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It's Still All About Jesus  
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**CHURCH INFORMATION:**

**WORSHIP SERVICES:**

**Emanuel:** 8:00 & 10:30am and 7:00pm  
Sunday School & Bible Class: 9:15am  
Contemporary: 10:30am CLS Auxiliary Gym  
Rev. Paul Shoemaker – 749-2163  
Rev. David Stecker – 749-2163  
Rev. Scott Zeckzer – 749-2163  
**Martini:** 8:30 & Contemporary at 10:45am  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
Rev. Jim Teasdale – 749-0014  
**St. Paul:** 8:00 & 10:30am  
Sunday School & Bible Study at 9:15am  
Rev. Michael Blodgett - 749-5444

**CHRISTMAS CHAPEL – WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20**

Theme: Immanuel Pastor: Rev. Stecker Choir: St. Paul  
Offerings to Lutheran Social Services Christmas Families & CLS Service Projects

**CHRISTMAS BREAK**

The deadline for articles for next week's newsletter is noon Monday.  
There will be no EACS Bus Service on Thursday, Dec. 21.  
School will be closed Friday, Dec. 22 through Tuesday, Jan. 2.

**MR. WEBER DECLINES CALL TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Mr. Weber has announced this week that he has declined the call to serve as principal of Immanuel Lutheran School, Perryville, MO. Thank you for all your prayers for the Weber family and we give thanks to God that he has affirmed his call to continue serving here at CLS!

**MR. CREUTZ RECEIVES CALL FROM OHIO DISTRICT**

Mr. Creutz has received a call document from the Ohio District - LCMS for the position of Superintendent of Schools. This is the same call that he received last May. The Ohio District recently made the decision to reissue the call. This executive position provides supervision, leadership, vision, and direction for Lutheran schools (early childhood, elementary, and secondary) in the Ohio District. Please keep Mr. Creutz and his family in your prayers as they take some time to consider his calls to Central Lutheran School and the Ohio District.

**GEOGRAPHY BEE WINNER**

Central held the annual 6th-8th Grade Geography Bee on Wednesday. Congratulations to all the students who participated and especially to our school Geography Bee champion Mitchell W. of 8th grade and our runner-up Luke M. of 6th grade.

**MRS. PAM COBB NAMED NEW DIRECTOR OF CHARGERS BEYOND THE BELL**

We would like to welcome Mrs. Pam Cobb as the new director of the Chargers Beyond the Bell program here at CLS. Mrs. Cobb began the position last week. Mrs. Cobb's email address is [pcobb@cluth.org](mailto:pcobb@cluth.org). We look forward to working with Mrs. Cobb and her leadership of our before and after school care program.

## CREDITS STILL AVAILABLE FOR SGO DONORS

SGO gifts are a federal IRS tax deduction and half of every gift is a credit on your Indiana state taxes. The advantages of a \$1000 gift by a person in a 25% federal tax bracket, if you itemize, would reduce the federal tax by \$250. Whether or not you itemize, the \$1000 gift reduces the Indiana tax by \$500. So, a \$1000 gift to the Lutheran SGO of Indiana costs you only \$250. That's a 400% return on an investment in quality Christian education for qualifying children at CLS. Please consider taking advantage of the opportunity to support deserving children at Central. Contact Mr. Creutz in the school office (493-2502 or [kcreutz@cluth.org](mailto:kcreutz@cluth.org)) or go to [www.lutheransgo.org](http://www.lutheransgo.org) for more info.

## DATES TO NOTE

Wed., Jan. 3                      School Resumes – No EACS Bus Service  
Fri., Jan. 5                      Spelling Bee

## LUNCH MENU

Monday, 12/18: Spaghetti, Green Beans, Peaches, Garlic Bread, Choc Chip Cookie  
Tue., 12/19: Popcorn Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Applesauce, Bread  
Wed., 12/20: Domino's Pizza, Lettuce, Fresh Veggies, Apples, Cake  
Thu., 12/21: Sausage-Egg-Cheese Muffin, Tri-Potato, Tomatoes, Baked Beans,  
                    OJ/Apple Juice, Blueberry Muffin  
Fri., 12/22: No School – Merry Christmas

## BASKETBALL GAMES NEXT WEEK

Sat., Dec. 16            11:45 Varsity B Boys @ Holy Cross  
Mon., Dec. 18           5:30 Gr. 6 Boys @ LSUS

## PTL NEWS

**Elves Closet:** A huge thank you to everyone who helped make Elves Closet a success this year. Thank you to the volunteers who helped set-up the shop, the volunteers who helped during shopping, the parents and grandparents who sent money with students, and to the students who shopped. It is all truly appreciated! Nearly 1,500 items were sold this year which means your students had a fun time shopping. We hope you all enjoy your gifts and wish you a Merry Christmas!

