

CENTRAL MINNESOTA CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY



BLUE SHEET

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"...She gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus." – Matthew 1:26

This Week's Name of God: Jesus

Besides the name "God," itself, Jesus is probably the name of God we hear the most and probably most take for granted. When was the last time you thought, really thought, about the name "Jesus?" Even the name Jesus is itself educational. It proclaims that He is our Savior. Jesus is the modern form of the Greek form of the Aramaic name Jeshua, which comes from the Hebrew Yahshua, which means The One Who Saves, or God Saves -- Savior. Right from the beginning, for those who take a little effort to keep learning, our God teaches us and provides reinforcement for our faith. Again, even Jesus name itself proclaims His role in history and his role in our lives. It also provides yet another reason to treat and use the name of Jesus with complete respect doesn't it?

The late Mr. Jerry Bonnema, who was born and raised in Prinsburg, was the Principal at Hull Christian School during my whole K-8 student years there. One of the things that I remember the most about Mr. Bonnema was his insistence that none of us ever use even questionable language. Some of us thought, at the time, that he was too strict and even a bit out of touch when he reprimanded us for even saying "gee", or "gee wiz", or "jeez", "jeepers" or even "sheesh." Once he made a classmate of mine stay in for recess for a whole day for shouting "Cheez Wiz" loudly after dropping something. At the time, most of us thought that was pretty extreme. Now I understand Mr. Bonnema's reasons much more fully. As the song goes, "Jesus, name above all names." It is not a name to be thrown about carelessly and certainly not to be mocked or degraded in any way. We've probably become too lax about such things. Mr. Bonnema might be seen as being too old-fashioned and strict today (I graduated from 8th grade 33 years ago!) if he were still with us and were to take over as Elementary Principal at CMCS -- but he would be right on. We need to rediscover some of our respect, our reverence for our God -- and for His names.

Please emphasize to your children, our students, the importance of respecting and revering our God and all of the names that He has given us to call Him. We are, of course fighting against popular culture in all of this -- and we have been for a long time. After all, even Andy Griffith said, "gee" on his old black-and-white TV show. Now, the full name of Jesus is regularly taken in vain -- used as a curse on TV regularly. This is all the more reason for us to speak about this to our children and all the more reason to fight the good fight and so honor the name of Jesus -- our Savior! May we truly practice the words of another song, which goes, "All hail the power of Jesus name!"

Larry M. Van Otterloo
Elementary Principal, CMCS

Advance Notice: Grandparents Day is Friday, April 9

For those of our parents who are new to CMCS, we have a special day each spring on which we honor our students' grandparents. There is a music program at 10:30 am, followed by a sack lunch -- provided by our cooks so our students and grandparents can eat together. Then, we dismiss and our students and grandparents are urged to do something fun together for the rest of the day. Please contact grandparents and inform them of this date and gauge their interest in coming. There will be more information -- and an RSVP form -- in coming weeks!

**There is still NO SCHOOL next
Monday, Feb 15 -- Presidents Day!**

CMCS Clothing Sale

Today, the CMCS clothing sale will start again. The choices will be shown on the school web site and the unique embroidery web site www.unique-embroidery.com under CMCS clothing. Any questions people have they should call Sarah Van Dyken at 320 978-6094, not school. The sale will run until February 19.

Hot Lunch – Always Served With Milk

Wed, Feb 10	Touchdown nuggets, baby cakes, fruit, cookie bar
Thurs, Feb 11	Meatballs, mashed potatoes, cooked carrots, mini bagel
Fri, Feb 12	Cheesy garlic bread, dipping sauce, lettuce, fruit, pudding swirl
Tues, Feb 16	Mini corn dogs, tator tots, fruit, brownie



Elementary Birthdays

February

08	Braden Ruschen	4 th grade
10	Micah Groen	6 th grade
12	Elli Stoel	2 nd grade
12	Kayla Ver Steeg	3 rd grade

August ½ birthdays

08	Mr. Van Otterloo	
12	Adrienne Peterson	K
12	Sophia Klaphake	3 rd grade
12	Mr. Hankel	
13	Jaden Thompson	3 rd grade
14	Aidan Brouwer	2 nd grade
14	Kennedy Brouwer	5 th grade

