



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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IN ALL THINGS Colossians 1:15-20

October 7, 2021

A Personal Invitation

"Come to me...and I will give you rest"

Matthew 11:28

When Jesus says, "Come to me," He doesn't say come to religion, come to a system, come to a certain doctrine, come to a certain denomination or to a particular congregation. This is a very personal invitation to a God, an invitation to a Savior.

Our God is not aloof—he's not somewhere far away and so far above us that he can't see and understand our problems. Jesus isn't an aloof God who stayed secluded or hidden up on the mountaintop—he's a Savior who came down and lived and worked with the people, His people. Everywhere he went, the crowds followed, drawn together by the magnet that he was—and is—the Savior.

The life of Jesus Christ is a message of hope, a message of mercy, a message of life in a dark world that is freely given to us all. All we need to do is accept the invitation.

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.

COLOR RUN: Sunday, October 10th

- **10/8 prize distribution**
- **10/10 COLOR RUN EVENT**
- **Map and information was emailed out yesterday**
- **Begin to arrive at Martin Luther at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday**
- **Race begins at 1:00 p.m.**

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. Please purchase some of these cool items to display your school pride. Here is the link:

<https://dunns-2021stpaulslutheranwestallis.itemorder.com/>

The closing date is October 13th at 11:59pm.

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.

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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STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET

This Saturday, October 9, the State Cross Country Meet will be held at Concordia University Wisconsin. The boys begin at 2:30pm and the girls at 3:30pm.

The following students will be participating: Elena Brofka, Juliana Rivers-Garcia, Kadyne and Kylee Koble. **GO PANTHERS!**

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.

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, October 29th 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 26th. 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

<u>HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE</u>	
October 13	Walking Tacos
November 12	Spaghetti Bake
December 10	Chicken Strips

FROM THE PASTOR

"I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." (Psalm 69:30, NIV)

Praising God's name in song is a wonderful thing to do. The almighty God is the one who created each of us and all things. His creative wonders are worthy of praise. I love the change of the seasons! The colors changing this time of the year is a glorious declaration of God's existence and His created order. We do nothing. Every year the days get shorter, the air gets more crisp, and the leaves on the trees are a glorious array of color.

Praising God's name in song is a wonderful thing to do. The name of Jesus is a "special" name to praise. The name of Jesus means, "God saves." Joseph was told to give Mary's Holy Spirit Child the name Jesus, *"because he will save his people from their sins."* (Matthew 1:21). When you've messed up in life, had a fight with your child, are downcast about things you've done wrong, praising the name of Jesus reminds you that you have a forgiving Savior. Praising the name of Jesus always lifts our spirits.

Glorifying God with thanksgiving is also a huge blessing in our lives. Being thankful for the gift of life, for family, for friends, for food on the table and a roof over our heads . . . all of these things are worthy of giving God thanks. God's mercy, God's grace, God's adopting us into His family through baptism are all things worthy of giving thanks. You see, to be thankful you need to "count your blessings." When we remember our blessings it is good for our hearts!!

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It's a great thing to do!! Pizza is a good thing as well. So on October 20, beginning at 5:30pm in our gymnasium, we are going to have our first *"Pizza and Praise"* event. All school families are invited. Pizza and drinks will be provided free of charge. After dinner,

we will spend some time “praising God’s name in song” and have opportunity to “glorify Him with thanksgiving,” sharing with one another the good things God has done for us. Hope to see you there.

In Christ’s love,

Pastor Bender

FALL SPORTS PRACTICES

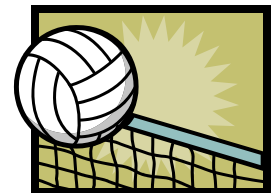
- **Cross Country – Grades 5-8 Monday 3:15-4:30**
- **Varsity Girls Volleyball – Tuesday 3:30-5:00 & Thursday 3:30-5:00**
- **Cross Country – Grades 3 & 4 Thursday 3:15-4:30**
- **Cross Country – Grades 3-8 Friday 3:15-4:30**

CROSS COUNTRY

October 9 State XC Meet @ Concordia WI
Boys @ 2:30pm / Girls @ 3:30pm

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

October 12 5:30 vs. Star of Bethlehem @ St. Paul’s
October 14-16 Immanuel Brookfield Tournament



SINGING SCHEDULE

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 13	Hot Lunch
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



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!

