

**"Making Disciples For Life"**  
***Matthew 28:19-20***

December 15, 2022



**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**Max Lucado** is my favorite Christian author; I love his style of writing, and this is one of my all-time Christmas devotional favorites. I hope you find it as meaningful as I do this Christmas season.

## God Came Near

*His kingdom will never end. Luke 1:33*

She looks into the face of the baby. Her son. Her Lord. His Majesty. At this point in history, the human being who best understands who God is and what he is doing is a teenage girl in a smelly stable. She can't take her eyes off him. Somehow Mary knows she is holding God. So, this is he. She remembers the words of the angel, "His kingdom will never end."

He looks like anything but a king. His face is prunish and red. His cry, though strong and healthy, is still the helpless and piercing cry of a baby. And he is absolutely dependent upon Mary for his well-being.

Majesty in the midst of the mundane. Holiness in the filth of sheep manure and sweat. Divinity entering the world on the floor of a stable, through the womb of a teenager and in the presence of a carpenter.

She touches the face of the infant-God.

***Max Lucado***

Check out [Mary Did You Know?](#)

- **Singing Dates**-There are a few dates where our kids will be singing in church, please add these dates to your calendar and plan on your child being there.
  - December 17, 5:00 Grades 1-4
- **Meal Train**- The Segura Family has been such a blessing to so many people and the Lord has always given many blessings to them and will continue to do so. Their son Noah not only needs our prayers, but time to spend with his parents and siblings. To maximize the time Lisa and Frank can spend with Noah while he receives treatment for leukemia, our community needs to come together.

A meal train has been set up to lighten the burden of cooking/making meals for the family. You may also contribute financially to help cover costs of groceries, take-out meals, medical bills, etc. Let's show the Segura Family how much they are loved! ♥ Please contact Lisa to coordinate meal drop off times.

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/g9ezym>



### **Another South Wisconsin District Award Nomination Announcement**

For several weeks we had been publicizing our District's *Teacher and Administrator of the Year* nomination link. In last week's newsletter Mr. Burkee shared that three of our teachers received nominations. This week we're excited to announce that Mr. Burkee was also nominated for the South Wisconsin District's Administrator of the Year award. Congratulations, Mr. Burkee! Winners will be announced soon.

## CHOICE MEETINGS

As most of you know, St. Paul's participates in the Wisconsin Parent Choice Program and the Milwaukee Parent Choice Program. One of the stipulations of the Choice Program is to hold two meetings per school year to meet with all families to answer any questions about the Choice Program, get any information about the Choice Program, and learn about the Choice Program. Our first meeting this school year was last night. The second meeting is set for **February 23<sup>RD</sup> at 6:30P.M.** Please come if you would like to learn more about the two Choice Programs in which St. Paul's participates.



## Donations Request for Segura Family Fundraiser

Last week we asked you to mark your calendars for February 3rd-4th for the **Volley for Life** volleyball tournament and fundraiser to help support the Segura family. In addition to the volleyball, we would like to have various other fundraisers taking place including contests and a silent auction to help raise funds. If you own a business or are willing to seek a donation from a local business or your employer, please contact Danielle Jackson ([danielle@splcwa.org](mailto:danielle@splcwa.org) or 414-541-6251 ext. 2203) for a donation request letter, if needed (and to avoid duplicate requests). We are grateful for any contribution, but in particular, products, gift cards/certificates, or cash. Thank you for your help in this effort.



## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

All school families are invited to worship with us each weekend. We understand that it is in worship where we draw closer to our God. In worship, God is present, and we have the opportunity to give thanks, receive forgiveness, gather with fellow believers, listen to His Word, pray for others, and to be strengthened in our faith to go out into the world to share Christ and to meet the challenges in everyday living. Our worship life also demonstrates how important God is to us and our families. As we teach our children God's truth, we model how important God is to us and should be in our lives as He is so good. Make it a priority to worship regularly and spend time in His Word this school year.



### **Changes are coming to the Kitchen!**

During the month of in the Kitchen to replace South wall. **Please avoid** of January as the will be no sinks available.



