

Middle School Update

October 21, 2007

Eph 6:17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.



The greatest weapon against evil is knowledge of scripture

Ahoy mates! As befitting the beginning of our Pirate voyage, we began forging our weapons today, introducing the notion that the greatest weapon against evil is knowledge of scripture. Some paper maché cutlasses have secret Godly verses built-in, others may have them “engraved” later. We’ll continue working on our cutlasses next week (and possibly alternate activities), so if you missed the boat today, you can catch us in port next Sunday.

Some middle schoolers asked about a pirate overnight. If we can find a date between now and

Christmas that works for most families, and the Church calendar, we can make it happen. I’ve been working on a kid-friendly sea biscuit recipe (though some doubt!) so we can stock provisions. We’ll be looking at family calendars in the next two weeks, so please let me or your middle schooler know what dates *don’t* work. We’ll also check with

the church so we don’t frighten Family Promise guests, or interfere with others using the facility. It is a time the church building is heavily used.

There is no Middle School Youth Group this Thursday, as most schools have Parent-Teacher conferences.

No Middle School Youth Group this Thursday, Oct. 25

Fall Harvest Carnival Saturday, Oct. 27, 1:00 to 4:00.

Sunday School Fall Harvest Carnival

This coming Saturday, October 27, from 1:00 to 4:00 is the BYOP (Bring-Your-Own-Pumpkin) Sunday School Fall Harvest Carnival. People of all ages are welcome to this free activity. Middle schoolers will assist younger kids carving pumpkins (and carving a pumpkin yourself, if you’d like), as well as helping out with activities like face painting, icing and decorating cookies, bowling, and thrashing Samantha’s amazingly vibrant pumpkin-shaped piñata. Middle Schoolers may wear costumes that aren’t too scary or too revealing for younger kids (and their parents) to see. We’ll be downstairs in Eder Hall. Please come in the downstairs door on the south side of the church, as a wedding starts upstairs at 4:00.

2007 Madrigal News

Pirates of the Palmerianian

About 12:30 today was the first Madrigal rehearsal, a read-through of the play, Pirates of the Palmerianian. Quite a few middle schoolers are involved in the Madrigal this year:

Character:	Played by:	Character:	Played by:
Bambi	Eva	Lady Shunnary	Nicole
Cheerleader 1	Kymer	Cheerleader 2	Tessa
Cheerleader 3	Jasmin	Cheerleader 4	Molly
Noblewoman	Kiersten	Magi	Morgan
Angel	Samantha		

The next Madrigal rehearsal, Act 1, is Monday, October 29, 5:00 to 6:30 at the church. Even if your individual speaking part is in Act 2, grab a snack at home (and a bit of homework) and then *please come*. All youth cast members are involved in both acts, and Madrigal rehearsal is a great opportunity to get to know great people you otherwise wouldn’t bump into much. Cast members should attend all Madrigal rehearsals. Call me (746-7571) or Tiffany Horvath (376-7785) if you can’t come to a specific practice. You can pick up a Madrigal rehearsal calendar near the middle entrance, just outside the church secretary’s office so you’ll be fully informed.

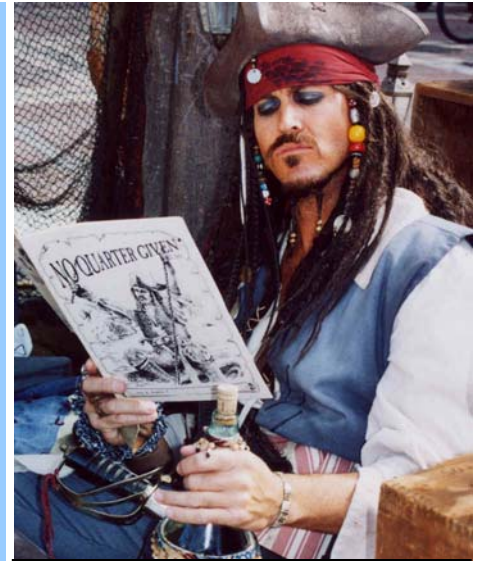


Pomeranian Pirate

Our dynamic director, Tiffany Horvath, is looking for people to baby sit her two adorable children, Anthony (3 years old) and Alicia (1 year old) during Madrigal rehearsals. If you are looking for baby sitting experience, this is the perfect opportunity. Tiffany's phone number is 376-7785.

Example Historical Articles of Piracy

- Everyone has a vote in affairs of moment, has equal title to fresh provisions, unless scarcity makes it necessary, for the good of all, to vote a retrenchment.
- Anyone caught stealing from the ship's coffers will be marooned on an island where they are sure to endure hardship.
- No person to game at cards or dice for money.
- Lights and candles are to be put out by 8 o'clock every night. Any of the crew inclined to stay up must go on deck by moonlight.
- Every member of the crew is to keep their piece, pistols, and cutlass clean and fit for service.
- No striking one another on board.
- Musicians have Sunday off.



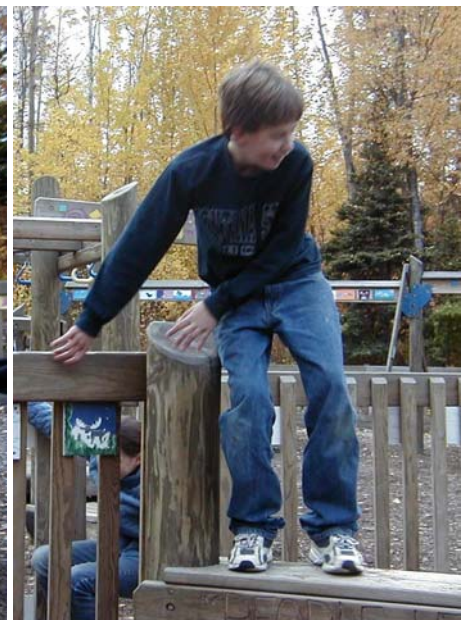
Pirates give no quarter.

Sunday School Mission

Please remember that though pirates give no quarter, our pennies, nickels, dimes and dollars given for Heidi, our Guatemalan friend, and for the current Sunday School mission, Sunday school curriculum for our partner church, Olgonik Church in Wainwright, make a difference in God's Kingdom. A collection can for Heidi is in the middle school room, the collection can for the Sunday School mission is near the double doors at the side of the sanctuary during the Sunday School gathering time.

Church Website

The pictures of the Narnian movie and party should be posted soon at the church website. Check out the other pictures and information at www.palmerlogchurch.org.



Sincerely,

-=Bonnie

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