

**NEWSLETTER**  
**St. Paul Lutheran School**  
**Dec. 5-12, 2018**

**HEAVENLY HOMEWORK:** Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup you make my lot secure.

Psalm 16:5

**Your Chapel offerings** for the month of December will go toward the St. Paul Church Worker Fund. Your gifts are much appreciated.

**WHAT'S COOKIN'**

**LUNCH PRICE for 2018-2019**

Hot lunch prices: not working in the kitchen - **Prices will be:**

**10 day ticket \$26.00, 5 day ticket \$13.00**

**1 day ticket \$2.80, Yearly \$442.00**

**10 day Milk ticket \$7.00, 1 Day .70**

**Working 6 days a year in kitchen – Prices will be:**

**10 day ticket \$23.00, 5 day ticket \$11.50**

**1 day ticket \$2.50, Yearly, \$391.00 Adults 3.50**

**Lunch tickets will be sold everyday in the kitchen before school.** Please put lunch money in an envelope. Please write your child's name and grade on envelope **Parents working in the kitchen** still need to report at **9AM** if there is a school delay. We will still be serving lunch at the normal time. If you have questions, the kitchen phone number is 871-4581 ext. 7. "USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer" \*Ala-carte prices will vary. Please pay with nothing larger than \$1.00 please. Everyday PB&J\*.1.00 or Chef Salad \*1.25. Fruit, Vegetables, & Milk served every day.

**Thurs.** FTS/Sausage/Hashbrown  
**Fri.** Baked Potato/Mini Corn Dogs  
**Mon.** Sloppy Joe/Bun\*1.50  
**Tues.** Spaghetti/Meatsauce  
**Wed.** Pizza Burger  
**Thurs.** Shepherd Pie or Chef Salad

**Mark your calendar**

**Dec. 7 Spirit Day**

**Dec. 14 6PM PTL Christmas Family Movie Night  
"The Star"/Bake Sale**

**Dec. 19 6PM Children's Christmas Service**

**Dec. 21 Last day of school before Christmas break**

**Dec. 22-Jan. 6 No School Christmas Break**

**Dec. 24 6Pm Children's Christmas Service**

**Jan. 7 Classes resume after Christmas break**

**Jan. 8 6PM PTL Meeting-Coffee & Snacks**

**Jan. 11 ½ day of school w/busses 11:15PM  
dismissal/Spirit Day**

**Jan. 21 No School/GLBR Teachers Conference**

**Jan. 24 ½ day of school w/busses 11:15PM  
dismissal/PTL Sledding-weather permitting**

**Jan. 25 ½ day of school w/busses 11:15PM  
dismissal/End of 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period**

**Drop off and Pick up**

Please **DO NOT** park on Center St. for drop off or pick up, please park in the lot on the side of the activity center/gym. This way the busses are able to drop off and pick up in front on the building on Center St. Thank you

**Bible Trivia:** we are looking for items for our bible trivia treasure box. If you would like to donate to the treasure box, please bring the items to the school office.



**SPORTS SCHEDULE**



**Girls B-Team Basketball**

**Practices: 5:30-7PM** Dec. 6, 10

**Boys B-Team Basketball**

**Practices 6:30-8PM** Dec. 10, 12

**Games: Away 4:30PM** Dec. 6 @ St. Michael's, **Home 6PM**

**Dec. 7 w/St. Michaels, Away 4:30PM** Dec. 11 @

**Imm./Trinity, Away 4:30PM** Dec. 13 @ St. Lorenz, **Home**

**4:30PM** Dec. 18 w/CTK



**Choir News:** Dec. 12 4PM  
Advent/Free Spirit, Dec. 16 11AM  
Cherub

**NEEDED: Childcare Aids** – especially in the afternoons. If interested, please call Christina or the School Office at 871-4581 #3.

**Today is the last day to order Spirit wear form stores.mission1appeal.com** in order for it to arrive by Christmas

**Just a Reminder: the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month Chapel will start at 9AM**  
**Preschool Families:**

**Come join us as we worship our glorious Lord!**  
**Wed., Dec. 5 worship will be in the church.**

**Gift Exchange in the classroom**

1<sup>st</sup>, & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades will draw names. Preschool, Kindergarten & Grades 3rd-6<sup>th</sup> will bring a gift; boys will bring a boys gift, girls will bring a girls gift. Please keep the gift around \$10.00. **\*\*Remember your Family Groups Gift Exchange\*\*** Rather than the usual gift exchange for Christmas, the Buddy groups will be collecting the money that would of been used for a gift to be donated to a mission project.

**Parent volunteers** will be needed during the day starting the week of Mon., Dec. 3 while the students are practicing for the Christmas program @ 9AM or 1:15PM. If you can help please contact the classroom teacher. Any changes in what service your child will be attending please contact the school office before Dec. 3rd.

**As the giving season approaches,** we are looking forward to giving cash monetary gifts to the janitors and cooks as a thank you for all their hard work. Please consider helping us by sending in an envelope to the office by Fri., Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> marked cooks & janitors.