JH/High School Birthdays

February

13	Riley Grussing	7 th grade
14	Nathan Ryder	9 th grade

August ½ birthdays

08	Ariel Hanson	7 th grade
10	Jacob Van Dyken	9 th grade
10	Kailey Van Eps	8 th grade
13	Ariana Groen	12 th grade

Upcoming Events (listing only home games)

M-F, Feb 8-12	Spirit Week	Tues, Feb 16	BBB vs. TMB
Thurs, Feb 11	JHGBB vs. MACCRAY		
Fri, Feb 12	GBB vs. TMB		
Mon, Feb 15	NO School		

TRIP UPDATES

Please be advised that **Tesoro** gift cards are no longer be available.

The contribution for **Domino's Pizza** has increased from 5% to 8%. The denomination is unchanged at \$10.

Effective Saturday, February 6, 2010, the non-profit contribution for **Lands' End** will change to 16%. The denominations remain the same at \$25 and \$100.

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

Fusionz Dance Camp

Please be advised of the following revised dates for dance camp practices and games: Practice will be held on Saturday, February 13, from 1-4 p.m. We will be performing on Thursday, February 18, and Friday, February 19. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Amanda Gerdes at 320-978-6047 or 320-894-7027 or Raya Knake at 320-905-1492.

Boys and Girls Saturday Morning Basketball Practice

There will be elementary basketball practice every Saturday morning in February for grades 4-6. Girls practice will be from 8:30-10:00 a.m. The boys will practice from 10:00-11:30 a.m. The 6th grade traveling team will practice alone from 11:30-12:30 p.m.



Saturday Parent Schedule

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

2/13/10

Ron and Rae Jean Bulthuis
Gary and Jane Wubben
Craig and Kelli Blom

2/20/10

Eric and Sarah Van Dyken
Neil and Becky Graves
Jay and Kris TeBrake

2/27/10

Kevin and Roxie Covert
Clyde and Tammy Slagter
Craig and Ann Holter

3/6/10

Tim and Dawn Link
Eric and Danielle Watson
David and Laura Brouwer

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> To locate the New 2 You Thrift Store: type in Willmar, MN instead of the Zip code. Then click search. Scroll to very bottom of screen and you will see a light blue rectangle where you will see **CLICK HERE** in green letters. Click on that for more opportunities and **NEW 2 YOU** should be the first to pop up as an option.

Concession Stand Schedule

GBB

2/12/10 5:30

Linda Foss
Doug Groen
Jodi Ammermann
Wendy Dehmlow

2/18/10 5:30

Tim Miller
Angie Linde

Pete and Brenda Van Der Puy



BBB

2/16/10 5:30

Wade and Rachel Damhof
Tom and Kelly Beekman

2/19/10 5:30

Steve and Jill Blom
Mike Witt
Justin Nett

2/23/10 5:30

Brian and Danielle Johnson
Larry and Cindy Van Otterloo

Requested Announcements

Missing Castle Racing snowmobile Jacket from Thursday night's (1-21-10) home game vs. Canby. It is Red/Black/white size adult xs/s. Please return it to school if it is found.

Alto Saxophone – Bunde II by Selmar in its case. Appraised by Whitney Music. In good condition but needs some new pads. Would make a good starter instrument. Asking \$250. Call 320 220-4068.

Spirit Week at CMCS

February 8-12

Elementary

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Accessory Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Pj's/Sports Day</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Inside out/backwards Day</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>School Colors Day</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Valentine's Day</i> <i>(pink/white/red/hearts)</i>

Junior High

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Minnesota Sports Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Nerd Day</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>90 Degree Day</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Duct Tape/Garbage Bag Day</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Bluejay Day</i>

High School

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Would you still be my friend if I looked liked this? Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Hero/Villain Day</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Look – Alike Day</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Future Job Day</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Formal Day</i>