January, work will be taking place the sinks and cabinets on the **using this area** during the month remodeling takes place and there

## ***From the Pastor***

*Come to me all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28*

The Christmas season is indeed upon us, it is in full swing! School is still going, Basketball is running strong, decorations still being put up, and shopping is still not quite done! It can all get to be a bit much can't it? You can see it in the kid's faces, it is time for a break! There are only a few more days left, and then that much needed break arrives and we will have several things crossed off our list. Then we can rest!

But what does it mean to rest? Even the times that are supposed to be restful can be stressful. We are supposed to rest with family, but have to make sure the house is prepared and the kids are behaved. We should be able to take the day and not think about work, but we know that work is looming in the next couple of days and we cannot get our minds off of it. We are supposed to rest but end up pushing ourselves harder than ever before. How can we possibly rest?

Jesus, in our Matthew reading, tells us how we are to rest. We are supposed to come to him. Now we are often tempted to think of going to Church, reading our devotions, going to the Lord in prayer as just other items to cross off our to do lists, another stressor on our already busy lives. But, when we hear Jesus words we find that this is not the case. Instead of adding one more thing, Jesus puts everything in perspective. He reminds us of grace and forgiveness, that even if we don't have everything prepared it will still be Christmas, and we will still be together. He reminds us that yes even though work is going to resume in a few days, he is already there preparing the work that we are going to do. He reminds us that everything is going to be ok. Therefore we can actually rest, knowing that we are in his arms, and that he has everything taken care of.

Therefore, this Christmas teach your Children about Jesus. Take them to Church, do a devotion or sing a Christmas carol about Jesus. See how he will bring peace and rest to your family, a peace and rest which we so desperately need and that only he can give.

Amen.

Pastor Josh



Dec 22-Jan 3	Christmas Break – NO SCHOOL
January 4	Classes Resume
January 16	Martin Luther King Day – NO SCHOOL
January 20	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter
January 23	Report Card Day – NO SCHOOL
February 3	Teacher In-service – NO SCHOOL
February 24-26	Boys Basketball Tournament
February 27	Teacher Workday – NO SCHOOL

### SPORTS SCHEDULE

January 7	Boys Varsity vs. Immanuel @ Zion 11:00am <b>Girls Varsity vs. Mt. Calvary @ Zion 12:00pm</b>
January 11	Boys Varsity vs. St. John's @ St. John's 4:30pm <b>Girls Varsity vs. Beautiful Savior @ St. John's 5:30pm</b>
January 14	<b>Girls Varsity vs. St. Martini @ Our Father's 10:00am</b> Boys Varsity vs. Grace Oak Creek @ Our Father's 11:00am
January 18	Boys Varsity vs. Hales Corners @ Hales Corners 6:30pm <b>Girls Varsity vs. St. Martini @ Beautiful Savior 7:30pm</b>
January 21	<b>Girls Varsity vs. Granville Lutheran @ Granville 11:00am</b>
January 25	<b>Girls Varsity vs. Northwest/Pilgrim @ SPWA 5:30pm</b> Boys Varsity vs. St. Martini @ SPWA 6:30pm

### SINGING SCHEDULE

December 17      1-4 Grades   5:00pm



## DECEMBER

Lillianna Gosling  
Wyatt Hinkes-Gates  
Sophia Schulz  
Cooper Klich

Henry Sanchez Loomans  
Paityn Radtke  
Braelyn Zellmer  
Layla Martinez  
Audrey Segura  
Jacob Smith  
Juliana Rivers  
Malachi Allmann  
Ester Candelaria

## BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

### DECEMBER

1 – Juliana Rivers  
4 – Autumn and Reagan Lovas  
10 – Owen Geitz  
12 – Denver Rudig  
14 – Blake, Emilia and Ainsley Kosek  
24 – Lillianna Gosling  
31 – Taylor Cannon

*May God continue to bless you in your Baptismal Grace!*

  
*Merry Christmas*