



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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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

- We are having an OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES FOR GRADES 1-8 on Tuesday, February 27th from 5:00pm - 6:00pm at the Lincoln campus. If you know of anyone who is for a Christian education for their child, share this event with them.
- Enrollment for the 2018 School Year is occurring right now. If you have any questions about this, please let me know.
- Choice - The first round of Open Enrollment for MPCP ends February 20th. If you have any questions about either program, please let me know. The application website can be obtained from the home page on our school website (www.splswa.com).

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

There have been some questions regarding how you will know if you have all your registration documents. You will either: a) receive a postcard stating that your application to St. Paul's has been accepted, b) Milwaukee Choice families will receive a letter, or c) Wisconsin Choice families will receive an email from DPI stating that they have a seat at St. Paul's. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Schneider. Thank you.

TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our 57th Annual Basketball Tournament is just two weeks away...what an awesome way to cap off an exciting basketball season! Please take a few minutes to look through the forms that are attached and sign up to help volunteer. You can either print and sign up on the paper forms, or click on the Signup-genius link and sign up there. We have only been able to do this for so long because of our committed parents. Let's keep up that tradition!!! We need your help!!! Go Panthers!

CALLING ALL ST. PAUL'S ALUMNI AND FRIENDS



Come join the St. Paul's pep band on Friday, February 23rd to help support our team during the St. Paul's boys basketball tournament. You may play for our pep rally Friday afternoon beginning at 1:45 PM before the games begin AND/OR during our first team game at 7:30 PM. Contact Michelle Prince: michelle@splcwa.org or the school 414-541-6251 to let us know if you can join us! Let's praise the Lord with our instruments and celebrate our team!

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**

SHORT SHOTS AND JR. PANTHERS

This Saturday, February 17th is the final Short Shot and Jr. Panther practice day.

SINGING SCHEDULE

February 17	5-8 Choir sings 5:00pm 5-8 Handbell Choir plays @ 5:00pm
March 5	5K-1 sing 10:30am
March 7	5-8 Handbell Choir plays 6:00pm
March 11	2-4 th Choir sings 8:00am
March 14	5-8 th Choir sings 6:00pm

SPORTS SCHEDULE

February 19	JV Girls @ Elm Grove 4:30pm JV Boys @ Elm Grove 5:30pm
February 23-25	St. Paul's Boys Basketball Tournament St. Paul's first game on Friday at 7:30pm

UPCOMING DATES

February 16	Panther Palooza
February 17	Trivia Night Fundraiser 6:30pm
February 21	Lent Worship 10:00am & 6:00pm Lent Dinner 4:45pm (baked potato soup, rolls, salad, hotdogs)
February 23-25	St. Paul's Boys Basketball Tournament
February 28	Lent Worship 10:00am & 6:00pm Lent Dinner 4:45pm (beef stroganoff, green beans, fruit cup, hotdogs)
March 16	End of Third Quarter
March 19-23	Spring Break – No School
March 30-Apr 2	Easter Break – No School

MARTIN LUTHER CHAMBER CONCERT

The Martin Luther High School Music Department is pleased to present its annual Chamber Concert on Sunday, February 18, at 2:00 p.m. This annual event featuring individual student performers and small ensembles is held in a more intimate setting at Martin Luther High School. Many of the student performers will be participating in the Wisconsin School Music Association Solo-Ensemble Contest on February 23th and 24th at Wisconsin Lutheran and Martin Luther High School, and this concert serves as a “warm-up” for those students. You are cordially invited to attend this concert. Admission is free, so the price is right for an afternoon of wonderful entertainment.

FROM THE PASTOR

A long time ago in a state, far, far away (Colorado), I was just a kid growing up in a typical Lutheran home. We went to church almost every Sunday, we occasionally did family devotions, we prayed before meals and before bed. I remember one Wednesday when my mom got all excited, “Oh my, it’s almost 6:00 o’clock and Ash Wednesday service is in just one hour.” She had almost forgotten that Lent was beginning and, in our home, during Lent the family went to church twice a week.

Lent is a special time in the church year, as Pastor Stanton explained in last week’s newsletter. Lent in one of the ancient orders of service is described this way: “A holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection in which our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ.” The wording goes on to explain, **“From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on God’s Word.”**

As far as a time of “special devotion,” we have a daily devotional booklet which reflects on several Psalms throughout the season. Attending midweek suppers and services is a way to show special devotion to one another and to the Lord and His Word. As far as being a time of self-denial, people sometimes give up something dear to them (chocolate, soda, eating out, sports, etc.) and when they long for it, to remember the sacrifice of Christ and say a prayer thanking Him for grace and forgiveness. Sadly I heard the other day on KLove radio that many people have “given up” going to midweek services during Lent.

Finally, for Lent as a time of “humble repentance” this is a special time to humbly grieve over the sins your struggle with, confess them with a sincere heart, and seek to turn from them even as you turn to Jesus for forgiveness and strength in the battle with sin. May God bless you during your Lenten journey that culminates in Holy Week (March 25-April 1) and the celebration of an Empty Tomb and a Life that never ends on Easter.

Blessings in Christ,
Pastor Bender

TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER



When: Saturday, February 17th

RSVP: Today

Where: Fellowship Hall

Time: 6:30pm

Cost: \$10/person – teams need to be 6-8 people

Cost includes: Trivia Fun along with fresh baked pizza, garlic bread, fresh baked cookies, soda, water and table snacks

All proceeds help St. Paul's Senior Youth attend the houseboat retreat. Flyer attached.

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

Acolyte Schedule:

Saturday, February 17	5:00pm – Emma Harper
Sunday, February 18	8:00am – Aubrey Kadolph
Sunday, February 18	10:30am – Caden Gibbs
Wednesday, February 21	6:00pm – Sophia Novotny