

# WEEKLY NEWS & NOTES

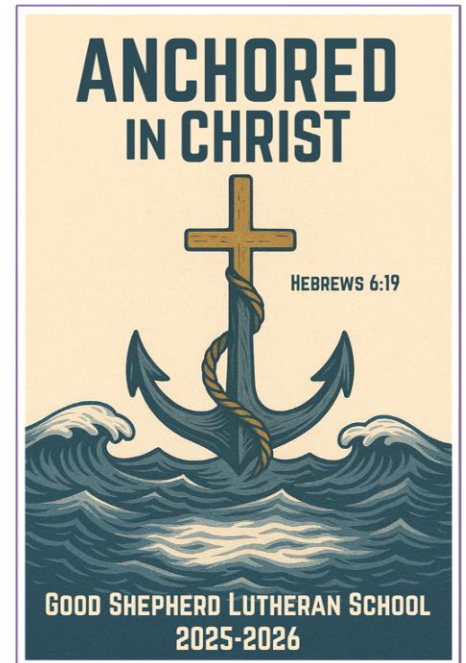
April 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026



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## General News and Notes

- Our first-grade students will be receiving their own student Bibles this Sunday at our 10:30 a.m. worship service (Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>); you are all encouraged to worship with us on Sunday. Good Shepherd has a tradition of gifting our first-grade students with their own Bible near the end of the school year; now that they are reading more fluently, this is a wonderful opportunity to encourage our young students to stay in God's word. We look forward to seeing you all!
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>-grade will be heading to Lincoln this Tuesday to visit the Nebraska History Museum and the State Capitol! Please remember to pack a disposable sack lunch on Tuesday!
- Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year is open! Enroll today at <https://mytads.com/a/goodshepherdomaha> and by April 30<sup>th</sup> to receive \$25 off the activity fee! \*Please note that if you plan to apply for tuition assistance, you must apply through [Children's Scholarship Fund](#) (due May 1<sup>st</sup>). **This is a required first step. Even if you do not receive a CSF scholarship, you may still qualify for a Good Shepherd scholarship!**
- We're proud of our Bulldogs' performance in the first track meet of the year! Our second, and final, meet is on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, in Utica, NE. Please discuss with your child if they are able to attend and what events they'd like to compete in!
- Look for information on our Play & Awards Night in the coming weeks - it's one of our biggest events of the year!
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Good Shepherd Lutheran Golf Tournament is coming up on June 26<sup>th</sup> at Eagle Hills Golf Course! Keep an eye on all the ways you can contribute to this event!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### April 19

First Grade Bibles presented  
@ 10:30 a.m. service

### April 21

Lincoln trip - State Capitol tour &  
Nebraska History Museum (3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

### April 29-May 1

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> trip to Minnesota

### May 9

NELHS Track Meet

### May 14

Play & Awards Night (location TBA)

### May 15

Last Day of School

- 10:30 – Graduation/Closing Service/8<sup>th</sup>-grade song
- 11:45 – School Picnic
- 12:30 – School Water Fight!

### June 26

**Good Shepherd Golf Tournament**  
@ Eagle Hills Golf Course

# Worship Focus

**THIS WEEKEND**



**Sunday 4/19/26**

**9:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Mr. Lauber)**

**10:30 a.m. – Worship (Pastor Helwig)**

## Theme:

“What Difference Does It Make?  
He Lives to Give Me Proof and  
Peace”

## Readings:

- First Lesson – Acts 2:14a, 22-32
- Psalm 16B
- Second Lesson – 1 Peter 1:3-9
- Gospel - John 20:19-31

## Hymns:

- #467 – “With High Delight Let Us Unite”
- #570 – “God Loved the World So That He Gave”
- #462 - “Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”
- #464 - “I Am Content! My Jesus Lives Again”

## MR. LAUBER & MRS. ROBERTS’ CLASSROOM

- Look for an email tomorrow (Sunday) with final totals for the Minnesota trip and a date & time for an informational meeting before we head to visit our neighbors to the north!



