



St. Luke's Lutheran Church & School

Oakfield, WI

School Committee - Mission

Why do We Maintain a Christian Day School?

God, in the book of Deuteronomy, tells us, "These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children."

Solomon, through inspiration of the Holy Spirit, admonishes parents with these words, "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it."

Christ, in the New Testament, tells His followers, "Feed my lambs;" and the Apostle Paul says, "Bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

From the above passages it becomes apparent that we have a definite responsibility, as parents, to God to do all within our power to see that God's children, of whom we are merely caretakers, receive the fullest measure of training possible in the Word of God.

The training of God's children rests upon the parents, and the Christian congregation. The congregation has established and maintains a Christian day school in carrying out its responsibility. The school is also set up to aid the parents in any way possible to carry out their personal obligation in the Christian training of these children. However, the school is not a substitute for the parents. Your example in Christian living, including devotions and church attendance, will greatly influence the lives of your children in relation to their Lord.

What is the Aim of Christian Education?

Every teacher must have a philosophy of life and education in which he believes and by which he will attempt to guide his own life and the lives of his pupils.

There are two basic philosophies which man can accept. He has either a world-centered philosophy or a Christ-centered philosophy.

The world-centered educator will strive toward developing the idea that man, through his ingenuity and resourcefulness, must attempt to improve the world in which he lives. The ultimate result is a form of salvation through morality and good works.

The Christ-centered educator will strive toward developing the idea in the child that man, from Adam, is a condemned sinner, and that the only hope in the face of this basic truth is to trust solely upon Christ, his eternal Savior, for salvation. His faithful acceptance of this salvation by grace through the power of the Holy Spirit will instill in his heart a deep love for his Redeemer, and as a result, a Christian love for his fellowman.

What Are the Purposes of Christian Education?

The purposes of Christian education are:

- To bring the children to the knowledge of Jesus as their personal savior;
- To give all children a thorough instruction in God's Word;
- To develop competent citizens through a sound academic program based on Holy Scriptures;
- To develop God-pleasing habits and values in the child;
- To strengthen the church through a well-indoctrinated membership.

Standing Subcommittees:

Lutheran High School Sub Committee: The School Committee Chairman at shall appoint voting members to serve as the congregation's representatives on the governing board of a Lutheran high school association in the number designated by the association. The term shall be established at the time of appointment. The voters' assembly shall ratify each appointment at the annual meeting in January. In the event of a vacancy, the chairmen may appoint a voting member, with council's approval, to the position, having the voter's ratify at their next meeting.

P.A.C.K.: Parents' Association for Christian Kids.

- To promote a closer relationship between the home and school.
- To encourage parent/teacher cooperation and communication in the Christ-centered education of the students of St. Luke's Lutheran School.
- To ensure the welfare of the children and young adults in the church, home and community.