



Forest Hills

Lutheran Christian School

Forest Hills Friday News
November 4, 2016

Did you get a chance to watch that Baseball game? I have to admit, I'm a Cleveland Indians fan, and I was incredibly confident when they were up 3-1 in the series against Chicago that my favorite city would be celebrating their second major championship this year. When Chicago won to make the series 3-2, I thought it wouldn't be a problem - two more tries for the Indians to win. When Chicago made the series 3-3, I started to sweat, and then game 7...who could have anticipated the best ball game I've ever seen? Even though I still cheer for the Tribe, I was pleased for all those Chicago Cubs fans who finally, after 108 years, received what they had been waiting for - the World Series Championship!! (and to all of them, I say, "Congratulations!")

When I look at the world series itself, it was easy to see a flood of different emotions including excitement, anticipation, disappointment, elation, and relief. Those who had waited for their trophy for so long had finally received it. It's interesting that this all took place at this time of year. While I've been watching baseball with eager eyes, I've also been working hard on this year's school Christmas program (keep watching for info...it's going to be big!). I've already started playing a few Christmas songs in my office, and one of my favorites came on. The song was, "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus." In this somewhat familiar Christmas hymn, the author starts verse one with these words, "Come thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free."

A savior had been promised for many years. Since Genesis 3:15, people in the Old Testament had been waiting. They had been given signs and promises, covenants from God Himself that He would send a Savior to deliver His people from sin. Cubs fans thought that 108 years was an eternity; just imagine how the people of Israel must have felt. They waited for much longer than that before Jesus came to earth and God's promises were fulfilled. They too waited with anticipation, with hope, and with a variety of emotions, especially since the stakes were MUCH higher than the World Series. The stakes were their eternal souls, and ours!

But just as God always does, He was faithful to His promises. He sent Jesus in the form of a little baby King, a King that would rule in our hearts forever. Many times, it looked like the devil had defeated him. It looked like Satan had the '3-1 series lead' over Christ Himself. Unlike the World Series, this outcome had been determined long ago. God had already promised that Jesus would crush the serpent's head, and that He would be victorious. We didn't have to tune in to Fox Sports to get the result of this one. We already knew.

Since Christ has won the victory, we now get to celebrate. A Christian's celebration of Jesus' victory should make the celebration of the Cubs' fans seem infinitesimally small. Our victory celebration takes place daily as God washes us clean through Jesus' blood, and we are given the means to live lives that give God glory. While the Cubs will be crowned World Champions and retain that title until next year, our title never expires, fades, or goes away. In Christ, our title of "forgiven child of God" lasts forever.

For now, we can celebrate with Chicago. Forever, we can celebrate with the whole Kingdom of God in Heaven and on earth, giving thanks to God for the greatest victory ever.

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal

events

here's what's going on!

Friday, 11/4	Family Harvest Festival
Sunday, 11/6	Acorns to Oaks
Thursday, 11/10	"Wreath" Orders Due 8 th grade Service Project
Friday, 11/11	Veterans Day, NO SCHOOL
Sunday, 11/13	Kindergarten and Primary Multiage at Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Saturday, 11/19	Bookfair at Barnes & Noble
Tuesday, 11/22	End of 1 st Trimester Thanksgiving Chapel Happy Birthday, Mrs. Plucknett
Wednesday, 11/23	Staff Development, No School
Thur & Fri, 11/24,25	Thanksgiving Holiday, No School
Wednesday, 11/30	"Wreath" order Pick-Up
Friday, 12/2	Class Meeting, 6:30 pm
Thursday, 12/15	All School Christmas Celebration
Friday, 12/16	Christmas Devotion, 2:15 pm
Monday, 12/19	Christmas Vacation Begins
Saturday, 12/24	Christmas Eve

Auction News - Don't forget to bring in your items for our **Team Drive!** Who will have the most items - the Beavers, Ducks or Timbers! Come help support your auction by donating an item such as tickets, balls, shirts, scarves, etc. Please make sure to attach a purple donation form to each item that you turn in.

Next Week in Chapel

SOAR - Standing On A Rock

We welcome Rev. Grant Knepper, pastor at Zion Lutheran church in Hillsboro as our chapel leader on Wednesday, November 9. Pastor Knepper will talk with us about "**ROCKs in Heaven**". Our text for the week is from Revelations 21:15-27.