Headed for a photo finish in the 100M finals!

## TESTS THIS WEEK

- M** – 8<sup>th</sup>-grade Math
- Tu** – Lincoln Field Trip
- W** – None
- Th** – 7<sup>th</sup>-grade Math
- F** – None



Isaiah – pink Crocs in “sport mode” – clearing the bar in the high jump.

## MISS CROWL'S CLASSROOM

**Memory Work:** The **6th Commandment** for Wednesday. **Ephesians 6:1** for Friday.

### Spelling:

**3rd** - apple, river, little, October, ladder, summer, purple, later, November, giggle, uncle, winter, center, double, happen, lesson, dollar, bottom

**4th** - unpleasant, unguarded, disguise, unusual, unfortunate, research, unbelievable, misplace, misbehave, misspell, redraw, submarine, rebuild, renewal, recycle, subtitle, forearm, subhead, retry, refuel

**5th** - fiber, similar, regular, barrier, superior, grammar, rumor, character, director, acre, consider, junior, senior, solar, scholar, razor, surrender, particular, familiar, laser

### Notes & Reminders:

- Tuesday, April 21st, we are heading to Lincoln for a State Capitol tour.
- The next track meet will be Saturday, May 9th.
- Play & Awards night will be Thursday, May 14th.



Coach Crowl wraps up track practice



Speeding towards the finish line

## Mission Statement

Good Shepherd  
Lutheran School exists for  
students to be

**FED** by the Word,  
**FOLLOW** Christ in his love,  
and  
**FIND** the lost with his Word.

## MRS. HOPFENSPERGER'S CLASSROOM

- **Spelling Words (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade):**
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: thing, think, long, thank, pitch, pitches, cent, cents, catch, catches
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: bridge, huge, stage, judge, cage, pledge, badge, fudge, dodge, edge, age, lodge
- **High Frequency Words:**
  - Kindergarten: back, let, were, what
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: above, blue, knew, number, push, sure, took, watch
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: above, again, along, myself, once, piece, something, table, they, wanted
- **Sound of the Week:**
  - Kindergarten: sh, ch
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: final blends ng, nk, inflection ing
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: le and syllable types
- **Focus Skills**
  - Kindergarten: blend phonemes into words, isolate initial sounds, setting, ask and answer questions
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: text features, ask and answer questions, elements of poetry, chronological order
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: text organization, retell, figurative language, chronological order
- **Power Words**
  - Kindergarten: close, flow, visit
  - 1<sup>st</sup>: energy, height, indigo, juicy, produces, protect, ripe, scientist, syrup, weigh, wonder
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: arrive, boisterous, growled, grumpy, joking, offered, remarkable, routines, shrugged, stoked, stubborn, surrounding, thickets, tucked

### Upcoming Dates:

April 19<sup>th</sup> - First Grade Bibles at 10:30 a.m.

April 24<sup>th</sup> - Library K-2



Lillian was one of the lucky 5 out of over 300 students at "Charlie & the Chocolate Factory" to receive a golden ticket!

### MEMORY WORK

#### Tuesday

- K – Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation
- 1-2 – Matthew 26:41

#### Wednesday

- 2 – 1 Peter 5:8

#### Thursday

- 1 – 1 Peter 5:8

## MRS. WALZ'S CLASSROOM

- In Jesus Time, this week we will learn one story. Our story is "Jesus Goes Back to Heaven." In this story, we will hear how Jesus went to heaven to watch over us.
- For Circle Time, this week we will talk all about the letter K and about butterflies.
- April's Family Fun calendars and Nightly Reading Sheets are due back Thursday, April 30th.
- There is Show and Tell this week. The theme is something that is color of your favorite butterfly.
- The end of the school year is fast approaching. Look for notes to come home soon about important events.
- If you ever have any questions, please feel free to email me, send me a message in Bloomz, send a note in your child's backpack, or talk to me in person.
- Have a great week!



All smiles at recess!



Taking turns getting an up-close look at the new classroom caterpillars!

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