# St. Paul's Lutheran School



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 27 & 28 Play

Oct 27 End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

Records Day-NO SCHOOL

Oct 31 Picture retakes

Nov 1 Evening Conferences

Nov2 AM Conferences-NO SCHOOL Nov 3 Prof. Development-NO SCHOOL

Nov 17-18 Girls Tournament

Nov 22-24 Thanksgiving break-NO SCHOOL



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## From the Principal



#### **GIFT GIVING TIME!!!**

**Too soon?** As I was leaving Kohl's yesterday, I actually heard it...the first Christmas songs of the year and somehow it got me thinking about this passage: "The Spirit has given each of us a special gift, a way of serving others." 1 Corinthians 2:7

Maybe you didn't even know you have one, but we all do. We have an uncommon call to an uncommon life. The Holy Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others. So much for the excuse, "I don't have anything to offer."

In the passage above did Paul say, "The Spirit has given **some** of us..."? Or, "The Spirit has given **a few** of us..."? No. "The Spirit has given **each** of us a special gift, a special way of serving others." So, enough of the self-deprecating, "I can't do anything."

And enough of the opposite statement, "I have to do everything." No, you don't. We are not God's solution to all of society's ills, but rather, a solution **in** society.

Don't worry about the skills and gifts that you don't have. Don't covet strengths others have. Be thankful for the unique gifts you have been given and find ways to use them in service to God and others.

## **FACTS**

Remember to set up your account in our new Student Information System, FACTS. Instructions on how to do this are available from the school office. Contact the school office if you have any questions.

## CHOICE MEETING DATES

Come find out about the Wisconsin and Milwaukee Choice programs. Two meeting dates have been set:

Thursday, November 16, 2023

Thursday, February 22, 2023

## PICTURE RETAKES

## SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKES Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>



#### SINGING SCHEDULE

- December 9 6-8<sup>th</sup>Grade 5:00pm
- December 13 3K,4K & K 6:00pm
- December 16 1-5<sup>th</sup>Grade 5:00pm

## COME TO ME

all who are

## weary & heavily burdened

and

I will give you REST

**Matthew 11:28** 

## PLAY-"CACTUS PASS"

St. Paul's Lutheran School is excitedly beginning a new drama department. Our children will be performing our school play, "Cactus Pass" on October 27 and 28.

To help defray the cost, you are welcome to adopt a flat, which will be part of the wall of our set. Each flat will cost \$50.00. The plan is to save these flats for future productions. If you are willing to help in any way please contact me at katie.librizzi@splcwa.org or the school office.

Thank you!

## **BIRTHDAYS**

## **OCTOBER**

Jameson Cruz Liam Marshall Benjamin Bublitz Landyn Rowland Zayne Rueda John Bingenheimer Easton Kassa Delylah Roth Valerie Baker Mason Rowell

### **BAPTISMBIRTHDAYS**

#### OCTOBER BAPTISMS

Delylah Roth
Destinae Thornberry
Devin Thornberry
Violet Moonen
Leo Chapa
Zach Hafemann
Jaxon Veit
Cato Lunak
Mila Hamilton
Valerie Baker
Kylee Koble
Alysse Partl

May God continue to keep you in your Baptismal Grace!

## **FROM THE PASTOR**

And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark seasons and days and years . . . ." (Genesis 1:14, NIV)

The seasons come and go, each and every year, according to the design of our God from the very beginning of time. I just love these days of the season of fall. All of God's creation changing color, the brilliant colors of gold, orange, and bright red, as the leaves in Greenfield Park go through the annual cycle of this fall season.

Years come and go, and every twenty-eight days we see the moon go through its cycle... and every twelve months the earth makes a complete circuit of the sun, as we go from fall to winter to spring and then to summer once again. All this happens by the design and handiwork of our God.

There is a pattern to life. We get used to it. We know what's coming. In just a few months when we hit the heart of winter, we will be glad to know another springtime is on the way. What a wonderful thing to know the faithfulness and consistency of our Lord and God even in the changing of the seasons.

There is a pattern to life for God's people as well. At least, there is a pattern that God would have us follow. We wake up each morning, we get ready for the day and the pattern should include time for prayer and listening to God's voice in His Word. We go off to the day, to follow the calling of our God, using our abilities to benefit others at work and bring home a paycheck, or taking care of the house and the children. During the day, as we face challenges, again we go to God in prayer. After a hard day's work, we go home to eat, relax, and spend time with family. Hopefully, at the end of the day, we spend time in prayer once again.

God gives us a pattern to earthly life and spiritual life. So every day, take time to reflect, to devote, to pray, and to intentionally make your relationship with God central to your life's pattern.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Bender