

**"Making Disciples For Life"**  
**Matthew 28:19-20**

October 20, 2022



**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**WHO'S IN YOUR BOAT?**

**JOHN 6:21** *"Then they were glad to take Him into the boat. At once the boat came to land at the place where they wanted to go."*

We recently experienced some rather extreme weather and storms in the West Allis area and fortunately, our school was spared any damage. We would all rather be spared the storms of life. Or if a storm comes, let it be a mild one and let life get back to normal quickly.

Sometimes it does.

But, when we are chest deep in the rising waters, Jesus wants us to know His name and hear Him saying, "I'm right here! I am coming!" That was the experience of the disciples battling the wind and the waves that day. The moment they invited Christ into their boat was the moment they arrived at their destination.

We should all follow the example of the disciples. Welcome Jesus into the midst of your turbulent times.

Don't let the storm(s) turn you inward. Let them turn you upward!



- **Singing Dates**-There are a few dates where our kids will be singing in church, please add these dates to your calendar and plan on your child being there.
  - December 10, 5:00 Grades 5-8
  - December 14, 6:00 Grades 3K, 4K, and K
  - December 17, 5:00 Grades 1-4
- **Teacher of the Year** nominations are now open. This is an award that the South Wisconsin District of Lutheran schools gives out each year. Last year we had three nominees, but not the winner. This year let's see if one of our outstanding staff members can win! The nomination link is found at the end of the newsletter.

- **Parent-Teacher Conferences** are November 2-3. Make sure to use the **SignUp Genius** link to sign up soon.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4ea5ae23ab9-parent3>
- **Meal Train-** The Segura Family has been such a blessing to so many people and the Lord has always given many blessings to them and will continue to do so. Their son Noah not only needs our prayers, but time to spend with his parents and siblings. To maximize the time Lisa and Frank can spend with Noah while he receives treatment for leukemia, our community needs to come together.

A meal train has been set up to lighten the burden of cooking/making meals for the family. You may also contribute financially to help cover costs of groceries, take-out meals, medical bills, etc. Let's show the Segura Family how much they are loved! ♥ Please contact Lisa to coordinate meal drop off times.

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/g9ezym>



## SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures will be taken on October 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Information has been sent home.

Pictures can be ordered online here:

<<https://orders.schoolandsportpics.com/ordering>>  
<https://orders.schoolandsportpics.com/ordering>

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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# Pizza Fridays Are Here!

## CHAPEL OFFERINGS

Chapel offerings for the months of September and October will be going to ***Feed My Starving Children***, a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, as part of their weekly *Sent to Serve* class, will be heading to Brookfield Lutheran Church later this month to help pack meals that are assembled because of people's kind donations. *Feed My Starving Children* sends meals to dozens of countries all over the world.



## 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>RD</sup>**

Please come to our meetings if you would like to learn more about the two Choice Programs in which St. Paul's participates.



### PLANNED ABSENCE FORM

Whenever you know your child is going to be absent for a vacation or appointment, please see that they pick up and complete a [Planned Absence Form](#) from their teacher or online. This will list all the work they will be missing and are **expected to have completed upon their return**.

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

All school families are invited to worship with us each weekend. We understand that it is in worship where we draw closer to our God. In worship, God is present, and we have the opportunity to give thanks, receive forgiveness, gather with fellow believers, listen to His Word, pray for others, and to be strengthened in our faith to go out into the world to share Christ and to meet the challenges in everyday living. Our worship life also demonstrates how important God is to us and our families. As we teach our children God's truth, we model how important God is to us and should be in our lives as He is so good. Make it a priority to worship regularly and spend time in His Word this school year.



Thank you from The Kindergartners and everyone else at the ECC to Mrs. Janet Johnson for her fantastic job this summer making the outside at the little school look beautiful! God has certainly blessed us with her gifts and talents! She is amazing!

### PIZZA AND PRAISE

"The Board of Missional Community welcomes you to join us Wednesday, October 26th for our first evening of Pizza + Praise this year! Dinner will start at 5:30 in the gym. **Come when you can and invite others!** There will be music, a short devotional, and an opportunity to praise God. Come and share in God's goodness!"

## ***From the Pastor***

"Jesus loves the little children

All the children of the world

Red and yellow, black and white

All are precious in His sight

Jesus loves the little children of the world."

This is the refrain of a three stanza Christian song once penned by C. Herbert Woolston in the late 1800's. It has been around for nearly 150 years. It was true when pastor Woolston first penned it. It is true today. Christian truth never changes.

We have been singing this refrain before the Children's Message in church for this month of October. Jesus loves the little children and Jesus loves them to come to Him. Of course, parents are the ones called by Jesus to lead their little children to Him, coming to church, doing devotions in the home, praying together, loving, forgiving, and living in harmony.

In the verses of that little song, Jesus says, "Come to me and never fear . . . I will take your hand and lead you to a better land!" The second verse proclaims that Jesus is the Shepherd true and He'll always stand by you; Jesus is the Savior strong and will keep you from all wrong. The final verse is the Christian's response: "I am coming, Lord to Thee and a cross-bearing soldier I will be."

In truth, young and old alike, we are all little children. As John writes in his first epistle, "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called Children of God. And that is what we are!!" (1 John 3:1) This weekend I am preaching on "Childlike Faith in a Grown-up Culture." I hope to see many of God's precious children in His house this weekend!

Simply God's Child,

*Pastor Bender*



October 25	SCHOOL PICTURES
October 27	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
October 28	Report Card Day – NO SCHOOL
November 2	PM Parent Teacher Conferences
November 3	Parent Teacher Conferences – NO SCHOOL
November 4	Teacher In-Service – NO SCHOOL
November 18 & 19	Girls Basketball Tournament
November 23-25	Thanksgiving – NO SCHOOL

## SINGING SCHEDULE

December 10	5-8 Grades 5:00pm
December 14	3K, 4K and Kindergarten 6:00pm
December 17	1-4 Grades 5:00pm



# OCTOBER

Jameson Cruz  
Drew Gutknecht  
Liam Marshall  
Benjamin Bublitz  
Landyn Rowland  
John Bingenheimer  
Easton Kassa  
Maia Sleik  
Delylah Roth  
Valerie Baker  
Mason Rowell

# BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

## OCTOBER

4 – Kylee Koble  
9 – AlyssePartl  
15 – Zachary Hafemann  
16 – Jaxon Veit  
20 – Cato Lunak  
27 – Mila Hamilton  
28 – Valerie Baker  
29 – Alexis Blair

*May God continue to bless you in your Baptismal Grace!*

### **Teacher of the Year nominations are now open!**

Here are the links to the nomination forms. Please share these links with your staff, school families and church members.

**Teacher – <https://forms.gle/s9mfUoR9EvF2J9v89>**

**Principal – <https://forms.gle/2zMY9Tnw5NA5mN9D8>**

**EC Director - <https://forms.gle/mrZSMJvMi51aedZ7>**

**Nominations will be open until November 15.**

