



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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A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

"It's Still All About Jesus!" That is the theme for the 2017-18 school year here at St. Paul's Lutheran School. In truth, that should be the theme for our entire lives. Jesus once declared, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:31-32) Being one of Jesus' disciples sets us free! Yet, to be a disciple is to be a student of Jesus and his teachings.

If you are interested in learning more about Jesus, we offer an adult instruction class here at St. Paul's. The title of the class is "To Know the Truth," based on Jesus' words in the gospel of John. The class is going to meet on Wednesday evenings in the fellowship hall, beginning September 20, from 7:00 to 8:30pm each night. It is a twelve session class and covers the main teaching of the Christian faith. If you would like to attend, you could sign up in the narthex or call the church office (541-6250). Let's all continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18).

GRANDPARENTS DAY IS TOMORROW!

Grandparents Day is tomorrow, Friday, September 8th from 8:00am until 12:00pm - this is a noon dismissal day for everyone; there is no 4K that day; there is no extended care in the afternoon. I hope each of our students will have a special "grandparent" who is able to attend tomorrow. If not, we will match up your child with another "grandparent" for the activities.

CHAPEL OFFERINGS

Chapel offering envelopes have been given to students in grades K through 8. Please use these envelopes to send offerings on Chapel days (Friday) for the different missions that we sponsor. The first quarter offerings will go to support a missionary going to Uganda. More information will be coming out soon.

MEDICATION FORMS

If your child needs to take prescription or non-prescription medication, a form also needs to be filled out and kept in the school office along with the medication in its original container. These forms can be picked up from the school office.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Every year, the Department of Public Instruction mandates that we have two Parent Choice meetings each school year. This meeting is open to all parents, not just existing Choice families. There is not agenda to the meeting; it is just a time to ask any questions you may have about the program. The two meeting this year are on Tuesday, October 24th and Tuesday, February 27th. They are at 6:00pm in Room 202 (upper level classroom in our Lincoln Avenue building). If you have any questions about this, please let me know.

ST. PAUL'S SPIRIT WEAR

All Spirit Wear orders need to be placed by **September 15th** to qualify for the free shipping/delivery to our school. Orders can be placed by clicking on the following link. This link is also available on our school website.

<http://www.gymtreasures.com/st-pauls-west-allis/?sort=featured>

MIDDLE SCHOOL BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

On Tuesday, September 12th from 6:30-7:30pm, we will be having a back to school night for all middle school parents and students in grades 5-8. The meeting will be held in the church and the following topics will be discussed:

- To meet all the middle school teachers
- Go through the middle school schedules
- Classroom expectations
- Time to ask questions

So please mark your calendars and join us on Tuesday, September 12th. We will all meet in the church at 6:30pm and then break out from there after a brief introduction.

DINING OUT FUNDRAISER NIGHT

Mark your calendars for Friday, September 15, 2017. We will be hosting our first dining out fundraiser night of the school year. It will be held at **Big Deal Burgers**, 1440 S. 84 Street in West Allis from 4:00pm to 8:00m. Make sure to present the flyer (attached) when placing your order. St. Paul's will receive 10% of the total sales.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Go on your FastDirect account to enter all the emergency information for your child(ren). This will be our way of having all of your contact information if an emergency arises. If you need log in information, please contact Mrs. Evers at 414.541.6251 or tammy@splcwa.org. One thing that was discovered this past week was certain dates were not asked for in FastDirect. We have corrected this error and now ask that you go in to FastDirect to make sure that your child's birthday and baptism date are listed. Sorry for this oversight and miscommunication. Thank you for your help.

CELEBRATION OF NEW AND OLD
Sunday, September 17th
Please see the attached flyer

SCRIP

We need volunteers to help sell SCRIP for about 10 minutes before and after church services on Saturdays and Sundays. SCRIP is a fundraiser where you can purchase gift cards, and St. Paul's gets a percentage of the sales back. After church on Saturday, or after the first service on Sunday and before the second service you would sit at the table in the narthex and sell the cards. You can sign up here to sell, <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080845AAAA23A3F85-scrip>. If you are a new seller please contact Julie Gutknecht at julie@splcwa.org, to set up a time to meet and go over details. Thank you!

Do you need gift cards? You can buy them through St. Paul's SCRIP program. SCRIP is a fundraiser where you can purchase gift cards, and St. Paul's gets a percentage of the sales back. You can purchase the SCRIP cards from the attendant in the narthex before or after church services. Or you can fill out the SCRIP order form and submit it and your check to the school office at Lincoln or Grant St. Forms are available from the attendant in the narthex before or after church services, in the school office and at the front desk at Grant St. You can also order and pay online. Log on to www.shopwithscrip.com and follow the online instructions to enroll in Presto Pay. St. Paul's enrollment code number is 1E154B464137. (This is needed to set up your account.)

