

February Panther Press

The apostle Paul wrote in his first letter to the Thessalonians to “be thankful in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” (1Thess.5:18) Depending on the circumstances, that can be a real challenge. Be thankful for failing grade? A marriage/relationship that has dissolved? A wayward child? Cancer? Death?

None of those circumstances put us immediately in the “thankful” mood, but we can and should be thankful that during those circumstances, God is always present. So it begs the question that if God is present, why doesn’t He fix it?

More than likely, the answer is so that we receive an even bigger blessing, although it is difficult to understand this side of Heaven. There have been many circumstances that have been anything but pleasant, yet looking back, God was indeed present in every difficult situation and brought about good in some way...even though it meant suffering the loss of a dream, a marriage, health, or someone very special. The blessing is the hard lesson of trusting and relying on Him more even when we don’t understand the “why”.

Our school’s theme verse (Joshua 1:9) was selected over 20 years ago as a reminder of the assurance we have in the faithful presence our loving Savior, Jesus. As we celebrate Lutheran Schools Week starting Feb. 23, please join me in thanksgiving for all the good circumstances and all the bad circumstances in which He has been present. May we all be STRONG and COURAGEOUS. May we NOT BE AFRAID. May we NOT BE DISCOURAGED. For the Lord our God is with us wherever we go.

With a thankful heart,

Amelia Fortmeyer



February Activities

5—3rd Quarter Progress Reports go home

12—Kids Heart Challenge Kick-off

13— Class Valentine Parties

14—NO SCHOOL, PD day

17—NO SCHOOL, President’s Day

20—Mathletics 4:30

23—Lutheran Schools Week Begins, Grades 3-6
sing at the late church (please arrive at 10:15),
All school skate t B&J Skate Center 4-6pm

24—Character Day, Red Cross to visit with
grades 3-5

25—PJ Day, Education Night 5:30-6:30pm

26—Monochrome Day

27—Decade Day, Kids Heart Challenge begins in
PE

28—Spirit Day, Carnival 5-8pm, Prayer partners
in the Music room at 8:30am

