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May 31, 2024

“So then you are no longer strangers or aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone.” Ephesians 2:19-20

C—A—R—B—S

Last week I received an email with the subject line that read, “The Truth about Carbs”. This slightly perked my interest. You see, I really know everything I want to know about carbs and find myself to be quite the expert. Of course I am referring to the category of “unhealthy” carbs. Well, they may be unhealthy, but at least they are delicious and that’s all I need to know. On a more scientific note, carbs actually do play an important role in the human body. One of the primary roles of carbohydrates is to provide your body with energy. Not only that, if there is excess energy produced, our body can store this energy for later use. I’m not going to get any more scientific at this point, but I believe those last two points are accurate.

I think we all know that when our physical energy level goes down, sometimes all we need to do is refuel. Isn’t the same true about our spiritual energy? We sometimes reach a spiritual fatigue. Maybe this is because of all of the things we are doing on a daily basis, like taking care of our children, working, doing our daily household chores. This list goes on forever with so many things to do, that it seems like we can’t do more or add more to the list. Yet we do. Quite often we put serving others ahead of setting aside time for personal devotion and prayer. We are worn out Christians who have forgotten one simple thing. We are not doing this by ourselves. For us to be continually energized spiritually, we have to stay connected to our energy source. How is this done? I took the word CARBS and wrote an acronym. Here is how we can stay connected:

C- is for Church. Keep attending church and stay active

A- Always Pray. In the Bible we are reminded to pray continuously.

R- Rely on Him. Cast your burdens on Him for He cares for you.

B- Bible Study. Find a Bible study that interests you and dig deeper into scripture.

S- Stay Connected. So you can continue to store the spiritual energy you need every day.

This is the real truth about C-A-R-B-S. That’s all we need to know!

Diane Schumann, Eighth Grade Teacher

MAY

31 Fri Last Day of School 10:00am Dismissal
Closing Chapel - 8:25am
8th Grade Graduation 6:30pm

Approved 2024-2025 Calendar

August 19 (Mon)	Orientation/Picture Day
August 21 (Wed)	1 st day of classes
Aug. 30-Sept. 2	Labor Day Weekend (Fri-Mon)
November 4	No School: Teacher's PD
November 15	End of 1 st Trimester
November 25-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec.23-Jan. 3	Christmas Break (two full weeks)
February 21	Half Day – Winter Break
February 24	No School – Winter Break
February 28	End of 2 nd Trimester
March 24-28	Spring Break
April 18	Good Friday – No School
May 23	PreK Graduation
May 26	Memorial Day
May 30	Last day of School/Graduation



WELCOME TO ST. PAUL!

Mrs. Jessica Koch

We are excited to have Mrs. Jessica Koch join us as our Extended Care Director along with her husband Jacob and two children Joe and Jadyn.

Welcome to our St. Paul Church and School family!



On Friday, May 31, 2024
at 6:30 pm

I WILL GO
before you
AND MAKE THE
crooked places
STRAIGHT.



Thirty-One students will graduate from
St. Paul Lutheran School.

As a class they have chosen Revelation 2:10
as their Graduation verse:

*“Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the
crown of life.”*

This year’s graduates are:

Nicholas Arentz
Rebecca Babler
Elaina Bakke
Madelaine Benson
John Boesch
Lillian Braun
Jessica Collins
William Dobberpuhl*

Chayse Eigenberger
Aliza Emanuele
Maya Ertl
Elena Federl
Amanda Gottardo
Gabriella Guarnero
Magdalyn Hartjes
Armella Kegley*

Brianna Krause*
Ethan Krueger
Keegan Mammen
Dashton Metzger
Mikayla Morano
Brodie Murphy
Zachary Nusberger
Kinsey Schwantes

Evelyn Silgen
Parker Small
Luke Toeller
Isabelle Viesselmann
Piper Werner
Sophie Werner*
Gavyn Williamson

** Denotes Lutheran Junior Honor Association Member*



THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL SERVICE!

We will be doing recognition for years of service at St. Paul at the school closing chapel service on Friday, May 31, 2024.

Staff receiving recognition at this service are:



Diane Schumann
35 years



Jenny Willman
25 years



Valerie Bremer
20 years



Kris Schroeder
20 years



Shelby Nauta
10 years



Denise Gieschen
10 years

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL:



1. Supporting Our Troops. Our school family has a parent that has recently been deployed to Iraq and will be serving there through October. We are putting together care packages to send to him and those that he serves with. Items we are collecting include: trail mix, beef jerky, nuts, gum, non-melting candy, greeting cards, cookies, Twizzlers, coffee, puzzles, single serve hydrating drink mixes, toothbrushes, disposable razors, shaving lotion and shampoo. If you would like to send any of these items in our care packages, please drop off items in the Welcome Center by June 3.

