

January  
20th

St. Mark's Weekly Newsletter

# LION'S ROAR



## Lunch this week!

Monday:

No School

Tuesday:

Pizza Dunkers  
(Boat/Sauce)

Wednesday:

Popcorn  
Chicken

Thursday:

French Toast  
Sticks and Tator  
Tots

Friday:

Salisbury Steak  
Mashed  
Potatoes

## Important Dates:

### January

- 20- No School
- 21-31: MAP & FastBridge Testing
- 26- Christian Education Service
- 27-31: Spirit Week
- 31: Pep Rally

### February

- 9- Omega Choir sings 9am
- 19-21: No School

## Christian Education Sunday

**Christian Education this Sunday: January 26 at 9:00 AM.** PreK3 through 8th grade will be singing and service will be held in the gym. Students in Prek3 through 2nd grade should meet their teachers in their classroom by 8:40 AM. These students should also be picked up by their parents from their classrooms following the service. Grades 3-8 should go to their location in the gym by 8:45 AM.

## Spirit Week

**Monday** - Pajama Day

**Tuesday** - Generation Day - dress like a baby/toddler/adult/elderly person

**Wednesday** - Color Day

8th - Pink      7th - Blue

6th - Orange      5th - Yellow

4th - Green      3rd - Gray

2nd - Purple      1st - White

Kindergarten - Black      PreK - Red

**Thursday** - Reverse Day - Students dress like teachers and teachers dress like students

**Friday** - SMLS Day





Interested in other fun St Marks Gear??  
Click HERE! This acts as a fundraiser for our school to help raise some funds of school needs. Shop is always opens and ships pretty quick!

Thanks for your support

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## Christian Education Sunday Help Needed!

Help Needed to serve and clean up for Brunch on Christian Education Sunday! January 26, 2025



Church Service at 9:00am

All of the school kids sing

Brunch to be served after from 10am until around 12pm

Please let the office know if you can help!



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## Pre-Communion Class - Starts Jan 26, 2025



Our 3-week Pre-Communion class is approaching for St. Mark's School 6th-8th graders. This is a focused study on the Lord's Supper, attended by parent(s) and their child. We meet for 3 consecutive Wednesdays at 5:30pm in the parish center for an hour. (Families may also attend a rerun session the next evening, Thursday at 7pm). The class is a prerequisite for 8th grade Confirmation on April 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. Register now by emailing [pastor.backus@smlcwatertown.com](mailto:pastor.backus@smlcwatertown.com).

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# Area Youth Winter Retreat

Area Youth WELS Winter Retreat: February 1–2, register now.

7th–12th grade teens, join us for a 24-hour Winter Retreat with worship, sports, games, art projects, Bible sessions, and indoor camping fun! Grow in your faith and connect with a great community – teens confident in Christ, just like you.

Don't miss this uplifting event—see you there! More information and registration at <https://www.stpeterslutheran-helenville.org/page/youth-group>.

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## Parenting Classes



Looking to strengthen your relationship with your children in the new year? Christian Family Solutions is offering Strengthening Parent-Child Connections, an online parenting course, at no cost for parents in our school community. This 4-part video course provides practical strategies for creating a more balanced and supportive family environment, reducing the need for constant correction. Because our school partners with CFS, you can enroll for free using the code SBCPPartner at checkout: [Strengthening Parent-Child Connections](#).

Promo Code for Families: SBCPPartner (Brings cost to \$0)

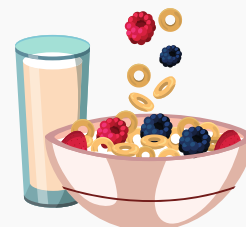


## Thinking LLHS?

Recruitment efforts at Lakeside Lutheran High School are being blessed by the Lord. If things continue as they presently are headed, it is a possibility that LLHS may have to cap their enrollment. If you are seriously considering Lakeside for your child, please consider enrolling in order to not be affected if a cap needs to be enacted.

## Testing

K-2 will start testing on Tuesday the 21st and go through the 24th with Fast Bridge and 3-8 testing with MAP. Make sure your child is getting good nights rest and healthy breakfast.



Dear fellow brothers and sisters at St. Mark's,  
Blessings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior. With this letter,  
I share that St. Paul's Lutheran Church has extended me a divine call on  
January 5, 2025, to serve as 3rd and 4th grade teacher.



First, I want to thank our Lord! For in all things, we give him thanks.  
He gives us blessings upon blessings, grace upon grace, more than any of us  
could ever earn or deserve. Specifically, I thank our Lord for this opportunity and blessing as  
I get to deliberate two calls, two places in his kingdom where he graciously allows me to serve  
him. Second, keep in your prayers your brothers and sisters at St. Paul's Lutheran in  
Ixonia, as they will also keep you in their prayers.

Third, keep my husband, Pastor Souk, and me in your prayers as we deliberate where I can  
best serve our Lord in his kingdom with the gifts that he has given to me.

I am honored and humbled by this call! It is truly wonderful and marvelous that the Lord  
allows us to be a part of his kingdom and that he uses us to bring others into that kingdom.  
Any comments concerning this call would be greatly appreciated.

From one of God's servants serving among God's people,

*Mrs. Liesel K. Phetsanghane*

# Cub Club Corner

Email: [cubclub@smlswatertown.com](mailto:cubclub@smlswatertown.com)



There are four basketball game dates left in our season. The three Friday games are January 17th and 31st. The Saturday date is Feb. 8th.

We are asking that all parents of athletes sign up for two slots during the season. This would include volleyball, basketball, cheerleading, soccer and track. We welcome anyone to help, even if you don't have a child on one of our teams!

Thanks in advance for your willingness to support our school and students!

**➤ Only Three spots left for Friday's Games! ➤**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoF4FABA622A1FFCF8-54131136-2025?useFullSite=true#/>



## See You in Church!



### SERVICE TIMES:

Wednesdays @ 7 PM  
Saturdays @ 6 PM  
Sundays @ 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:45 AM  
Mondays (Simplified) 6:00pm

## High School News



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HIGH SCHOOL



Click the school's logo to see this week's newsletter