



School Mission Statement:

Using God's Word as our guide, St. Paul Lutheran School will raise up future generations of Christians in our community by assisting parents in the Christian teaching of their children and by striving for excellence in all areas of instruction.

Worship Services at St. Paul Lutheran Church: Please join us for worship! Services are Sunday mornings at 8:00 and 10:30. Monday evenings are at 6:00pm. Due to the governor's mask mandate, face coverings are required at all services, with the exception of those with medical reasons preventing them from wearing one. *"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'"* (Psalm 122:1)

Chapel Tomorrow: Our school will come together for a socially distanced chapel service tomorrow morning at 8:10. The theme for the week is 'Run to Christ...in thanks', based on Luke 17:11-19. Our first semester mission money goes toward Costa Maya Ministries in Mexico. Offerings may be given directly to your child's teacher.

Early Dismissal / No School: Reminder that students will be dismissed at 12:30 on Thursday (11/12) and there is no school on Friday (11/13) in observance of Veteran's Day.

Veteran's Day Program & Veteran's Envelopes: This year the school is having a **virtual** Veterans' Day program on November 12th with a 12:30 dismissal for the children. The pre-recorded program will be uploaded to our Ministries facebook page, as well as our website (stpaulappletonwi.com) on 11/12. Please share this info with your family and friends! The school children have been making pictures and writing short letters for veterans. Do you know of any veterans that would enjoy getting an envelope of appreciation from the kids? There are a limited number of envelopes for our veterans available for pick up in the office. If you would like one, please email mvolhard@stpaulappletonwi.com or comment on the facebook post no later than noon on Wednesday. Envelopes will be sent home with students whose family's requested them on Thursday.

Scrip Card Ordering: Time to start thinking about those Christmas gifts of scrip cards! In order to better help you plan ahead and ensure all orders are received prior to Christmas break, we want you to know that orders for physical cards will be placed once in November and once again in December. Please email your orders to mvolhard@stpaulappletonwi.com by November 17th or December 8th. Go to <https://www.shopwithscrip.com/brands> for a complete list of retailers.

SchoolStore Update: Thank you to everyone who has already signed up and purchased gift cards for their teachers. Please continue to use the "Merchant" feature when shopping to earn even more for our school! This is an ongoing, year-round fundraiser and a great way to help St. Paul while doing online shopping! Sign up at www.schoolstore.net using our school ID: 123795.

PTO meetings: At this time, we are using the "St. Paul School Families" Facebook page as a means of communicating with families. We are currently not holding PTO meetings.

Read to Succeed: Due to COVID-19, the 2021 Read to Succeed Program has been suspended. Unused tickets earned during the 2020 season will be valid through August 31, 2021.

HuTerra for St. Paul! The **HuTerra Rewards** program is FREE and easy. Supporters earn money for their favorite causes by shopping local! Scan your receipts and a percentage of your total goes back to your school!

1. Download the MyHuTerra App (iTunes or Google Play) It's Free!
2. Set up an Account
3. Select "Appleton St. Paul Lutheran School"
4. Start Shopping
5. Scan your receipt to "Scan to Give"

IMPORTANT: In order to earn HuTerra Rewards while shopping online you must shop through the My HuTerra app.



Police Lights of Christmas: St. Paul Lutheran Ministries is once again partnering with Q90 FM and our local police, fire, and rescue departments to help those in need over this Christmas season. There are many individuals right here in our neighborhood that are homeless or are having trouble making ends meet that we'd like to help, but how can we find them? No one knows this better than our emergency services departments. We are teaming up with them so they may give out food, clothing, and other necessities to these people when they need it most. Last year, over 750 backpacks filled with necessities were prepared for hand out, as well as \$75,000 worth of gift cards. St. Paul Lutheran Church, School, and ECC will be a drop off location this year. We will be collecting men's deodorants, body washes, and individually packaged snacks (oatmeal, fruit snacks, chips, etc.) in bins located in the church basement, ECC lobby, and near the Harris Street entrance of the school beginning



Sunday, 10/25. The school drop off tote will be located just outside the doors on Harris Street, and available to both school families and the public to drop off items from 8am – 3pm. Monetary donations may be given through Community First Credit Union, or can be dropped off in the school office (cash or checks made payable to 'Lights of Christmas'). Donations will be accepted now through November 23rd. To learn more about this program, check out this link: <https://lightsofchristmas.us/the-vision>.

Upcoming Breaks & Vacations: Thank you for taking the proper precautions of monitoring student health each morning when making the decision to come to school. Thank you for keeping children home when they show signs or symptoms of illness. By our faithful monitoring at home, the additional precautions and procedures at school, and through the grace of God, we have offered in-person education since the beginning of the school year. May the LORD continue to bless us with continued health and healing!

As we go on break this week and as we head into the Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations, please continue to monitor the health and safety of your family if you make gathering or travel plans. Currently, WI is considered an area (#4 in the U.S.) with a high level of threat for community transmission of COVID-19.

The LES board met and decided that we will continue with our Return to School Plans that were previously provided for our families. St. Paul Lutheran School does not plan to extend our vacations or offer virtual-only options after our upcoming vacations. We plan to return to in-person instruction as previously communicated on our 2020-2021 calendar. If your family plans to travel during the upcoming vacations, it will be up to you to monitor the health of your family as you decide to send children back to school. For current WI health department guidelines for travel, follow this [LINK](#).

Winter Sports: The LES Board met last night and voted to **cancel** all winter sports for the 2020-2021 school year. Attached to this newsletter is a letter from the LES Board explaining their reasons and rationale for this decision.

Upcoming Events:

11/10 4:30-6:30pm 8th Gr. Scheduling Night at FVL

11/11 @ 8:10AM Chapel Service

11/12 12:30pm Dismissal

11/13 No School

11/16 4:30-6:30pm 8th Gr. Scheduling Night at FVL

11/25 – 11/27 No School – Happy Thanksgiving!

