

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. "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" (Psalm 122:1)

<u>Safe Child Program Deadline for Chaperones:</u> Anyone who plans to attend the end of the year field trip with their child is required to complete the 'Safe Child Program' per school policy. **All packets must be completed and returned to the office no later than next Wednesday, May 19th.** Some classes may still have openings for chaperones. Please contact your child's teacher ASAP to inquire and/or request a packet.

<u>Field Trip Lunch Order Forms:</u> Meals will be provided, free of charge, to all children, teachers, and chaperones for Field Trip Day, 5/26. Every individual will need to fill out and return an order form (sent home last week). The deadline to return forms is 5/21. Extras are available in the office.

<u>Treats on Friday:</u> The Kona Ice Truck will be at St. Paul on Friday from 1:30-3:00PM. The school children will be able to each order a treat on Friday. We have money remaining in our field trip fund, so the school will cover the cost for this treat.

Mrs. Briggs & Mrs. Frey Gifts: As was previously announced, Mrs. Briggs is retiring from the hot lunch program. She has served at St. Paul in this position for 15 years and 32 years overall in food service. Mrs. Frey's husband accepted a divine call to serve at NEHLS in Nebraska. We will recognize them for their service to us and Jesus at the end of our chapel service on Friday, May 28. We would like to provide them with some gifts to remember their service among us. If you would like to donate money toward these gifts, please drop them off in the office by Friday, May 21.

Ms. Gullerud Accepts Divine Call: Ms. Gullerud has accepted the divine call to serve as 1/2 time Guided Studies Coordinator for our school. We are excited that she will be joining our faculty and staff as we endeavor to meet the needs of all learners at St. Paul. May her service be a blessing to us and her.

Update on Aaron Wheeler: The following is a text that was sent by Miracle Wheeler about Aaron's condition:

The doctors have decided that a heart transplant will be Aaron's best option. The only thing that will get in the way of the transplant is if his blood work came back with problems or if his system wasn't strong enough for a transplant. Other than that the doctors are planning on listing him by May 28. Instead of being a status 2 patient he will automatically be an exception and will be 1B. Anytime that you go inpatient he will be bumped up to 1A. It is really overwhelming to hear all the things we have to change at home but we are excited to know that God is looking out for us and we have a tentative plan. Pray that we keep listening and he keeps showing his grace and mercy to our little boy!

Mrs. Plamann will be delivering gift cards to the Wheeler family to help pay for gas and food they need when they travel to the hospital in Milwaukee. If you would like to help, please bring donations for the family to the school office.

The family will be moving into a larger house on June 1st. Anyone with a vehicle to haul stuff and a willingness to help them move can contact Mrs. Plamann. May God continue to guide them and give them strength to meet each day with hope.

No Parking in ECC Lot: Please refrain from parking in the stalls at the ECC when picking up or dropping off your child at school. These few parking spots are only to be used by our ECC families, several of which also have children to pick up between 3pm - 3:30pm. Thank you!

<u>Calling all Salmon Lovers!</u> St. Paul PTO is sponsoring a spring fundraiser. We have a special opportunity to partner with Salmon Season (a local business with ties to St. Paul - the owner is the son of former St. Paul teacher, Nancy Zander). You will have the opportunity to pre-order Salmon in bundles of 5, 10 or 20 pounds. Salmon Season catches their salmon in

Bristol Bay, Alaska and flash freezes it so quickly after catching that it retains the flavor and nutrition of fresh-caught salmon. This is a special opportunity for you to support your school AND feed your family delicious Alaskan salmon :-) Order sheets are due back on May 21st.

<u>Appleton Public Library Summer Programs:</u> Information on Summer Reading Programs and registration links can be found here: <u>apl.org/summer</u> Also, this year they are offering some new programs and services. Find out more about anything that interests you by following the links.

- Over 80 kits to borrow! Something for everyone ages 1-12: apl.org/kits
- Events and programs: <u>apl.org/events</u>
- Order Book Packs from the Children's Section for any interest or reading level: apl.org/book-packs

8th Grade Graduation: 8th grade graduation is scheduled for Thursday, May 27 @ 6:00PM. Due to COVID-19 and social distancing guidelines, it has been decided to limit attendance to 8th grade families, faculty, staff, and the Handbell Choir. Each 8th grade family has been allotted 10 spots, including graduates, for this worship service. A separate email with details on how to sign up will be sent to the 8th grade families. Please sign up by May 14. After that date, there may be spots available to attend this service. If you would like to attend, please let Mr. Kelley know, and he will place you on a waiting list and will notify you after May 14. God-willing we can hold our normal closing service/graduation during the 2021-2022 school year. The faculty, staff, and students will have a special school closing chapel service on the morning of May 28.

Athletic Updates:

Our soccer team continues its spring season with a game vs. Riverview tomorrow at 4:00pm (note the earlier start time). The final game of the season will be vs. ML, Oshkosh (played @ Riverview) next Wednesday, 5/19 at 4:30pm. The nicer weather should make for some fun games. Go Falcons!

Check out a variety of youth camps held at Fox Valley Lutheran High School this summer! A link is included below: https://www.fvlhs.org/future-foxes/youth-sports-camps

Spring Plays:

Grades 5-8 plays will be held on Friday, May 21st:

12:30PM: 5&6 performance- Phantom Tollbooth 1:15PM: Intermission

1:30PM: 7&8 performance- MidSummer Night's Dream

6:00PM: 5&6 performance- Phantom Tollbooth 6:45PM: Intermission

7:00PM: 7&8 performance- MidSummer Night's Dream

ALL families will be dismissed during intermission to allow for sanitization before the next group enters. *Please note that all are invited and welcome to attend these performances!* Students will stay for the remainder of the day after morning performances. For the evening performances, students will also be dismissed during intermission. Social distancing will be practiced and offered. There will be a separate entrance/exit for our performances. The entrance will be at the gymnasium door "S8" near the playground. The exit will be at the Stage Left door "S3" near the parking lot. Please view each teacher's newsletter for learning parts and evening student arrival times.

The St. Paul Early Childhood Center is Growing! We are blessed to be able to expand our facility, specifically in the infants and one's rooms, to serve more families. Along with that comes the need to add more teachers and assistants to our team. With work being completed by Fall, we are looking to bring new employees on soon to get them trained and ready to care for more children in a few short months. If you or someone you know is ready to join our team, please contact Candy Schulz (cschulz@stpaulappletonwi.com or 733-9061) right away - We'd love to hear from you!

Upcoming Events:

5/12 @ 8:10am Chapel Service 5/13 @ 6pm Piano Recital 5/21 5-8 Play Performances 5/26 Field Trip Day 5/27 Graduation 5/28 @ 8:10am Chapel Service

5/28 Last Day of School & Picnic; noon dismissal