



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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IN ALL THINGS Colossians 1:15-20

September 30, 2021



Anybody else love Fall? The color change, the weather change, the smell change....it's all about change. But there are a lot of people who do not like change. To change, means that something must go.

Today as I looked out the kitchen window I saw it happening. I saw it on the big Maple and Ash trees. I saw it on the Burning Bush. Change is happening. Leaves are falling. What was once were trees deep in rich green, are now changing to trees with vibrant shades of red, orange and yellow, and all to soon will become trees that are empty. Nothing left but the branches. That's a lot of change! I guess our human side finds that sad and we wish the color stayed, we think the only thing that makes the trees beautiful are the colorful leaves ...why does it have to be so bare? But that's a sign of what is to come. Change.

But for every beginning there is an end, and for every end there is a new beginning. What I find most amazing is that those trees still stand. Those bare branches still reach out and upward. There is beauty in the strength of those branches.

This is such an awesome reminder of the seasons in our lives. Some are seasons of hard times, some loneliness, seasons of loss or other things such as financial hardships. We have seasons that are bright and beautiful and rich in life. Then we have seasons where He allows things in our life to enter so that we don't remain the same. But through all those seasons He is telling us, *"Let go, and let me. Let go and let me show you what I can do. Let go and let me show you what I can teach you... There is strength in your branches with Me."*

We must learn to let go and grow a new, more Godly perspective.

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL ACCREDITATION

We did it! Under the guidance of Danielle Jackson, our staff and school successfully completed the long and arduous task of gaining National Accreditation. Thank you to Danielle, staff, and parents who helped in this process.



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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD



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.

SPWA Spirit Wear

Every Friday at SPWA is School Spirit Day where students are asked to wear their St. Paul's shirts, or clothes that are Red, Black, and White. **A link to our online store was sent home yesterday.** Please purchase some of these cool items to display your school pride.

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.

PASTORAL CALL MEETING

October 10 is a pivotal day in the future of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School. On that day we will have the opportunity select an Assistant Pastor who, along with Pastor Bender, will help shape and guide our church and school in the future. There are three outstanding candidates to choose from, their biographical information is available in the back of church. Come and let your voice be heard. The selection meeting takes place after early service October 10.

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.

COLOR RUN

- 10/6 cash due
- 10/8 prize distribution
- 10/10 COLOR RUN EVENT

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.

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.

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.

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

HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE

October 13	Walking Tacos
November 12	Spaghetti Bake
December 10	Chicken Strips

FROM THE PASTOR

God's grace, love, peace and joy be yours today and always . . . in the name of Jesus!

There are a lot of things that excite us in the world! We get excited when our sports teams win. The Packers are making a comeback from a slow start. This excites you Packer fans! My Denver Broncos are one of only five teams left in the NFL that are undefeated! That excites me for the rest of the coming season. In the last two seasons, my Broncos didn't even get one win in the month of September!!

Well, enough about football. Things going on around us in the world excite us. I truly enjoy the changing of the seasons, the beauty of God's creation doing what He created

it to do. Many kids get excited later this month to dress up for Halloween and go trick or treating. Of course, the bigger the bucket of candy the more excited kids get. In November, many families are excited to get together for Thanksgiving. Yes, lots of things that we anticipate and that get us excited.

Lots of things are happening at St. Paul's in the month of October!! The **"Color Run"** is going to take place on October 10, with our students running to raise funds for our school. You can come out and watch them at Martin Luther H.S. at 1pm on October 10. On October 10, our church will be holding a **Special Voters' Assembly to extend a "Call"** for our next Associate Pastor. Your prayers are appreciated!! On Wednesday, October 20, we will be hosting our first **"Pizza and Praise" event** which is open to all school families. Pizza will be provided at no charge, and we will sing a few praise songs, have a brief devotional time and open the microphone for people to share with one another how they see God working in their lives.

Lots of things are happening at St. Paul's. So come and join the fellowship, build one another up, and walk together as a family of believers. We are St. Paul's. We are God's people. We are a family on mission for Christ!

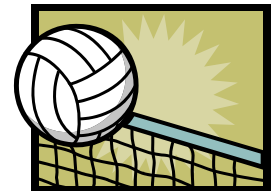
In Christ's love,
Pastor Bender

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 4 4:30 vs. Divine Redeemer 2 @ Divine Redeemer
October 12 5:30 vs. Star of Bethlehem @ St. Paul's
October 14-16 Immanuel Brookfield Tournament



SINGING SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 3	8:00am service	3 rd -5 th Grades
Saturday, October 9	5:00pm service	1 st & 2 nd Grades
Sunday, October 17	10:30am service	4K
Saturday, October 23	5:00pm service	6 th -8 th Grades

UPCOMING DATES

October 10	Color Run
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



SEPTEMBER

Alexis Blair

Maks Burkee

Braelyn Casper

Grayson Engelmann-Orozco

Eli Galindo

Owen Geitz

Dominic Immekus

Kadyn Koble

Savannah Lentini

Hanna Markland

Denver Rudig

Dawson Schmidt

Elliott Saugstad

Alex Tavidian

Cheyenne Ulatowski

Skylee Ulatowski

Khloe Vish

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

7 – Gustav Carson

8 – Zachary Myren

11 – Declan O'Brien

12 – Jackson Cruz

15 – Liam Belsha

20 – Xavier Gonzalez

21 – Keira Hutchins

23 – John Belsha & Liam Gennerman

29 – Cooper Klich

May God continue to bless you in your Baptismal Grace!