

Westside Christian Wave Weekly

April 2, 2024

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Family Devotions

Click the title of the devotion provided to view the full devotion and see the complete collection of Family Devotions online at [WELS.net](https://wels.net). Questions are provided following the closing prayer to help with family discussion at home.

[Don't look for a living person in a grave! – April 1, 2024](#)

Read: Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man

dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid. (Mark 16:1-6,8)

PowerHour this FRIDAY

Children up to age 3 and their caregivers are invited to the next PowerHour. Join us this Friday, April 5, at 10:30 AM in the St. Andrew gym. The theme is "The Five Senses." Click [here](#) for more information on PowerHour.

Call updates

The voters of St. Andrew called Beth Plath to serve as 3rd grade teacher in our ministry of Westside Christian School. Beth's husband, Dan, accepted the call to serve as principal beginning in the 2024-25 school year. They are both currently serving at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Beverly Hills, FL, through the end of this school year before they move to Wisconsin. Please pray for Mrs. Plath as she deliberates her call.

In addition, Karl Kuschel, our 5th - 8th grade math teacher, received a call to teach middle school at Divine Savior Academy in Doral, FL. Please reach out to him with any thoughts you might have and pray for him as he deliberates this call.



Mother & Son Night of Fun | RSVP due TODAY

Our Mother & Son Night of Fun this **Saturday, April 6 from 5 - 8 PM** in the gym. The cost is \$5 per person, paid at the event. There is still time to sign up as we extended the REVP deadline to the end of the day TODAY (4/2).

To register for the event, you can click on the link below. We have had issues with the link requiring a Google login. If you have trouble with the link, try using the QR code in the comments area or on the posters at school, or you can email Laura Westphal at mlwestphal05@gmail.com.

Register here: <https://forms.gle/B3RWLNEBLmNZYWwb8>

We still need help with setting up and supporting this event so our moms can have a special night with their son(s). If you can help, please sign up below.

Volunteer Sign-Up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/.../10C0F4FABA722A3FECE9...>

We look forward to seeing you at the event!

Spring plant sale | Orders due FRIDAY

It's time for our potted plant and hanging basket fundraiser! These beautiful plants brighten up any patio and are really as healthy and full as the pictures show. They are also the perfect gift for the special moms in your life and **will arrive on Thursday, May 9...just in time for Mother's Day!**

This fundraiser will help support the 8th grade class trip to Kalahari and Expeditions Unlimited. Watch your child's backpack for the order form. Completed order forms should be returned to the Welcome Center.

Pre-paid orders only. Please make checks payable to Westside Christian School. **All orders are due by 8:00 AM this Friday, April 5.** *Late orders will not be accepted.* Plant pick-up will be Thursday, May 9 from 12 - 4 PM.



Reports cards and honor roll

3rd quarter report cards have been published to Educate. Use the following steps to view your student's report card:

- 1) Log into Educate (email [Stacy Bernd](mailto:Stacy.Bernd) if you need your login credentials resent).
- 2) Select "Students" under the School drop-down menu.
- 3) Select the Academic tab.
- 4) Click the arrow symbol (>) next to Report Cards to expand the area.
- 5) Click the PDF symbol to preview the report card. (If you would like a hard copy of your student's report card, print it from here.)
- 6) Click the "Acknowledge" button under the statement "I acknowledge viewing this report card" to

let your child's teacher know that you've seen the report card.

Please contact your student's teacher with any questions or concern about grades. Contact Stacy Bernd if you have questions about the functionality of the Educate tool.

Honor Roll

Congratulations to the students who have earned honors and high honors this quarter.

Honor Roll (earned As & B's)

5th Grade: Ashlynn, Hope, Jayce, Robbie, Tucker, Andrew, Carter K., Evan, Kameron, Carter S., James

6th Grade: Jason, Noah, Grace, Ella K., Ezra, Sam, Neve, Onjoli

7th Grade: Henry, Addy, Sage, Beatrix, Vivian, Sofia, Grace, Emmett

8th Grade: Carter, DJ, Ben, Priyanka, Anna Clara, Will, Syla

High Honor Roll (earned all As)

5th Grade: Callista, Alex, Austin, Evelyn, Drew, Addisyn, Emersyn, Reah, JoJo, Eli, Ellena, Nigel, Scarlett, Hanna, Levi, Lauren, Adler

6th Grade: Stella, Ella O, Eva, Owen, Maddy, Aram

7th Grade: Rowan, Jacob, Ellie, Jane, Hallie

8th Grade: Levi, Peter, Esther, Mason, Griffin, Liam, Elijah, Gretchen, Jack, Yvonne, Anika, Celise, Colin, Lola

Forward Testing details (includes sign-up for snacks)

Forward testing for grades 3 - 8 will be conducted at various times from April 8 - 19. **Please try to avoid removing your child from school for appointments on these days, and do not plan vacations during this time, if at all possible.** The exam is designed to gauge how well students are doing in relation to the Wisconsin Academic Standards. We also use the scores in combination with what we know about each child's strengths and areas of opportunity for growth to better impact their academic success. Your child's scores will be shared with you this summer and do not affect his/her grades. Contact Principal Meredith Pucci if you have questions about the exams.

The best way to help your child prepare for this testing is to ensure that he/she gets a good night's sleep the night before and eats a healthy breakfast the morning of an exam. You may also want to send a couple healthy snacks for mid morning and mid afternoon. The following is the tentative Forward Exam schedule. Watch for updates in your child's weekly classroom newsletter.

