

CENTRAL MINNESOTA CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY



BLUE SHEET

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John 1:34 -- "I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God."

This Week's Name of God: Son of God

This week's Name of God is: "Son of God." This week's text has two important things to teach us. First, it reminds us that Jesus Christ was and is the Son of God. This is extremely important. Because Jesus is the Son of God, he is genuinely God Himself -- part of the Trinity. Many people today think of Jesus as a great man, a great, wise prophet who taught us how to live. This is how Moslems view Him. Even many people who think of themselves as Christians view Him this way, but Jesus as Son of God? As God Himself? Not so much. We know that Jesus IS the Son of God, and it is not possible to be a true Christian and believe otherwise. Only the Son of God could sacrifice Himself to actually pay for our sins. Only the Son of God could arise from the dead and thus conquer death -- and make it possible for us to live forever. Only the Son of God could be our Savior and Lord.

In a non-theme related area, this text is important in that John was an eyewitness to Jesus Christ's life and death -- an eyewitness to the fact that He is the Son of God. He testifies to this. The life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ were not a myth or a fairy tale. The gospel accounts of Him are not embellished or exaggerated. They are true. John was not martyred, but other eyewitnesses of Christ's life, miracles, words, death, resurrection, and ascension were. They were killed for testifying to what they witnessed. This, for me personally, has always been the strongest evidence for the truth of the gospel: People died for what they not only believed, but also simply KNEW to be true. People have sometimes died for delusions; something that was not true but that they thought was true. No one deliberately dies for a lie.

The bottom line: Jesus Christ is the real true Son of God. So, He truly is our Lord and Savior! This is very important for our children to know. Do they know it? May we always teach and emphasize it to them!

Larry M. Van Otterloo
Elementary Principal, CMCS

8th Grader, Courtney Groen, won the Geography Bee held on Tuesday, December 22, not the Spelling Bee. We apologize for the error. Congratulations, again, Courtney!

Spelling Bee Changed from January 19 to January 26!

Due to a scheduling conflict, the Spelling Bee will be held on Tuesday, **January 26** at 2 p.m. in the HS gym, not on January 19 as had been announced last week. This is for grades 5-8. Individual classroom competitions will be taking place to narrow the finalists.

Mission Trip Fundraiser at Pizza Ranch in Willmar

The Junior and Senior classes of CMCS have begun making plans for their Mission Trip to New York in March.

On Wednesday, January 20th, the first fundraiser will be held. Pizza Ranch in Willmar will provide an opportunity for the group to make money by waiting tables. The students will keep all tips and will also be given a percentage of the profit from the evening.

Please reserve this night, **Wed, Jan 20th**, to come out and enjoy pizza and support the Mission Trip students.

Thank You!

Hot Lunch – Always Served With Milk

Tues, Jan 12	Chicken nuggets, baby cakes, fruit, muffins
Wed, Jan 13	Taco in a bag, veggies/dip, kiwi, donut treat (El-3 rd grade menu) Tacos, veggies/dip, corn, donut treat (HS)
Thurs, Jan 14	Scalloped potatoes/ham, cooked carrots, tea biscuit, jello
Fri, Jan 15	Max snack, lettuce, fruit, cake
Mon, Jan 18	Italian dunkers, lettuce, corn, Teddy Grahams

Upcoming Pre-school and Kindergarteners Wanted

We are starting the process of looking for the names and addresses of upcoming pre-school age children as well as Kindergarteners. If you know of a child that will be 4 or 5, respectively, by September 1, 2010, please call or e-mail their name to us with a phone number or address (along with parents' names) so that we can send them information for the next school year.

Bethany Christian Services Fundraiser

Our fundraiser for the Bethany Christian Services is now finished. We raised over \$1,400 for this great cause! Added to this total is \$300 from the program offering. Thank you for your generosity! Please make sure that you **return all baby bottles** to school; these will be given back to BCS to be used for other fundraisers.