2. The Board of Christian Day School has extended a Call to Ms. Katarina Hinck to serve as a 2nd grade teacher here next school year. Ms. Hinck is currently serving in the St. Louis area. Please pray for Ms. Hinck as she deliberates her Call to St. Paul and her current Call to St. Paul's Des Peres, MO.



St. Paul Lutheran Golf Classic
Friday, June 7, 2024
West Bend Lakes Golf Club

Cost: \$125 per golfer / \$500 foursome
(Includes 18-holes, cart, lunch, dinner, prizes and more)

Time: Shotgun start at 10:00am
Check-in begins at 8:45am
Gather near golf carts for prayer at 9:45am

Register your group today!

Online at: tinyurl.com/SPLGolf24 - or -
Fill out a **Registration Form** and drop off at the **St. Paul School Office**. Registration forms are available in the **St. Paul School Office**.

Proceeds support St. Paul Lutheran School. Through the years, proceeds have been used to help purchase unbudgeted school needs such as new computers in the computer lab, student lockers, various curriculum and software programs as well as student aid funding through the Good Samaritan Fund.

Sponsorships and raffle prize donations are also accepted! Contact a member of the St. Paul Golf Committee or review the Registration Form available in the St. Paul School Office for a list of sponsorship opportunities available.



Rooted Women
Summer of Service
Bible Study/Service Events

June 17, July 15, & Aug 19 6:30pm

Join us for a brief Bible time & service opportunity each month.
Watch bulletin/gazette for more details

Just come-
No sign up
needed!

Financial Assistance Forms for the upcoming 2024-2025 School Year are available in the school office or on the St. Paul Website [HERE](#). Please complete the form and return in a sealed envelope to the attention of Jean Steinke, Business Manager by Friday, May 31, 2024. Your information will be reviewed and you will be notified if you qualify for financial assistance. Please be assured that all information will remain strictly confidential. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Steinke at jean.steinke@splgrifton.org or 262-377-4659 ext. 339 on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

As We Come To The Close Of Another School Year, please remember that all fees (lunch, library late book fees, etc.) and tuition balances must be paid before the last day of school on Friday, May 31st for K-8th grade families. Any fees and tuition balances that are outstanding will initiate the process to hold end of the year report cards and registration for the next school year. Please contact Jean Steinke, Business Manager at 262.377.4659 x339, for any questions or to make special arrangements. Thank you!



SCRIP ROLLOVER

Hello St. Paul families & friends! Time is ticking—make sure to get your SCRIP orders submitted & filled by **Friday, June 28, 2024!** Orders received after this date will go towards next year's rebate credit. If you are ordering cards that we do not stock, make sure to allow time for them to arrive—cards that are awaiting fulfillment do not count toward your rebate credit! Participating families will see their SCRIP rebate credit on their *first* tuition statement for the 2024-2025 school year!

JOIN US FOR THE
GROUNDBREAKING CELEBRATION



SUNDAY
June
9
12pm
Lower Parking Lot



EVERY
GENERATION
FAITHFUL
TOGETHER

Join us to celebrate the history and future of St. Paul Lutheran School as we break ground on the ministry expansion project!

- Brief program
- Light refreshments

Plan to join us as we embark on the construction phase of this exciting expansion!

Scan the QR Code for the latest updates on the build.



Salad Luncheon

Sponsored by St. Paul Women's Guild

Salads Galore & Desserts

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024
11AM - 1PM

St. Paul Lutheran Church
701 Washington Street
Grafton, WI

Salad Buffet Plate, Drink, Dessert
\$12.00

Tickets may be purchased in the School Office during office hours (8am to 4pm) or at the luncheon.

For groups of 6 or more, make reservations by calling Deb at 262-707-8992

Proceeds benefit the Every Generation Faithful Together Ministry Expansion Fund

Outdoor
WORSHIP

Begins

Sunday, June 16 @ 11am

& every Sunday @ 11am through September

If there is inclement weather, service will be held indoors
Bring a blanket or chair for your comfort



SUMMER

SPLASH
POOLPARTY



12:00 - 4:00 P.M.

CONCESSION STAND SPECIALS

GRAFTON FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER
649 N. GREEN BAY RD.

MINISTRY EXPANSION BUILDING PROJECT – PROMISSORY NOTES

A promissory note is similar to a traditional mortgage or loan agreement, but it is quite a bit simpler. It is a financial instrument that contains a written promise by one party (the borrower or issuer) to pay another party (the noteholder or payee) a definite sum of money, either on demand or at a specified future date. St. Paul would be the borrower and you would be the noteholder.

