



### **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 Times:** St. Paul Lutheran Church worship services are on Sundays at 8am & 10:30am, and Mondays at 6pm. Join us on Sundays at 9:15 for Sunday School and Adult Bible Study at 9:20 in the church basement.

**'My Devotions' Booklet:** The Winter edition of 'My Devotions' will be coming home with the youngest student in the family today. You will continue to utilize your Fall edition through the end of the month, and the new one begins with a Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> devotion. Make the most of studying God's Word with your family – your time will be blessed!

**Chapel Tomorrow:** All are invited to join us for our chapel service at 8:05am tomorrow (11/13). The theme is 'God Provides' – a wonderful reminder as we prepare for Thanksgiving! This will be the first offering of the second quarter, and our focus over the next couple months will be on the Befriend a Mission (BAM) Program, through LWMS. We will take a look at the Hmong outreach being done at Faith Lutheran in Anchorage, Alaska, and how we can be of assistance to them as they bring the Word of God to the unchurched Hmong population in their area. For more info, check out <https://www.facebook.com/faithhmonglutheran.alaska>.

**PTO Meeting THIS THURSDAY:** There will be a PTO meeting held at 6pm this Thursday in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade room. Please join us as we discuss items for the upcoming holiday season. Some examples are the Christmas Parade and PTO Advent meal. There will be older children on hand to watch the younger ones during the meeting, so join us as we plan some fun events for the children!

**Pizzas for Plays – ASSEMBLY IS SUNDAY!** We are looking for MANY volunteers to sign up for pizza assembly on Sunday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>. ***We could use AT LEAST 25 more helpers.*** Please stop by to add your name to the list or email [mvolhard@stpaulappletonwi.com](mailto:mvolhard@stpaulappletonwi.com). Thank you for your consideration as this is a HUGE undertaking!

**Appleton Christmas Parade - Update:** All St. Paul School and ECC students are invited to participate in this year's Appleton Christmas Parade! Our school will once again be sponsoring a float. If you are new to our school or haven't participated in the past, like previous years we will be a "live nativity", with our younger students riding on the float dressed as stable animals and our older students walking before or after the float dressed as angels, wise men, and shepherds. Joseph and Mary will also be on the float under our stable. ***Great news! We have heard back from the parade coordinators, and St. Paul is float number 11 this year!*** For those who have participated in the past, you'll know that this is a big deal – far less time spent in the cold when you're near the front of the parade!

The parade will be on the evening of Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. All costumes will be provided. ***If your child/children would like to participate, please e-mail their name and grade to Anne McCray at [the4mccrays@gmail.com](mailto:the4mccrays@gmail.com) or call her (920-843-3235) no later than Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.*** Costumes will be handed out after school on 11/21-22. Any questions, please ask!

### **Falcon Athletic Updates**

**Girls C-team Basketball Coach Needed:** We are in need of a head coach for our 3-4<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball C-team. This individual must be a St. Paul church member. We do have a number of students who would like to participate, however, if no one steps forward to coach them, we will not be able to run the program this year. There is an interested parent for the assistant coach position. Their gym slot is on Thursdays from 3:30 – 5pm for practices (only once per week, shared with B-girls). Interested individuals may contact Mr. Stelter ASAP ([tstelter@stpaulappletonwi.com](mailto:tstelter@stpaulappletonwi.com)).

Winter sports practices are now underway. ***If you were unable to make it to the Athletics/Fundraising meeting, you may still pick up your 'City Saver' coupon books in the office.*** We would like each family to try and sell 5 books – they make great Christmas gifts! You will receive a FREE book for every 5 that you sell. **Money and unsold books must be returned to the office by Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.** Unsold books must be returned in re-sellable condition. All proceeds go to the Athletic department for upgrading sports uniforms. Questions may be directed to Mr. Stelter or Melissa Volhard.

**'Kids Only' & Bake Sale:** 'Kids Only' is back again this year! Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 – 3:30pm the Women's Ministry would like to invite all children from St. Paul Lutheran Ministries, age 4 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade to come and do their shopping for the special people on their lists. All gifts are just \$1, with gift wrapping included. ***Because the number of shoppers has***

*increased every year, we find it necessary to limit the number of gifts each child may purchase to 15.* Our hope is that this will ensure gifts are available for everyone to purchase. Volunteers will be available to assist young children. All proceeds from this event will be gifted to St. Paul School.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!** We need volunteers to help with gift wrapping and personal shoppers to assist young children. Also, donations of baked goods, NEW merchandise, gift bags, wrapping paper, tissue paper, name tags, bows, and tape are needed. They can be brought to the gym on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am, the school office during business hours, or dropped off in the bin in the church basement. For any questions, please contact Joyce Malueg (733-2273) or the church office (733-9061). The Women's Ministry will be hosting a Holiday Bake Sale in the gym on Saturday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 – 3:00pm, and on Sunday Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> between services in the church basement.

