



# T H E E C H O

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*"In Christ you also are being built up together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit."  
Ephesians 2:22*

God



Me

Do you recall last spring when the ONE WAY sign by the church lot exit looked like this? Upon exiting that way leaving school, I immediately thought "Seriously?, how awesome!...a ONE WAY sign, .pointing upward to heaven....in the parking lot of a church!" So awesome in fact that I wanted to take a picture of it and save it for my next echo article. There were so many lessons within and ways in which God got my attention with that ridiculous sign. Well, in typical fashion, I didn't act quick enough, forgot, and after a week or so the flipped sign was back to normal. Yet still, this verse I once memorized as a St. Paul student was NOT forgotten. John 14:6 "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the father except through me.

Similarly, the verse Eph. 4:5 "There is One Lord, One faith, One baptism, One God and father of all."

God often gives second chances, and I almost got one this past weekend with the wild windy weather. However, the sign's current state is at only tipped at a 45 degree angle, but that timing right before my article would have been epic!

It got me thinking how, as a sinful being, I will go off in a different direction at times, not the way God's "sign" would have me to. Praise be to God that when I do that, he brings me back to the straight and narrow. He reroutes me to align with his will. Along with that, he'll guide me when life's challenges take me on a path different from what I had planned. I pray you feel God's guiding hand daily as you reflect on, and share with those around you, that Jesus our Savior, IS, the only way.

Mrs. Amy Schumacher, Pre-K Teacher

## OCTOBER

12	Sat	State Cross Country @ CUW
15	Tue	Fall Sports Pictures (3:15-4:15pm)
16	Wed	Chapel – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade (Haas)
17	Thu	PreK Field Trip to Creekside Valley Farm
18	Fri	PreK Field Trip to Creekside Valley Farm
19	Sat	Sweetest Day Auction
23	Wed	Chapel – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade (Zvara/Fischer)
23-24	We-Th	PreK/K Fall Party
24	Thu	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
25	Fri	NO SCHOOL
30	Wed	Chapel - LJHA

## NOVEMBER

1	Fri	7th/8th Grade One-Act Plays
4	Mon	NO SCHOOL
8	Fri	Veterans Day Chapel
7	Thu	Panther Parent Meeting
15	Fri	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester PreK/K PJ Party (6-7pm)
20	Wed	Chapel – Kindergarten (Nauta)
21-22	Th-Fr	PreK/K Feast
25-29	Mon-Fri	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break

## Notes from the Principal:



- Our Cross Country Teams continue to do well. This past week they participated in the Centennial Meet here in Grafton. Congratulations to Nolan who took 4th in 6th and under and Makayla who took 6th in 8th and under. Our 5/6th grade boys team took 2nd place!
- October is a busy month around school with classes going on their first field trips, outdoor education for 7th grade, Courage Retreat for 7th & 8th grade, fall sports wrapping up, preparation for one-act plays and more. Thank you for all you do to help us live out our mission of being Focused on Excellence...Centered on Christ.
- Want to get involved? Ever thought about subbing? If interested in subbing for a teacher or an aide, please contact me.
- Please plan to join us for our annual Veterans Day Chapel on Friday, November 8 at 8:25 am. Following chapel, we'll be serving guests a light breakfast in the Family Life Center.



## VETERANS DAY CHAPEL & BREAKFAST

Veterans and their families are invited to join us at our Veterans Day Chapel on **Friday, November 8 at 8:25am**. A light breakfast will be available after the service for veterans and their guests. We hope you will join us to honor our military veterans!

A **HUGE** thank you to all who participated in our recent Even Odds Pizza Fundraiser on September 17! It was a great night to enjoy some delicious pizza...and boy did we! With your help, we earned \*drum roll\*...\$1348.46 for our school! A special thanks to Even Odds Pizza for partnering with St. Paul – we appreciate it!

# THANK YOU!



Looking for a Halloween event the whole family can enjoy? Join us for this year's Trunk or Treat, **Saturday, October 26 from 10-11:30am**. We are looking for 25-30 cars to decorate and hand out candy, please sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/spltrunkortreat24>. For more information contact Tracy at [tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org](mailto:tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org).



## SAVE THE DATE PRE-ELECTION PRAYER SERVICES

**Tuesday, October 29 at 6pm**  
**Wednesday, October 30 at 12pm**

Please join us in the Sanctuary to pray for our country's future leaders. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to come pray for our country before election day. The service will be 30 minutes in length and consist of prayers (verbally and silently), music, and Scripture readings.

