

# Lustre Christian High School

# The Tumbleweed

## The New Dorm Parents Chapel by Mason Hilkemann

On November 7, 2024, Mr. Jones Cumpio, the new dorm dad, gave a chapel. Mr. Cumpio started by giving us some Bible verses that have changed his life: Colossians 1:9-10. He said these verses have always resonated with him and shaped his life as a Christian. He then began discussing prayer as it related to these verses. Has prayer been a part of our lives? Has it become a part of a routine, something you feel obligated to do? Mr.

one that we should not take for granted. God will always answer our prayers. We may not like the answer, but He will always give us one. There are a couple of things we must understand regarding prayers in the Bible. First, we have to understand the context of the prayer. Even if we are not specifically going through what the prayer recipients were, it is still good to under-



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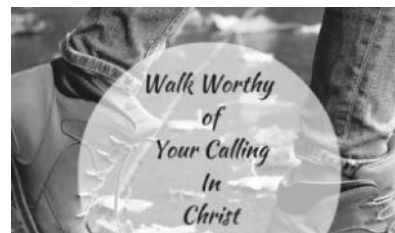
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Cumpio pointed out that we, as believers, have something that no one else has: the gateway to enter into the supernatural presence of the God of the universe. This is, in fact, a fantastic gift and

stand. Second, we need to understand the content of the prayer. Third, we need to understand the culmination of the prayer. In this specific section, Paul calls on the Church members in Colossae to "walk worthy," that is, live in such a way that other people can see Jesus in us. This also happens to be the theme of the year for LCHS. We thank Mr. Jones for such a great chapel and hope he will do another soon.



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## Pastor Frank Speaks at Chapel by Clay Reddig

Last Tuesday, November 12, 2024, Pastor Frank did one of his many chapels of the year. He is doing a series of chapels to prepare us seniors for next year when we go out and do our own thing. During this chapel, Pastor Frank explained how having knowledge and understanding of the Word is the most important thing we can have when going out in the real world. He said we not only need to make an effort ourselves to devote time to the Word for deeper understanding, but we need to also pray that God can help us to understand better and reveal what He wants for us. Pastor Frank then brought up Job's story. He related us to Job because



Job had to investigate why God let such things happen to him. Pastor Frank then also told us some of his own testimony and said that when he was becoming a follower of Christ, he had things to work through first so he could fully commit to the Lord. Pastor Frank then also said that during this process, we will most likely have many questions about ourselves and God. He reminded us of what he said about staying in the Word earlier in his chapel. He told us God's Scripture unpacks the Truth and all of the questions that we have. He asked us how we could still have questions when we actually searched for answers in Jesus. We are very grateful that Pastor Frank could lead us in another chapel and are excited for more to come.

## Pastor Mike Kauffold Speaks at Chapel by Byron Ewing

On Thursday, November 21, 2024, we had the opportunity to hear pastor Mike Kauffold speak to us in the chapel. Pastor Mike pastors a small Baptist church in Wolf Point, MT, but is no stranger to the Lustre area. He has been to Lustre several times before and has spoken in numerous different chapels at our school. Today, he wanted to talk to us on the subject of how our actions have consequences and can affect not only our lives but also many of the people around us. He told us about the story of a girl, "Sisi," and how she had lied to her father about going to sleep over at a friend's house when she was planning to go to a party that was going on later that night. Her dad, who felt like her story was suspicious, still allowed her to go anyway. Sisi, unfortunately, was shot and killed that night at the party that she had attended. He ex-



plained to us how not only was her life affected, but also her parents, friends, community, and the nation. None of their lives would be the same after this incident because of her own personal want and gain. He then recited to us the Scripture verse Proverbs 14:12, which reads: There is a way that appears to be correct, but in the end, it leads to death. He mentioned to us how people want the bodies of athletes but don't want the sweat that comes with it. People want to lose weight but don't want to go on the diet restrictions needed to accomplish it. He closed by telling us: "The decisions that we make today will not only affect our lives but also the people that we have around us." – Mike Kauffold. It was great getting to hear you speak pastor Mike, and we hope to have you sometime again in the future!

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### Missions Trip by Mason Hilkemann

On November 6, 2024, the Juniors and Seniors from Lustre Christian High School drove down to Billings to help out at Montana Bible College and Billings Christian School. The first night, they got settled in and woke up the following day with a lot of energy. They started out by moving some dryers and fridges out of the girls' dorm and cleaning up a large grassy area by the classroom buildings. Some of the students were also able to attend a college class about discipleship. After a short break for lunch, both groups started raking leaves and washing the chapel's windows on campus. That evening, the guys were invited to scrimmage against the boy's team from Billings Christian School. It was a very fun time for them, as they could fellowship with other

Christian guys while playing basketball. It was a long day of work, but the students enjoyed themselves and slept well that night. The next day was much of the same, except they went to the Rescue Mission downtown in the afternoon to organize their pantry and help them prepare for their big Thanksgiving meal. That night, the students were able to go to a college game at the MSUB college. The next morning, they loaded up to go home, but before they left, they went on another mission to help clean up a little bit. After a quick Chick-fil-A stop, they were on the road again. This was a great trip; the students learned a lot, and they hope to do it again soon.

