

## **School Mission Statement:**

TOGETHER, we partner with families to nurture children for Christian lives of service and for eternity.

<u>Join Us for Worship!</u> Sunday services are at 8am & 10:30am with Sunday School and Bible Class in between. Monday service is at 6pm. *Join us for a Thanksgiving Eve service tomorrow* (11/26) at 6pm. All are welcome! "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" (Psalm 122:1)

There is No School the remainder of this week (11/26-11/28). Thanksgiving blessings to you and your family!

<u>Midweek Advent Special services</u>: We will have three midweek Advent services on Wednesdays beginning December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Services are at 3:30pm and 6:00pm, with a fellowship meal served between (from 4:30pm – 6pm). Join us for worship and fellowship! Tentative menu is as follows:

12/3: PTO serving tacos

12/10: Women's Ministry serving brats and hot dogs

12/17: Northright Financial & the Londre family serving pulled pork, green and baked beans, and sweet potatoes

Children's Christmas Service: The Children's Christmas Service will be held on Saturday, December 20th at 9:00AM and 10:45AM. ALL children will participate in BOTH services this year. Due to limited seating and parking, we are asking that parents/attendees with last name A-L attend the 9:00AM service, and parents/attendees with last name M-Z attend the 10:45AM service. All children are asked to be dropped off at their classrooms by 8:30AM. All children can be picked up from their classrooms after the 10:45AM service. Please contact your child's teacher ASAP if your child will not be participating in the Children's Christmas Service this year.

<u>Christmas Gift Ideas for Teachers and Staff</u>: It was asked that we share a listing of the teacher's 'Favorite Things' during the Christmas season for gift ideas. You can find that link <u>HERE</u>.

<u>Call Updates:</u> Mrs. Kristi Utsch declined the call to serve as 3rd grade teacher at St. Paul for the 2026-2027 school year. The voters will meet again within the next few weeks to issue another call for this position. Please keep your school in your prayers as we seek to fill this teacher vacancy for the upcoming school year.

Mrs. Alyssa Wascher, our 1st grade teacher, received a call to serve as 1s grade teacher at Good Shepherd Lutheran School in West Bend, WI. Please keep her and her family in your prayers as she deliberates this call. Please also reach out to her with your thoughts and words of encouragement: awascher@stpaulappletonwi.com.

<u>Kindergarten Open House</u>: Calling all kindergartners for the 2026-2027 school year! We have a kindergarten open house on **Wednesday**, **January 28 3:30-5:30PM**. Please join us to receive additional information and to meet our kindergarten teacher Mrs. Shrum. Tours of our facilities can also be done during this time. If you are intending to have your child attend kindergarten at St. Paul next school year, please fill out an <u>APPLICATION</u> and/or reach out to Mr. Kelley (<u>jkelley@stpaulappletonwi.com</u>) if you have any questions.



<u>Pitch Competition for Student Entrepreneurs</u>: AASD is pleased to announce an exciting opportunity for student entrepreneurs *residing in AASD boundaries*! Launch Pad - Teen Pitch Competition is a "Shark Tank" style event that will be taking place at the library on Saturday, January 31, 2026. Three winners will be selected by a panel of five judges to win cash prizes of \$1000, \$750, and \$500 respectively. This program is funded by a grant from the ALA Libraries Build Business fund. All participants will receive feedback on their presentation. Family & friends

are welcome to attend. Applications are due **Monday**, **December 22**, **2025**. Limited slots are available. Contestants will be chosen in a random drawing from all entries meeting eligibility criteria. Selected contestants will be notified **Monday**, **January 12**, **2026**. See QR code for application.

St. Paul Ministries has an immediate opening for someone to join our janitorial team. The position is split between the school and the ECC and will require 30-35 hours per week on average, typically afternoons and evenings. Responsibilities include routine cleaning (vacuuming, dusting, mopping, restroom sanitation), empty trash and maintaining cleanliness in classrooms and common areas, and reporting maintenance needs. Qualifications include experience in janitorial work (preferred), ability to work independently and in a team, strong attention to detail and organization. Must be able to



lift up to 30 pounds. The ECC is also hiring for a **full time float teacher** in our classrooms. We offer flexible scheduling, a variety of working environments, and a competitive hourly wage (based on past work history). Please contact <u>facilities@stpaulappletonwi.com</u> (janitorial position) or <u>cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com</u> (ECC) for more information.



**<u>Kids Only Shopping Event!</u>** The "Kids Only" Shopping event and Bake Sale will be held in our gym on Sat., Dec. 13th from 12:30 - 2:30. All kids from St. Paul Lutheran Ministries (Ages 4 years old - 8th grade) are invited to come and do their Christmas shopping. Each child may purchase up to 10 gifts for their family/friends at \$2 per item to ensure there are enough for everyone (special circumstances considered). Any NEW gift donations are greatly appreciated (especially for men

and teens), along with donations of gift bags and tissue paper. Donations can be dropped off in the church basement or office. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to wrap or assist our littlest shoppers, please contact Jackie Sievert (920-851-9436) or Sheryl Wert (920-858-6553).

<u>Athletic News:</u> Winter sports pictures will be taken on December 2, right after school. Please make sure your athlete brings their jersey for photos.

**Midterms are on December 3.** Eligibility checks will be completed by classroom teachers, so please reach out to your child's teacher to ensure they remain eligible to participate.

**Volunteer sign-ups are now open.** All volunteer spots must be filled to help our home games run smoothly. Each family is responsible for **4 hours of volunteer time per season**. Here is the link to sign up: <u>LINK</u> Thank you & Go Falcons!

<u>VEX Robotics:</u> A new season of VEX is underway at St. Paul! You're invited to check out all the hard work our students are putting into their robots at any of our meets. Meets are listed on the <u>school calendar</u>.

## **Upcoming Events:**

11/26-28 No School Thanksgiving Break 12/3 @ 3:30 Lift Choir Sings 12/5 @ 8:05am Chapel 12/10 @ 3:30 Grades 5-8 Sing 12/12 @ 8:05 Chapel

12/13 @ 12:30pm Kids Only Shopping Event 12/17 @ 3:30 Grades 1-4 Sing

12/19 @ 8:05 Chapel

12/20 @ 9am & 10:45am Children's Christmas Services

12/22 – 1/2 No School – Christmas Break