



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

MINISTRIES

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Weekly News

Altar Guild 12/19, 12/20: tbd
Greeters Next Week: J. & P. Tiedt
10:30 – M. Fay, J. Hopfensperger
6pm – M. & M. Juzenas

Church Cleaners: M. Reick, D. & V. Sheldon, K. Paulson

12/5-6 Attendance: 271

12/8 Attendance: 183

12/12-13 Attendance: 257

12/15 Attendance: 194

In memory of Hilda Tillman's December 24th birthdate, \$100 has been given toward the organ fund from Sue Kuhn.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday

December 19th

8:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:20 a.m. Breakfast with the Bible
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
4:00 p.m. Choir Concert at FVL

Monday

December 20th

6:00 p.m. Worship Service

Tuesday

December 21st

6:30 p.m. Senior Choir

Wednesday

December 22nd

6:30 p.m. Church Council
No School – Christmas Break

Thursday

December 23rd

No School – Christmas Break

Friday	December 24th
1:00 p.m.	Children's Christmas Eve Service
3:00 p.m.	Children's Christmas Eve Service
6:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Vespers Service
	No School – Christmas Break

Saturday	December 25th
10:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Service

Sunday	December 26th
8:00 a.m.	Worship Service
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

Monday	December 27th
	No Church
	No School – Christmas Break

Christmas Break Office Hours:

12/22, 12/23 – Open 7:30am – noon
12/24 – Closed
12/27 – 12/30 – Open 7:30am – noon
12/31 – Closed
1/3, 1/4 – Open 7:30am – noon

The “Kids Only” shopping event was a big success again this year. We'd like to extend a huge thank you to all who participated, volunteered, and donated items or their time. Whether you donated gifts for purchase, gift bags and tissue paper, helped with set up, volunteered as a shopper's assistant, cashier, wrapper or helped take down and put away, we couldn't have done it without you. We sold and wrapped 792 items in just over two hours. This money has been donated to St. Paul School to help purchase new whiteboards for the classrooms. Our supplies are greatly depleted. We would appreciate it if you could keep us in mind during the after Christmas “bargains” for gift bags (we use the smaller and medium sized bags most frequently), tissue paper and giftware for next year. So that you don't have to store any of these donations for the year, there is a Kids Only box in the basement of church. Any donations can also be brought to the school office.

Again many thanks,
Sheryl Wert and Jacki Sievert

Beginning on January 5th, 2022 New Bible Class: Chosen We will watch an episode of the Chosen video series on the life of Jesus. Then we will discuss what we liked or didn't like about the presentation. To do justice to the discussion, each class will be 90 minutes long.

Thank you to everyone who helped with our Sunshine Cookie distribution. Those of us who prepare the cookie tins are always impressed by the beautiful cookies and the number of cookies we receive. Thank you to the bakers, the plate preparers and those who helped with delivery. Your help is truly appreciated. Have a Blessed Christmas!

A Christmas Bedtime Story: We apologize, but due to an unanticipated difficulty, the initial daily installments of 'A Christmas Bedtime Story' did not get posted on our website as planned, beginning last Sunday. Because the story has 12 daily segments that lead up to Christmas Eve, delaying the start of the story prevents it from being completed on time. As a result, we will not post 'A Christmas Bedtime Story' this year.

Items to Share with FRANS: Christmas is an ideal time to share information with FRANS who do not have a church home, or who have become inactive church members. More people attend church at Christmas than at any other time of the year. People are open to hearing about the birth of our Savior. With this in mind, please consider using the invitation cards available to invite a friend, relative or neighbor to church. In addition, there are other materials you can share with people, including Meditation booklets (regular-size and large print) and the Christmas video, "My Son, My Savior." All three of these items are available for you to take. They are located at the Welcome Desk in the church narthex, and also at the Outreach Resource Table in the church basement. The Outreach Resource Table also has Bibles and other video selections that can be shared with FRANS.