For those interested, St. Paul will issue promissory notes to support the financing of our ministry expansion building project. To learn more about the promissory note terms or decide if entering into a promissory note with St. Paul may be of interest, please attend one of the general sessions below:

- Tuesday, June 4, 2024, 6:00 - 7:00pm
- Wednesday, June 19, 2024, 6:00 - 7:00pm

If you are interested in entering into a promissory note with St. Paul, please reach out to either of the following parties:



Jason Hasenstein (920) 226-0743
jason.hasenstein@splgrafton.org

OR

Jean Steinke (262) 377-4659
jean.steinke@splgrafton.org

VBS 2024

VBS Registration is **closed**.



Questions?
 Contact Tracy Krueger
 at tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org

VBS Donations

All donations need to be returned to the church by **Thursday, May 30**.
 Thank you for your support!

VBS Volunteer Meetings

If you signed up to help with VBS you need to attend one of the following meetings:
Thursday, June 6 at 7pm / **Saturday, June 8**, at 6pm / **Sunday, June 9** at 11am

VBS Setup and Decorating

We are looking for help with setting rooms up and decorating for VBS. We will meet **Sunday, June 9** at **11:30am** in the Family Life Center.

Middle School Youth



A reminder that Middle school youth meets the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from 3-4:30pm in the youth room.

Sunday, June 2, 4-6pm

All **5-8** graders are invited to our final Middle School Youth group of the school year. We are going to be having a Nerf war and BBQ. This year we are challenging the middle school youth from First Immanuel in Cedarburg. Don't forget to bring your Nerf guns! Sign up here to join the fun and sign up to bring items for the BBQ: <https://tinyurl.com/MSYJune24>.

LUNCH BAGS FOR THE GATHERING

There is a real need for a lot of lunch bags at the end of June. We will be packing lunches for approx. 350 people on Thursday, June 27. These lunch bags provide a meal on Sunday when meal sites are closed. Please help by donating the following items for the lunch bags: *individual packages of tuna or chicken, individual applesauce or fruit cups, individually packaged desserts, boxes of granola bars, individual bags of salty snacks or monetary donations to purchase bread, bottled water and other supplies.*

Please donate by June 24 by placing donations in the bin in the carport entrance.

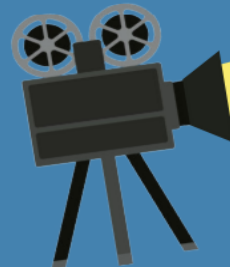
To volunteer to help with assembly of the bags or other information, contact Polly at 262-377-4846 or pollykm40@gmail.com.

Thank you for helping with this Serving Challenge!

FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS

GRAFTON PARKS AND RECREATION

FLICK N' FLOAT



At the Grafton Family Aquatic Center
 649 N. Green Bay Road



The Little Mermaid
 June 21, 2024



The Super Mario Bros. Movie
 July 19, 2024

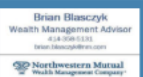
Activities begin at 7:30 p.m.
 Doors open at 8:00 p.m.
 Movies will be shown at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Bring an inflatable raft to float on or watch from the pool deck.

\$5.00 Admission or FREE with a Family Aquatic Center Season Pool Pass.

Concessions available for purchase - no carry-ins please.

Movie Licensing generously provided by:





Grafton Gladiators Flag Football Fall 2024

For: Open to all students entering 1st – 4th grades for the 2024/2025 school year

Registration: To register, please visit www.grafton-football.com and click on the Flag Registration button.

Schedule: Practice starts in August. Games will be held twice a week from late August through October.

Questions: For any questions or for volunteers interested in coaching, please contact Stefanie Bachrach at Stefanie.bachrach@gmail.com

Grafton Gladiators flag football program was developed to introduce kids to the great game of football in a fun & safe environment.

THE BEST WAY TO BUY BACK-TO-SCHOOL SUPPLIES.



It's Time to Buy School Supplies!

St. Paul Lutheran parents, in just a few clicks, get everything your child's teacher has requested, including brand names you trust, like Crayola, Ticonderoga and Clorox. What are you waiting for? Buy today, before the end of the school year! [Order now.](#)

It's that time of the year to get your daughter signed up for the annual **Grafton Girls Basketball Youth Camp!**



Camp will be at Grafton High School June 17-20. Grade 3rd-5th will be held from 1:00-2:30pm, while Grade 6th-9th will be 3:00-4:30pm.

