



# GREEN PARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Faithfully Equipping the Next Generation

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**“Rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.” Colossians 2:7**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Did you know there are Seven Lutheran Schools in Palestine!

A Reason to watch 60 minutes this Sunday, April 22

CBS News “60 Minutes” will be broadcasting a story about the shrinking population of the Palestinian Christians in the Holy Land. Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb, a Lutheran pastor in Palestine invites you to view this interview with him. I’ve heard him speak on several occasions, once while the Israelis were shelling his church in Bethlehem. It is worth hearing him and reminds us that there are Lutheran Christians all around the world.

Rooted in Him,

Gary Spieler

## MARKET DAY

May Market Day flyers are available now! Place your order *online* at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) using your charge card and be a step ahead!!! Be sure to enter the GPLS code **24637** when placing your order or you can complete the paper order form in the catalog and return to the school office. Order sheets are due to the school office by Friday, 4/20, with internet orders due by 11:00 p.m., Wednesday, 4/25. Pick-up is Tuesday, 5/1 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. in Room #201 in the Elementary Wing. If you have any questions regarding our Market Day program, please contact Debbie Wolf at 772-1640 or Cynthia Truemper at 845-1888.

## BAND REMINDER FOR NEXT WEEK

### 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rehearsal

Thursday, April 26, 8:30-10:45 a.m. at Lutheran South. Students should arrive at Lutheran South by 8:30 a.m. Please enter at the main entrance doors. Students will be returning to Green Park together by bus at 10:45 a.m.

### 6-8th Grade Concert

Thursday, April 26, 7:30 p.m. at Lutheran South. Students meet at 7:00 p.m. for warm-up and tune-up. Concert dress attire is white (or light) colored shirt and black (or dark) slacks or skirt.

## CHURCH CHOIR SCHEDULE

**God's Joy Choir and Sunrise Saints** (Resurrection and Gethsemane) will sing for the 11:00 a.m. Morning Praise Service on **Sunday, April 22**. Please arrive by 10:35 a.m. or as soon as you are dismissed from Sunrise Harbor in the music room. We will sit as a group for the entire service. See you Sunday singing His praises!

The **Christ Memorial Cherubs** (Grades 1-3) will sing for the 9:20 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services on **Sunday April 22**. Please meet in the "Worship Preparation Room" 15 minutes before each service begins.

The **Christ Memorial Junior Choir** will sing for the 9:20 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services on **Sunday, April 22**. Please meet in Room 208 by 9:00 a.m. to warm up. See you there.

## SHOW YOUR GREEN PARK SPIRIT!

Friday, April 27, is Green Park Spirit Day. Students may wear any Christian T-shirt or Green Park Spirit Wear (this includes t-shirts, hoodies, or sweatshirts that have *Green Park* or *Vikings* on them); with blue jeans or khaki or navy shorts (plaid uniform skorts are fine too!) Students also have the option to wear their uniform dress as well.

## STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON - TUESDAY, MAY 8

Green Park's Annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon hosted by PTO will be **Tuesday, May 8**, between 10:50 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Parents! This is our chance to show how much we value our teachers and staff for the wonderful, Christian love, patience, enthusiasm and encouragement they give to our children each day, not to mention the exceptional education provided to them.

Volunteer forms were due today! If you forgot to send yours in, please do so by Monday, April 23. A form is included with the Green Sheet this week. Classroom volunteers will receive a confirmation email, along with their teacher's lunch time. For questions or more information, please contact Kathy Lind at [lindbk@charter.net](mailto:lindbk@charter.net).

## PULLTAB CONTEST BEGINS TODAY

Which classroom will collect the most pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House? Our contest begins today and will end Friday, May 11. All pull tabs should be brought in a Ziploc baggie and turned in to your homeroom teacher. The class collecting the most pull tabs will win a special treat!

## FINAL BOX TOP CHALLENGE!

Our final Box Top Challenge begins today! This one is short and sweet! All Box Tops must be turned in by Monday, May 7. The class that collects the most will receive a Gus' Pretzel Party! A new collection sheet is included with the Green Sheet this week. Please remember - Bonus Box Tops should not be attached to the collection sheet, but sent in separately. We really appreciate the support this year! Let's see if we can go over the \$2,000 for the school year! Good luck!

## CAN CASTLES – FOOD DRIVE

On Wednesday, **May 2**, at 8:30 a.m., before we begin our Field Day activities, each Faith Family will build a **free-standing Can Castle** in the gym. All items collected will be donated to Feed My People Food Pantry, as part of our April/May Chapel offerings. Don't forget - **Wednesday, May 2**, please bring in canned or boxed (non-perishable) (please – no glass) food items to their Faith Family for castle building.

## ROTARY CLUB INTERNATIONAL STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Tori Harrison! Tori received the *Rotary Club International of South County, Student of the Month* for May. Tori, along with her parents will be recognized and receive her award Wednesday, May 9, at a luncheon held at Roberto's Trattoria. Congratulations Tori!

## EAT AT MCALISTER'S DELI - WEDNESDAY-MAY 16

Our May Eat & Earn is at McAlister's Deli on Wednesday, May 16. McAlister's will donate 15% of total the total sales received from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. Flyers are required for Green Park to receive credit. Flyers will come home next week with the Green Sheet attachments. Please remember to share with your family, friends and neighbors. Eat in or carry-out, either way it's a great benefit for our school! We hope you will join us!

## SCRIP NEWS

Upcoming Scrip Order Dates: Due: Friday, April 27 by 2:30 p.m.

Delivery: Friday, May 4 - (The order form is included with the Green Sheet.)