Missionary Children Christmas Cards: There are 14 overseas Missionary children attending school in the USA, either high school or college. There are some that may not be able to go back home for Christmas. Our St. Paul LWMS group would like to bring a little cheer to these young people. We will be sending Christmas cards to all of them and would like our St. Paul members to help. We thought it would be meaningful to connect with them so they know there are brothers and sisters in Christ thinking about

them at this joyous time of the year. Look for the LWMS Missionary Children Christmas Card display on our bulletin board in the church basement. There will be a clear pocket filled with pre-addressed Christmas cards for each of the Missionary children. Please consider taking a card from the display and sending a Christmas message to one of young people. Just as it makes our day when we receive a Christmas card, these children will be happy to hear from you and know a fellow Christian is thinking about them. Sending the card is enough, but feel free to add a gift card if you wish. Most importantly, keep these young people in your prayers as they complete their education in the USA, far from their home and family. Thank you for supporting our world missionaries and their families!

Organ Fundraising Update: Thank you to everyone who has contributed up to this point toward the church organ project. Our current total is \$14,500 of our \$34,000 goal. If you would like to contribute to this cause, checks may be directed to the office.

Do you love working with children? St.

Paul ECC has an immediate opening for a full-time assistant teacher in our TERRIFIC TWO's room, as well as a full-time LEAD teacher in our INFANT room. We are also looking for a part time after school care teacher for our school-aged children. Great



benefits are available for full time positions. For more information, contact Candy Schulz at 920-733-9061 or cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com. Come join our team today!

WELS Singles Event

Come enjoy a fun day of laser tagging, bumper cars, and arcade at Funset Boulevard in Appleton on Saturday December 18, 2021. Marcus Cinema is also attached to Funset Boulevard if you are looking for something else to take up some time during the day.

11:00/11:30 Meet to form a group at McDonald's 3301 College Ave. Appleton before moving over to Funset Boulevard.

12:00 Head over to Funset Boulevard and enjoy the day with a great group of WELS singles!

\$15.95 Unlimited Wristband including laser tag, merry go round, bumper cars, and arcade.

Bring your own snacks/Food/Drinks to keep in the car and take breaks throughout the day. Woodman's store is right behind Funset Boulevard if you wish to buy snacks there. There is also a concessions/restaurant inside the arcade. Questions check out the [WELS/ELS Facebook page](#) or email Rachel at rachelfritz@yahoo.com."

Employment Opportunity

Neenah Lutheran School - We are looking for energetic people who match our Core Values to join our team! The following paid positions are available:

- After School Care helper (M-F 11:30-5:30)
- Adams Campus head cook (M-F 9:00-1:30)
- Adams Campus custodian (M-F flexible hours)
- Substitute cook (M-F as needed)

Pick up a job description and application at either school office. (Oak Street Campus - 410 Oak Street, Neenah or Adams Street Campus - 807 Adams Street, Neenah)

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for the positions of Accounting Clerk (Accounts Payable), Financial Wellness Trainer, Resource Development Counselor, Resource Development Manager, Women's Tennis Head Coach, Athletics Equipment Manager, and Early Childhood Learning Center Substitute Teachers. Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

FVL NEWS

The FVL Choirs invite you to attend their annual Christmas concert on Sunday, 12/19 at 1 PM. The concert is free, and all are invited to join with the choirs as we celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus. It will also be livestreamed on the FVLHS YouTube Channel. *The time listed in the printed BEACON and on the printed calendar are incorrect. The concert start time has changed since printing.*

Interested families can enroll for Semester 2 at FVL. Contact the Admissions Office at admissions@fvlhs.org or 920-560-5105 for details.

Registration is open for the 2021 FVL Junior Foxes baseball team for boys currently in grades 7-8. The season begins in early May and goes through July. Registration is open until 12/31. Find out more at fvlhs.org/youth-sports or contact Daryl Ohland (dohland@att.net) at 920-450-1411.

Estate Planning Seminar: You prepare for the future but haven't had an opportunity to look into establishing/updating your estate plan or to investigate new tax laws. How will these impact you and those you love in the coming years? As a service to Federation members, the FVL Mission Advancement Office has scheduled a free informational seminar. Join us at FVL on Wed., 1/12/22 to hear options from a financial planner and an attorney. Event begins at 6 PM. Go to fvlhs.org/seminar to register and get information.

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FVL CHRISTMAS BREAK School & SCRIP Office Hours:

Tues., 12/21 - Special SCRIP Hours 7:30 AM - 4 PM

Wed., 12/22 – Tues., 1/4 – All Offices Closed (including Guidance)

Wed., 1/5 – Regular School & SCRIP Office hours resume

November 30, 2021

Dear ladies of St. Paul Lutheran Church,

Musicfest, FVL's annual music department fundraiser, will be held in-person on Sunday, February 6th, 2022, from 1-4:30PM. This event showcases the musical talents of FVL and FVL Schools students with performances by all the choirs and bands and individual/small group music performances.

