

# *It All Began With God...*



## *Lion's Roar* *St. Mark Lutheran School*

**January 20, 2022**



### **Upcoming Events at St. Mark ....**

Today: 3:45 – 5:15 B-Team Girls Practice

5:45 PTP Supper / Meeting

Friday: Chapel

Hot Lunch

4:30 A Team Girls @Regis/Messiah

4:30 B Team Girls vs. Regis

Monday: 3:45 – 5:15 A Team Girl's Practice

Tuesday: 9:00 Morning Moms

4:30 A Team Girls vs. Messiah

Wednesday: 3:45-5:15 B-Team Girl's Practice

Thursday: 4:30 B Team Girls vs. Messiah/Durand

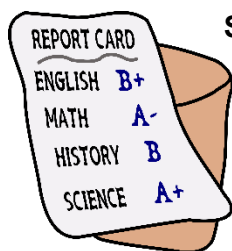
Jan 21 – Cubed ham, cheesy potatoes, green beans, applesauce

Jan 28 – Chicken patty on a bun, baked beans, veggies, peaches

Feb 4 – Mild chili mac soup, garlic bread, veggies, grapes

Feb 11 – Tater tot hotdish, green beans, applesauce

Feb 25 – Ham & egg bake, French toast sticks, berry and yogurt parfaits



### **Second Quarter Report Cards**

Please note that this past Friday, January 14, marks the end of our Second Quarter. The Second Quarter Report cards will be distributed today, Thursday, January 20.

### **PTP Meeting Tonight Thursday, January 20 - Note the Change**

The PTP is scheduled to meet tonight, Thursday, January 20, at 6:30 PM. Supper will again be served at 6:00 PM prior to the meeting. Please note, our keynote presenter for this evening will be Scott Krueger. He will present on leading family devotions. We hope to have Pastor Naumann present at a later date.

## Opening Thought

*"I know that the Lord has given you the land. Because of you, terror has fallen upon us, and all the inhabitants of the land are melting in fear before you. Indeed, we have heard that the Lord dried up the waters of the Red Sea in front of you when you came out of Egypt, and we heard what you did to the two Amorite kings east of the Jordan—to Sihon and to Og. We heard that you devoted them to destruction. We heard, and our hearts melted, and no one's courage could hold up anymore against you, because the Lord your God is God in the heavens above and on the earth below. (Joshua 2:9-11)*

This past week, your children began studying Bible History lessons recorded in the book of Joshua. One lesson focused on Rahab and two spies. Here is some background to grow your understanding.

Israel had been waiting a long time. They had lived in Egypt for over 400 years. Many of those years had been miserable as they lived their lives in slavery to the Egyptians. After rebelling against Moses when hearing the report of 10 spies about the promised land of Canaan, God disciplined his people by making them wander in the desert for 40 years. There was more waiting.

Those 40 years were over. Moses was dead. Joshua was the leader. He secretly sent two spies into Jericho to spy on the city. They found refuge in the home of a prostitute named Rahab. City officials came to investigate her home looking for those spies. She lied to the officials and told them that the spies had fled the city. After the officials left, Rahab consulted with those spies and shared the beautiful confession recorded above. Somehow God had changed Rahab's heart. Somehow this woman who had lived a scandalous life as a prostitute had been brought to faith through the power of the Gospel. This woman expressed her faith to these two spies. She risked her life by providing them a home of refuge. *By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with the unbelievers, because she welcomed the spies in peace.* (Hebrews 11:31) She made an agreement with these spies. She aided their escape by providing them with a rope so they could escape Jericho from a window in her home that was a part of the outer city wall. They agreed to spare the lives of her and her family members when Israel would soon conquer the city Jericho.

Why is this lesson significant? Rahab's name is recorded in Matthew 1:5, *Salmon was the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab.* This chapter traces the family tree of the promised Messiah. Evidently, after being saved when the Israelites were defeated, she married a man from the tribe of Judah. What a unique lesson! God used a woman who had once been a prostitute as an ancestor for his Son. God also used a woman who was a Gentile to be a part of the line of the Savior. It certainly reminds us that Jesus came to die for sinners. It also reminds us that Jesus came to die for all people, both Jews and Gentiles. *"Look! The Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"* (John 1:29)

What assurance we find in this lesson! We all have skeletons in our own closet for which we are ashamed. Find the assurance that our gracious God forgives our sins. This message is the heart of St. Mark Lutheran School.

