

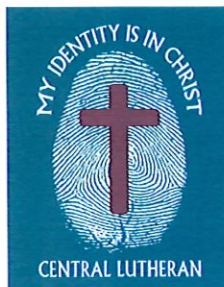


THE CORRESPONDENT May 1st, 2025

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE:

Spring Testing Week	4/28-5/2
PTL Plant Sales	5/2-5/4
IDE Track Meet at Trinity Davenport	5/3
Early Dismiss	5/7
Spring Concert 6:30-be in rooms by 6:15	5/8
Early Dismiss	5/14
PTL Meeting	5/15

ESAs for 2025-26 School Year - The application period for Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) for next school year will be open from April 16th - June 30th, 2025. All accredited private school students will be eligible for an ESA, regardless of income, but all families will need to fill out the application. All CLS families will need to fill out the application. Window is open:
<https://iowa-households.withodyssey.com/login/>



Central Lutheran School Flower/Plant Sale

Friday May 2nd - May 4th

Central Lutheran School
310 3rd Street, Newhall
Friday, May 2nd 1:00-6:00 pm

Saturday, May 3rd 9-Noon

Sunday, May 4th 1:00-3:00 pm



MY IDENTITY IS IN CHRIST (2 Corinthians 5:17)

Mission Statement:

Central Lutheran provides students with a quality education built on a firm Christian foundation, so that they grow in the knowledge of Jesus as their Savior and become loving servants to others.

Principal

Franklin O. Parris
principal@centrallutheranschool.org

310 3rd St W
Newhall, Ia 52315
(319) 223-5271

Come and check out the wide variety of flowers, plants, and vegetables. Cash Or Check only. Mrs. Fry is in need of cardboard flats that can used to take plants and flowers home. If you have access to cardboard flats/boxes and would be willing to collect them for her, that would be awesome. It takes a LOT of cardboard boxes/flats to move out all of the plants and flowers we sell each year. If you are collecting flats for us, you can drop them off any time at the school any time and she will find a "home" for them.

The Seventh graders are going to team up with St. John, Newhall, to make a delivery to the Orphan Grain Train facility in Clemons, IA. Our trip will take place on Tuesday, May 13th.

We will be taking donated items that come in between now and May 12th. Attached is a flyer listing the kinds of items they distribute worldwide. What a great time to go through closets and drawers, boxes of Goodwill items, etc. Bring your donations to CLS between now and May 12th. Thank you from all the people who will benefit from your kindness!! Please call Mr. Runge if you have any questions.

GRADUATION IS COMING AND SCRIP IS READY!

Graduation season is almost upon us. We have stocked up on those \$10 gift cards and can order VISA cards in the \$25 increments. If you need groceries from Walmart, Target or Fareway, WE HAVE THOSE. If you need gas from Caseys or Kwik Star, WE HAVE THOSE!!! If you are going out to eat at BWB, Olive Garden, Cheddars, Applebees, Wendys, Burger King, Subway sound good, WE HAVE THOSE and so many, many more! Stop in the office, fill out a CAIP form so that %ages of the cards you purchase can be applied towards your lunch account 3 times a year. The lunch account credit is new so if you are interested in this, please request a CAIP form to have yours changed from tuition to lunch.

SAVE THE DATE- Spring Concert is Thursday, May 8th at 6:30- Doors will open at 6- students should be in classrooms by 6:15.

Central Lutheran School PTL Officer Elections

The Central Lutheran School PTL is currently seeking candidates for the following positions:

- **President:** One-year term.
- **Vice President:** This is a two-year term. The first year is served as Vice President, and the second year as President.
- **Treasurer:** This is a two-year term. Our current Treasurer is willing to run again but new candidates are welcome!

Elections will be held at the PTL meeting on **May 15th**. If you are interested in getting your name on the ballot or want more information, please email **Abbie Rathje** at sandarathje@gmail.com. We encourage you to consider serving and helping support our school community!

Vacation Bible School is coming at St. John Newhall Monday, June 9th – 13th from 9 am to noon. Flyers went home this week for you to get the students registered. Come join us for an EPIC AUSTRALIAN ADVENTURE



National Day of Prayer Chapell was led by our Student Council students today!



Hey, we know this girl! Thank you so much Luke Bryan, American Idol and Make-A-Wish America for making this dream come true! 2nd Grader Adira was granted her wish of meeting country western star Luke Bryan. She attended the showing of American Idol last night and then there was a feature today around 8:30 am on Good Morning America highlighting her visit!