**Staff Gift** If you would like to show your appreciation for the St. Paul staff, please place your **cash donation** in an envelope marked "Staff Christmas" and place in the offering plate or bring to the church/school office by Fri., Dec. 14th. Please remember, this is not a tax deductible gift and will not be recorded on your giving statement.

**Lost & found** will be cleaned out during Christmas break.



### UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST!!!!

Monday, Dec. 17. All classes and teachers count. It goes by %'s. So everyone counts! Since 7th and 8th grade classes are smaller, they will be combined. There is a prize! Be creative and we know it's right before Christmas so use yours and the kids imaginations. It doesn't have to cost a lot, just have fun with it! Sponsored by St. Paul Student Council

**From time to time**, situations arise in our lives causing a financial crisis. Loss of job, divorce/marital separation, and medical situations are a few of those times when we may not know how we are going to pay the bills. Some of our school families are dealing with these and similar situations and are in need of Christian compassion, assistances and encouragement. St. Paul Student Aid Fund has been set up to help families meet their financial obligation for tuition/fees. during this time. Donations to this fund are greatly appreciated and needed. If God has gifted you to be a blessing to these families, contributions may be brought to the church or school office. Much thanks!

**A SCRAPBOOK EVENT Sat., Dec. 8 from 9AM–7PM** in the Parish Hall. \$5.00 per person & a dish to pass. PLEASE **R.S.V.P.** school office 871-4581 or e-mail: [school.office@spmiller.org](mailto:school.office@spmiller.org). Scrapbooking makes memories that last a lifetime...Jesus makes memories that last forever!

**Attention:** For safety reasons when entering the building please remove hoods and sunglasses, let the school office allow people in. When exiting the building please do not hold the door open to allow others in, we would like them to be checked in. Thank you

### WAYS TO HELP

#### \*\*\*\*BOX TOPS\*\*\*\*

Help us gain valuable school supplies by cutting off **Box Tops**. Send in your **can tabs** and they go to the American Legion who then donate them to help with medical supplies and services for children. **Kroger Program** just use your Kroger 83361 Plus cards-they must be registered for St. Paul to receive credit, call the school office for more information.

#### \*\*\*\*Shoparoo\*\*\*\*

**Please continue to use or sign up for Shoparoo to raise funds for our school. All you need to do is download their app on your smartphone and take pictures of your receipts.** If you decide to become one of our active users please use the code "jeft2898" when registering for the school to earn extra points. If you do not have a smart phone, bring in your receipts into the school office and we will take the pictures of them for you. Thank you

### \*\*\*Two Can Tuesdays\*\*\*

To help with our building fund we started this program to have every student to bring in two returnable cans and put them in the barrel across from the restrooms when you first come in the school doors. If you are in preschool, you can bring them in on a day you attend. We hope to keep this tradition going. Thank you

If any group, board, or individual wants to serve a **dinner** after the Advent service on Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, please call the church office. The menu choice is yours and this can be used as a fundraiser.

**Quilting** every Tuesday from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall. No experience necessary. Anyone can tie a knot, cut a square, and visit! Call Lori if questions at 989-205-9873.

### Opportunities to Serve & Volunteer

The second Saturday of every month **six volunteers are needed** to be the hands and feet of Jesus by preparing and serving meals at the **City Rescue Mission** of Saginaw. **Our next date is December 8th.** Arrival at the Mission is 10AM and we finish by 2PM. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help. Anyone wishing to **help prepare sack lunches** to take to the mission are asked to come to the St. Paul kitchen on Fri., **December 7<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30PM. Monetary donations are welcomed and needed for the sack lunches.

**Volunteers are always welcomed** and needed at your school. If you are willing to give some of your time or have any questions, please contact Mr. Schoenknecht.

**With the upcoming weather changes** please make sure the younger grades have a change of clothes in their backpack. We no longer have any extras available.

### 10AM Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

Coffee Hour between services in the Gathering Place. Join us for a cup of coffee and snack before heading to Bible Study.

**Sunday School** for Pre-school through grade school every Sunday.

**The Book of James** - led by Pastor Bruner in the Library - The book of James has many practical applications to our life. You will enjoy the simple way this Bible study presents what God desires for each of us.

**Adult Instruction Classes** - led by Pastor Martinal in the Council Room.

### Other Bible Study Opportunities

**The Truth Project** – Thursdays at 6PM in the Gathering Room. Each week will be a new discussion – so if you can't make it every week, come when you can. Questions, call Celeste Ketels 810-285-0894, Denise Miller 810-656-2330, or Denise Sherman 989-286-7122.

**Men's Bible Study** – The first Saturday of every month at 8AM in the Library.

**Storyhour** will be on Tuesday mornings this year from 9-11AM in the nursery. All preschool children are invited to join us for Bible stories, games, activities, crafts, and snacks! No need to register – just show up.