*By the mercies of the Lord we are not consumed, for his compassions do not fail.*  
(Lamentations 3:22)

## CHAPEL ON FRIDAYS / MISSION OFFERINGS

Parents feel free to join us for our morning chapel on Friday mornings at 8:30 AM. We also take a weekly collection of mission offerings. This week we will begin our third quarter mission offering that will support Cornerstone Lutheran High School.

1/14/22: \$40.76

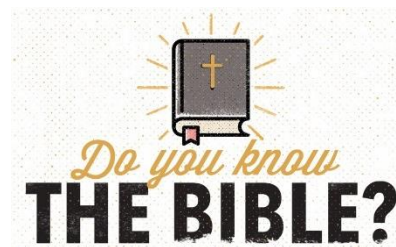
QTD: **\$340.79**

## CHRIST LIGHT SCHEDULE

Parents, we encourage you to read your child's Bible history lessons with them. Use many of the parent applications included with each lesson. *Fathers, do not exasperate your children, instead bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.* (Ephesians 6:4)

Note: New Christ light Book - Book 2

Lesson #	Title of Lesson	Date Taught
9A	God Gives His People Jericho	Tuesday, January 24, 2022
9B	Achan Disobeys God's Command	Wednesday, January 26, 2022



Each week the Lion's Roar will provide a Bible Trivia question. Winners will be announced the following week in the Lion's Roar. Answers can be submitted to your child's teacher who will put them in the basket in the school office.

Unfortunately, no one correctly answered that Joshua put the 12 stones next to the Jordan River since the LORD wanted him to erect a memorial to remind the future generations of how the LORD stopped the waters of the Jordan River for the Israelites to cross into Canaan.

### **This week's question:**

Why were the Israelites defeated in their first battle against Ai?

### **PARENT / TEACHER CONSULTATIONS**

On Thursday, February 10, and Friday, February 11, St. Mark will host parent/teacher consultations. Feel free to sign up for a conference with your child's teacher by clicking on the [LINK](#). The PTP will provide free childcare for those who need it.

### **FAMILY GAME NIGHT**

Please note the PTP is planning Family Game Night on Friday, January 28, 2022 from 5:30-8:00 PM. Pizza, veggies and drinks will be provided. More information will be coming out next week.

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING - OPEN INVITATION**

Parents/guardians, as part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program, our Board of Education must notify our families that there will be two meetings each year where parents are welcome to come and attend. The second date will be on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, from 6:00-6:30 PM.



Please note that St. Mark follows the Eau Claire Area School District when it comes to late starts and school closings. Tune in to a local TV station for the latest school closing announcements due to weather. St. Mark will also try to email and text families if school opens late,

closes early, or closes for the day due to weather.

**PTP** would like to thank everyone who helped out at the Silvermine Tournament last weekend!

## ATHLETIC NEWS

Our St. Mark Lions Girl's A-Team were victorious in their two games this past Tuesday. The A-Team girls play again this Friday (1/21) at Immaculate Conception in town. The B-Team girls will also play on Friday at St. Mark.

Our Athletic Schedule for next week:

Monday 1/24 - A-Team Girls practice 3:45-5:15

Tuesday 1/25 - A-Team v Messiah @ St. Mark 4:30

Wednesday 1/26 - B-Team Girls practice 3:45-5:15

Thursday 1/27 - B-Team v Messiah/Durand @ St. Mark 4:30 & 6:30

### **Note for A-Team Boys and A-Team Girls Basketball Parents:**

We are no longer hosting the Coed tournament at St. Mark on March 5th. Instead we are playing in the Northland Coed tournament on February 26th. Please see your emails for information on both tournaments as well as hotel reservation information for the LPS tournament on March 11-12th.

Any parents heading down to LPS on Thursday afternoon that would be interested in Luther Prep's "Phoenix For A Morning" tour and informational session, please contact me so I can let LPS know of our group size.

