

THE SPARTAN WEEKLY

Rejoice always! 1 Thessalonians 5:16

December 5, 2019

St. Paul Lutheran School

School News & Notes

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Happy Birthday

Celestina Duran December 7

May God Bless You On Your Birthday!

Worship Attendance

To help keep accurate track of church attendance over Christmas vacation, please keep a record of when your child attends church during the vacation. Return the form (which will be handed out to students next week) on **Thursday, January 2nd**. Parents are reminded that worship attendance is important for each family member's spiritual growth and welfare.

SCRIP

It is never too early to start stocking up for the holidays. There are many \$5 & \$10 cards of some of the most popular cards offered until mid-December. Check www.shopwithscrip.com to see what is offered. Once on the website, click **Learn More** to find the list of retailers. You can place a special order that you will receive the following week. Please contact Lisa for more information.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Jackets on Big Kids

They need to wear them outside in this weather.

Mid-Quarter Grades

Grades 5-8 will be getting their grades on Friday. Please sign and return by Monday.

Chapel Offerings

We're still raising money for REturn REtreats. We did raise \$90 on our Break the Dress Code Day for Project Angel Hugs. Well done!!

Christmas Week Dress Up

We will be having a few easy dress-up days, like Ugly Sweater, Bows and Bells, the week of the 16th. Raid gma's closet now for an ugly sweater ☺

Mrs. Kretschmar

"Happenings This Week"

- Thurs., Dec. 5 Game Club, 3:15-4:15
SALSA Band @ LHS
5/6 gr., 6:30-7:15
7/8 gr., 7:15-8:00
- Friday, Dec. 6 Band lessons
- Saturday, Dec. 7 Gift Wrapping @ church
9:00am - 12:00 pm
LHS 7/8 Boys tournament
1st game 9:00 @ LHS
- Monday, Dec. 9 BB @ Immanuel vs. Beth.
5/6 girls, 4:30
5/6 boys, 5:30
7/8 girls, 6:30
7/8 boys, 7:30
- Tuesday, Dec. 10 Homework Club, 3:20-4:00
BB @ CCA vs. CCA
5/6 girls, 4:15
5/6 boys, 5:15
7/8 girls, 6:15
7/8 boys, 7:15
- Wed., Dec. 11 Library open
Chapel, Pastor Shive
Advent services
11:00 am @ 6:30 pm
Advent Supper 5:15 pm
- Thurs., Dec. 12 Game Club, 3:15-4:15
SALSA Band @ LHS
5/6 gr., 6:30-7:15
7/8 gr., 7:15-8:00
- Friday, Dec. 13 Band lessons
Movie Night "The Grinch"
3:25-5:00

IT
 CAME
 TO PASS
 IN THOSE
 DAYS THAT
 THERE WENT
 OUT A DECREE
 FROM CAESAR
 AUGUSTUS THAT ALL
 THE WORLD SHOULD
 BE TAXED: AND THIS
 TAXING WAS FIRST MADE
 WHEN CYRENIUS WAS GOV-
 ERNOR OF SYRIA, AND ALL
 WENT TO BE TAXED EVERY ONE
 INTO HIS OWN CITY. AND JOSEPH
 ALSO WENT UP FROM GALILEE, OUT
 OF THE CITY OF NAZARETH, INTO JU-
 DEA, UNTO THE CITY OF DAVID WHICH
 IS CALLED BETHLEHEM, BECAUSE HE WAS
 OF THE HOUSE AND LINEAGE OF DAVID, TO
 BE TAXED WITH MARY HIS ESPOUSED WIFE,
 BEING GREAT WITH CHILD. AND SO IT WAS
 THAT WHILE THEY WERE THERE, THE DAYS WERE
 ACCOMPLISHED THAT SHE SHOULD BE DELIVERED,
 AND SHE BROUGHT FORTH HER FIRST-BORN SON,
 AND WRAPPED HIM IN SWADDLING CLOTHES, AND
 LAID HIM IN A MANGER BECAUSE THERE WAS
 NO ROOM FOR THEM IN

**THE
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 LUKE 2:1-7**

Holiday Worship Schedule

Wednesday, December 11

Advent Worship ~ 11:00 am & 6:30 pm
 Advent Supper ~ 5:15 pm

Wednesday, December 18

Advent Worship ~ 11:00 am
 School Christmas Service ~ 6:30 pm

Tuesday, December 24

Lessons & Carols ~ 4:00 pm
 Candlelight Service ~ 10:30 pm

Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Day Worship w/Comm. ~ 9:30 am

Tuesday, December 31

New Year's Eve Service ~ 5:30 pm

Library News

All library books are due on Wednesday, December 18th. No books are out over the Christmas vacation. **The library is open for RETURNS ONLY on December 18th.**

Gift Wrapping Day

There will be two Gift Wrapping Days in the Church basement on Saturday, Dec. 7th and Saturday, Dec. 14th (both from 9am to noon) for everyone to wrap their own gifts (adults only, please no children). Quality wrapping paper, etc. will be supplied, so just bring your gifts to wrap.