**Every Thursday Night 6-8:30PM Fundraiser Skate @ Skateland Arena 8460 Dort Hwy, Mt. Morris**

Admission \$5.00 or \$8 for admission & a game of laser tag. Rental: Roller Skates/Inlines \$2/ Hockey Skates \$3. Family of 5 skate & play package only \$40 Includes admission for 5 1 must be a parent, skate or inline rental, game of laser tag for the family, 20 game tokens, & unlimited play center. Skate with Santa Dec. 6, 13, 20

**PTL NEWS**

**Dec. 14 6PM PTL Christmas Family Movie Night  
"The Star"/Bake Sale/ Concessions**

**"Love & Laughter" Fundraiser  
Saturday, February 16 from 6-11PM  
at Black Forest Catering in Frankenmuth**

*Look for Invitations and ticket information at the beginning of the New Year.*

Join us for a night of food, fun, fellowship & laughter.

There will also be a gift auction.

For the auction each classroom will be making a basket.

Each student is asked to bring something in for their class basket.

Preschool: Baking items

Kindergarten: Movie Night

1<sup>st</sup> grade: Spring

2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Made in Michigan

3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Michigan State

4<sup>th</sup> grade: Winter Survival kit (coco/coffee,etc.)

5<sup>th</sup> grade: Board Game Night

6<sup>th</sup> grade: Make a Sundae Kit

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>: Michigan

PTL: Spa items

(Items are due by Mon., Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>)

**St. Paul-Millington Community Garden is completed...until Spring 2019**

**PENNY WARS**

Let the Penny Wars Begin...bring in your pennies. The class with the most pennies at the end of each marking period, wins a prize for the classroom. Collection containers will be in each classroom for the entire school year. Some of the \$ earned will go toward field day.

**Acolytes & Screen Techs**

Acolytes and Screen Techs (5<sup>th</sup> grade & up) are needed for 2019. Please call the church office by Fri., Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> to help in any way - even if it's just a few times a year. This is a great way for students to earn servant hours. Adults are also welcome to run the screen.

**Family Faith Based Devotion Websites**

[faithparent.marxhausen.net](http://faithparent.marxhausen.net), [lhm.org](http://lhm.org)

[loveandlogic.com](http://loveandlogic.com), [lcms.org/missionfriends](http://lcms.org/missionfriends)

**Youth Events**

***As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.***

***Proverbs 27:17***

**Impact & Ignite**

(Grades 6-12)

**Gift Wrapping / Christmas Party / Christmas at Crossroads**

Sun., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30PM

Bring a \$5 food item gift to exchange.

We'll start the day wrapping the Giving Tree gifts, have lunch and a gift exchange, then leave for Crossroads at 3:30PM.

Join us for a busy day of fun – or just a portion of it!

**If you plan on going to Crossroads**, please call the church office or post on the Youth Facebook page by Fri., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> so we can purchase tickets ahead of time.



We have two upcoming opportunities for **Christmas Caroling!** The first will be Sat., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in the St. Paul parking lot at 4PM and carol throughout the community for about two hours. The 2<sup>nd</sup> will be Sun. Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in the parking lot at 1:30PM and head to some area nursing homes to spread some holiday cheer! We hope to have a large group of carolers for both events. See you then!

**22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Living Nativity "A Journey to Bethlehem" Fri.,**

Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> from 7-9PM, Sat., Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> from 6-8PM, Sun., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> from 6-8PM at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Frankentrost. Experience the sights and sounds of Bethlehem on that blessed night when Jesus Christ was born. This is a free 30 minute outdoor walk, so dress for the weather. Fellowship and refreshments will follow in the school. Volunteers are welcome. If interested, please call 989-754-4285.

**Winter Coats** – Millington Community Center has free winter coats for children. You have to live in the Millington School District. Call Brenda at 871-2616 or Jan at 871-2614 to set up a time. Child must come with an adult to try on and make sure it fits.

There are still a few stars on the **Giving Tree**. Please **bring your UNWRAPPED gift, with the star attached**, to the bench outside the pastors' offices by Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. If you don't want to shop for a gift, monetary donations are also appreciated. Place in an envelope labeled "Giving Tree" and put in the offering plate or one of the offices.

**Donations of wrapping paper**, boxes, gift bags, and tape are also needed for the Giving Tree and can be placed in the cabinet in the narthex or brought to the church office. We will be wrapping the gifts on Sun., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance!

## *Upcoming Special Services*

### *Advent Services*

*Wed., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 4PM*

*Dinner from 5-6PM sponsored  
by the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders  
to support their Washington D.C. trip.*

*Wed., Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 4PM*

### *Children's Christmas Services:*

*Wed., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> - 6PM*

*Mon., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - 6PM*

### *Christmas Weekend Services:*

*Sat., Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> - No service;*

*Sun., Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10AM +Communion*

### *Christmas Eve Services:*

*Candlelight - 9PM*

*Christmas Day Service: 10AM +Communion*

### *New Year's Weekend Services:*

*Sat., Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> - 7PM;*

*Sun., Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 & 11AM*