### Say hello to the new Grade School's Principal! by Meredith Valentine

This last week, I had the opportunity to interview the new Grade School Principal, Mrs. Matthyser. Though she has worked here for the past three years teaching 7th and 8th-grade classes, she was promoted to the principal position just this last year. When she was little, she really wanted to be a flight attendant, and then she wanted to study law, which I believe she would be really good at (she can be scary sometimes), but I am glad that she decided to come to Lustre. She always thought that people who went back to school to teach were crazy, and she never saw herself doing so, but here she is. Although she misses her kids and seeing them more

often, she still really enjoys her new position. She had never expected to be offered the position she enjoys being in this position. With her two sons in school together, she definitely has her hands full with this new position. One thing that I can say is they love their kids. They decided to come to the U.S. because not only did they want a change in scenery, but they also wanted their kids to have a good education. Ultimately, they came to Lustre because that is where God called them to be, and honoring His plans and purpose for their lives is very important to them." When you see them around, make sure you reach out and say hello.



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## Getting to Know Mr. Malihan by Byron Ewing

During this past week, I interviewed one of the new teachers at the grade school, Mr. Malihan. Mr. Malihan is originally from the Philippines, and he heard about Lustre from one of the teachers at the grade school, his friend Mr. Prince. Mr. Malihan told me that his favorite thing about being in Lustre so far is the sense of the community. He spoke about how everyone is so nice and welcoming and how connected the people are to one another. He said that some of the things that he misses about being away from home are both his family and friends as well as the familiar places and routines that he was used to and familiar with. He noted how the little things always make him feel homesick. He told me that he enjoys Asian cuisine in general, especially Filipino dish-



es. In his spare time, Mr. Malihan enjoys reading, watching movies and TV series, and going for a walk; he stated that it's a great way for him to unwind and gather his thoughts. He informed me that one thing about Lustre that he isn't a huge fan of is the isolation that it brings. He said he misses having easy access to certain amenities/activities. He said his favorite part about teaching is seeing the students learn and grow. "Watching them grasp new concepts and develop confidence is incredibly rewarding." Surprisingly, he said that he is looking forward to winter, especially seeing the snow and the cozy winter atmosphere it brings. It was super fun getting to

know him more.

## Meet Mrs. Nell by Meredith Valentine

This year, we have the honor of having Mrs. Nell teaching Kindergarten through 2nd grade, who is originally from South Africa. I had a very pleasant time getting to know her as well as learning about the difference between the school system in Lustre and in South Africa. She initially heard about Lustre through Mr. and Mrs. Matt. She quickly realized that she wanted to get a better education for her two sons, one in 2nd grade and the other in 4th, and decided to come to Lustre. Another reason she chose Lustre was because it meant that she could freely express her faith. The biggest adjustment she had to make was that she went from living in a city-like area with lots of buildings to coming to "the middle of nowhere." She went from teaching classes of 40-50 stu-



dents to now teaching a class that has less than 20 students. As well as the class size, she also expressed that she decided to leave South Africa due to a law being passed called "Balla" which allows gender-neutral bathrooms to be used in schools, which has caused a big uprising, although she misses her family, she knew it was best for her kids to come to school in the US. We cannot forget that the biggest change for everyone is that there is no Walmart around here, so when she goes, she gets to have a mini road trip with her family. She stated that she enjoys the community and has yet to meet anyone who has been unkind. She also enjoys the very welcoming and lively community. Mrs. Nell and her family attend the MB church, so if you see them around, please introduce yourself to her and her lovely family.

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### New to High School by Rachel Pew

Kencia Brown has lived in Lustre for most of her life, and this year, she became a student at Lustre Christian High School. She has a twin brother, and her Birthday is July 28. Some of her hobbies include basketball, sewing, cleaning, reading, and traveling. She said her favorite part of basketball is setting up her teammates for good shots and rebounding. Besides basketball, she also does volleyball and track. Her favorite book is *So This is Love* by Elizabeth Lim. She has traveled to many places in her life, some of which are Roseville, California; Seattle, Washington; Tavares, Florida; and Haiti. She says that her favorite thing about the Lustre community is how the people are supportive, en-



couraging, and willing to help. This year, she is looking forward to basketball season and finishing freshman year. Her favorite subject is English because she likes writing, and her least favorite subject is art. Her favorite school lunch is cranberries and cheese sticks and her favorite baked good is rice pudding. Thus far, she has only tripped on the stairs one and a half times. Her favorite bible verse is 1 Corinthians 10:31, which says, "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." Next time you see her around, be sure to say hello and wish her good luck in the upcoming basketball season.

