



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of Christ Jesus for you.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

January 16, 2020

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

God's Good Timing

This has been a really weird week for me, my timing has been off all week. I could have sworn every day this week was Friday. Well, finally I am right!

On a much larger scale there are many times I question God's timing on things. Why does He wait until the money is almost gone? Why does He let some people with incurable illnesses linger on? How come some people aren't healed this side of the grave?

I don't know. I only know His timing is right. I can only say He will do what is best for His children...

God does what is best, when it is best.

Luke 18:7 God will always give what is right to His people who cry to Him night and day, and He will not be slow to answer them.

- **National Lutheran Schools Week** is right around the corner (January 27-31). Keep watching for fun things we will be doing to celebrate.
- Today marks the end of the 2nd quarter, and the 1st semester. Report cards will be mailed home late next week.
- Please make sure to stay current with your tuition and Extended Care payments.
- **Do you know about using the Scrip program?** It is a great way to raise funds for our school and all you have to do is purchase gift cards to where you normally shop! Call the Office for details.

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020

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.

JANUARY TUITION PAYMENT DUE

If you signed up at the beginning of the year to make two tuition payments for this school year, the second payment is due by the end of January. Please call the school office if you have any questions. Thank you.

CHOICE ENROLLMENT

Enrollment in the Choice Program (Milwaukee and Wisconsin) begins February 1st for the 2020-2021 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 November 21st. The second meeting is set for February 20th. 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 to our meetings if you would like to learn more about the two Choice Programs in which St. Paul's participates.

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS' WEEK – MOVIE NIGHT

In Celebration of National Schools' Week, the PTL has reserved a movie theater at the Marcus Ridge Cinema for our school! Our Movie Night will be Thursday, January 30th at 6pm! We will be viewing Frozen 2, and tickets are only \$6! A flyer was sent home this week with instructions on purchasing tickets. Please check your availability and mark your calendars!

TRIVIA NIGHT

- January 25th 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Get a team together and join us for an evening of fun
- If you do not have a team of 6 or 8 we can help place you on a team
- Teams of 6-8 people – Cost per person is \$10
- Cost includes Trivia Fun along with pizza, garlic bread, tossed salad, fresh baked cookies, soda, water and table snacks
- Free childcare available
- Signup sheets located in the back of Church, the Grant Street desk or you may call the Church Office 541-6251 with your RSVP by January 22nd
- Proceeds go to the Senior High Youth to help attend this summer's servant event

THE CARNIVAL IS COMING TO ST. PAUL'S

- Sunday, February 16, 2020
- This is a church youth fundraiser
- An afternoon of fun, games, food and prizes
- See you all there!
- Watch for more information to come

ECC VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to be greeters at the Early Childhood Center during school hours. Volunteers* will sit at the front desk and let families into the building. There will be a morning shift (7:45-11:30) and an afternoon shift (11:30-3:00). You could do it once a week or just once a month.

If you would be interested in serving our Lord this way, please contact Barb Heimsoth (barb@splcwa.org) or call the school office (414-541-6251).

*St. Paul's policy says all volunteers are subject to having a background check through the school office.

KINDERGARTEN LOVES TO RECYCLE

Kindergarten is looking for the fronts of used Christmas cards. If you or anyone you know has some, please send them to the school office. Thank you!

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH

Welcome back Jr. High Youth! We are planning an Open Gym on January 18, from 6-8pm. All students and church members grade 6-8 are welcome. We will have snacks and drinks available. Parents are welcome to donate them. We are also planning a bowling outing on Sunday, February 9th. More information to follow on that.

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

Acolyte Schedule:

Saturday, January 18

5:00pm - Griffin Lemberger

Sunday, January 19

8:00am - Alexis Plumeri

10:30am - Riley Gibbs

FROM THE PASTOR

Darkness! It abounds in our world, and I'm not talk about the physical darkness after the sun sets each evening. Darkness, the darkness of sin, it is truly all around us every day. There is the darkness of the turmoil in our world: shootings on the north side of our city, an elderly man beaten on a bus, the whole drug addiction problem which is growing worse, and the list could go on.