## Christian Day School Singing Schedule



Sun.	Oct. 13	8:00 am	JiVE
Sun.	Oct. 13	11:00 am	Pre-K Sings
Sun.	Oct. 20	9:30 am	Children's Choir
Sun.	Oct. 27	9:30 am	Gr. 4-5 Sings
Fri.	Nov. 1	9, 6:30	Gr. 7 & 8 One Act Plays
Sat.	Nov. 2	5:00 pm	JuBellate
Sat.	Nov. 9	5:00 pm	Gr. 2-3 Sings
Sun.	Nov. 17	9:30 am	JiVE
Wed.	Dec. 4	6:30 pm	Gr. 5-8 Advent/Christmas
Sun.	Dec. 8	9:30 am	Praise Power
Sun.	Dec. 8	11:00 am	JiVE and JuBellate
Wed.	Dec. 11	6:30 pm	Gr. 3-4 Advent/Christmas
Fri.	Dec. 13	9:00/6:30	Band/Choirs Christmas Concert
Sat.	Dec. 14	9:00/10:30	Pre-K/Kind. Service



UNIT TWO >>> LISTEN UP!  
CONNECT THROUGH CONVERSATION

### KEY VERSES

"HEAR, O ISRAEL! THE LORD IS OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE! YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL AND WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT."  
DEUTERONOMY 6:4-5

"TUNE YOUR EARS TO WISDOM, AND CONCENTRATE ON UNDERSTANDING."  
PROVERBS 2:2 (NLT)

### >>> UNIT TWO <<<

Listening is a full body activity. Unit two, titled Listen Up, equips students with strategies for how to listen well. Throughout this Friendly unit, students will learn to listen with their whole selves—eyes, ears, hearts, and mouths—so that others feel seen, heard, and valued.

### >>> CONVERSATION STARTERS <<<

- > How can you tell when someone is listening really well to you? How do you feel when others are listening well to what you have to say?
- > How does being a good listener show your friends and family that you care about them?
- > What is one thing you would like to work on to be a better listener?

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION



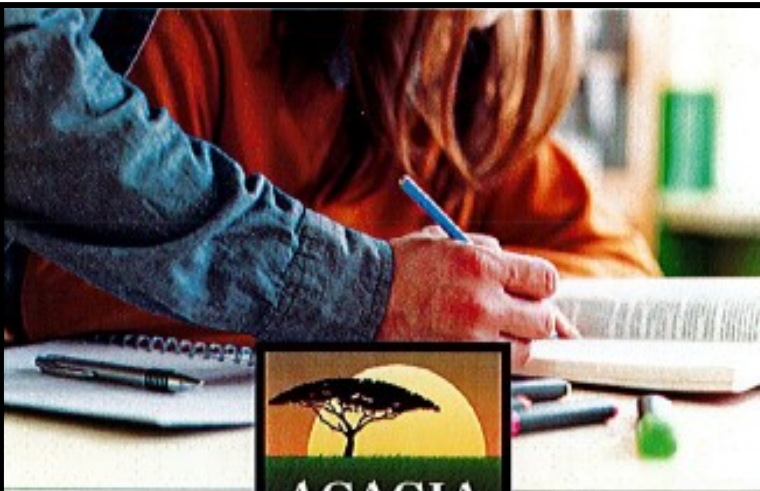
Registration for Sunday School 2024-25 opens August 11th. Come join us for the fun! Sunday School runs Sundays September-May from 8:15-9:15am, and is open to children ages 3 thru 6th Grade.

Our first day of Sunday school this year will be September 15 at 8:15am in the youth room. To have your child join us for this year's Sunday School please fill out the registration form at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/SSregisterate24>. If you have any questions, please contact [tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org](mailto:tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org).

**10/13:** This week's Bible story is from Exodus 15:22-27, God makes bitter water good. We will be learning that God shows grace and so can we.

Each month we'll have a new family conversation card here in the echo. It will highlight Bible verses and simple and quick talking points to connect you and your family to what students are learning in their Friendly unit that month. God's blessings on your conversations!





# HELPING STUDENTS GROW IN ACADEMICS AND CHARACTER.

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# Passport to PARADISE



SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 19  
2024

SILENT AUCTION AT 6:00 PM  
LIVE AUCTION FOLLOWS



✿ \$30 - INCLUDES CATERED DINNER, DESSERT, & BIDDER NUMBER ✿

Get together with your family and friends and join us for a fun filled event at the St. Paul Church and School Benefit Auction on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. The theme this year is "Passport to Paradise". Table registration and individual tickets are still available for purchase online or in the school office. Also, an online auction will open on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm. Click on <https://splgraft2024.ggo.bid> to view the online items such as restaurant gift cards, Sesame Live tickets, electric Milwaukee Tool leaf blower, etc. Thank you to all who have donated items. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer for set up or the night of the event, please contact the auction committee at [auction@splgrafton.org](mailto:auction@splgrafton.org).

### Middle School Youth

All 6-8 graders are invited to join us for middle school youth. We will meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month September through May from 3-4:30pm in the youth room.

