & sandwich; 7:00 - worship

Special Christmas Music!

Piano Recital for Mrs. Hardinger's & Mr. Rutschow's private students: Thurs, Dec 15, 6:00-7:00pm in the church. All are welcome to attend!

Policy Review: Absent, Tardy or Ill?

Absent (for any reason): email or call the school or send a written note ~ secretary@resurrection-wels.org, 282-8280.

Tardy: Parent must walk student into office and sign in on the sheet near the door EVERY TIME (even if you called); student receive a green "admit" slip.

Appointments: Students leaving or returning during the school day must be signed out/in by a parent on the sheet in the office—not just dropped off at the curb!

Illnesses: Children exhibiting symptoms that prevent learning (fever, flu) should be kept home. Children with fever or vomiting should NOT return to school within 24 hours. Children with contagious diseases or lice, we ask that you notify us first. Thanks so much!

UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS:

- December 16th (Fri): Basketball @ Lake City
- December 17th (Sat): Boys B RCYBA
- December 20th (Tues): Home Basketball vs Home School
- December 21 (Wed): Cheer squad pictures

Practice and game details can be found on the:
[Rams Athletics Page.](#)

Basketball Schedule

Practices and game details can be found on the school Athletics calendar. Game times will become available on the Athletic Calendar as other schools publish them.

Athletic Payments

Basketball registration fees are assessed through TADS billing system. You will see it as an added item on your payment receipt. We will wait to bill until the roster has been finalized and the season is underway. There is a minimum of 10 days until the bill processes in the event you prefer to drop off payment in the school office.



Upcoming Birthdays

Wed—Dec 14 ~ Anna O (2nd)

Mon—Dec 19 ~ Mr. Christensen

Save the Date

(but register now!)

Enjoy a fun-filled weekend with other RLS families at the **FACE Family Camping Weekend**, Fri, June 16 - Sun, June 18 at Chester Woods.

We hope your family can join us for a weekend of fishing, canoeing, swimming, hiking, games, and campfire fellowship.

Chester Woods begins taking campground reservations in early January. To register, complete the registration form. We sent an email with attachment last week and a hard copy will be coming home on Mon, Dec 19, with your youngest child. **Return the registration form and payment to the school office by Friday, January 6.**

More details will be sent in the spring to families who register by January 6. Questions? Contact Jason Berg (bergbergj@yahoo.com / [507-280-8872](tel:507-280-8872)).

Spiritwear Order Deadline is Friday!

We are placing a spiritwear order for the holidays including basketball warm-up gear; order form is on the last page of the newsletter—and **must be returned by this Fri, Dec 16**. Please note that SOME items may NOT be in by Christmas, depending on size, etc. We will pull from our current inventory first.

We will also be selling items on Tues, Dec 20 during the basketball game.

ALL questions should be directed to: Beth Sarkaria (casarkaria@hotmail.com).

Christmas Eve Choirs: Children Needed

Resurrection: Ms. Taylor is looking for a few enthusiastic students to help glorify the birth of Jesus with their voices at the Resurrection Christmas Eve service. Most of the rehearsals will be during the school day but there will be one evening rehearsal with Ms. Taylor and the contemporary group. Please contact Ms. Taylor at giggles61667@gmail.com or 507-513-3175.

Life: Mrs. Christensen is looking for children (ages 7-14) to sing on Christmas Eve out at Life at 4:00pm. Rehearsals will take place Dec 18 after church, Dec 23 at 6pm at church. This is a wonderful time of the year when we celebrate God's own son giving up his heavenly glory FOR US! If you'd like to help share that good news, contact Mrs. C right away. katiechris10sen@gmail.com or 507-536-0821.

Mission Project Winners!

RLS Kindergarten hosted and won the school-wide mission project to *Stock the Shelves* at Christ Our Rock food pantry. Their prize included magical reading capes!

Way to go Kindergarteners! We're proud of you!

New Ulm Basketball Tournament— reserve your hotel room!

Basketball season is underway and that means it's time to plan for the New Ulm basketball tournament in mid-February!

We have about 20 rooms blocked at the Best Wester in Mankato for Friday and Saturday (Feb 17 & 18). Call 507-625-9333 to make your reservation under *Resurrection Basketball*.

Each room has two beds, a microwave, fridge and coffee-maker, plus high-speed internet and complimentary breakfast. There is an indoor pool and exercise room in the motel, too. Check-in is 3pm and check-out is 11am. There are pool-side rooms, too—just ask if they're still available.

Questions? Contact the Sahlins

Aaron—507-250-3039 asahlin@us.ibm.com

Krista—507-254-5755 sahlinaks@aol.com

Long-Term Sub Hired

We are happy to report that Miss Anita Meyer has been hired as a long-term sub to take over for Mr. Belter for the rest of the school year. She has 10 years experience as a teacher in other Lutheran schools and has taught all grades (K-8th). She is a member of Resurrection & Life Lutheran Church, too.

We look forward to getting to know Miss Meyer and know that all of you will give her a warm welcome when you see her in the hallways after Christmas break!



Your Rambler editors overlooked this article last week . . . with apologies to Mrs. Bourman & the second graders!

Second Grade News . . .

from Mrs. Bourman

God's blessing to all of our families as we really get into the Christmas season. What a golden opportunity to share your excitement and amazement at God's show of love for us and the wonder that Jesus, our creator, should leave His perfect home to take on human skin so He could carry our sin and pay for it on the cross, as well as live perfectly in our place.

At school we get to learn words from THE WORD to share with you at the Christmas service and we regularly talk about how incredible it is that He would do all this for His children.

During this month we hope to complete a music video along with an illustrated book about the birth of Jesus. Our bells ring out every afternoon in practice. We're also on a roll to write our Living History Fair paper and finish a map, family tree, and time line. We'll get deep into our unit on reading informational text, making comprehension strategies a habit across this month. Double digit addition will be a main topic in math, along with 2-D and 3-D shapes, where we'll mostly "play" with the numbers to understand patterns so that later we'll use "carrying" and understand what we're doing rather than just learning a process. Social studies will bring us to the end of our India unit, and we'll do some extra art projects.

Our Christmas party will take place on Thursday, Dec. 22 in the afternoon. We'll plan to go to a nursing home and then party back at school. I'll need a driver or two. Does anyone have a special person that's home bound near school? Please let me know if you are able to send something to drink or a treat to eat or a craft or paper plates, napkins, cups, etc.

God bless your Christmas with all the blessings that come from remembering the wonder of what Jesus did for us in coming to earth.