



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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**“The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
Matthew 20:28**

February 11, 2021



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Word of mouth is our number one method of advertising. Knowing that, our Church Council recently authorized us to award a \$150 gift card as an incentive to any individual or family that brings in a new family that enrolls in St. Paul's in grades 3K-8th grade. This promotional period begins March 1, 2021 and ends on August 15, 2021.

Get out there and let people know what a great school we have!

Love can change a person the way a parent can change a baby – awkwardly, and often with a great deal of mess.

LEMONY SNICKET

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Valentine's Day is Sunday

It is a day set aside to let the loved ones in our life know just how much we appreciate and love them. Too often though we neglect to do that. Our Days get busy and each day becomes a routine. Wake up, get ready, get kids ready, rush them out the door, head to work, get home, make dinner. It is a routine that is easy to fall into and we can forget to let those around us know how much they mean to us. Show your kids how important they are to you, do little things to let them know how much they matter! Like the quote at the left says, loving a person (child) isn't always easy, but it is a life-changing thing.



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.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration has started!!! All paperwork was emailed to you. Non-Choice families will need to pay a \$75 registration fee per child, as long as it is before March 15th. After March 15th, the registration fee goes to \$150 per child. Choice families will need to fill out all the paperwork that was sent out. Please call the school office if you have any questions. **Try to get registration completed as soon as possible to insure your child gets a seat.**



CHOICE ENROLLMENT

Enrollment in the Choice Program (Milwaukee and Wisconsin) is now taking place for the 2021-2022 School Year. If you have any questions about the Choice program, please contact the school office.



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 held on Thursday, October 29th. The second meeting is set for February 26th. School Board members will be available to answer any of your questions. This meeting is for all of our families, not only families who are in the Choice Program this year or may be in the Choice Program in future years. Please come if you would like to learn more about the two Choice Programs in which St. Paul's participates.



SHORT SHOTS

The Short Shot basketball program for students in grades 5K-3rd grade continues this Saturday, February 13th.

- Grades K & 1 – 9:00-10:00am
- Grades 2 & 3 – **10:30-11:30am – Note time change**

Only 2 spectators will be allowed per participant. This will allow us to safely social distance. Thank you!

ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE CENTER

St. Paul's Child Care Center is located at 7835 W. Grant Street and provides care for children ages 6 weeks-14 years of age. The hours of operation are from 6:00 AM-6:00 PM (Monday-Friday). Our goal is for parents to leave with "peace of mind" knowing their child's needs are being met and learning is happening. Please call Amy Puechner for a tour (414) 430-2542 or email amy@splcwa.org.

Part-time Child Care Help Wanted

Work with children-Infants - 5 year olds

Shifts are:

6:30-11:00 AM

1:00-5:00/6:00 PM

Work 2-5 days per week.

If you enjoy being with children, this is the perfect opportunity for you. Interested candidates should contact Amy Puechner at amy@splcwa.org

CHAPEL OFFERINGS

Chapel offerings for the month of February will continue to be given to the church so they can purchase food and gift cards for the needy.

FROM THE PASTOR

Light in the Darkness

Dear friends in Christ,

In my younger years I used to go backpacking in the Colorado Rocky Mountains with our church youth group from Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Littleton, Colorado. One of my favorite trips was about a 9 or 10 mile backpack over Pawnee Pass. With almost 2,500 feet of elevation gain, the top of the pass at right around 13,000 feet

above sea level, and carrying a backpack weight 50-60 pounds, this is probably one of the most amazing physical feats of my life.

But it was all worth it, especially when you set up camp on the shores of Pawnee Lake and there is not another soul around except your own church group. Singing Christian songs by the light of the campfire was quite a joy, the light flickering on the faces of people I still love dearly. It was a grand time of growing up in Christ.

However, there was another backpack trip where we got a late start and knew we wouldn't arrive until after dark. We didn't make it. The darkness got so deep and the trail narrowed and then became almost unrecognizable. We were lost in the dark. So by lantern we found a little clearing and set up our tents for the night until we would have the light of day to finish our hike in.

You can get lost in the darkness. Even walking around in the darkness of your home at night you can run into furniture or stub your toe! Ouch!! (I did that just last night). A light in the darkness is a blessing. It helps lead you on your way. It can literally calm your fears. The light of a campfire on a dark night can warm your hearts.

Our world can be a very dark place . . . spiritually. Jesus Christ is the Light of the World. (John 8:12). The truth found in Jesus is like “. . . light shining in a dark place” (2 Peter 1:19) and therefore Peter declares that we should “pay attention to it.” The Light of Jesus brings grace and forgiveness to rid us of the darkness of our sins and failings. The Light of Jesus warms our heart with the knowledge that He will always love us. The Light of Jesus calms our hearts, giving us hope even in our troubled world.

Jesus, Himself, also bids us to be light-bearers into our world of darkness. “Let your lights shine before me that they may see your good deeds and give glory to God.” Live in the Light of Jesus . . . and shine His light in your daily lives.

Your fellow light-receiver and bearer,

Pastor Bender

PRACTICE SCHEDULES

- Boys – Monday & Wednesday 3:15-5:00pm
- 4th & 5th Girls – Thursday & Friday 3:15-5:00pm
- 6th – 8th Girls – Monday 5:30-7:00pm & Friday 3:15-5:00pm



UPCOMING DATES

February 13	Short Shots K&1 – 9-10; 1&2 – 10:30-11:30
February 17	Ash Wednesday services 10:00am & 6:00pm
February 20	Short Shots K&1 – 9-10; 1&2 – 10:30-11:30
February 24	Lent Worship 10am & 6pm
February 27	Short Shots K&1 – 9-10; 1&2 – 10:30-11:30
March 1	Teacher In-Service – NO SCHOOL
March 3	Lent Worship 10am & 6pm
March 10	Lent Worship 10am & 6pm
March 15-19	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
March 26	End of 3 rd Quarter