**Read to Succeed:** Would you like to earn a FREE ticket to Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, IL? Students in grades K-6 who complete 360 minutes of RECREATIONAL reading by February 28<sup>th</sup> are eligible to earn a free ticket to use in the summer of 2020. Minutes for other recreational reading challenges CAN be used for Read to Succeed. Reading logs will be coming home with students in K-6 today. Parents can enter their child's logs and using the St. Paul code on the sheet. Certificates / tickets will be emailed in May of 2020 for all who complete the challenge. Happy reading and let's all 'Read to Succeed'!

**Seeking Artistic Volunteers!** We are looking for volunteers who enjoy artistic painting. As part of our upcoming 'One Starry Night' production we would like to create cut-out figures to be used by our guests for photo opportunities. Everyone has seen these cut-outs where a person puts their head through a hole in a cut-out figure and has their picture taken. We'd like to create some figures such as angels, wise men, shepherds, Mary and Joseph, and animals for that purpose. Do you know of individuals (including students) in our school and/or congregation who might be interested in painting a cut-out character? We would need the volunteer work to be completed sometime during the month of November (or the first week of December). If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Pastor Holtz ([mholtz@stpaulappletonwi.com](mailto:mholtz@stpaulappletonwi.com)) or stop by the office.

**Final Set of Science Curriculum Needed:** St. Paul recently adopted a new curriculum for Science instruction for our entire school K-8. We were able to purchase 2 out of 3 sets toward the implementation of this new curriculum by utilizing budgeted funds. We are currently acquiring donations to purchase the remaining science set so that we can fully implement our new curriculum. The cost for the remaining set is \$11,590. ***There is still about \$5,000 needed to purchase this set.*** We thank those who have already donated toward this curriculum!

This new curriculum has revolutionized the way our teachers instruct in our classrooms. Over time, this new program will help our students be ready for high school and beyond with this new hands on/inquiry based learning taking place within our classrooms.

**Now through Christmas, we would like to raise the additional funds required to purchase the final set for our Science curriculum. We will be working with our Scrip program to raise the remaining funds. So you may help in two ways: 1) donate directly toward our science curriculum and our Scrip program will match your donation, or 2) maximize your usage of our Scrip program for your shopping needs and purchase Scrip as gifts for the upcoming Christmas season.**

**One Starry Night – Help Needed:** We'll need help on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> with 3 crafts for the children for One Starry Night. We will be discussing craft ideas at the next PTO meeting on 11/14, but please **Save the Date** for helping with crafts during the event.

**Falcon Apparel Online Store – DEADLINE IS FRIDAY!** You will find the link here: <https://stpaulfall2019.itemorder.com/sale> ***All orders must be submitted by Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>*** to ensure delivery by Christmas. The store will close at midnight on 11/15. All St. Paul orders will be picked up together once they are ready and brought to the school. You will be notified when they are available for pick up in the office.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

11/12 Gr. 7-8 Math Bowl @ FVL  
11/13 School Devotion at 8:05am  
11/14 @ 6pm PTO Meeting  
11/16 FVL Cheer Camp  
11/17 Pizza Pros Assembly  
11/24 @ 2pm FVL Band Concert  
11/26 Appleton Christmas Parade  
11/27-29 No School – Thanksgiving Break  
12/4 @ 3:45pm Gr. 4-8 sing at church  
12/4 PTO serving Advent meal

12/7 @ 1pm & 4pm One Starry Night  
12/11 @ 3:45 Jr. Choir sings at church  
12/14 @ 12:30pm – 3pm Kids Only/Bake Sale  
12/18 @ 3:45 Gr. K-8 sing at church  
12/19 @ 2pm School Spelling Bee  
12/23 – 1/1 No School – Christmas Break  
12/24 @ 2pm M-Z & Pre-k sing  
12/24 @ 4pm A-L & Sun. School sing