For more information contact Tracy Krueger at [tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org](mailto:tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org)



**10/13:** This week we will talk about God's toolbox on our devotion, we will play balloon ball and enjoy some rice crispy treats. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/MSYoct24>

**10/27:** Join us for our costume party as we play monster filled games, eat too much candy, and hear about the "Name-tag Nanny" in our devotion. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/MSYoct24>

## DO YOU LOVE KIDS?



St. Paul Extended Care is looking for kind, caring individuals to work with our After School Students during the school year afternoons. This is a great position for high school or college students looking for 10-12 hours a week. Shifts fall between 2:45-5:15 pm Monday - Friday, exact start & end time can vary a bit depending on availability. If you are interested, contact Care Director Jess Koch: [jessica.koch@splgraffton.org](mailto:jessica.koch@splgraffton.org)  
*We would love for you to join our team!*

## EVERY GENERATION FAITHFUL TOGETHER UPDATE



*Our ministry expansion project is steadily moving forward. In the last month, the committees reported the following progress:*

### Building Committee:

- Foundations have been completed and backfilled.
- The roof over the gym mezzanine has been replaced and completed.
- The new concrete block fire wall and elevator shaft are nearly complete.
- Site utilities including a new water main and sanitary sewer line have been started east of the gym.

### Upcoming next 30 days:

- Under slab plumbing will be completed.
- Finish grading for concrete slab will then be completed.
- The first floor concrete slab will be poured.
- After the slab is poured, the steel structure erection will begin.
- Site utility connections on Washington Street will be completed.

### Finance Committee:

- Loan application is in process with LCEF.
- \$850,000 in promissory notes have been secured to-date.

If you are still interested in a promissory note, please reach out to Jason Hasenstein (920) 226-0743 [jason.hasenstein@splgraffton.org](mailto:jason.hasenstein@splgraffton.org) or Jean Steinke (262) 377- 4659 [jean.steinke@splgraffton.org](mailto:jean.steinke@splgraffton.org).

*Please continue to visit the Every Generation Faithful Together website for more information.*  
[splgraffton.org/faithfultogether](http://splgraffton.org/faithfultogether)

# 44th Annual Country Fair

**November 9, 2024  
9am - 2pm**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church  
701 Washington Street, Grafton**

**Vendors, Crafts, Quilts,  
Homemade Bakery,  
Christmas Cookies & More!**

**\$10 Ham Sandwich Luncheon  
with our  
Famous German Potato Salad &  
Homemade Pie!**

*This is one fair you DON'T want to miss!  
See you there!*

**Sponsored by the St. Paul Women's Guild**



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Opening kids' **WORLDS**.

**Discover Living Word Lutheran with a  
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To schedule your tour, visit our website at [www.lwlhs.com/visit](http://www.lwlhs.com/visit). We look forward to meeting you and sharing all that Living Word Lutheran has to offer!



**Youth  
SPORT NIGHTS**

FREE ADMISSION FOR KIDS  
IN K-8TH GRADE & THEIR FAMILIES



TO ATTEND, PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT [WWW.LWLHS.COM/EVENTS](http://WWW.LWLHS.COM/EVENTS)

**Youth  
Sports  
Nights at  
Living Word  
Free  
Admission!**

Living Word Lutheran High School invites grade and middle school students and their families to enjoy free admission to our upcoming Youth Sports Nights!

Join us on **October 11** for both the  
**BOYS SOCCER** game at **4:00 PM**  
(T-shirt giveaway night),  
and **Football** under the lights on  
**October 11 at 7:00 PM**

RSVP is not required to attend,  
but it helps us plan for numbers, and can be done  
at [www.lwlhs.com/events](http://www.lwlhs.com/events)





## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS



<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13-Oct</b>	<b>20-Oct</b>
	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, <b>JiVE sings @ 8:00; PreK sings @ 11:00</b> Middle School Youth, 3pm	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, <b>Children's Choir sings @ 9:30</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>14-Oct</b>	<b>21-Oct</b>
	Children's Choir, 3:15pm Volleyball vs. Trinity Freistadt; 5G-4:15, 6G-5:15, 7/8G-6:15 Worship @ 6:30pm	Children's Choir, 3:15pm  Worship @ 6:30pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>15-Oct</b>	<b>22-Oct</b>
	Fall Sports Pictures (3:15-4:00)	Volleyball vs. Oostburg Christian; 5/6-4:30, 7/8-5:30
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>16-Oct</b>	<b>23-Oct</b>
	<b>CHAPEL - 3rd Grade (Haas)</b>  Stone 4: My Bible, 6pm	<b>CHAPEL - 5th Grade (Zvara/Fischer)</b> PreK Fall Party Volleyball @ Grace MF; 5/6-4:30, 7/8-5:30 Stone 4: My Bible, 6pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>17-Oct</b>	<b>24-Oct</b>
	PreK Field Trip to Creekside Valley Farm Volleyball vs. Trinity Sheboygan; 5/6G-4:30, 7/8G- 5:30	End of 1st Quarter PreK Fall Party
<b>Friday</b>	<b>18-Oct</b>	<b>25-Oct</b>
	PreK Field Trip to Creekside Valley Farm	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>19-Oct</b>	<b>26-Oct</b>
	Passport to Paradise Auction  Worship at 5:00pm	Cross Country Nationals @ CUW Trunk or Treat, 10am Worship at 5:00pm



