



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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IN ALL THINGS Colossians 1:15-20

October 14, 2021

From the Principal

GIFT GIVING

The Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others.

1 Corinthians 2:7

Maybe you didn't even know you have one, but we all do. A unique gift. 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 above passage 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 way of serving others." 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 society's ills, but rather, a solution **in** society.

Don't worry about the skills and gifts 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.

STUDENT PARENT HANDBOOK

There are many families that have not signed and returned page 19 of the Student Parent Handbook for the 2021-2022 school year. The handbook was emailed at the beginning of the school year. You can also find it on our website (www.splswa.com). Go to quick links – forms, publications, manuals – and then under other school documents, you will see Student Parent Handbook. Call the office with any questions

FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY

Just a reminder that in the morning, **children should not be dropped off at the 79th Street doors before 7:45am and left unattended.** These doors remain locked until 7:45, and we do not want children waiting outside the building with no adult supervision. Prior to 7:45am, students can be dropped off at the Lincoln Avenue doors but will need to go to Before School Care in the Fellowship Hall IF THEY ARE REGISTERED and pay the \$5/hour fee.

PANTHER PAW MAGNETS

Is it time to replace your worn, lost, or faded Panther Paw magnet? Another way to display your school spirit, we are selling Panther Paw Magnets for your vehicle or your refrigerator for only \$5. You can purchase them from the school office or from the SCRIP table in back of church after all worship services.

DRESS CODE ITEM

A reminder that students may continue wearing shorts through the month of October. Another reminder: once it cools off, our rooms get quite cool until the boiler gets turned on.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS

With increased traffic on Lincoln Avenue and more cars turning onto 78th and 79th Streets to avoid Lincoln Avenue construction, we are seeking your full cooperation and adherence to our Lincoln Avenue building's pick-up procedure at the end of the school day.

--DO NOT park/stop in the NO PARKING zone across the street from our 79th Street exit.

--Please only pick up students with your car facing north (on 79th) or south (on 78th). If this procedure is not followed and students need to cross the street, they can cross at the CORNER only.

We truly believe these procedures are best to help with flow of traffic, and more importantly, student safety.

Please share this carline message with anyone who picks up your Lincoln Avenue students from school.

LCFS

This year we are happy to again be partnering with **Lutheran Counseling and Family Services.** **LCFS** provides students and families with emotional support and counseling on issues like anxiety, depression, anger management, grief, eating disorders, etc. These services take place during the school day. If you think that your child might benefit from this program, please contact Tammy and she can forward you the necessary paperwork.

SCHOOL PICTURES

- **Tuesday, October 19th**
- **Link for online ordering:**
- <<https://orders.schoolandsportpics.com/ordering>>
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Use the drop down menu to select your school name

Use this coupon code to save 10% off of your order if placed prior to picture day:

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- Order forms were sent home Thursday.

HOT LUNCH THANK YOU

Without volunteers, we could not offer the students a special treat like hot lunch. Thank you to the following parents/grandparents/friends: Heather Blair, Josey Geitz, Sheri Rowell, Cheryl Kassa, Becky Kessler, Jackie Saldana, Marie Hoffman-Smith, Mary Kochanski, Jean Weiland and Theresa Baker.

IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

The West Allis Health Department is having 2 back to school immunization clinic events in October. Any child 3-18 who needs to get caught up on the required immunizations for school can attend. There is no cost for the vaccines, but we do have a limited supply.

Anyone with questions or wanting to schedule should call the health department at 414-302-8600.

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 **is Thursday, November 18th at 6:00pm**. 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. The second meeting is set for **February 24th**. Please come to our meetings if you would like to learn more about the two Choice Programs in which St. Paul's participates.



MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL 2022-2023 Admissions Information

Do you know of a current 8th grader interested in attending Martin Luther in 2022-2023?

[Applications Now Open!](#)

Learn more about Martin Luther High School and visit us for our Open House on Wednesday, October 27th at 6:00pm - [RSVP](#)

Please note if you are returning family with a current student, you do NOT need to complete this application. This is for new students only.

For any specific questions regarding the admissions process, please contact Abbie Amling at aamling@martinlutherhs.org or 414.421.4000 ext. 180.