LHS Christmas Concert

Sheboygan Lutheran High School is hosting their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 15th, at 6:30 pm at the Weill Center in Sheboygan. The performance, entitled "How Greatly God Must Love Thee", will feature the Symphonic Band, Chamber Choir, Konzertchor and Jazz Band. Featured this year will be the premier of a beautiful Christmas Cantata for choir and strings composed by David Von Kampen with lyrics by Paul Gerhardt. Also, returning this year will be the traditional singing of the Hallelujah Chorus. **Parents, alumni, friends, and supporters of LHS are all invited to join in singing the piece with the Konzertchor (music will be provided for you).** There is no cost for admission, however a freewill offering will be collected during the concert. Please join us for what promises to be a wonderful evening of music and fellowship!

Shop Amazon? Support St. Paul Lutheran!

The web-based retail giant, Amazon.com, has a program that allows registered non-profit agencies the opportunity to receive a portion of sales generated by their supporters. We have an established account and would like you to consider picking St. Paul Lutheran as your charity of choice anytime you shop on Amazon. There are a number of ways to go about doing so, but the easiest way is to click the link below to get started



started <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0981433>

**Safety Patrol / Chapel Acolyte
 Senova & Jaimeson**

Tax Deductions

Remember, tuition payments made before December 31st can be used for the State of Wisconsin tuition tax deduction for private school families on your 2019 income tax return.

2019 Private School Tuition Tax Deduction

The State of Wisconsin, (started in 2014 tax year), is going to allow parents to deduct private school tuition. Parent of private school students in Wisconsin could receive an income tax deduction of up to \$4,000 for tuition paid for each kindergarten through eighth grade student and up to \$10,000 per high school student. Only the amount paid after January 1, 2019 will qualify for the deduction. We highly recommend that families work with their tax advisor to determine benefits. How can parents claim the deduction? There is a separate schedule that needs to be filled out by the student's parents. This schedule can be obtained from the Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue website.

How will tuition be defined?

Tuition includes any amount paid by the claimant for a pupil's tuition to attend an eligible institution and mandatory book fees paid to the institution. Tuition does not include amounts paid with a voucher or any amounts paid as a separate charge for items such as: supplies, meals, gym clothes, after school child care, extracurricular activities such as musical or athletic activity fees.

How is tuition defined for students attending 8th and 9th grade in a single tax year?

For both an elementary pupil and a secondary pupil (grades 8 and 9), parent includes the amount paid for tuition during the taxable year for the period when the student was an elementary pupil (but not more than \$4,000) plus the amount the parent paid for the period when the student was a secondary pupil. If the total is more than \$10,000, the parent includes the maximum of \$10,000.



SCHOOL EXPENSE
TAX DEDUCTION

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

GRADES 3K - 8

WED., DECEMBER 18th, 6:30 pm

INVITE YOUR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS!

Please note: Since this is a divine worship service, we respectfully request that you **REFRAIN from taking pictures during the service.** If you want to **use video cameras, please use them in the balcony.** We thank you for your cooperation.



After the Children's Christmas Program

...EVERYONE is invited to the Church Fellowship Hall to enjoy hot chocolate and cookies hosted by the Church Elders!



Lunch Menu

<i>Mon., Dec. 9</i>	<i>Glazed Meatloaf</i>
<i>Tue., Dec. 10</i>	<i>Mini Corn Dogs</i>
<i>Wed., Dec. 11</i>	<i>Cheeseburger</i>
<i>Thur., Dec. 12</i>	<i>Chicken Egg Rolls</i>
<i>Fri., Dec. 13</i>	<i>Wild Mike's Cheese Bites</i>

***weekly alternatives (all include the salad bar)**

Monday – white cheddar cheese curds, muffin

Tuesday – crackers, yogurt, cheddar cheese stick

Wednesday – turkey ham & cheese meal kit

Thursday – bread slice, yogurt, mozzarella string cheese

Friday – tortilla chips w/salsa, turkey & cheese stick

Mission Statement

Molding God's children for time and eternity.