Revelation 21 describes the time and place we will be with Jesus forever. Because Jesus paid for our sins and because Jesus rose from the dead, all who believe in Him will be blessed to be with Him forever.

On earth we see the walls of sin everywhere. Those walls divide us. Those walls come crashing down.

Jesus will remove the walls of sin and bless us with new life in a new and perfect place.

We will be with Jesus and with the fellow saints who believed in Him and whom He has gathered together to be with Him forever. We know that everything will be perfect and beautiful forever.

Our 1st trimester offerings are being collected to send to Baton Rouge Lutheran School - At least half of their faculty and staff and over half of their families have homes affected by the flood waters. Many families will be without income while their employers recover and businesses re-open.

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

Family Harvest Festival

TONIGHT, November 4th

- **5:30-6:30 pm** CLASS will be serving hotdogs, chips, & caramel apples in the Dining Hall
- **6:00 - 8:00 pm** will be games and popcorn in the Dobbin Center.





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



If your family would like to participate in the CLASS "greens" fundraiser, orders are due to the office by **Thursday, November 10th**.

Please be sure your order is complete with students name and collected funds. Checks should be made payable to FHLCS.

Mark your calendar to pick up your order on **Wednesday, November 30**.

FHLCS Bookfair

at Barnes & Noble Tanasborne

Saturday, November 19th 10am-2pm.

Come and visit us at Barnes & Nobel on Saturday, November 19th to get some of your Christmas shopping done and help support FHLCS! If you can't make that date, the bookfair will be on-line from November 19th - November 23rd. Make sure that you use our **Bookfair ID 12011524** at checkout! More information and vouchers will be coming home in the upcoming weeks.

LEST Information Session

An information session regarding the Lutheran Elementary Schools Tournament (LEST) will be held for parents of students from 5th-8th grade this coming Tuesday after school (11/8). In this session, we'll talk about what LEST looks like, what events will take place, and what your child will be committing to if they sign up for certain events. Please come and join us for this important update!

Pies for Play Structure

Have you ever tasted one of Mr. Munster's blackberry pies? They are quite tasty.

The week of November 14-18, 20 of his pies will be available for purchase at \$25 each. All

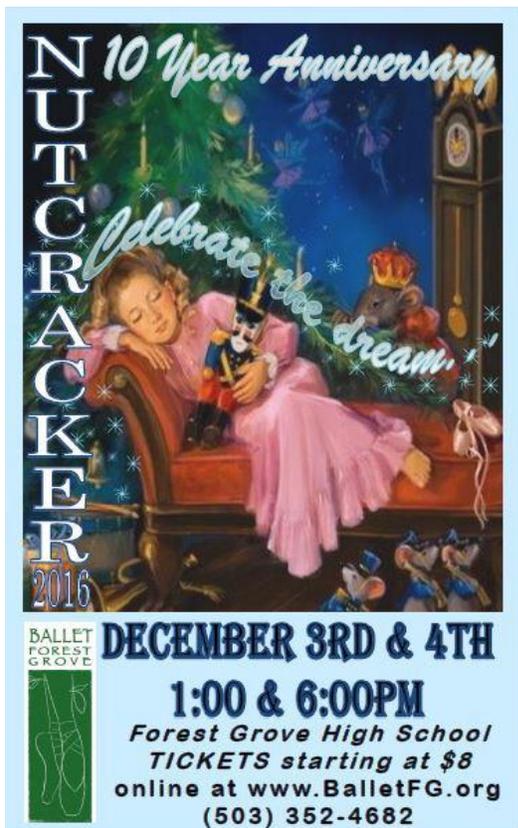


proceeds will go to the new playground structure.

Each morning, (beginning 11/14) between 8:00 and 8:15, **four** pies will be available each day - first come, first served. He will also take orders for apple, cherry and sugar-free pies.

Don't forget to turn in your **Run for the Hills** pledges...please have them all in to the office by Monday, November 7th. Any checks you receive should be made payable to **Forest Hills Lutheran Christian School (FHLCS)**.

"Our very own 8th grader, *Macy BeLusko*, is Clara in The Nutcracker Ballet" put on by Ballet Forest Grove (non-pro fit company and event).



- Forest Grove High School
- December 3rd and 4th
- 1:00 and 6:00 show times.

Tickets sold at tututix.com, search "Oregon" then "forest grove high school"

Macy is in all 4 shows, however, she is Clara in **ONLY** the Sunday shows 1:00 and 6:00 pm