We continue the tradition of having a "dessert room" for this event, and we are in need of donated homemade desserts such as pies, cakes, tortes, cookies/bars, and candies (e.g. chocolate-dipped strawberries and pretzels). **Are you willing to make dessert(s) for this event?** Please contact Megan Beyer at mbeyer@fvlhs.org or 920-560-5122 if you are interested. We appreciate hearing from you by December 21, if possible, to help us with our planning.

Donations of desserts can be brought to FVL:

- Friday, February 4th from 7:45AM - 3:30PM (enter at the Bell Tower entrance and go to the school office)
- Saturday, February 5th from 8:45AM – 10:30AM during event setup (enter at the Commons entrance and go to the concessions stand)
- Sunday, February 6th from noon - 1PM (enter at the Commons entrance and go to the concessions stand)

We kindly ask you to clearly label your dessert as having peanuts if that is an ingredient. If possible, please bring your dessert in a disposable container. Non-disposable containers can be picked up at the end of the event on February 6.

Thank you for supporting FVL's music department!



Megan Beyer
FVL Event Coordinator
Mission Advancement Assistant
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Join Women's Ministry in gifting for the ECC!

You are invited to participate with Women's Ministry in gifting items for the ECC. Candy Schulz wrote, "Our list is a little more focused this year as we have had some challenges getting certain essential items." Listed here are items needed for the ECC:

Rolls of paper towels (select a size variety)

Toilet paper

'ALL' free and clear LIQUID laundry detergent

Clorox Antibacterial wipes

Lysol spray

13 gal. kitchen garbage bags

Bleach

Kleenex/tissues

Dish soap (like Dawn)

Paper cups (5 oz. size)

Paper plates

Plastic forks

Plastic spoons

3M Command Strips – all sizes

Clear Contact Paper

Blue Painter's Tape (any width)



A collection box will be located in the church basement. Please have your items to church by January 10th.

Because of the need for essential items, there will not be an ECC 'Wish Tree' at church this year. If you would like to make a donation to an ECC classroom, please contact Candy Schulz (cschulz@stpaulapleptonwi.com).

Poinsettias have been given in loving memory of:

- ...Marylin Fredericks from her husband, Rollie, and family. (one large plant)
- ...their parents from Jim & Ann Verbeten. (one large plant)
- ...Nate Tiedt and Dale Timm from Jerry & Julie Bork.
- ...Barb & Rollie Buss and Jean Volhard from Rowen, Ragen, and Reese Volhard.
- ...Lavida Werner and Gerald Lillge from Karl & Carol Hoppe. (two plants)
- ...with gratitude from the Baehman family. (two plants)
- ...Clarence Sievert, Duane Schultz, Philip & Beulah Ann Oskey, and Al & Elaine Ebben with love from Isaiah and Isabelle Sievert.
- ...Bonnie Kersten from Ray and Janet Kersten.
- ...Wilbert & Lorraine Abitz from Daniel & Patricia Abitz.
- ...Wilbert & Lorraine Abitz from Keith & Gretchen Brei.
- ...her parents, Donald & Edna Mae Schooley, from Pastor & Connie Frey.
- ...Adam Hopfensperger, Raymond Hopfensperger Jr., and Norman Labitsky from Brian & Janet Hopfensperger and family. (2 plants)
- ...Glen Schwark from Duane & Kathy Kasten.
- ...Doris Schwark from Duane & Kathy Kasten.
- ...Kathy Berger from her husband Greg, children Carrie, Mark, and his wife Hailee, and grandchildren Haidyn, Oliver, and Preston.
- ...Harriet Kuhlow from her granddaughter, Gwen Pfefferle.
- ...her husband, Glen Schwark, and mother, Ethel Steinberg from Carla Schwark. (two plants)
- ...Bob Timm from his wife, Connie Timm.
- ...Joan Falck from her husband Dave Falck.
- ...Wayne Steinberg from his family.
- ...Earl & Olive Lecker from John & Sue Gossens.
- ...Wilbert & Viola Hoh from Ruben Hoh.
- ...Frank Zamzow from his wife, Beverly Zamzow.
- ...Ken Falk from his wife, Dorie, and their children.

