



# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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

May 10, 2018

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

- There is no school on Monday, May 28th for Memorial Day.
- The last day of school is Friday, June 1st. This is a noon dismissal day. All students will be dismissed from the Lincoln Gym beginning at 11:30am. If you do not pick up your child from the gym, all remaining students and teachers will go out the 79th Street doors and you can pick up your child there by 12:15pm. There is no extended care this day.
- In preparation for the end of the school year, final statements will be mailed with Report Cards on Friday, June 8th. If you need your statement before then, contact the school office. Please submit all payments for Tuition and Extended Care by Friday, June 15th.

## **PARENTS OF CHOICE STUDENTS ENTERING 4K, KINDERGARTEN OR 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE**

If you have a student entering 4K, Kindergarten or 1<sup>st</sup> grade for the 2018-19 school year, you must bring to the Lincoln office your child's original birth certificate to verify age. Call the office if you have any questions.

## **VANCO**

Parents who signed up to pay their 2018-2019 tuition over 10 or 12 months need to turn in the paperwork as soon as possible. An email was sent home notifying those families of this. If you have any questions, or if you're not sure what you signed up for, please call the school office.

## **6<sup>th</sup> GRADE SPORTS PHYSICALS**

Parents of this year's 6<sup>th</sup> graders, remember to get your child's sports physical for next school year. Please remember to get those done by the first day of school, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. You can also get this form on our school website (<http://www.splswa.com/athletics.html>). Thank you.

## **FROM MRS. WESTPHAL**

It has been both my privilege and pleasure to teach and serve at St. Paul's this past year. After much prayerful consideration I have accepted a position to teach at a different school next year. I am thankful for St. Paul's and pray God's blessings as you go forward and ask for your prayers too as I serve next year at my new location. Thank you and God bless.

**THANK YOU FROM THE RADTKE FAMILY**

*Dear St. Paul’s Staff, Volunteers & Members,  
Words cannot express how grateful we are that you hosted the spaghetti fundraiser for our family. It was so nice to see such great Christian support from everyone with volunteering their time and the donations to our family. This money will help us focus on healing instead of worrying about medical bills and finances. We cannot thank you enough for the support that you have shown our family. We love you all and we are beyond blessed to be part of the St. Paul’s family! Love, The Radtke Family*

**WEST ALLIS WEST MILWAUKEE SUMMER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

West Allis/West Milwaukee offers summer school programming for students that attend private schools in the WA/WM School District. All registrations are processed at their Enrollment Center. Students will attend summer school at their neighborhood school using the district attendance maps. If you are interested in this for your child, flyers are available at the Lincoln office.

**PRACTICE SCHEDULES**

- Monday 3:15-4:45pm – Soccer
  - Tuesday 3:15-4:45pm – Volleyball
  - Wednesday 3:15-4:45pm – Soccer
  - Thursday 3:15-4:45pm – Volleyball
  - **Friday – 7:15am – Handbells**
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday, May 10 – Boys Track grades 5-8 3:15pm</li> <li>• Tuesday, May 15 – Boys &amp; Girls grades 5-6 3:15pm</li> <li>• Wednesday, May 16 – Boys and Girls grade 7-8 3:15pm</li> <li>• Friday, May 18 – All grades track practice 3:15pm</li> </ul> |
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**SPORTS SCHEDULE**

May 22                      Track Meet at Martin Luther

**SINGING SCHEDULE**

May 13                      5-8 Grade Choir 8:00am  
June 1                        Graduation 6:00pm 8<sup>th</sup> Grade sings

## **UPCOMING DATES**

May 20	8th Grade St. Paul's Lutheran Church Confirmation Service 10:30am
May 31	7 & 8 Grade Luncheon Awards Program 1:30pm
June 1	Last day of school Closing Chapel - 8:15am All School Lunch - 11:00am Dismissal from Lincoln Building - 11:45am - 12:15pm 8th Grade Graduation 6:00pm

## **FROM THE PASTOR**

It was about this time of year (decades ago) that I stepped out of the house and walked to the end of the drive to await the school bus. There was a haze in the air, and the heavy smell of fuel oil filled my nostrils with its pungent fragrance. Of course, I knew what it was. Very early that morning while it was still dark, in the distance you could see hundreds of flames in neat little rows like flickering candles. Farmers had lit their “smudge pots” in the vineyards to protect the delicate buds on their grape vines from the frost.

Frozen buds meant a far diminished harvest in the fall. But the balance here was delicate – the cost of kerosene for a night or two of “smudging” versus the value of the harvest saved.

Our Lord Jesus spoke about the cost of discipleship. In Luke 14:27 He speaks of cross bearing, and then He asks, “Which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?” Of course, right up front we know that the Son of God paid the cost, *all of it*, by removing the smudge of our sin on the cross.

But the question remains: *“In response to what Christ has done for me, am I willing count the cost of discipleship? Am I willing to sacrifice, serve, and share?”* Because we are sinners, we know the answer: Not always. But Christ died for that too! In Him we are forgiven... and rising each day as the baptized, believing children of God, we are given new opportunities to *count the cost*.

## **OUTDOOR COMMUNITY CELEBRATION**

Divine Connections is having its Third Annual Outdoor Community Celebration.

St. Paul's Lutheran will again be inviting our neighbors to join in worship, food and fellowship.

This year's event will be on June 10, 2018. Worship will be at 9:00 with brunch and fellowship to follow.

We will have 79<sup>th</sup> street between Lincoln Ave. and Hayes blocked off for this event beginning at 7:30 am.

To help with planning, please sign up in the narthex if you plan on attending. Bring a chair and a friend or two. (Chairs will be provided for our guests as well).

We will also be looking for help with setting up, cooking, serving and clean up. Please look in the narthex for sign-up to help.

Spread the word and invite your friends and neighbors to this fun event.

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

### **Acolyte Schedule:**

**Saturday, May 12**

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**5:00pm – Brey Rudig**

**8:00am – Ryann Gutknecht**

**10:30am – Riley Gibbs**