We have a small supply of \$100 Walgreens gift cards remaining in the office. Please consider purchasing one as you think about shopping or refilling prescriptions at Walgreens! As a reminder, you earn 6% on each Walgreens card purchased.

New to ScripNow! is Staples. ScripNow! retailers are those who will electronically send gift certificates so you can use them immediately. Along with Staples, ScripNow! retailers include Applebee's, Barnes & Noble, Bass Pro Shops, Home Depot, iTunes, JCPenney, Kmart, Lowe's, O'Charley's, and Old Navy, along with many others.

If you have any questions about Scrip, or your Scrip balance, please e-mail Sara at [sarahopfer@att.net](mailto:sarahopfer@att.net).

## SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for Summer Camp opportunities or sport camps? Be sure and stop in the school office. New this week - St. Paul's, Des Peres, Sports Camps, Lutheran Junior Golf Camp, Camp Wartburg & Heit's Point Summer Camps!

## LADY VIKING VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Volleyball Camp will be held July 10, 11 & 12. There will be 2 sessions.

Session 1: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for incoming 5th & 6th grade

Session 2: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. for incoming 7th & 8th grade

Each camp session is limited to 20 participants. Location for the camp has yet to be determined. We are hoping for Green Park, but could possibly be held at another location. Cost for the camp is \$40 and includes camp shirt.

To register or for more information please contact Phil Griffith at [griffith.philip@gmail.com](mailto:griffith.philip@gmail.com) or 314-566-9106.

## LUTHERAN SOUTH SPRING EVENTS

Spring Musical - Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21, 7:30 p.m. "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown." Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$5 for students.

Jazz Band Concert - Friday, April 27, 7:30 p.m. @ LHSS

Band Concert - Friday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. (features Wind Symphony, Concert Band and Junior Winds) @ Concordia Lutheran Church - Concordia Center

Choir Concert - "On Broadway Performance", Saturday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. @ LHSS

For more information please contact Jayne Lauer, Director of Admissions & Community Relations at 631-2842, ext. 426.

## THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS FOR GREEN PARK

Are you a Thrivent Financial for Lutheran policy holder? Eligible benefit members of Thrivent can recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes a portion of its charitable outreach funds through Choice DollarsSM. Choice Dollars allows you to allocate funds to any non-profit program sponsored by Thrivent. Green Park is one of those non-profit organizations. **ACT NOW! Take these quick, easy steps to help direct your Choice Dollars:**

1. Visit "Thrivent.com/thriventchoice" (If you prefer, you may also call 1-800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice".) If you are not already registered, you will need to do so before allocating your Choice Dollars.
2. Click on "Get Started" under the "How Do I Direct My Designated Choice Dollars?" Search for the organization (Green Park Lutheran School) to direct your designated amount of Choice Dollars for 2011. If you wish, you may also set up a recurring donation. **2011 Choice Dollars expire on March 31.** Only you can help direct these designated Choice Dollars!! If you have any questions, contact Ann Anderson or Mark Torbeck.

## CHAPEL OFFERINGS TO ASSIST FEED MY PEOPLE

Our Chapel Offerings for March, April & May will benefit Feed My People! **"...for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to eat, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Matthew 25:35** The main mission of Feed My People is to assist with emergency and long-term food help, but their organization offers assistance in many different areas and programs. Please prayerfully consider donating to this special charity! For more information about FMP, please visit their website at [www.feed-my-people.org](http://www.feed-my-people.org).

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

4/20	Mid-Quarter 4 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. 6th Grade Visitation @ LHSS 1:30 p.m. 8th Grade Dress Rehearsal for K-7 6:00 p.m. 8th Grade Dinner Theatre
4/25	8:30 Chapel/Character Trait Awards
4/26	8:30-10:30 a.m. 6th-8th Grade Band @ LHSS/Combined Practice 7:30 p.m. 6th-8th Band Concert @ LHSS
4/27	<b>Spirit Day</b>
4/29	9:00 a.m. Green Park Sunday @ Gethsemane
5/2	8:30 a.m. Faith Family-Can Castle Building Contest <b>Field Day</b>
5/4	7:30 p.m. Junior Winds Concert @ LHSS
5/7	7:00 p.m. 5th Grade Band Combined Practice 7:00 p.m. PTO Meeting
5/8	10:50 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon 7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting
5/9	8:30 a.m. Chapel 7:30 p.m. 5th Grade Band Concert @ LHSS

## ATHLETIC CALENDAR

### TRACK SCHEDULE

4/20	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
4/23	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
4/24	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
4/26	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
4/27	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
4/28	South Regional Meet @ LHSS		8:00 (Seniors) 1:00 (Juniors)
4/30	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
5/1	Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
5/3	City Championship @ LHS-SC		TBA
5/8	*Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
5/10	*Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
*Practice is only for those students that qualify in their events			
5/12	State Track Meet @ LHSN		TBA
5/15	*Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
5/17	*Practice	Green Park	3:15-5:00
5/19	*Pentathlon @ LHS-SC		TBA
*These practices & meet are only for 7th & 8th graders who qualify.			

## CAMP WARTBURG'S - 43rd ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

Join us Tuesday, April 29, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for Camp Wartburg's 43rd Annual Chicken Dinner. \$9.00 for Adults and \$4.00 for Children ages 5-12. Children under 5 eat free. While you're dining, please check out our 2012 Summer Camp information. For more information please call 618-939-7715.

## Summer Camp at Peace Lutheran Church

Peace Lutheran Church will be offering a summer camp beginning in May for children ages 5 to 13. There will be several field trips each week that include Grant's Farm, St. Louis Zoo, bowling, swimming, crafts and more. Meals are included. Summer Camp is available from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Sue Velton at 892-8844 or email at [earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org](mailto:earlychildhood@peacelutheranstl.org).