



The Royals Hope Weekly

Dec. 4, 2017

Chapel (K-5)

If you happened to see the parade of lights on Saturday, HCA was represented with a sign that said, "Shine for Jesus." This morning during chapel, Mr. Bradley talked to the students about what that means. He and the students talked about letting their lights shine by not participating in darkness and by loving others. Jesus was a great light in a dark land, and we can glorify Him by following His example.

Scripture highlighted in chapel was Matthew 4:15-16 which states, "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned."

JH/HS Chapel (6-12)

Mr. Kolar shared with the students that following God should be more than just a good idea. We often have so many good ideas, but we rarely do something about them. Hebrews 11 talks about the people who actually follow through on their walk with God and their faith. We need to follow the example of the people in Hebrews 11, which is titled "Faith in Action."

Upcoming Events

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| Dec. 4 | Band Concert @ South Heart, 7 pm |
| Dec. 6 | Early Release, 1:30 pm |
| Dec. 11 | 2 nd Quarter Mid-Term |
| Dec. 15 | Angel Tree Gifts Due |
| Dec. 19 | HCA Christmas Program |
| Dec. 20 | Skating Party (Grades 1-12 only) |

Hot Lunch Menu for Wednesday

- Grilled cheese
- Tomato soup
- Carrots
- Apples
- Chocolate cake

Hot Lunch Menu for Thursday

- Tacos in a Bag
- Oranges
- Scotcherows

Early Release @ 1:30 this Wednesday

There is early release this Wednesday, December 6. We will still be having library.

Christmas Program Circle Lists-Going Home Today

For our Christmas and Spring programs, we divide our families up into four circles/groups. If you are one of the two Christmas program circles, a sheet will be going home with your student today. You will be involved with either set-up or clean-up and will be asked to please bring two dozen baked goods the night of the program. If you have any questions, please call the school office or your circle leader.

Library Fines & Overdue Books

Mrs. Gegelmann has mentioned that we have many overdue books as well as unpaid library fines. Please make sure your books are turned in and fines are paid before Christmas break.

Philadelphia Trip Fundraising Supper

The Philadelphia fundraising trip supper will be Tuesday, December 19 at 5 p.m. in the HCA gym. We will be serving fun fair foods to match the Christmas program theme. You may look forward to Coney Dogs, BBQ's, funnel cakes, nachos and more. More information to follow.

Playground Project Fundraising

We have been fundraising for a new play station for the playground on the north side of our building. The projected cost for the equipment we would like to purchase is \$40,000. The board has decided to continue to raise money until the end of December. We currently have close to \$24,000 of our goal. This is a great time of year to give that end-of-year donation for yourself or a company you may know that is looking to give a year-end charitable donation. All donations are tax deductible. If you would like to give, please let Mrs. Dazell know at 701-300-1771. Thank you!

Angel Tree

We are doing an angel tree again this year through Stark County Social Services. This is a tree with names of individuals who have their own apartments, but are either elderly or disabled. This is a great way to minister to those in need this holiday season. If you do grab an angel off the tree, please mark on the clipboard by the angel tree so we can keep track on our list of angels. We want to make sure that we account for all the claimed angels.

Items can be dropped off at the HCA office by December 15.

Nutrition Nibble by Jo Marie Kadrmias, RD

Family meals are important for many reasons. Time spent together to connect and communicate is vital for a family. Careful planning is one part of the solution to match family member's schedules and meals. Breakfast is a meal. If work or activities are keeping everyone from the dinner table in the evening, make breakfast your shared meal of the day.

For more info, visit: ndsu.ag/familytable

Here is a warming recipe for you to enjoy as a family:

Harvest Stew

2 tbsp. olive oil
1 bay leaf
1 tsp. thyme
1 pork loin, about 1 – 1 ½ lbs., trimmed
3 gala apples, cut into chunks
1 large onion, chopped
5 stalks celery, chopped
7 whole carrots, sliced into coins
6 – 8 cups chicken stock
1 cup apple cider

Cut pork into 2 inch cubes. Coat with flour and brown in olive oil. Remove meat from pan and set aside. Add apples, vegetables, and a little more olive oil (1 tbsp.) to pan with drippings. Sauté for about 10 minutes. Add 1 cup of chicken stock, ½ cup apple cider, bay leaf, and thyme. Cook vegetables on medium heat until tender. Add meat and remaining liquids. Simmer for 10-20 minutes. To thicken, add cornstarch mixed with cold water until you reach desired thickness. Serve with fresh bread.

Serves 4 -5 people

Prayers and Praises

Please Pray for:

- Opportunities to bless those struggling during the holidays.
- Funds to reach our goal for the playground.
- Protection from cold and flu viruses as the temperatures fluctuate. We have lots of bugs going around.

Praise God for:

- A great Parade of Lights and debut for the HCA Grace Notes.
- The freedom to go to a Christian school.
- God sending his Son to save us from sin.