



Thursday, Dec. 16, 2010

Fri., Dec. 17

- K-2 Christmas Service at Peace Lutheran Church; 6:30PM

Tue., Dec. 21

- 3-8 Christmas Service at Trinity Lutheran Church; 7:00PM

Fri., Dec. 24

- First Day of Christmas Break
- Christmas Eve

Sat., Dec. 25

- Christmas Day

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The Wildcat's Roar

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Tools of the Trade

(Part 1)

"Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4b

Life on the summer range is typically one of solitude for the shepherd. Often, the shepherd will be alone for weeks; he seldom sees other people. The shepherd, however, doesn't have time to be lonely or feel bored. The meadows which appear peaceful can often hold dangerous surprises.

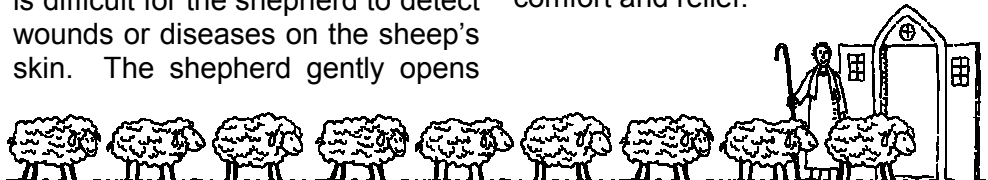
In order to protect and care for his sheep, the shepherd carries a hard, heavy club with a thick knob on one end called a "rod". The shepherd is a skilled expert with the rod. He can throw the rod with deadly accuracy, use it to drive away wild animals, or even kill a snake.

The same rod is also used to gently groom the thickly woolen sheep. When the wool grows too dense, it is difficult for the shepherd to detect wounds or diseases on the sheep's skin. The shepherd gently opens

the fleece of the sheep and checks to make sure that it is healthy. If the sheep need a heeling touch, the shepherd is ready to help. This process is called, "passing under the rod."

Our Good Shepherd's Word serves as His rod. In times of trouble it serves as a powerful weapon that defends us in times of difficulty. Revisit Matthew 4:1-11 to see just how effectively Christ used God's Word to overcome Satan in the desert.

God's Word touches us deeply. It reveals the disease of sin to the Shepherd; even when we have so effectively kept it covered and hidden from others. Like sheep, there is nothing we can do to heal ourselves. The very Word that reveals our sinful infection also serves as healing balm. It is only through the healing touch of the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, that we find comfort and relief.



Merry Christmas!

During this most joyous time of year, the faculty and staff of Faribault Lutheran School wish you God's richest blessings.

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. Eph 2:8-10 (ESV)

Warm Wishes For Miss Nelson

As soon as she found out that Miss Nelson would be undergoing surgery, Mary Peterson knew that she wanted to do something special that would involve all of the students from FLS. She decided a quilt would be the perfect project. Each classroom was given a quilt square to personalize and sign, then the squares were assembled by Mary's mother.



Mrs. Kitzman, Matt and Danielle Peterson display the caring quilt for Miss Nelson after chapel on Wednesday.

Basketball Shooting Practice

The FLS gym at Trinity will be open and supervised for shooting practice for basketball players only on the following dates:



Monday, December 29 - 10:30am-12:00pm
Sunday, January 2 - 1:00pm-2:30pm
Sunday, January 9 - 1:00pm-2:30pm
Sunday, January 23 - 1:00pm-2:30pm
Sunday, February 6 - 1:00pm-2:30pm
Sunday, February 13 - 1:00pm-2:30pm



Please remember that these time is set for shooting practice for FLS boys and girls basketball players.

Paradise Center Activities

Through the fantastic efforts of the Theater and Arts Committee of the Parent-Teacher League, every student at FLS will get an opportunity to be a part of activities at the Paradise Center for the Arts on January 4th or 5th of 2011.

On Tuesday, January 4th, Kindergarten through grade three will be making clay ornaments. On January 5th, grades four through eight will be making clay figures. Both projects will be nativity scenes modeled after the current show at the Paradise Center showroom. Classes will be lead by artists from the center and assisted by teachers and parent volunteers.

The costs for these days will be covered by both the Parent Teacher League and your registration fees so no money needs to be sent in at this time. Children in the lower grades will be bused to the center, and the upper grades are planning on walking. Each day is scheduled from about 9:00 am until noon.

Because the projects require a lot of detail, we do need parent volunteers to make this successful. We can use approximately two extra parents per class, but the more adults to help, the better the projects turn out! Please let you child's teacher know before school is dismissed on December 23rd if you are able to help.

We sincerely thank the committee and the Paradise Center for the Arts for this fantastic opportunity. If all goes well, we are planning with the center to make this a yearly activity.



Students from the FLS Safety Patrol are installed. The FLS Safety Patrol aids in the protection of FLS Students as well as other members of the Faribault community.