April 8: Grades 4 - 8

April 9: Grades 4 - 8

April 10: Grades 4 & 8

April 11: Grades 4 - 8

April 12: Grades 4 & 8

April 15: Grades 3 & 8

April 16: Grades 3, 4, 7, 8

April 17: Grades 3 & 4

April 19: Grades 4 - 6

Make up testing will take place April 23 - 26.

Sign up to provide a healthy snack

To help the kids stay focused and do their best, we would love to provide healthy snacks for those who need it. We're hoping you can help us with this by donating an item or two. Click [HERE](#) to sign up. While we are providing a supply of snacks, we cannot guarantee that it will last the full two weeks nor that you child will like what's offered.



Information for your taxes

Federal EIN: 39-1437079

Tax season is upon us. You will need our Federal EIN: 39-1437079. Also, you can find a record of your tuition expenses for 2023 using the following steps:

1. Log into TADS.
2. Navigate to the Billing area.
3. Select the number in blue next to the 2022-23 school year.
4. Click on the Reports tab.
5. Click on the link titled "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report".
6. Enter "2023" in the Tax Year field.

If you do not remember your login credentials for TADS, you will need to call them at 800-477-8237.

Wisconsin Tuition Tax Deduction

As your family looks into the details of the Wisconsin Private School Tuition Tax Deduction, [see some FAQs here](#). Download a 2023 PS form: <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/TaxForms2023/2023-SchedulePS.pdf>.

Open School Council meeting | April 16

The Westside Christian School Council's upcoming meeting will allow time for any parents/guardians to attend if they wish to meet with the governing board for any reason. The meeting date is April 16 at 6:30 PM. If you plan to attend, we ask that you email School Council Chairman, [Dan Kremer](#), to let him know so the group can plan accordingly.

Save the Date...St. Andrew Summer Camp!

Summer camp at St. Andrew will look a little different this year. Instead of conducting science

and more. What won't be different is that Jesus will be in the middle of everything. The dates are July 8 – 11. Registration will begin soon!

Summer speech and reading programs through Launch

Specializing in speech, language, and literacy, Launch Speech and Reading offers assessments and interventions designed to support children of all ages and abilities. With a team of dedicated professionals including Speech Therapists, Reading Specialists, and Educators, the clinic aims to foster a supportive and enriching learning environment. Emphasizing collaboration between families, educators, and therapists, Launch Speech and Reading is committed to empowering each child to reach their full potential. Discover the difference personalized care can make at Launch Speech and Reading. See the attached flyer for more information.

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Sign up for Summer Camps & Leagues

If your elementary students like football, basketball, running, soccer, golf, volleyball, wrestling, or STEM, Lakeside has a summer camp for them! These camps offer instruction and fun

among fellow Christians. Sign up is also available for summer baseball and softball leagues. Start at llhs.org/k8sports.

Youth Football Registrations Needed

Lakeside's new football coach, Matt Doering, encourages all 5th, 6th & 7th grade boys to consider the mental and physical strength-building, exciting sport that is football! The deadline to register for 2024 youth football (Aug-Oct) at Lakeside is quickly approaching. Contact him with questions at 920-648-2321 x1521 or mdoering@llhs.org and register at llhs.org/apps/pages/jrwarriors.

LLHS Spring Theatre: Disney's High School Musical On Stage

Showtimes: Friday–Saturday, April 26 - 27 7 PM, Sunday, April 28 2 PM

Disney Channel's smash hit movie musical comes to life! Troy, Gabriella and the students of East High must deal with issues of first love, friends and family while balancing their classes and extracurricular activities. Fun for the whole family! Tickets are on sale April 1 – visit

[LLHS.org/drama](https://llhs.org/drama).

{ CALENDAR }

OF EVENTS

This Week

Friday: Casual Day, PowerHour, Plant Sale ends

Saturday: Mother & Son Night of Fun

Saturday - Sunday: LLHS Fine Arts Fair (EMP students only)

Early Next Week

4/8: Friends of Westside meeting (virtual)

4/8 - 4/19: Forward Testing

April Lunch Menu.pdf

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You might want to get these dates on your calendar NOW!

- 4/15 - 4/19: Last week of Forward Testing (see article above)
- 4/12: Strings & Guitar Concert @ 4:00; Band & Voice Concert @ 6:15
- 4/13: Piano Recitals (Lund @ 9:30, Hunter @ 10:45, Fritz @ 12:45, Dyer @ 2:00)
- 4/14: Grades 3 & 4 sing at St. Andrew
- 4/16: Open School Council meeting
- 4/17: Middle school field trip | Chapel re-scheduled to Friday (4/19)
- 4/18: Choice Program enrollment period ends
- 4/19: Chapel | Preschool field trip | PowerHour
- 4/22: NO SCHOOL (Professional Development Day)
- 4/26: 5th and 6th grade field trip
- 4/28: Grades 1 & 2 sing at St. Andrew

Key Dates Calendar, 2023 - 2024 School Year

Please note that the calendar was revised this summer.

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Tentative 2024 - 2025 Key Dates Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for the calendar.

Singing Schedule, 2023 - 2024 School Year.pdf

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[Family Handbook \(2023-2024 School Year\)](#)

[TADS \(Enrollment and Billing Information\)](#)

[Educate \(Parent Portal\)](#)

Announcements (Lunch Menus, Key Dates and School Calendar, etc.) | Course Documents | Events (general and grade-specific) | Student-Specific Information (Assignments and Grades, Attendance Record, Demographics)

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