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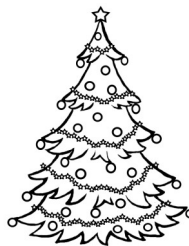
December 2, 2022

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UPCOMING DATES

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| Dec 2 | Bradley Lighted Christmas Parade at 6:30 p.m. on Broadway Street |
| Dec 11 | Sunday School Christmas Program (at downtown church) |
| Dec 13 | Preschool Christmas program at 6:30 |
| Dec 15 | K-8th Christmas program (K-4th at 6:30, 5th-8th at 7:30, 5th-8th grade band in between at 7:15) |
| Dec 16 | Class Christmas parties |
| Dec 16 | Early Dismissal
PreK 11:15 / K-8 11:30
<i>No afternoon extended care available!</i> |
| Dec 17-Jan 2 | Christmas Break |
| Jan 3 | School resumes |
| Jan 3 | Early enrollment for school families begins! |

THE NEW CHRISTMAS TREES in the gym look beautiful! Huge thank you to Jose Davila, who built the stands for both trees. We greatly appreciate your time and efforts in helping us decorate and celebrate the Christmas season!



SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be on December 11th at 5:00 p.m. at the downtown church. All preschool--5th grade students are invited to participate! Kids will be learning the songs each week leading up to the program, so Sunday School attendance is important as they get ready to share the Christmas message. There will be two Saturday rehearsals at the downtown church on December 3rd and 10th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. (Preschool and kindergarten kids do not need to attend the first rehearsal on the 3rd.)



Our K-8th grade concert is on Thursday, December 15th. Students are to wear nice dress clothes (**NO** Santa hats, reindeer antlers, blinking lights, etc. allowed!). Please have your kids there 10 minutes before their slotted concert time, but do not allow them to roam the halls if you arrive early. The 5th-8th grade bands will be playing a few songs together at 7:15 between the two programs. After a few years of not being able to have a Christmas program, we are looking forward to a great evening!

TRIP / RAISE RIGHT: If you plan to order physical gift cards for Christmas gifts, orders need to be placed by **Monday, December 5.** You can still place orders for digital gift cards any time (you're welcome, for all you last-minute shoppers!), and Julie Salzman has a good supply of gift cards available for purchase in the main entrance after school. Remember that your earnings from this program help support the school, and your portion can be used for things like extended care, hot lunch, or upcoming enrollment fees!

ADVENT DINNERS: Our next midweek Advent service will be Wednesday, December 7th. Dinners will be served beforehand at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Human Care will be serving BBQ sandwiches, applesauce, veggies, cole slaw, and chips along with coffee, lemonade, and dessert. We would love to see you there!





This year St. Paul's will have our own float in Bradley's annual lighted Christmas parade! Come on out to Broadway St. the evening of December 2nd for a "Candy Land Christmas." We have limited space on the float; the goal is 20 riders and 10 walkers. Due to the float's high sides, we need any float riders to be third grade or older. Sign your family up at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4ca8a923a2fb6-lighted>

Please be sure to specify how many in your family will be participating! (If the link does not work, *please* message Mrs. Olney. Signup genius has been less than genius lately...)

YOUTH WORSHIP BAND: Attention all 5th-8th grade band students! The church is looking to put together a youth worship band for the December 18th church service at 8:30. There will be a rehearsal on Saturday, December 17th at 9:00 a.m. at the school. For more information and to express interest, please contact Bill Dyche at bill.dyche66@gmail.com or 815-592-0870. Please include your name, grade, and instrument in your message.

YEARBOOKS are \$17 until December 16; after that, the price goes up to \$20. Be sure to stop by the office if you haven't ordered one yet, OR you can pay \$17 in the "general" category in the Finance screen on Fast Direct.

BUTTER BRAID orders may be picked up on Sunday mornings or during school hours.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS through Christmas break will go toward Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries. This is a Christ-centered maternity home that offers love, hope, and a future to single pregnant women in crisis. There are plans in place to expand the program into East Dundee, IL. Any offerings we collect will be matched from the \$14,000 grant from the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. For more information, please visit <https://www.rlom.org/expansion>.

CANNED FOOD

DRIVE: Thank you to all the school families who donated to the food drive during the month of November! Our annual food drive will continue through December, and we welcome



monetary gifts as well as non-perishables. Suggested items include canned items, hot and cold cereals, pasta and sauce, dessert mixes, and bread mixes. Some non-food items are paper towels, toilet paper, tin foil, Kleenex, etc. *(Please be mindful of expiration dates as you look through your pantry; we do not give out any foods past their recommended expiration dates.)* Donations can be brought to the school or church. The Board of Human Care distributes food baskets year round and appreciate your help stocking our food pantry!

