



# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (ESV)  
Hebrews 13:8

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**This newsletter will take us through January 4<sup>th</sup>**

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

- **CHRISTMAS BREAK – NO SCHOOL OR EXTENDED CARE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> THROUGH TUESDAY, JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>.**
- **THE SCHOOL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> THROUGH JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>.**
- Over Christmas break, I will be sending out 2018-19 Contract for Enrollment forms and the Tentative 2018-19 School Calendar.
- Contracts can be turned in for each student any time after January 2nd.
- Enrollment in the Choice Program (Milwaukee and Wisconsin) begins February 1st for the 2018-19 School Year. If you have any questions about the Choice program, please contact me.
- I am not in the habit of promoting businesses, but if you are looking for employment one of our parents shared these flyers with me and I could not resist sharing them with you. I thought it may be helpful to someone who is looking for a job.
- Tuition and Extended Care Statements will be mailed out on December 28th.
- **I want to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! God's richest blessings to all of you. Have a great Christmas break.**

## **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ON THE RADIO CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING**

Sunday morning, Christmas Eve, at 8:00 AM our school Christmas Service will be on the radio. You may listen to it on one of TWO radio stations: **"JOY" 1340 AM and 98.7 FM.** Enjoy!

## **SPELLING BEE**

Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the 2018 Spelling and Vocabulary Bee: Carolyn Baars, Eric Brofka, Leyla Candeleria, Lillia Carson, Aubrey Kadolph, Kayla Koble, Olivia Kukor, Nate Kutcher, Griffin Lemberger, Kaytlin Lipski, Ashley Matusewic, Michael Matusewic, Dante Militello, Sophia Moravec, Sophia Novotny, Meredith Powers, Laura Quigley, Hannah Schaber, Isabella Sholty, Cameron Skenandore, Deondre Williams, and Riley Zacharias. The Spelling and Vocabulary Bee will be Wednesday, January 10th at 9:00 A.M. in the gym. Family and friends are invited to attend.

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In Christ, the community of St. Paul's Lutheran School partners with families to equip children academically and prepare children and families spiritually to witness and serve.

## **PRACTICE SCHEDULES**

- **Handbells – Friday 7:15am**
- **Boys BB – Monday and Thursday 3:15-4:45pm**
- **Varsity Girls BB – Tuesday 3:15-4:45pm & Thursday 4:45-6:30pm**
- **JV Girls BB – Monday 4:45-6:15pm & Friday 3:15-4:45pm**

## **SPORTS PICTURES**

On Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> we will be having both individual and team pictures taken of our basketball, girls volleyball and cross country teams. Order forms will be sent home in January so parents can order pictures of their children if they choose to do so. The team pictures will also be used in the yearbook. Then sometime in Spring, we will be photographing boys volleyball and track. This is new to St. Paul's this school year. In the past we only did individual pictures for basketball. Students should bring their order form, money, and basketball uniforms with them on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Uniforms for volleyball and cross country shirts will be handed out that day.

We will also take group pictures of our students for the yearbook. Band members should have their instruments with them on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Other group pictures include: short shots, math club, math team, chapel ushers, National Jr. Honor Society, scorers, & yearbook staff. Please call the school office if you have any questions.

## **SINGING SCHEDULE**

January 20 & 21 3K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade sing for National Lutheran Schools Week

**Students (last name I-Q) sing at 5:00pm service**

**Students (last name R-Z) sing at 8:00am service**

**Students (last name A-H) sing at 10:30am service**

## **SPORTS SCHEDULE**

January 8 *JVBoys vs. Hales Corners @ St. Paul's 5:00pm*

**JVGirls vs. Hales Corners @ St. Paul's 6:00pm**

January 10 **VGirls vs. SPI @ St. Paul's 4:30pm**

*VBoys vs. Our Redeemer @ St. Paul's 5:30pm*

**JVGirls vs. Granville @ Granville 4:30pm**

*JVBoys vs. Granville @ Granville 5:30pm*

## **UPCOMING DATES**

Dec 22-Jan 2 Christmas Break - NO SCHOOL/SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED

January 3 Classes Resume

January 10 Spelling Bee

January 15 MLK Day – NO SCHOOL

January 21-27 National Lutheran Schools Week

January 22 Geography Bee

## **FROM THE PASTOR**

When we were in Texas, Linda and I cut our own fresh Christmas tree and set it up in our living room one year. It was a hot day, and I wore shorts and a t-shirt for the project. A couple of days after we installed the tree, we discovered that mama spider had laid her eggs in the tree, as we had hundreds of eight-legged babies scurrying all around the living room!

Have you discovered spiders in your Christmas this year? By that I mean, those things that rob you of joy and peace. Trying to find a parking place at the mall. Fighting long lines at the check-out. And then there's discovering that they're out of that toy you wanted so much for your child. What about preparing for that perfect meal? Or hoping for an ideal family gathering with peace and harmony in the air, only to have it boil down to a bitter argument and unhappiness. National Lampoon's *Christmas Vacation* lived out right there, in your house.

These spiders, of course, scurry about our lives because of sin. Add into the mix all those unrealistic expectations of ourselves and others, and you have a recipe for disaster. What should we expect for Christmas?

A God so gracious that He sent His only Son to be born in our midst. The Christ child who came to take on all the spiders for us on a tree planted outside of Jerusalem one day. What should we expect? Forgiveness, love, grace, peace and joy in Him. Nothing less.

Thank God! Blessings on your Christmas... Pastor Stanton

**Church at St. Paul's: Saturday - 5:00pm; Sunday - 8:00am and 10:30am; Sunday School/Adult Bible Class - 9:15am**

### **Acolyte Schedule:**

<b>Saturday, December 23</b>	<b>5:00pm – Emma Harper</b>
<b>Sunday, December 24</b>	<b>4:00pm – Ryann Gutknecht</b>
<b>Sunday, December 24</b>	<b>6:00pm – Luna Ramos</b>
<b>Sunday, December 31</b>	<b>6:00pm – Ryann Gutknecht</b>

### **CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

<b>Saturday, December 23</b>	<b>5:00 p.m. (Regular Weekend Service)</b>
<b>Sunday, December 24</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. (Regular Weekend Service)</b>
<b>Christmas Eve December 24</b>	<b>4:00, 6:00, &amp; 11:00 p.m. (Candle light services)</b>
<b>Christmas Day December 25</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Saturday, December 30</b>	<b>5:00 p.m. (Regular Weekend Service)</b>
<b>Sunday, December 31</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. (Regular Weekend Service)</b>
<b>New Year's Eve December 31</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>