

November – Serving

“Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men.”

Ephesians 6:7

Christ reminds us that He came to serve and not to be served. Christ sets the example for all of us to follow. His life of service was one in which total glory was given to God. During the month of November our theme at St. Luke is one of “serving.” Listed below are a few ways in which we, at St. Luke Lutheran School, will be serving this month. It is our hope that you and your family will be able to join us. There are so many ways in which we can serve one another and serve God. May you and your family during the month of November serve wholeheartedly as if you were serving the Lord, not others.

- ❖ **Operation Christmas Child** continues now through Friday, November 13. The school children will be packing the boxes on Wednesday, November 18 in the Activity Center. Gift suggestions: School supplies- hand-held pencil sharpeners, crayons, colored pencils, scissors, erasers, pencils, pens. Toys – small cars (Matchbox), playing cards or card games, yo-yos. Hygiene items – toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap, washcloth.

- ❖ **On Monday, November 9, at 10:00 a.m. Jim Urban**, a commercial airline pilot from New Castle will be visiting St. Luke and talk with the students in the Activity Center. Mr. Urban had the opportunity to fly many of the Operation Christmas Child boxes to South American and help with the distribution. Join us as we hear about the journey of a simple shoe box filled with goods making its way to the hands of children in South America.

- ❖ **St. Luke Food Pantry:** During the month of November a food collection for the Food Pantry will take place. Approximately 40 families from the local community are given two bags of groceries each from St. Luke Food Pantry. Listed below are items we are encouraging each class to bring to school if possible during November. It is a goal that each classroom will have at least 50 items by the end of the month. **No bulk items please.**

Preschool – Jello and / or pudding mixes

Kindergarten – Bags of pasta and/or noodles

1st grade – canned corn and/or green beans

2nd grade (Mrs. Abernathy) – Cereal / Oatmeal

2nd grade (Mrs. Robinson) – Cake, Brownie, or Cookie Mixes

3rd grade – Canned cranberry – sauce or jelly

4th grade – Juice - Cans or plastic containers

5th grade – canned pie mixes (pumpkin, cherry, apple, etc...)

6th grade – canned sweet potatoes or yams

7th grade – canned tomatoes or tomato juice

8th grade – box or cans of chicken, beef, turkey, or vegetable broth

- ❖ **November Act of Kindness Calendar** –(see attached) Each child will be given a November calendar with a small act of kindness that they can do each day. They can do as many as they want...but our goal is that every student would try for at least one per week.