

LITERATUS LINGUA

MRS. WEIDER

Grammar/Literature

This week in Shurley English we will review the beginnings of chapter 11, practice sentences with interjections and possessive nouns, and do a check-up for chapter 11. The chapter 11 assessment will be next week.

We will push on towards the end of *The Hobbit* this week. While we read about the 5 armies and the war that ensues, we will begin a Comparison essay. This essay will follow three canons of rhetoric: invention, arrangement, and elocution. We will be comparing the character of Bilbo to the character of Thorin. We will ask what each character has/does/is, but we will also form a judgement about which character is superior.



Classical Pedagogy

The OSL faculty has been reading a book about classical pedagogy. Two of my favorite principles of classical pedagogy are: “Docendo Discimus” (By teaching we learn.) and “Optimus Magister Bonus Liber Est (The best teacher is a good book.). These two principles guide my planning. Scholars in my classroom have many opportunities to consider and share their answers with their peers. We often share in small groups and then share with the larger group. This is because I believe that something is truly understood only when it has been articulated. Obviously as a literature teacher I would believe that a good book can teach many truths. In my classroom this looks like spending a considerable amount of time wondering about characters, motivations, and themes. We talk about the universal truths from the novels— ideas like loss, love, courage, virtue— so that we may grow in empathy and love for our neighbors, and so that we may grow in virtue and knowledge of the Lord. A scholar may never have the opportunity to take a hero’s journey like Bilbo, but he or she will face formidable obstacles on the journey of life.

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“Eucatastrophe”

Tolkien (author of The Hobbit”) coined this phrase from the Greek and used it as a name for the turn of events in a story. This turn is the result of a “sudden and miraculous grace”. While we see many of examples of this in literature, the greatest “Eucatastrophe” of all time is the Cross of Christ and the redemption it bought for us! Praise the Lord for his sudden and miraculous grace and mercy!

Upcoming Events

March 16-

Welcome back to school; Q4 begins

March 17-

Reading guide for chapters 10-14 due

Early dismissal 2:15 for scholars

March 23-

Shurley English Chapter 11 assessment



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OUR SAVIOR
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June						
Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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For one week only!
A.D. Players Emerging Artists Theatre Camp will be hosted at
Our Savior Lutheran School
June 22nd - June 26th
Monday - Friday
9:00am - 3:00pm
Rising 2nd - 8th graders

Theatre Camp

A.D. Players Emerging Artists Theatre Camp is presented in week-long sessions designed to nurture and challenge students as they work towards an end-of-camp showcase. Our Emerging Artists Theatre Camp is built for students who are theatre-curious and just starting out on their journey into drama. Students will develop acting, scriptwriting, and design skills through a game-based approach focused on creative expression. Campers will thrive in a positive and encouraging environment centered on Christian values.



What to Expect

- Acting and Performance:** From stage presence to character development, our instructors will guide your child through the exciting world of acting and stagecraft.
- Creative Expression:** Discover the power of self-expression through improv, story development and stage design in a safe and encouraging environment.
- Life Long Skills:** Collaboration, adaptability, and the confidence needed to think on your feet are all woven into the fabric of camp activities.
- Christian Values:** Our camp is built on the foundation of Christian principles, promoting kindness, compassion, and empathy.

BOOK TODAY!

Our Emerging Artist Theatre Camp is the perfect blend of artistic growth and character development. Sign up today and watch your child shine on and off stage!

"This was different from other educational theaters in that we used games to teach them, and we had to show that to the kids and to the parents. Because they thought, 'oh we were just playing games,' but no. See how this principle is implemented in here? As to other theaters I've worked in, it's very much like, 'ohay we're going to teach you how to act right now.' But we didn't tell them. We were just playing games."

-Eliza Rodriguez
Camp Counselor (2025)



Lenten Services

Lent is a contemplative and beautiful season for Christians. It prepares our hearts and minds for the celebration of Easter. OSL hosts a Lent service every Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Come a bit early and have some dinner as well! There is a meal and fellowship time beginning at 5:00 on Wednesdays before service.