

# HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN SCHOOL – NEWS FOR YOU



“With God All Things Are Possible”



Monday, January 4, 2010

## A Guiding Star

*Philippians 2: 14-16*

*<sup>14</sup>Do everything without complaining or arguing, <sup>15</sup>so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe <sup>16</sup>as you hold out<sup>[a]</sup> the word of life—in order that I may boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor for nothing.*

Long ago God used a star to lead the Wise Men to the Christ Child. He still uses “stars” to lead people to Jesus. But the guiding “stars” He uses today are not shining heavenly bodies. They often are ordinary people, like parents, pastors, Sunday school teachers, and friends. Without such guiding stars in our life we might never have known our Savior or might have forgotten Him long ago.



The book *A Tale of Two Cities* tells how God used one man as a guiding star. His name was Sydney Carton. He had gone to visit a man who was in prison waiting to be executed. But Carton did more than just visit. He exchanged places with the man. So the real prisoner escaped, and Carton was let out to die in his place.

One of the other prisoners to be executed with him was a young woman. She recognized that Carton was not the man who had been sentenced to die with her. When she found out how Carton had traded places with his friend, she immediately thought of Jesus, who had traded places with all people. And in thinking about Jesus she lost her fear of dying.

The young lady said to Carton: “Except for you, I would not have been able to raise my thoughts to Him Who was put to death that we might have hope and comfort here today. I think you were sent to me by heaven.”

Wouldn’t it be wonderful if our words and deeds would lead someone to Jesus? Wouldn’t it be wonderful to hear someone say to us, “I think you were sent to me by heaven”? Well, we have been sent by heaven – to guide the people around us to Jesus. By our words and deeds at home, at school, and in the world we can be one of God’s modern-day guiding stars!

## JANUARY SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3  8:15 a.m. worship 10:30 a.m. worship	4 School resumes English, Reading, Literature displays  Girls BB practice	5  Boys BB practice	6 8:00 a.m. Chapel Missions South Korea  Girls BB practice	7  Boys BB practice	8  Basketball Away Oconomowoc, WI	9
10  8:15 a.m. worship 10:30 a.m. worship	11 Principals’ Conference St. Mark’s, Watertown  Girls BB practice	12  Boys BB practice	13 8:00 a.m. Chapel Missions South Korea  Girls BB practice	14  School Board (Ibeling) Boys BB practice	15  Basketball Home St. John’s, Jefferson	16