# A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

**JOIN LUTHERAN COUNSELING AND FAMILY SERVICES OF WISCONSIN FOR THE ULTIMATE FREE MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS RESOURCE FAIR AT THE MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2024 — 6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**Featuring Music by ATK Ministry**

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by scanning the QR code below**



## RESOURCE TABLE TOPICS:

**Young Adult Mental Health  
Adolescent Mental Health  
Children's Mental Health  
Trauma  
Grief and Loss  
Aging  
Crisis  
Adoption  
Addiction  
Christian Counseling  
AND MUCH MORE!**

**Event supported by: South Wisconsin District's Rev. Dr. Edwin S. Suelflow Mission & Mercy Micro-Grant**

**Registration is limited to the first 250 attendees.**

**Special opportunity to meet and interact with LCC K-9 comfort dog**



**Thanks to our middle school youth and volunteers that helped to pack 300 lunches for The Gathering!**

# RightNow Media

RightNow Media is the world's largest video-streaming library of biblical resources. Every person in our church can access Biblically-based videos on topics like marriage, parenting, youth, recovery, leadership, finances and much more. You can also choose from more than 2,000 wholesome, educational, and entertaining videos in the RightNow Media library designed specially for children. Stream them at home or on the go with the RightNow Media app. To sign up via **Online Registration**:

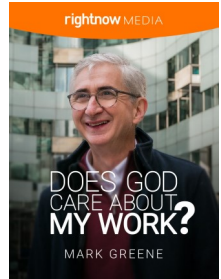


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## **Does God Care About My Work?** by Mark Greene

Common sense suggests that God couldn't possibly care about the five loads of washing you have to do, the email you need to respond to, or the burst pipe you're about to fix. But what if He did? What if God, the King of the Universe, cares deeply about the everyday work you do... and the way you do it? In this three-part series, Mark Greene explores what the Bible has to say about why your work – paid or unpaid, in an office, in a factory, or at home – really matters to God. [Does God Care About My Work? :: RightNow Media](#)



## **The Book of Ecclesiastes** by Jonathan Pohluda

Where to Turn When Life Lets You Down: Life is a gift, but it rarely turns out how we expect. We're convinced things like wealth, power, fame, and control will give us meaning and lead us to a flourishing life—but, every time, they let us down. So where do we go when the bottom falls out? Where do we turn when things are going great but we still feel empty? In this ten-session series, pastor Jonathan "JP" Pohluda takes us through the book of Ecclesiastes and shows us that we are not alone in our search for meaning. Join JP and discover how God himself, not the things of this world, satisfies our deepest desires for meaning. [The Book of Ecclesiastes :: RightNow Media](#)



## **Lyrics of Life** by Lisa Harper

A Psalm for Every Situation: We sometimes feel like we need to curate our emotions when we talk to God. But God wants us to come to him honestly, no matter what we are feeling or going through. Join Bible teacher Lisa Harper as she teaches from the book of Psalms looking at the variety of circumstances faced by followers of God. In this eight-session series, we learn how to find comfort in any situation based on this songbook of the people of God. [Lyrics of Life :: RightNow Media](#)



## **Dangers of Young Men - Season 1** with Jeff Voth (ages 8-13)

Are you a Wise Young Man? Can you identify the five Dangers of Young Men before Justus, Kaiden, Levi, Nathan, Ollie and Pierce? Join them as Cavetime founder, Jeff Voth, invites them to go outdoors and take on challenges where they will face these Dangers in peculiar ways and discover the devil's schemes against young men. Inspired by JC Ryle's legendary book, *Thoughts for Young Men*. *Download the Manual, Guide, and Strategy for Battle to play along and prepare for your battles.* [Dangers of Young Men - Season 1 :: RightNow Media](#)



## **The Creators, Season 3** (ages 6-12)

The Creators are back again with more wacky and fun-filled adventures! *The Creators* tells the story of a group of friends who join forces to create films that are "meaningful, virtuous, and good." Both clever and creative, *The Creators* weaves biblical truths into engaging stories with humor and the right dose of seriousness. Enjoy this light-hearted children's series that will make your kids laugh and leave them with important truths to consider. [The Creators, Season 3 :: RightNow Media](#)

