

## Light of the World

The world is a dark place. It's filled with sinful people (me included!) who are focused on themselves and what they want and their own sinful desires and attitudes. In these winter months, we are literally surrounded by clouds and darkness for the majority of the day. From where does the light come?

Jesus of course. He is the light of the world. He saw the darkness of the world and chose to come into it as a light. And He is with us right now, dwelling in our hearts through faith that was given to us when we were baptized. Jesus tells us to let our lights shine before others (Matthew 5:16). The light we have inside of us is not our own light, but the light of Christ shining in us. And now that Christ is shining in us, we have a job to do.

Put your light on a stand. Let others see it. Let it be a blessing to everyone around you. When you are surrounded by darkness, that's the time to let your light shine the brightest. Let your light shine then to encourage others around you to shine a bit brighter. And while we are doing all of this, we are showing the world that we are different, that we shine because of what Christ has done for us, and we shine so that we can give glory to God, to point others to Christ. In our dark world, we need all the light we can get!

- Caleb Abraham

## Mrs. Winter Recognized for 25 Years of Service



The faculty at Valley Lutheran is known for their care, dedication, and excellence and **Mrs. Winter** is certainly no exception. She was recently recognized by Mr. Travis Grulke, Superintendent of Schools for the Michigan District, for her 25 years of service to the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

**Dr. Lisa Meyers**, Academic Dean, commented, "Mrs. Winter has such a huge heart for kids and for Jesus. And she is a remarkable English teacher! She is a great blessing to Valley Lutheran."

In addition to teaching English, Mrs. Winter leads drama productions and is one of the advisors of the Protect Life group.

We are grateful for Mrs. Winter and her daily impact on students, and we thank God for her continued ministry among us.

## New Ski Club Hits the Slopes

This winter Valley students had one more club option - the newly created Ski Club! Born out of the also new Travel Club, VL students spent one evening each week at Mt. Holly Ski & Snowboard Club learning, growing their skills, and just having fun!



## Animal Club Supports Cat Adoptions



The VLHS Animal Club's most recent project? Making cat adoption bags for Saginaw County Animal Care & Control to share. The students designed the bag's label, selected what items would be included (collar, treats, brush, bowls and toys), assembled the bags, and delivered them for Animal Care & Control to now distribute.



# VL Students March for Life



These Valley students and chaperones were among the many who joined in the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. in January. In addition to the march the students attended the Y4Life Conference.

SAGINAW VALLEY ANTIQUE SOCIETY  
PRESENTS

## ANTIQUE SHOW AT VALLEY

APRIL 15, 2023  
9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

\$4 ADMISSION

FREE VERBAL APPRAISALS  
(2 ITEMS) 10 AM - 2 PM

BAKE SALE + LUNCH AVAILABLE

VLHS DRAMA  
DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

# THE TEMPEST

BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

April 27, 28, 29  
7:00 p.m.

## Musicians Shine at Recent Competition

Twenty-seven Valley Lutheran musicians participated in District Solo & Ensemble competition and all 27 walked away with a '1' Superior or '2' Excellent rating and the hardware to prove it! Congratulations to the students (named below) and well done to our instrumental music directors, **Mrs. Mueller** and **Mrs. Sugden**.

### Earning 1's - Superior Rating:

Grace Biber - clarinet solo  
Lexi Johnson - flute solo  
Zeke Pearson - tuba solo  
Rachel Webb - piano solo  
Lexi J. & Elizabeth Appold - woodwind duet  
Brass Ensemble (Claire, Brayden, Sarah, Jon, Micah, Jake M, Zeke)  
Quartet (Aiden, Jon, Micah, Zeke)  
Clarinet Quartet (Elizabeth, Claire, Grace, Abigail)

### Earning 2's - Excellent Rating:

Peter Boyer - trumpet solo  
Izzy Dues - tenor sax solo  
Cameron Jacobs - piano solo  
Tristan Pierce - alto sax solo  
Katya Podeszwa - clarinet solo  
Natalie Prochnow - flute solo  
Isaac Rupprecht - trombone solo  
Jaden & Grace - trumpet duet  
Flute Choir (Lexi, Jada, Ethan, Marin, Emma, Natalie)



# LOVE UNKNOWN

SYMPHONIC BAND AND GOLDEN VOICE

VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL  
SAGINAW, MI

### Lenten Tour Stops

**Liberty Twp, OH** Wed., March 15  
Royal Redeemer Lutheran 6:30 p.m.

**Louisville, KY** Thurs., March 16  
Our Savior Lutheran 7:00 p.m.

**Elizabethtown, KY** Fri., March 17  
Gloria Dei Lutheran 7:00 p.m.

**Carmel, IN** Sat., March 18  
Cornerstone Lutheran 6:30 p.m.

### \*Home Concert\*

**Reese, MI** Sun., March 19  
Trinity Lutheran 3:00 p.m.