4th Grade takes a trip to Des Moines to the Capitol Building and Living History Farms last week. Thank you to Tom Gerhold for the tour!



3rd Grade participates in Farm Ag Day at the Benton County Fairgrounds. Thank you to the Benton Extension office and the local FFA students for sharing their wisdom and talents on the animals and farm safety!





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**Motto: See Jesus, Seek Knowledge, Serve Joyfully
Frankly Speaking - From the CLS Principal's Desk**

May 1, 2025

Hello CLS Families!

ESA information - THANK YOU to the 115 students who have applied for the Education Savings Account (ESA). We still have over 40 students who need to apply. If you have any questions or need any help in applying, please stop by the office or give me a call.

Enrollment for 2025-2026 - We thank and praise the Lord for our enrollment for next school year. Currently we have 193 students in 3year old PS-8th grade. Many students daily hear about Jesus and His love for them! We still have empty seats though and that means children are not hearing about Jesus. Please spread the word and encourage friends and neighbors to contact me.

Upcoming school activities - As we finish out the school year, we have some upcoming events for you and your family to be a part of:

Friday, May 2-Sunday, May 4 - PTL PLANT SALE! Please sign up to help with this very important fundraiser for our school. Then spread the word for family, friends, and neighbors to purchase plants for their homes, gardens, or friends!

May 5-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week! What can you and your child do to show appreciation for our CLS teachers? Snacks, flowers, plants, munchies, thank you card, or just a friendly reminder of appreciation will do! Our CLS teachers work extremely hard for the ministry at CLS - let's shower them with appreciation!

Thursday, May 8 - 6:30PM CLS Spring Concert! Doors will open at 6pm, students should be in their rooms by 6:15. After the concert, we will be recognizing the ministry of Mrs. Melanie Maddick! As she will be retiring this year, we want to thank her for her nearly 40 years in the ministry of sharing God's word with children. This will take place in the student center.

Wednesday, May 14 - 8:30 am as part of chapel our CLS 8th graders will be presenting their WOW Chapel (Words of Wisdom). Come and hear what Biblical wisdom our seven 8th graders will share as they get ready to head off to high school!

Thursday, May 15 - 6:30pm in the student center - PTL Meeting

My Calendar - If you click on Planner on Fast Direct, you can click on my calendar. I will try to keep it updated daily. This way you can see what appointments I have in case you need to get a hold of me. You can also see what is coming up at school with our activities.

If there is anything I can do to help with your child's Christian education here, please give me a call (319) 223-5271 or email (principal@centrallutheranschool.org). <https://calendly.com/principal-134/60min>

My Identity Is In Christ!
Philippians 1:3-6,
Principal Franklin O. Parris

Sunday Worship Schedule

St. Stephen's Lutheran Atkins Worship 9:00 am Sunday School 10:15 am	St. John Lutheran Church Newhall Worship 8am, 10:30 am Sunday School 9:15 am	St. Andrew's Lutheran Church Van Horne Worship 10:00 am Sunday School 8:45 am
St. Mark's Lutheran Church Garrison Worship Sat 6pm, Sun 8am Sunday School 9am	Trinity Lutheran Church Vinton Worship Wed 6:30pm, Sun 9am Sunday School 10:15am	Zion Lutheran Church Shellsburg Worship 10am Sunday School 8:45am
Grace Lutheran Church Blairtown Worship 10am Sunday School 9am	First Lutheran Church Belle Plaine Worship Sat 6pm, Sun 10:15am Sunday School 9am	St. John Lutheran Church Keystone Worship Sun 9:00 am St. Paul's Lutheran Church Luzerne Worship 8:30 Sunday

• SUPPORT CLS

Turn in all Hy-Vee
receipts – CLS earns
0.5% of the total.
\$1100 was raised this
year!!

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,
the new creation has come.
The old has gone, the new is here!”

2 Corinthians 5:15



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Chapel News:

4th Quarter Offering: AVERYday Ministries-
Haiti Women's Shelter

Next chapel leader: Pastor Schultz

Hymn: Lord of the Dance AGPS 170

Box tops earned CLS
over \$100 last year!
Thank you to all who
contributed online to
the contest!!



Central Lutheran School Flower/Plant Sale

Friday, May 2 (1:00 pm - 6:00 pm)

— Saturday, May 3 (9:00 am - 12:00 pm) —

Sunday, May 4 (1:00 pm - 3:00 pm)

Central Lutheran School Gym 310 3rd Street West, Newhall

Come and check out the wide variety of flowers, plants, and vegetables. (cash/check only)

See Jesus
Seek Knowledge
Serve joyfully

Central Lutheran School's COUGAR IR CAFE

Where we feed your body & JESUS feeds your soul



Celebrating our 8th Graders with their favorites before they graduate !

