



Forest Hills

Lutheran Christian School

Forest Hills Friday News
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I'm sure that each of us has memories of time spent in elementary school. I know I have many of these, but some remain in my mind as vivid. I'd like to share one such memory with you.

It was Grade 4, and my teacher planned to do something that no grade 4 class in the school had done before. She decided she was going to teach us a unit on sewing. She shared with the class that we were all going to make ladybugs, and they would be the greatest ladybugs ever made. She provided us each with the fabric we needed, the pipe cleaners for antennae, the googly-eyes, and all the stuffing, and proceeded to show us how to make our ladybugs.



After we made the body and the head separately, she then brought out a glue gun. She told us that she didn't have the necessary tools to sew the head to the body, so we were just going to glue it on. She let all the students glue on their heads, but when she got to me, the bell had rung, and she took mine from me and did it herself, just for the sake of time. This is where it all went wrong - she glued my head on crooked! I was quite upset with her, because I had spent so much time making this ladybug, and now it was imperfect.

However, time went on, and the disappointment I had with the crooked head went away, and what was left was pride for something I had created. In fact, I was so pleased with my ladybug, it ended up being one of those childhood creations that I still have to this day, as you can see from the picture. I loved that ladybug because I had created it. I doubt anyone else in this world would love it, but I did, because it was mine.

We look at God the Father who created all things. He created everything perfect. It was in His image, and He was pleased with His creation. Sure, He created the world, the stars, the galaxy, and everything in them, but more important, He created you. In fact, even before you were born, God had knit you together in your mother's womb. You are a jewel of God's creation!

Time goes on though, and we enter into various sins - sins that displease God and separate us from Him. We make ourselves imperfect, and God shakes His head in disappointment and frustration. God has spent so much time and energy on us, for us to turn our backs on Him is unthinkable, yet that's exactly what we do. In essence, our heads aren't on straight - like the ladybug.

Yet just as I still have that ladybug and I love it anyways, God has done something for us that shows us love of an unconditional kind. He sent Jesus to be our Saviour and to redeem our life from the pit. With this perfect, sinless sacrifice, we are made right in the eyes of our Creator. Even though we aren't perfect, and we have done things that seem to make us unlovable, God still loves us. We are treasured possessions to Him, and He loves us because He made us and we are His.

I pray God's blessings on you this week as you live in the knowledge that you are loved by the Creator of all things - our loving Heavenly Father.

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal

Coming Events

Friday, 9/16	CLASS Meeting, 6:30 pm Middle School Dane 8-10 pm
Monday, 9/19	Volleyball at HOME Middle School Soccer @ CS Lewis
Tuesday, 9/20	Brd. of Directors Mtg., 7 pm
Wednesday, 9/21	Volleyball @ Life Christian Middle School Soccer @ Catlin Silver
Friday, 9/23	Middle School Soccer at HOME 4/5 Soccer @ TVA
Monday, 9/26	Volleyball at HOME Middle School Soccer @ TVA
Wednesday, 9/28	Volleyball at HOME Middle School Soccer at HOME
Friday, 9/30	Run for the Hills Kick-Off Assembly Grandparents/GrandFriends Visit FHLCS! 4/5 Soccer at HOME
Monday, 10/3	Volleyball at HOME Middle School Soccer @ Southwest
Wednesday, 10/5	Volleyball @ TVA Middle School Soccer at HOME
Friday, 10/7	4/5 Soccer at HOME

*see our Google calendar at fhls.org for game times

Lunch Time Update

Beginning, Monday September 19th, all students will eat lunch **then** go to recess. The benefits that we were hoping for did not come to fruition.

- K lunch - 11:10 - 11:35
- 1-2 lunch - 11:15 - 11:35
K-2 recess - 12:35 - 12:00
- 3-5 lunch - 11:45 - 12:05
recess - 12:05 - 12:30
- 6-8 lunch - 12:15 - 12:35
recess - 12:35 - 12:55



Reminder for students in 3rd-8th grades - that the microwaves are for **warming** - **not cooking**. This ensures that everyone will have an opportunity to warm their lunch and time to eat it too.

SOAR - Standing On A Rock Next Week in Chapel

We welcome Rev. Nick Koschmann, Pastor at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church and our school Chaplain as our chapel leader on Wednesday, September 21. Pastor Koschmann will talk with us about "**ROCK Salt**". Our text for the week is from Luke 14:34.

Today's Bible reading says, "Salt is good." Salt was often used to preserve foods in pioneer days. Salt is a gift from God to bless us in many ways.

People in the Bible used salt. Like us, they used salt to add to the taste of their food. They also used salt to preserve food. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus teaches that Christian should be like salt (Matt. 5:13). Jesus teaches a similar lesson in today's Gospel reading. We are not to lose our "saltiness."

There is nothing that is "salty" or good-tasting about us on our own. We have no taste at all, or worse, we taste bad. Our sin might be compared to a bad taste or a bad preservative that makes things worse instead of better.

Just like salt is taken from a salt mine or other source and purified to make it safe and useful to us, Jesus takes us and purifies us. Jesus has purified us in our Baptism. He forgives our sins and makes us useful to Himself and to others again.

We have a "salty" Lutheran school. We add good flavor to our church, to our families, to the community in which God places us, and to the world in which He sends us. Our weekly chapel offerings are one way to sprinkle salt in the name of Jesus.

Parents and friends of the school are invited to join us each Wednesday, beginning at **8:20a.m.**

2016 Run for the Hills!

Our annual jog-a-thon is right around the corner on **Friday, October 14th.**



**CLASS Meeting TONIGHT - Friday, September 16th
6:30pm-8pm.**

Please join us for our first CLASS meeting of the year!
We will be discussing the upcoming school year - see you there!

CLASS (Community Leaders Advocating & Serving Students) is an organization of parents and Forest Hills staff committed to supporting the students of the school.

**Falcon Wear Orders
Due Monday 9/19**

We received a number of falcon wear orders without a family name on them. If you placed an order and asked for it to be billed to your TADS account, please contact the office.

If you are turning your order in on Monday, please make sure and write your family name and youngest child's grade on the order form.

Due to popular demand, we have added one more ladies jacket option to the embroidery order -



Ladies Tech Fleece Full-Zip Hooded Jacket. L248 - \$39.00 - Available in Black, White or Heather

Auction Volunteer Meeting

Are you interested in volunteering



for the auction but don't know where to start? Please come and join us for an informational meeting on

- **Tuesday, September 20th**
- **2:30pm** in the library.

If you can't make it to this meeting, but are still interested in helping, please send an email to auction@fhlds.org so that we can get you the information.

This year, Halloween falls on the Monday just after we get back from a week off of school. The week coming back from October 31 - November 4 is going to be a very busy week. There are plans that week for the Harvest Festival (on Friday, November 4 in the evening), and many fall festivities in the classroom. Because of these things, we will not be observing Halloween. We want our focus to be on learning, and it can be challenging to set the tone on Monday (after a week off) as a party tone. Thanks for your understanding.



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We have a family that lives just north of the Sunset Esplanade that is in need of a before school carpool. Please contact the office for further details.