**SAVE THE DATE** - January 13th, 2018 - Grab a partner, grab a friend and come join in the amazing fun and fellowship at the CLS Square Dance at the Hoagland Hayloft. Cost is \$10/person and includes snacks and a drink ticket. This promises to be a GREAT evening. Tickets are available in the CLS office and will be sold at all 3 churches soon.

## HAVE YOU SEEN THE ROCK?

The ROCK is a FUN way to promote events for Central, congratulate accomplishments and share exciting news about CLS and students, even celebrate your child's birthday! Sign up for a 48hr time block, paint the rock, enjoy your creativity and let everyone help you celebrate your news. The cost is \$20 and you provide the paint. Sign up and pay Mrs. Fox. All proceeds benefit the Building Campaign.

## SCRIP NEWS

3<sup>rd</sup> quarter **Kroger** statements are ready to be printed. Please turn it in to the scrip office or to any church scrip rep. If you have not registered your Kroger Plus card, visit [Krogercommunityrewards.com](http://Krogercommunityrewards.com). Central's NPO number is 10258. If you prefer, see a Scrip rep who would be happy to get you registered and print off your statement each quarter.

**NO SCRIP WILL BE SOLD AT THE CHURCHES ON CHRISTMAS EVE OR NEW YEARS EVE.** This will allow our scrip volunteers to spend the holidays with their families. If you see any of our scrip volunteers, please thank them for giving their time each week. Please plan ahead and purchase your scrip before Christmas Break. The week of December 18, scrip will be sold all four days. Hours will be as follows: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday (7:30-8:15am and 2-2:45pm) & Wednesday (7:30-8:15am and 1:30-2:15pm).

**Last day to place a large or special order will be Sunday December 17th at 4:00 pm.**

### Thank You for Your Support!!

Thank you for your donation of time, items, or monetary gifts toward the Operation Christmas Child program. Your support allowed us to pack **432 shoeboxes** to send to children all around the world! God uses each box to spread the Good News of his Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you for helping us spread that message to children who may not otherwise have the opportunity to hear it. God is so good; to Him be the glory! Sincerely, *Central Lutheran School Operation Christmas Child Committee*

## EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

The Kenya Mission team is hosting dinners before the Advent services at Emanuel. Join us for good food and fellowship. Dinner will be served at 6pm, with church following at 7pm. A free-will donation will be collected at the door. Money raised will be used to ship items to the kids at Point of Grace.

## CONCORDIA LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

**CLHS Open House on January 21** from noon to 3 p.m. This is a chance for students of all ages to tour the high school and explore programs of their interest. They will have dedicated times for you to view their unique programs, including computer science, video production, art, biomedical and more! Check out [www.BecomeACadet.com](http://www.BecomeACadet.com) for more info.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Concordia Comedy Festival:** 7pm April 20 at the Cinema Center, Fort Wayne. Entries are due Feb. 23, and finalists will be announced April 10. All of the finalists' films will be shown on the big screen with a reception to follow where the finalists can meet and talk to the judges. The winners will receive a GoPro camera, and a new "Crowd's Favorite" Award has been added this year. (Groups will only be awarded one prize.) Upload entries at [www.ConcordiaComedyFestival.com](http://www.ConcordiaComedyFestival.com). Submissions may not be longer than three minutes, including credits, which are not required. Entries should be free of profanity and appropriate to show in front of a large audience of students and adults. No more than four entries per person. The festival is open to any student in grade 6-12 currently attending a school or being home-schooled in the following counties: Allen, Adams, DeKalb, Huntington, Noble, Wells and Whitley.

**Register now for the A.J. Arnett 5K Honor Run/Walk** on May 19, 2018 at Concordia Lutheran High School. The run is organized by JROTC students and will benefit Honor Flight of Northeast Indiana and Shepherd's House Fort Wayne. Early bird registration is currently going on! Register for \$23, and students in K-8 run free! Just register with the high school. Visit [www.ajarnetthonorrun.com](http://www.ajarnetthonorrun.com) to learn more and to register.