There is also darkness in our own lives: words that we speak that hurt other people; things we do which adversely affect others; thoughts that come out of nowhere and we know they aren't right; children who don't obey and parents who struggle to understand their children. Darkness, the darkness of sin, it truly is everywhere!

What is the answer to the darkness?? Light! The Light of Jesus Christ is the answer for all of the darkness. Simeon, an old man in the temple took the baby Jesus into his arms and declared Him to be the "Light to lighten the Gentiles." Jesus is the Light of the World that overcomes the darkness.

Jesus is the Light that exposes the darkness of our sins, but then calls us to admit the darkness in our lives (confessing our sins). Jesus is the Light of God's love and forgiveness, and He promises that if we admit our sins and failings, He will always forgive us and accept us as His own. Jesus is the Light that heals our strained and sometimes broken relationships, by leading us to forgive others. Jesus is the Light that strengthens our relationships by loving, serving, and showing compassion to one another.

There is a lot of darkness in our world and in our very lives. Seek out the Light!! You will find His Light in God's Word. You will find Him as you gather with other Christians and worship Him as the Light. You have a couple of pastors at St. Paul's that are always willing to share the Light of His wisdom with you. If you face difficult days of darkness, we are here to help lead you to the Light!

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Bender

PRACTICE SCHEDULES

- **Handbells – Wednesday 7:15am**
- **JV Boys Basketball**
Monday and Wednesday 3:30-5:00pm
- **JV Girls Basketball**
Monday 5-6:30pm and Thursday 3:15-5:00pm
- **Varsity Boys Basketball**
Tuesday and Friday 3:30-5:00pm
- **Varsity Girls Basketball**
Tuesday and Thursday 5-6:30pm

SINGING SCHEDULE

January 25	5:00pm	NLSW Celebration 3K,4K,Kind., 1-8 Grades	LAST NAMES R-Z
January 26	8:00am	NLSW Celebration 3K,4K,Kind., 1-8 Grades	LAST NAMES A-H
	10:30am	NLSW Celebration 3K,4K,Kind., 1-8 Grades	LAST NAMES I-Q
February 16		6-8 Grades Choir & 4-8 Handbells	10:30am
February 29		K-1 Grades Choir	5:00pm

SPORTS SCHEDULE

January 16-19	JV Boys & Girls Tournament @ Zion Girls 1 st game Thursday @ 6:30pm Boys 1 st game Friday @ 7:30pm
January 18	Varsity Boys vs. Elm Grove @ Martin Luther 12:00pm Varsity Girls vs. Granville @ Granville 11:00am
January 22	JVGirls vs. Elm Grove @ St. Paul's 5:00pm JVBoys vs. Immanuel @ St. Paul's 6:00pm
January 23-26	Varsity Boys and Girls Tournament @ Immanuel Brookfield Girls 1 st game Thursday @ 4:30pm Boys 1 st game Friday @ 4:30pm
January 29	JVGirls vs. Divine Redeemer 4:30pm JVBoys vs. Divine Redeemer 5:30m Varsity Girls vs. SPOC @ Immanuel 4:30pm
February 1	Varsity Boys vs. Grace Oak Creek @ Our Fathers 12:00pm
February 3	JVGirls vs. Christ-St. Peter's 5:20pm JVBoys vs. Christ-St. Peter's 6:10pm
February 5	Varsity Girls vs. Hales Corners @ Immanuel 4:30pm
February 6	Varsity Boys vs. Granville @ Elm Grove 4:30pm
February 8	Varsity Girls vs. Mt. Calvary @ Elm Grove 11:00am Varsity Boys vs. GROC @ Elm Grove 1:00pm



January 17	End of 2 nd Quarter
January 18	Short Shots 9:00-10:15am
January 20	M.L. King Day – NO SCHOOL
January 25	Short Shots 9:00-10:15am
January 27-31	National Lutheran Schools Week
February 1	Short Shots 9:00-10:15am
February 7	Teacher In-Service – NO SCHOOL
February 8	Short Shots 9:00-10:15am
February 15	Short Shots 9:00-10:15am