Cold Ham & Cheese on WG Bun	28 Pulled Pork on WG Bun Onion, Pickle Baked Beans Cucumbers Strawberries	29 Walking Taco Tomato, Onion, Cheese Salsa & Sour Cream Romaine / Banana Churro	1:00 Dismissal 30 Chicken Parmesan Marinara Sauce Buttered Noodles Cooked Cauliflower Pears	1 **Chicken Nuggets Potato Wedges Celery **Cantaloupe Scotcheroo	2 Stuffed Crust Pizza Green Beans Red Peppers Oranges
P.B. & J	5 Sophie's Fav's Bosco Sticks Broccoli {Cheese Sauce} Cucumbers Polar Grapes / Apples	6 Brooklyn's Fav's Chicken & Cheese Crispito Baby Carrots Cucumbers Strawberries	7 1:00 Dismissal Scalloped Potatoes & Ham Bread & Butter Mixed Vegetables Peaches Cottage Cheese	8 French Toast Sausage Patty Hash Brown Patty Dragon Punch Mandarin Oranges	9 Frank's Fav's Cheeseburger Mac Garlic Knot Corn / Celery Mixed Berries
Turkey slices, Cheese slices, & Crackers	12 Chicken Nuggets Ramen Noodles Peas Radishes Fruit Cocktail	13 Camden's Fav's Pork Patty on WG Bun Broccoli {Cheese Sauce} Cucumbers Strawberries / Mango Wango	14 1:00 Dismissal Quesadillas Salsa, Sour Cream Black Beans Romaine Watermelon	15 Aiden's Fav's Orange Chicken & Rice Corn Baby Carrots Pears	16 Fish Sticks Bread & Butter Green Beans Cooked Carrots Blueberries
P.B. & J	19 Dean's Fav's Chicken & Cheese Crispito Spanish Rice Baby Carrots Celery Polar Grapes	20 COOK'S choice	21 1:00 Dismissal Kole's Fav's Original COUGAR CRUNCH Romaine / Cucumbers Strawberries Cheese Stick	22 COOK'S choice	*Last Day of School * 23 Hamburgers / Hot Dogs Veggies Fruit Cup Ice Cream Bar Closing Ceremony ~ St. John's @ 12

All meals served with choice of Skim, 1%, or Skim Chocolate milk.

This institution is an equal opportunity employer.

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**7th Grade is taking another
load of donations.**

-TUESDAY, May 13-

**Bring your donations of gently used or
new items to CLS between now and
May 12.**

List of accepted items below.

Cash donations to pay for shipping

Infants' supplies

- Cloth and Disposable Diapers • Layettes • Stuffed toys

Medical Equipment and Supplies

- Bed and bath linens • Sheets • Disposable gowns and gloves • Hospital beds (hand-crank with vinyl mattresses) • Prosthetic limbs • Walkers, wheel chairs, crutches, canes • Stethoscopes, blood pressure cuffs & otoscopes •

Hygiene Supplies

- Sanitary products for women • Toothbrushes • Diapers-all sizes • Towels and washcloths • Bar soap • Combs

School Supplies

- Back-packs • New coloring books, crayons etc. • New ballpoint pens and pencils • Writing paper and notebooks • Sports equipment such as soccer balls, bats, baseballs, ball gloves and uniforms

Clothing (gently used or new)

- Infant, children's, women's and men's clothes • Shoes clean and wearable • Underwear (NEW only)—all ages and sizes • Socks (good used or new)

Quilts, comforters, blankets, towels, washcloths • All sizes are needed

- We ship quilts, blankets & comforters year-round

Miscellaneous Items

- Bicycles • Sports Equipment (soccer balls, basketballs, baseball equipment, shoes, goals, etc.)

Thank you for sharing your blessings!

2024-25 YEARBOOK

Please fill out this order form to reserve your
copy of the 2024-25 CLS Yearbook

\$25.00/Yearbook and must be pre-paid

NAME _____

Quantity _____ X \$25= _____

Must prepay- checks made payable to CLS

Total amount enclosed

Order Forms Due to Office Thursday, May 22nd.
Yearbooks will be available for pick up in
August.



Vacation Bible School 2025

EPIC Australian Adventure

An Unforgettable Journey with Jesus

- Student Registration -

Registration Form can be mailed in, turned into the church office, or can also be done electronically at www.stjohnofnewhall.org

Please bring a white cotton t-shirt for our Tie Dye Day on Monday (no later than Tuesday)

Date: Monday, June 9th- Friday, June 13th

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.