CHILD CARE HELP NEEDED

St. Paul's Child Care continues to grow; therefore we are looking for part time help 2-5 days per week between the hours of 11AM-6PM. Benefits of the job include no weekends and no late evenings. If you enjoy working with young children, this is a great place to be. Interested individuals should contact Amy Puechner at amy@splcwa.org or call 414-430-2542.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE SIGN-UP

Dear BSC/ASC Parents:

I am writing to let you know that I need your help. I really must know the days and times your child will be attending Before/After School and the hours within 15 min of start and pick up times. This plays a huge part in staffing. Schedules are due **Thursday at noon for the next week**. It is extremely difficult to have 17-20 children one night and then drop down to only 4 children on another night. St. Paul's will do our best to help out with last minute emergencies if needed but this shouldn't happen on a regular basis. You can send one schedule for the whole year if your schedule doesn't change but if your schedule changes you can let me know via email at amy@splcwa.org Last minute changes should be texted to 414-430-2542 no later than 1:30 PM on the day care is needed. Thank you to those families who have faithfully sent schedules to me by Thursday at noon. To all of our families, St. Paul's appreciates the opportunity to care for your child/ren. Your help with this matter is greatly appreciated.

God Bless,
Amy Puechner

DAYCARE ON UPCOMING DAYS OFF

Friday, October 22, 29 and November 5 are **no** school days at St. Paul's. Due to the large number of children participating in all of our programs and the limited staff

availability, we respectfully ask families that wish to have care, check with Amy as to availability. **Please check with Amy only, as she is in charge of the master schedule for children and staff.** Amy will need to know the date and times please by Friday, October 15. **All care will take place at the Grant location.** Also, families who sign up for the day and do not show will be charged \$50 for the day they signed up for. It truly is a privilege to care for our St. Paul families. Thank you for your understanding and attention to this matter.

HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE

November 12	Spaghetti Bake
December 10	Chicken Strips

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear friends in Christ:

We are blessed to have chapel services every Wednesday here at St. Paul's Lutheran School. It is a joy to worship with your children and have them sing praise to Jesus. Of course, parents are always welcome to join us for chapel, but often that is difficult with your work schedule. Yet, it is great to praise Jesus together as family!!

So I wanted to make one more appeal for an event coming up next week. The event is called **Pizza + Praise!** It will take place on **Wednesday, October 20, beginning at 5:30pm.** All school families are invited. If you can't make it right at 5:30, we will continue to serve pizza up to 6pm or a little after. Shortly after 6pm, we will begin a program of some praise songs, a short devotional, a time of sharing God's blessings in our lives and prayer. **It will be a great time to gather as family.**

At the end of each of our chapel services, we praise God with a hymn that has been sung for centuries upon centuries. It is known as the common doxology. It goes like this:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

That's what we are going to do next week! Eat some pizza and then praise God for all His blessings, including the pizza and all the other gifts He gives us. Hope that you will be able to make it.

In Christ's love,

Pastor Bender

FALL SPORTS PRACTICES

- **Cross Country – Grades 5-8 Monday 3:15-4:30**
- **Varsity Girls Volleyball – Tuesday 3:30-5:00 & Thursday 3:30-5:00**
- **Cross Country – Grades 3 & 4 Thursday 3:15-4:30**
- **Cross Country – Grades 3-8 Friday 3:15-4:30**

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

October 14-16 Immanuel Brookfield Tournament

SINGING SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 17	10:30am service	4K
Saturday, October 23	5:00pm service	6 th -8 th Grades
Wednesday, December 8	10:00am & 6pm	3K, 4K & Kindergarten Christmas Service
Wednesday, December 15	10:00am & 6pm	1-8 th grades Christmas Service

UPCOMING DATES

October 19	School Pictures
October 22	Records Day – NO SCHOOL End of 1 st quarter
October 28	PM Parent Teacher Conferences
October 29	AM Parent Teacher Conferences
November 5	Professional Development – NO SCHOOL
November 8-9	Teacher's Conference – NO SCHOOL
November 14	Voter's Meeting 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall
November 19-20	Girls' Basketball Tournament
November 25-26	Thanksgiving Break – NO SCHOOL

CONGRATULATIONS MRS. PLOETZ

On September 28th, Mrs. Ploetz gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Maci Violet Ploetz. She weighed in at 8 lbs. 3 oz. and was 20" long. Both mom and baby are doing well!



OCTOBER

Valerie Baker
John Bingenheimer
Jameson Cruz
Hadley Emmer
Drew Gutknecht
Charlotte Haase
Mason Rowell
Maia Sleik



OCTOBER

4 – Kylee Koble
9 – Alysse Partl
15 – Zachary Hafemann
16 – Jaxon Veit
27 – Mila Hamilton
28 – Valerie Baker
29 – Alexis Blair

May God continue to bless you in your Baptismal Grace!