

Friday, June 5, 2020

Dear Parents,

As the school year comes to a close, our minds and hearts are filled to the brim. It's been a great year! Together we've learned much and shared experiences that will long remain with us in the years to come. The strength of our community and wholehearted passion to make our school a wonderful place of learning, for our students primarily, also makes Grace Lutheran School truly a special place.

Special thanks to our parents who have contributed in ways small, large, and unimaginable! Thanks for getting your children to school on time each day and helping them in the learning process; the partnership between home and school is very important.

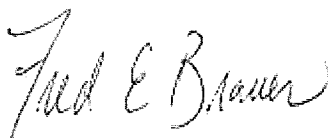
I would like to thank our hard working and caring staff members who have made a huge difference to our students. Their commitment was outstanding, and our children are the beneficiaries. Thank you for providing rich and engaging, well-rounded experiences for them and knowing that education is about joy, wonder and fostering curiosity, along with the development of social skills so needed to succeed. For these, and a million other things, we are truly grateful.

In closing, I take this opportunity to congratulate all the students of Grace Lutheran School! I wish you all a very happy, safe and enjoyable summer. Please be sure to take time as a family to talk, play and pray together.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

God's Blessings!

Mr. Brauer

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fred E. Brauer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Mr. Brauer".

PARENT INFORMATION NOTE

GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL
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2825 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo, CA 94403
www.glcssm.org
June 4, 2020

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No. 33



2020 Grace Lutheran School Virtual Graduation Ceremony

Friday, June 5th ~ 12:00 p.m.

Your graduation program provides you with the ceremony timeline. Please send this and the link to any of your family and friends that you would like to share this on-line event with.

The program will begin at noon, so you need to be logged in and waiting to be admitted 15 minutes early, to minimize disruption coming in after the video graduation ceremony begins. The program is attached.

Please cut and paste this link to view your 2020 graduation ceremony.

<https://youtu.be/qNhZ0zVw3ac>

We would like to thank:

- **Fred** for being the life force of this school and for stepping up every time there was a new issue. He would just “figure it out and make it work”!
- **Andrew Mancini** for producing the 2020 GLS online graduation. This amazing video for our students, their families, and GLS shows we can achieve great things if we all work together.
- **Our teachers (Mr. Brauer, Mr. Simmons, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Kumar)** for stretching their capabilities as they switched gears mid-year, moved to distance learning, and continued to educate their GLS students Monday through Friday. This grounded the students and gave their lives a sense of normality during this unprecedented time.

- Our Latin teacher, **Mr. Trevor Robinson**, whose inspired all, not only teaching Latin, .
- **Ms. Afsaneh Marandi** and our school pianist, **Mrs. Miriam Hitzeman**, for bringing music into our students' lives.
- **Pastor Noland** for grounding our students in faith.
- **Judy Boyd and Karla Noland** for placing a motherly touch on after-school care.
- **The staff**, for going above and beyond, coming into the office or logging on from home, to complete everything that was needed to support the school.
- **The parents**, for becoming our online home teaching assistants.
- **You for being an integral member of the GLS family.**

School Rooms Open: Mon (8th) – Wed (10th) 9 am – 12 pm

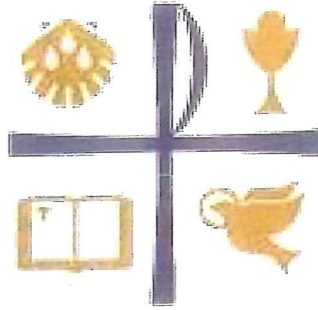
Pick-up: 8th Graders: Your diplomas, memory books and awards
All other grades: Your awards ~ which will be on your desks
Any personal items left at the school or on school premises

Return: Curriculum, library books, and computers

Achievement Testing

A new pin will be sent to all the parents next week with the updates on testing dates and system requirements.

MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU ALL AS WE BEGIN A NEW CHAPTER IN OUR LIVES!



GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL

CLOSING MATINS SERVICE

and

GRADUATION

Grace Lutheran Church & School
2825 Alameda de las Pulgas
San Mateo, CA 94403

Church: (650) 345-9068

School: (650) 345-9082

A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

**The Reverend Dr.
Martin R. Noland
Senior Pastor**

**Fred E. Brauer
Principal**

**The Reverend
Frank J. Balgeman
Assistant Pastor**

June 5, A † D 2020



Matins

Opening Hymn: LSB 379, “O Come All Ye Faithful”
Performed by King’s College Choir, Cambridge, England
(Please sing along with the video.)

SERVICE OF MATINS

LSB, pages 219 – 221

(Please sing the congregation parts with the video.)

Additional Psalm: Psalm 46
(Please read along with the video.)

READINGS

Isaiah 63:7-14
1 Thessalonians 4:1-18
John 14:1-7

Homily: “I Want to Be with Jesus” John 14:1-7

PRAYER

The Lord’s Prayer
(Read along with the video.)

**Presentation of the Eighth Grade Graduating Class
+ Awarding of Diplomas +**

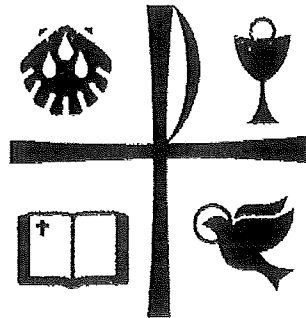
Postlude: “The Lord Bless You and Keep You,”
by Peter C. Lutkin
Performed by Westminster Choir College

2020 Graduating Class

John Elijah Averilla
Varsha Sri Jawadi
Ava Ariyana Rouzmehr
Beatriz Souza
Daivik Vennela
Kaelan Yim

2020 Valedictorian

Varsha Sri Jawadi
Ava Ariyana Rouzmehr



Class of 2020 Scripture Passage

“God will help her, she will not fall; God will help her at
break of day.” Psalm 46:5

Class of 2020 Hymn

“Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful” LSB #379

Faculty

Principal	Mr. Fred E. Brauer
Kindergarten	Mrs. Mani Kumar
Grades 1 & 2	Mrs. Julia Collins
Grades 3, 4 & 5	Mr. Clark Simmons
Grades 6, 7 & 8	Mr. Fred Brauer
Music	Ms. Afsaneh Marandi
Latin	Mr. Trevor Robinson
Pastor	The Reverend Dr. Martin Noland
Assistant Pastor	The Reverend Frank Balgeman

School Board

Director:	Mr. Kelly Archer
Members:	Mrs. Marilyn McKenna
	Mrs. Ellen Bordy
	Mrs. Trish Bailey
	Ms. Judy Boyd
	Mr. William Bethke

Pianist: Miriam Hitzeman