Where: St. John Lutheran Church, 310 2nd St. E, Newhall

Classes: 3 yr old (as of September 15, 2024) through those just completing 6th grade

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Street Address and City: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Students To Register

Name

Age/DOB

**Grade Just
Finished**

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Family Doctor: _____ **Phone:** _____

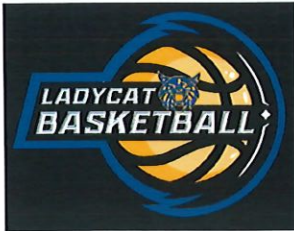
Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone:** _____

Does your Child have any allergies or other medical conditions that we need to know about?

The undersigned hereby gives permission for the student(s) registered above to attend St. John Lutheran Church – Vacation Bible School and with this signed agreement, absolves the staff of St. John Lutheran Church, the Vacation Bible School volunteers and any and all members of it's governing boards of any responsibility for the safety, welfare, health, and well-being of the child(ren) named above, beyond such matters as may be called reasonable care for child(ren) in the custody of the staff and volunteers and subject to the staff and volunteer's clear instructions, and assumes personally and exclusively all responsibility and liability for any accident, injury, etc., which may occur to the child(ren) named above during the time of the specific activity as set forth at the beginning of the paragraph.

Contact Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

_____ Check here if you would like to be contacted about serving during the week at VBS



BENTON GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP

June 9th-12th

Youth Camp:	Grades 2-4	12:00-1:30 pm
Intermediate Camp:	Grades 5-8	1:30-3:00 pm

*****Grade is the grade entering next fall*****

LOCATION: Benton Community High School Gymnasium

COST: \$40 (Make Checks Payable to Benton Girls Basketball)

CAMP FEATURES: Benton Girls Basketball T-Shirt, Basketball Fundamentals, Daily Competition

THINGS TO BRING: Shorts/T-shirt, Basketball Shoes, Water Bottle

COACHES: Jeff Zittergruen
Jeremy Suiter, McKenzie Banasik

*****Registration is due Friday, April 25th*****

The primary purpose of this camp is to help each camper to improve her overall basketball fundamentals with an emphasis on shooting, ball handling, passing, and defensive fundamentals. Camp coaches and high school counselors will also work with the girls on promoting teamwork, communication on the court, and building self-confidence. Various individual competitions will be held throughout the camp along with organized games on a daily basis where the campers can put their new learning to good use.

Twitter: @LadyCatsBasket1 **Facebook:** @BCLadyCatsBasketball **Instagram:** bcladycatsbball

Any questions, please feel free to contact Coach Zittergruen at jzittergruen@benton.k12.ia.us

Student Name: _____ Grade in the Fall of 2025: _____

Shirt Size: YouthS YouthM YouthL S M L XL

Parent/Guardian Names: _____ Parent Contact Phone Number: _____

Parent Email: _____

Please mail registration/payment to:

Benton Girls Basketball
c/o Jeff Zittergruen
600 1st St
Van Horne, IA 52346



VOLLEYBALL CAMP

AUGUST 4-6TH

**BENTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
VAN HORNE, IA**

AUG 4-6TH GRADES:

9-12TH 12:00-2:00PM

6-8TH 2:30-4:30PM

3-5TH 5:00-6:30PM



ONLINE REGISTRATION
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/2PS99XWS](https://tinyurl.com/2PS99XWS)

**REGISTER BEFORE JULY 15
TO GUARANTEE A SHIRT.**



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BENTON **GIRLS** **WRESTLING** **2025 SUMMER CAMP**

FEATURING CLINICIANS: Cheyenne Mulford, Cornell College

Liz Ortiz, Wartburg College

Location: Benton High School Wrestling Room

Dates: July 9, 10, 11 Time: 5:00-7:00 PM

All Girls Grades Entering 1st-12th Welcome

****To register, [click here](#) or use the QR code at the bottom****

Register before Wednesday, May 21st to secure your door prize.

\$50 Per Wrestler (Door Prize Included)

Checks payable to Benton Girls
Wrestling

Send checks to:

Benton Girls Wrestling
c/o Josh Hoeck
600 1st St.
Van Horne, IA 52346

Payment is due on or before the first
day of camp.

**GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO TRY
WRESTLING FOR THE FIRST
TIME!!**

Questions? Contact Coach Hoeck –
jhoeck@benton.k12.ia.us