Elementary Birthdays

January

13	Stephanie Zeatlow	4 th grade
13	Aaron Randgaard	5 th grade
13	Bekah Walz	4K
15	Emma Van Dyken	2 nd grade
17	Katrina Broten	6 th grade

July ½ birthdays

11	Tiffani Linde	6 th grade
13	Molly Mulder	K
13	Maiya Klaphake	1 st grade
13	Mike Brown	2 nd grade
14	Skyler Zwart	K
17	Samantha Kroes	3 rd grade

JH/High School Birthdays

January

12	Tayler Bond	8 th grade
15	Mary Covert	8 th grade
16	Tianna Zondervan	7 th grade

July ½ birthdays

16	Jordan Daugherty	12 th grade
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Art Projects

Please send to school any of the following: shoe boxes, baby food jars, and the fronts of used Christmas cards. These items will be used in art class for various art projects throughout the year. Thanks!

Upcoming Events (listing only home games)

Tues, Jan 5	BBB vs. Dawson-Boyd	Fri, Jan 15	End of 2 nd Qtr.
Tues, Jan 12	JHGGB vs. BOLD		GBB vs. RCW
T-F, Jan 12-15	JH/HS Exams	Mon, Jan 18	BBB vs. BLH

Boys and Girls Saturday Morning Basketball Practice

We will be having elementary basketball practice Saturday mornings this winter for grades 4-6 at CMCS. This will begin on Jan.16th. Girls will be from 8:30- 10:00. Boys will be from 10:00-11:30. **This is open to all kids grades 4-6**, as we will be concentrating on basic basketball fundamentals. This will be lead by CMCS parent Brad Greenwaldt, with assistance from Joe Ulferts (girls' practice) and any other parent willing to volunteer their time. Brad will not be available on Jan.23, Feb.6th, Mar 6th, March 13th due to 6th grade tournaments... **so we really need other parents to lead basketball practice these dates.** Please contact Brad if you are willing to help out 967-4949 or greenies@mvtvwireless.com.

Note: There will be no practice on Jan. 30th due to the Bethany Volleyball Tourney.

TRIP UPDATES

Culver's cards now carry a 10% rebate! We would like to encourage you to thank the manager of the Culver's in Willmar for their support of our program.

Shell increased from 1.5% to 2.5%. The denominations remain the same at \$25, \$50 and \$100.

Best Buy is offering a 1% bonus contribution from Saturday, January 9, 2010, through Friday, January 29, 2010. That means Best Buy's \$25, \$100 and \$250 gift cards will have a 4% contribution instead of the normal 3% contribution, during that time period only.

Beginning Saturday, January 16, 2010, through Friday, April 2, 2010, all **Exxon/Mobil** gift cards and reloads will have a 2.5% non-profit bonus contribution. That means, during this time period, the \$50 gift card and card reload contribution will increase from 1.5% to 2.5%, and the \$250 gift card contribution will increase from 2% to 2.5%.

Check www.glscrip.com or www.shopwithscrip.com to find out about the many bonuses being offered right now!



Saturday Parent Schedule

The Saturday parent's schedule is also on the school's website

1/16/10

Dave and Jill Brouwer
Brian and Lynette Bloomquist
Jon and Jodi Ammermann

1/23/10

Lanne and Lori Roelofs
Chad and Sonia Ulferts
Steve and Donna Broten

1/30/10

Daryl and Kay Hillers
Scott and Lexi Wubben
Nolan and Rhonda Slagter
2/6/10
Dohn and Becky Hoekstra
Scott and Sara Hankel
David and Andrea Daugherty

Concession Stand Schedule

GBB

1/15/10 5:30

Jeff and Tammy Vanderhooft
Mark and Sandy Hisken

1/21/10 5:30

Bruce and Maria Hanson
Kelly and Janet Pauling



BBB

1/18/10 5:30

Mike and Lenae Bulthuis
Todd Post
Angie Linde
1/19/10 5:30
Byron and Mari Damhof
Gary and Jane Wubben

Requested Announcements

Want to get organized? Come listen and see Elizabeth Hagen, a certified professional organizer, speak and demonstrate organizational methods on Wednesday, January 13, 9:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. at Bunde Church. This is a free event for all ages. Please call Becky Graves at 320-967-4218 to reserve a seat.

Going to Disney World!

You may have heard on the radio or TV about the "Give a day. Get a Disney day." promotion. Disney is encouraging everyone to get out and volunteer. New 2 You is registered to be a part of this promotion. Call Becky at 320 231-1850 to schedule your day of volunteering soon! Note to CMCS parents: This does not include your mandatory day of working for the school. You will have to schedule another day with Becky. For more details, call Becky or go to <http://disneyparks.disney.go.com>