CALLING ALL ST. PAUL'S JR. HIGH YOUTH – GRADE 6-8

Our first youth meeting will be taking place on September 23rd in the Parish Hall. We will have a brief introduction and devotion, followed by a group outing to Harvest Fair at the WI State Fair Park. I will need parent volunteers to drive and chaperone this event. The fair offers many options of fun things to do, such as games, crafts, and hayrides to name a few. Please meet at church at 5:30 pm and we will caravan to the fair park as a group. We will return to St. Paul's as a group approximately 8:30. Any questions please email me ssmajn@yahoo.com. Admission is free but there are small costs to play games, etc. More information on that to follow. I look forward to a new year meeting new and old friends again!
In His Love, Shelly Mueller

PRESEASON BASKETBALL CLINICS

Concordia University-Wisconsin is offering pre-season clinics for boys and girls, beginning on Sunday, September 10th. The clinics will be conducted by the CUW basketball coaching staff and some of the current CUW basketball players! This opportunity is for boys and girls, grades 5-12.

Here is the link to the registration information -

http://www.cuwfalcons.com/sports/mbkb/2017-18/files/MB_clinic_flyer.pdf

KOHL TEACHER FELLOWSHIP

Religious & Independent School Teachers

Purpose

The purpose of the Kohl Teacher Fellowship program is to recognize and support teaching excellence and innovation. The Herb Kohl Educational Foundation's goal is to support Wisconsin teachers in pursuit of their unrealized goals for their classrooms or professional development. Selected Kohl teachers and the Wisconsin schools of those teachers will each receive a \$6,000 grant from the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation and will be recognized at a spring banquet.

Fellowship recipients who teach at religious or independent schools automatically become candidates for the Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent School Teacher of the Year award.

Nomination link:

http://www.kohleducation.org/teacherfellowship/religiousindependent/nominate_a_teacher.php

Nominations must be made by September 22.

KOHL PRINCIPAL LEADERSHIP

Religious & Independent School Principals & Administrators

Purpose

The purpose of the Herb Kohl Principal Leadership program is to recognize and support administrative leadership. The Herb Kohl Educational Foundation's goal is to support Wisconsin principals in pursuit of their unrealized goals for their schools or professional development. The 4 Kohl Leadership Award recipients from religious and independent schools and the 4 schools of those principals will each receive \$6,000 grants from the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation and will be recognized at a spring banquet.

Nomination

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FALL FUNDRAISER-BUTTER BRAIDS

Butter Braids are back! Two years ago, St. Paul's Lutheran School had a very successful fall fundraiser selling Butter Braids, and we are hoping to repeat that success this year!

Butter Braids are delicious pastries that come in a variety of flavors. The items arrive frozen and are ready to be baked. With the holidays quickly approaching, they would be wonderful to serve as breakfast, an afternoon treat, or even dessert! Please consider participating by selling Butter Braids to raise funds for our school.

Butter Braid order forms will be sent home during the week of October 16th, and need to be turned back into the school office or your child's homeroom teacher on Friday, November 3rd. Orders will be available for pick-up at the ECC gym, from 2:30pm- 4:30pm on Wednesday, November 15th.

SINGING IN WISCONSIN

Calling all students in grades 5-8 that enjoy singing. Mrs. Prince would enjoy giving you the opportunity to sing in a large mass choir event in Waukesha at Carroll University on Saturday, November 11th. Interested students would be able to participate in this choir event that brings students from all over the Milwaukee and the southern Wisconsin area to sing together with a clinician. The cost for the event is \$45.00. Checks should be written to: Wisconsin Choral Directors Association.



This fee includes a concert t-shirt, worn for the concert, lunch and the music selections students will learn for the concert. If you would like to participate in this event contact Mrs. Prince- michelle@splcwa.org or 414-550-6251 by Wednesday September 20th. We are able to take up to 12 students to this event.

You must fill out the following permission/medical form: [Permission Form](#) (I will send this home after you have confirmed your student's interest in attending)

Students should wear black pants or skirts, black dress shoes and they will also wear the t-shirt that they are given at registration for the concert. Registration runs 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. The first Rehearsal begins at 9:00 a.m. Concerts begin at 4:00 p.m. with the doors opening at 3:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the door for \$5.00 each and it is general seating.

PRACTICE SCHEDULES

- **JV Volleyball – Monday and Wednesday 3:15-4:45pm**
- **Varsity Volleyball – Tuesday and Thursday 3:15-4:45pm**
- **Cross Country – Grades 6-8 Monday 3:15-4:30pm; Grades 3-5 Thursday 3:15-4:30pm; Grades 3-8 Friday 3:15-4:30**
- **Handbells – Friday 7:15am**

SINGING SCHEDULE

September 17	5 th -8 th Grade Choir	10:30am
October 7	2 nd -4 th Grade Choir	5:00pm
October 15	5K-1 st Grade Choir	8:00am
October 21	5 th -8 th Grade Handbell Choir	5:00pm

UPCOMING DATES

September 8	Grandparents Day – Noon Dismissal
September 22	K-8 Field Trip to the Zoo
October 3	School Pictures

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

Acolyte Schedule:

Saturday, Sept 9	5:00 p.m. – Emma Harper
Sunday, Sept 10	8:00 a.m. – Dominic Gottschalk
Sunday, Sept 10	10:30 a.m. – Riley Gibbs