

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL **NEWSLETTER**



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"Making Disciples For Life"

Matthew 28:19-20

September 8, 2022

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I love good, positive, motivational quotes and sayings. As a coach, I always made it a point to share these nuggets with my teams in various ways. As a principal, I still like sharing interesting quotes. The latest one I saw that got me thinking was this, "What we want, is on the other side of hard."

Wow, what an awesome quote, and isn't that the truth!? All of the good and admirable things we desire, are on the other side of hard.

- Our house has gotten too small, and we'd like something a little bigger.
- I really want my kids to receive a Christian education, but it's expensive!
- My spouse and I aren't getting along, and we need to work on some things.

Those things are hard!

Jesus often challenged his followers. In fact, at one point in John 6 His disciples said to Jesus, "This is a hard teaching, who can accept it?" Many of His disciples then turned their backs on Jesus and went their own way. They didn't want to do the hard things and believe the words of Jesus. Finally, Peter asked, "Lord, to whom should we go? You have the words of eternal life!" Peter got it. He was willing to put in the work and accept the challenges of following Jesus. Later in John (chapter 10) Jesus says," I've told you these things so that you may have peace."

Our children need to learn this lesson as well! They need to realize that hard work pays off. They need to learn that it is NOT ok to quit or give up when things become challenging or don't go their way. You see, what we all want is right there for us to have, it's right there, on the other side of hard! I pray that we are all willing to accept the challenges of following Jesus in the challenging times of our lives.



- Please continue to register and raise funds for the big **Color Run** on September 25. This is one of our major fund-raisers for the year. Proceeds will be used to help fund some long overdue kitchen upgrades. **We are about halfway** to our fundraising goal.
- **St. Paul's Spirit Wear Store** is now open. A separate flier was sent home containing information about products and ordering. https://dunns-2022stpaulslutheranwestallisspiritwear.itemorder.com/
- We will be hosting a **Book Faire on October 10**, in the school Library.
- We have received a shipment of free Rapid COVID tests. If you are ever in need of any, please let the Office know.
- Our big **Color Run** event is all set for **September 25**.
- Car Magnets-We have a new supply of our popular bright red Panther Paw car magnets. These can be purchased in the Office for \$5.00 each. So, if your current paw has faded to some strange shade of pink or orange or white, TIME FOR A NEW ONE! If you don't have one on each vehicle, time to BUY ANOTHER ONE!
- **79**th **Street Carline** please follow the procedures that were previously sent home. **Please do not try and go west on Lincoln**, going east helps alleviate the long back-ups that sometimes happen while waiting for someone to turn left.
- PULL UP TO THE SIGN TO DROP OFF OR PICK UP



• **78**th **Street Carline**- parking space is very limited. **Please pull all the way up to the alley**, and up to the car in front of you so we can fit in more cars.



Pizza Fridays Coming Soon!



MEDICATION CONSENT FORM

If your child needs to take **prescription or non-prescription medication**, a <u>form</u> needs to be filled out and kept in the school office along with the medication in its original container. These forms can be picked up from the school office or found <u>online</u> and printed.

COMMUNICATIONS IS AN IMPORTANT CONNECTION

We encourage parents to read our weekly school newsletter which is sent out electronically each Thursday afternoon. We try to inform parents about school policies, activities, items of interest, student information, and other school news. We hope that the information provided keeps parents informed and current with what is happening in the church and school. The newsletter is emailed out to parents each Thursday and can also be found on our website. Do we have your correct email address? Please inform the school of any email address changes. If you need a hard copy of the newsletter, please contact Mrs. Evers in the school office.

COLOR RUN

The Color Run is fast approaching. Here is the link to volunteer to help:

3rd Annual St. Pauls Color Run

Date: 9-25-22 Time: 1:00pm

Place: Martin Luther High School

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS / FAST DIRECT UPDATES

All families are asked to log in to their Fast Direct account and update any information that needs to be changed. Please make sure to check emergency contacts, we well as updated phone numbers, etc. If you need log in information, please contact the school office.

Color Run Update:

- Amount raised so far online \$6265
- Our goal is \$14,000
- Money due 9-21-2022
- We accept donations in many ways. Cash, check & online.



CHAPEL OFFERINGS

Children, a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit. The 8th 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. If you would like to learn more about this organization, donate online, or learn about volunteer opportunities for you or your family, please click here: https://give.fmsc.org/campaign/2209-059sc-brookfield-wi-brookfield-lutheran-church/c412998

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 <u>Planned Absence Form</u> from their teacher or online. This will list all the work they will be missing and are expected to have completed upon their return.

CHANGE TO THE HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

Hot Lunch will now be offered on Tuesdays, starting October 1st. We are going with a new company, Prime Minister Catering. More information will be coming out soon.

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.

From the Pastor

"I have the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart . . . down in my heart to stay." We haven't sang it yet in chapel, but we will probably sing it sometime this year. Joy is a wonderful thing. Joy . . . even in the midst of our troubled world . . . is something God wants us to have *every day*. Jesus is the source of joy.

Pastor Josh and I were doing devotions earlier this week, and we shared the passage from Nehemiah chapter 8, were this great leader told the people *not to grieve* because *the joy of the Lord is our strength*. Why were the people grieving? They had just heard God's Law and they knew that they had failed to keep it as they should. When we look out at our world, we don't have to look very far to see people failing to live according to God's ways. Of course, we need look no further than the mirror for that one.

So, how can we have *joy* when we see so much going wrong in our world . . . and even in our own lives? Jesus loves us. Jesus forgives our sins. Jesus has overcome this world and He is coming again to make a brand new, sin-free world. That, my dear friends, is the source of Joy, the true Joy that lasts.

Paul in his letter to the Philippians, chapter 4, penned, "Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again, rejoice!" Through faith in Jesus, remembering who He is and what He has done, it brings a joy that this old world and even our own sin can't destroy. So remember, faith comes by hearing the message of the gospel . . . and hearing comes through the Word of Christ. (Romans 10:17)

So read the Word of Christ, gather for worship, have family devotions together, and you will have the Joy of Christ down in your hearts!

Joyful in Christ,

Pastor Bender

UPCOMING DATES

September 22-30 MAP Testing

September 24 Jerry Heimsoth Memorial Golf Outing

September 25 Color Run 1:00pm @ Martin Luther High School

October 6 & 7 LEA Conference – NO SCHOOL

October 10 Book Faire

October 25 SCHOOL PICTURES
October 27 End of 1st 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

Remember to sign & turn in page 3 of the Student-Parent Handbook



SEPTEMBER

Savannah Lentini
Faith Brunson
Cato Lunak
Kadyn Koble
SkyleeUlatowski
Owen Geitz
Dominic Immekus
Cheyenne Ulatowski
Denver Rudig
Alexis Blair
Hanna Markland
Maks Burkee
Grayson Engelmann-Orozco
Eli Galindo



SEPTEMBER

Gus Carson
Zach Myren
Lucas Ramos
Declan O'Brien
Jackson Cruz
Peyton Guzikowski
Zavier Gonzalez
Liam Gennerman
Cooper Klich

May God continue to bless you in your Baptismal Grace!