### Getting to Know Justice Byers by Katie Calderon

This week, I had the opportunity to interview Justice Byers, she is a freshman here at Lustre Christian High School. She has now been living in Lustre for almost four years. The first question I asked Justice was what she thinks of High School so far. "I much prefer high school over middle school. It's really Low-key and laid back, and in my opinion, high school is much easier." The second question I asked Justice was what her favorite class was. Justice explained that it would have been art if the high school offered an art class. She says, "I don't have a favorite class, but if I had to pick one, it would be Info-tech." She reasoned that Computer Tech is "super chill and enjoyable." I then asked Justice what



her goals for this year were. She responded with, "My goal is to get straight A's as well as to do well in upcoming sports such as basketball and track. I also asked Justice what she likes to do in her free time. "I like to draw if I'm bored or watch a movie to decompress," "Especially now that one of my dogs died. I love spending all my free time hanging out with my other dog." The closing question I asked was, which sports do you play, and how do you like them? Justice said "I play volleyball, basketball, and do track. "I enjoy the thrill of it, and I also love running! It was nice getting to know Justice more!

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**LUSTRE LION FANS**

**FOR  
HIRE!**



This year the LCHS Boys & Girls Basketball teams have the amazing opportunity to travel for opening tournaments! They will need to raise money to make this trip happen, so we are looking for big or small jobs that you need done. As always, a simple donation would also be greatly appreciated.

***PLEASE TEXT OR CALL:***

Coach Randy or Coach Lisa



# LCHS Honor Roll & Honorable Mention

*1st Quarter - 2024-2025*

## SENIORS:

### HONOR ROLL

Byron Ewing  
Jaden Gibson  
\* Mason Hilkemann  
\* Abby Olfert  
\* Rachel Pew

### HONORABLE MENTION

Clay Reddig

## JUNIORS:

### HONOR ROLL

Nathan Fast  
\* Diek Olfert  
\* Andy Ponce-Curl

### HONORABLE MENTION

Hannah Brown  
Johnslee Pierre

## SOPHOMORES:

### HONOR ROLL

John Choi  
\* Lauryn Holzrichter  
Hadden Olfert  
\* Cam Reddig

### HONORABLE MENTION

Prestyn Klatt  
Joseph Lee  
Jacob Rigby

## FRESHMEN:

### HONOR ROLL

\* Bryson Allen  
\* Kencia Brown  
Justice Byers  
Kayden Charette  
\* T.J. Cumpio  
Wheeler Damboise  
\* Lauren Fast  
\* Holly Hilkemann  
Sidney Klatt  
Joel Reddig  
Monica Uy

### HONORABLE MENTION

AJ Lloyd  
Ashtyn Traeholt

\* Denotes a 4.0 GPA

## **LCHS Drama Presents an Original Play for Christmas !**

**Featuring an original script written by Miss Justice Byers and Miss Sheila Jones, the LCHS Players will be performing "The Lost Traveler"; a timeless tale of self-discovery and perseverance, created in the spirit of the season. Please join us on Tuesday the 10th of December at 7pm in the Lustre Grade School Auditorium for an evening of experimentation in seasonal theatre.**

**All donations offered on the evening will be gratefully accepted for LCHS Drama Department. God Bless Us, Everyone !**



**CHRISTMAS IS COMING!**

**LOOKING FOR STOCKING STUFFERS?**

**SCHMECKFEST SAUSAGE SALE PRICE \$6/LB**

**CALL DAWSON @ 392-7023**

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## **LCHS Calendar**

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### **November**

- 26 Early Release - 2:30 p.m.  
27 - 29 Thanksgiving Break - No School

### **December**

- 3 LCHS Christmas Concert - 7:00 p.m.  
5 LGS Christmas Concert - 6:30 p.m.  
6 - 7 BBB/GBB @ Glasgow Class C Showcase  
10 LCHS Christmas Play @ LGS Gym  
13 - 14 BBB @ Manhattan Christian Invite  
18 All School Caroling  
19 BBB/GBB (H) Nashua
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12 Dec Abby Olfert  
22 Dec Andy Ponce-Curl  
29 Dec Lauren Holzrichter



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& ACTIVITIES

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- 18 - All School Caroling
- 19 - BBB/GBB - Home vs Nashua

NOVEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28 October - Chinese Sundae	29 October - Grilled Cheese	30 October - Biscuits & Gravy	31 October - Chicken Noodle Soup	1 Pizza Rounds	2
3	4 Fish Sticks	5 Tacos	6 KFC Bowls	7 Turkey Dinner	8 Mac & Cheese	
10	11 Veterans Day  Chicken Alfredo	12 Chicken & Rice	13 Pulled Pork Sloppy Joes	14 Breakfast	15 Pizza	
17	18 Chinese Sundae	19 Nachos	20 Shredded Pork & Potatoes	21 Pancakes	22 Creamy Turkey & Noodle Soup	
24	25 Teriyaki Chicken	26 Fish Sticks	27 NO SCHOOL	28 Thanksgiving Day NO SCHOOL	29 NO SCHOOL	30

December 2024

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5 - LGS Christmas  
Concert - 6:30 p.m.

10 - LCHS Christmas  
Play @ LGS Gym

18 - All School Caroling

20 - End of 1st Semester

23-Jan. 3 - Christmas/Winter Break