



# MIGHTY ANGEL MINUTES

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Second Week of March, 2012

### Did you know?

The educational outreach ministry of St. Michael Lutheran Church is home not only to our K-8 school, our preschool and our childcare center – but also to a before and after school program designed with the specific needs of school age students in mind. Hosted right on site, CFK’s Before/After school program can make drop off and pick up easier for busy families. Students may be dropped off as early as 6:30 am and picked up as late as 6:00 pm in the evening. We can even accommodate your afterschool activities - we have students who we pick up or take to scouts, ski-club, and even confirmation.

As with our Early Childhood Programs, Christ for Kids is dedicated to offering much more than simply “supervised care” to our before and after school students!

Afternoons begin with outdoor time to help burn off some of the energy from the school day followed by a healthy snack and homework time supervised by a certified teacher. Often students in the same grade will work together quizzing one another for an upcoming test. When homework is finished, students play games, read books or simply chat with friends as they unwind from their day.

In addition to before and after school – CFK has school age programming on most of the days school is closed and during the summer months. We maintain a ratio of 1 teacher for every 15-18 students.

This programming is designed not to mimic school – but to provide hands on, activity based learning opportunities that will enhance and reinforce what is learned in school.

If your family needs before or after school help on an ongoing or drop in basis, we invite you to utilize our program. Parents are always welcome to visit or ask questions about our program.

God’s Blessings,  
AnnMarie Miller,  
CFK Director

### Important Dates

3/5 - 3/9	Lutheran School Week 3/9 Family or Friends Friday
3/11	Open House 2-4pm
3/17	Spring Mom to Mom Sale 9am-1pm
3/27	Barn Yard Express 10am & 1pm
3/28	Yearbook orders due
<b>3/29 &amp; 3/30</b>	<b>No Portage Buses</b>
4/2 - 4-6	Spring Break No School or EC Childcare is Open
4/6	Good Friday Childcare is Closed
4/9	Easter Monday No School or EC Childcare is Open
4/23 & 4/24	K-8 <sup>th</sup> Evening Conferences
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	2012-13 Scholarship applications deadline
June 25-29	SMLC VBS

## 2012-13 Registration

Please submit the registration form, registration fee, excel in giving form, copy of birth certificate (K-8), health appraisal (kindergartners need section II completed, vision and hearing, by a physician), updated immunizations and childcare needs. The registration fee is \$150 per child or \$275 for families with 2 or more children. Please contact the school with any questions.

**Just a reminder, scholarship applications** for the 2012/2013 school year are now available in the school office. St. Michael uses Private School Aid Service (PSAS) to help us determine family eligibility and the amount of each award. There is a \$24 fee when sending in the confidential application. This year the Board of Early Childhood Ministries passed a resolution strictly enforcing the June 1, 2012 deadline. Only new families who sign up after June 1, 2012 or those current families whose financial situation has changed after June 1, 2012 will be able to apply for scholarship after that designated date. With that in mind, if you are planning to apply for scholarship for next year please get your application soon!



### NO BUSES

Thursday, March 29th and Friday, March 30th.



**Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour this Sunday, March 11, Daylight Savings Time!**

## Looking for a way to earn your tuition

**credit vouchers?** The Mom-to-Mom Sale can use your help - Volunteer signup sheet is on the PTL board. There are opportunities for Friday March 16 and Saturday March 17 - please sign up today. Please call Mrs. Pangburn at 544-0275 for more information.

**Needed:** The SMLS office is in need of a new or gently used smaller size refrigerator for our staff lounge. The refrigerator is used for storing first aid supplies and staff needs. All monies donated are tax detectable! If you have any questions please stop in the school office.

### Trip Drop Off and Pick Up

Drop Off On Friday  
By 12 NOON

Pick Up on Fridays  
8:00-3:15pm

03/09.....03/16

03/23.....03/30

No Trip During Spring Break

04/13.....04/20



"Showing at St. Michael Lutheran Church"  
7211 Oakland Dr., Portage  
On March 23 (Friday) at 6:30pm  
Free tickets available - in church & school office!

Childcare Available  
(Freewill Donation)

\*By pre-registration only\*

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*2011/12 Theme Verse: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23*