Incoming freshman for the 2024-25 academic year are now included in this camp! The cost is \$65 per person, which includes a Camp T-Shirt

Payment Options:

- 1) Drop off check at the Grafton High School Main Office (Checks made out to Grafton Girls Basketball)
- 2) Club's Venmo account: @GraftonGirls-Hoops

Any questions can be directed to Coach Matt D'Amato at damatom316@gmail.com

To sign up today, please complete the form [HERE](#)

Feed Their Summer Smiles With SUN Programs!



Make this summer one to remember with SUN Programs: USDA's Summer Nutrition Programs for Kids. We've got meals and new benefits to keep your kids fueled up for summer.

SUN MEALS

Children 18 and under can enjoy meals together at eligible meal sites. SUN Meals are free and help your kids get the nutrition they need all summer long.

SUN MEALS TO-GO

In some rural areas, SUN Meals can be picked up or delivered right to your home!

SUN BUCKS

With SUN Bucks, get \$120 per eligible school-aged child to buy more of your family's favorite food, from fresh fruits and vegetables to pantry staples, supporting delicious and healthy meals at home.



fns.usda.gov/summer
twitter.com/USDANutrition

Scan to find out about meal options and grocery benefits in your area.



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Visit <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/splcas> to create your account. Or you can: **Text-to-Sign-Up: Text SPLCAS to 49775** and receive a direct link to the registration page.
QR Code Access: A quick scan with your smartphone will take you directly to the registration page.



Already signed up to use RightNow Media, but looking for some ideas of what to watch?

Psalm 23 by Matt Chandler

Many people are familiar with Psalm 23. But because we all know it, we often breeze through the psalm without slowing down long enough to rest in the assurance it offers. In this 6-part series on Psalm 23, pastor Matt Chandler introduces us to the great shepherd, the Lord, who promises to provide for every need of his flock. Though only six verses long, this psalm teaches us profound truths about our loving and protective God. By studying Psalm 23, we'll encounter a life-transforming question: Do you trust the Lord to care for your needs? [Psalm 23 - Matt Chandler](#)

The Book of 1 Corinthians By Jennie Allen

Christianity calls us to sacrifice instead of living for oneself. We have to choose one or the other—we can't do both. The Christians in Corinth tried to live the Christian life in a worldly way. Paul wrote the letter of 1 Corinthians to a divided and self-centered people to remind them to follow Jesus and only Jesus. In this 12-part series, author and speaker Jennie Allen walks into the messy lives of the Corinthians and takes us through Paul's words to the conflicted church. We'll see how the truth of the gospel and the Spirit of God can empower us to choose to follow Jesus every day of our lives. [The Book of 1 Corinthians :: RightNow Media](#)

On Purpose. For a Purpose. By Rachel Joy

Are you at a turning point in your life and need help identifying what's next? Do you feel stuck, overwhelmed, or anxious in your current season? Do you want to know how you can live more intentionally using your talents and giftings to fulfill your calling as a disciple of Jesus Christ? We have designed On Purpose, for a Purpose to help you discover your God-given identity, gifting, and purpose. As women, we wear multiple hats in any given season, balancing both responsibilities and passions. In this series, we have created a space for you to intentionally consider your passions and giftings, your story, your season of life, and the community in which you have been placed, so that you might fulfill your God-given purpose with greater clarity and confidence. [Purpose :: RightNow Media](#)

Love in Chaos By Bob Goff

Good News for a Divided Culture. We don't have to look far to see division in our world. And in many ways, we are confused, angry, and disillusioned by all the chaos we're experiencing. How should Christians respond to the chaos? What does it look like to live faithfully in these strange and challenging times? Join bestselling author Bob Goff in this six-session series as he helps us answer these questions. Learn what it looks like to follow Jesus and obey his commands even in a time of chaos.

The Slugs & Bugs Show (ages 7 & under)

It's a great day for the Slugs & Bugs Show! Join musician Randall Goodgame, Doug the Slug, Sparky the Lightning Bug, Morty and Maggie Raccoon, and a slew of special guests inside the brand-new Slugs & Bugs Workshop. Imaginations are kindled, songs are sung, and hijinks are discovered, along with timeless truths about life and faith. From a producer of VeggieTales, the Slugs & Bugs Show is delightful, quirky, hand-crafted fun for kids of all ages. [The Slugs & Bugs Show :: RightNow Media](#)

The Adventures of Ryan Defrates: Secret Agent (ages 6-12)

Ryan Defrates: Secret Agent is an animated action-adventure series about a young spy with a whole lot to learn! He's arrogant and reckless and always insists on working alone. That is, until the day he's paired with a very unlikely partner—his mom! Deb Defrates is NOT a spy. She knows more about cutting coupons than cutting down on crime but her wisdom and kindness somehow always seem to save the day. These half-hour episodes are great for churches or families and are perfect for children ages 6 and up.