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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**

Words

I am sure you have all heard the saying:

"Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me."

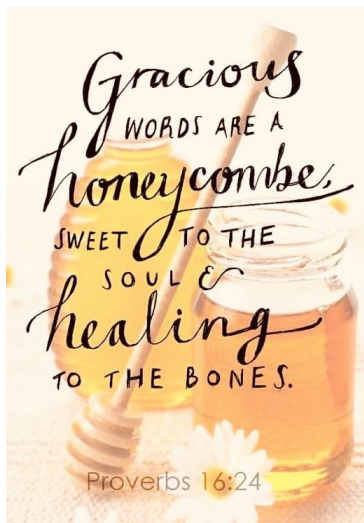
What an untrue statement. They may not physically hurt you but they will sure take a toll on you mentally. We have all had our heart hurt by words. Even though we know how much it hurts, we will then hurt someone else with our words. It is an unending cycle of using words to tear people down instead of building them up. We see it all over the place, in the news, on social media, and pretty up everywhere we look. We as a society need to stop and think before we use our words. Our human nature is so quick to judge people or to defend ourselves that we often just let the words come out without any thought.

The Bible says in **Proverbs 16:24**

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body.

Our uses of words toward each other needs to change. We need to use words of love, encouragement, and forgiveness. We need to be positive and uplifting. Imagine a world where we see compliments instead of complaints in the news, on social media, and everywhere. That would sure change people's outlook on things. So the next time you are upset and about to say some hateful words or put something negative on social media, stop and think and challenge yourself to say something positive instead. It will most likely make you feel better as well.

Jeremy Kell
Middle School Teacher



OCTOBER

18	Fri	PreK Field Trip to Creekside Valley Farm
19	Sat	Sweetest Day Auction
23	Wed	Chapel – 5 th Grade (Zvara/Fischer)
23-24	We-Th	PreK/K Fall Party
24	Thu	End of 1 st 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 st Trimester PreK/K PJ Party (6-7pm)
20	Wed	Chapel – Kindergarten (Nauta)
21-22	Th-Fr	PreK/K Feast

Notes from the Principal:



1. Fall sports season is coming to a close. Congratulations to Makayla G. for placing 8th at the LSA State Cross Country Meet on Saturday, earning the opportunity to run in the national meet later in October. Congratulations also to the B Girls Volleyball Team for taking 2nd place at the St. John Plymouth Tournament last weekend.
2. Plan to join us for our annual Veterans Day Chapel service on Friday, November 8 at 8:25 am. A light breakfast will be served following the service for all guests. Thank you to Thrivent for sponsoring the breakfast through a Thrivent Action Team.
3. Our 7th and 8th grade students will be performing one act plays on Friday, November 1. Show times are 9am and 6:30 pm.
4. Do you have a teacher you'd like to nominate for a special award because of the job they are doing? Consider nominating through the Kohl Teacher Fellowship Program. This is a very prestigious award that includes a \$6,000 award for the honoree and the school. Nominations only take a few minutes. Use this link to complete a nomination: <https://www.kohleducation.org/teacherfellowship/>

An Evening of One-Acts
 Friday, November 1, 2024
 9am & 6:30pm
 Family Life Center



Please come enjoy a night of laughter as all our 7th & 8th graders use their acting skills. Watch aliens of the future learn about life on earth through discovered artifacts of 'books' and then see how the Internet going out affects everyone in an entire town! Join us November 1st at 9am or 6:30pm in the FLC for humor & surprises!



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@splgrifton.org.



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!



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. 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



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

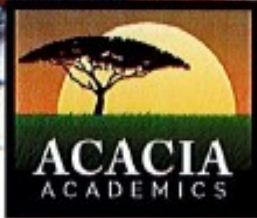
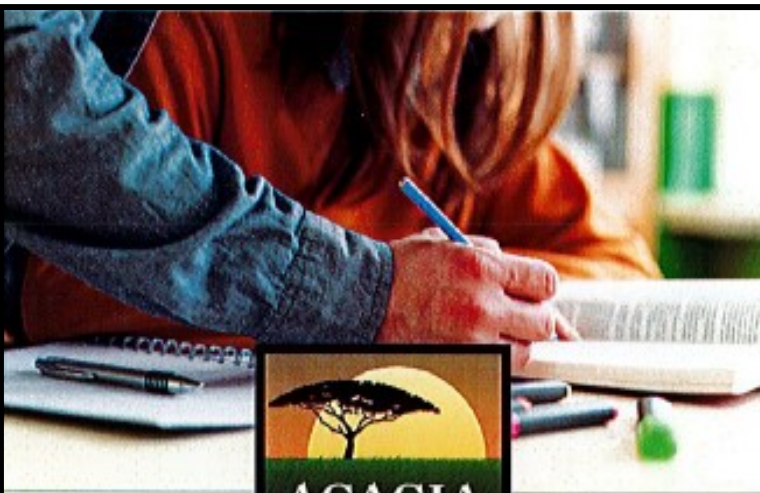


Registration for Sunday School 2024-25 opens August 11th. Come join us for the fun! Sunday School runs Sundays September-May from 8:15-9:15am, and is open to children ages 3 thru 6th Grade.

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/SSregistrate24>. If you have any questions, please contact tracy.krueger@splgrifton.org.

10/20: This week we will be learning that God is loyal and we should be too. We will read Exodus 16:1-35 as we look at the story of God sending manna and quail.

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!



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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 19th. 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 13th @ 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.

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



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. Signup 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
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 or Jean Steinke (262) 377- 4659 jean.steinke@splgraffton.org.

Please continue to visit the Every Generation Faithful Together website for more information.
splgraffton.org/faithfultogether

44th Annual Country Fair

November 9, 2024
9am - 2pm

St. Paul Lutheran Church
 701 Washington Street, Grafton

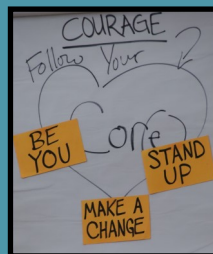
**Vendors, Crafts, Quilts,
 Homemade Bakery,
 Christmas Cookies & More!**

**\$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

7TH & 8TH GRADE COURAGE RETREAT





ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday	20-Oct	27-Oct
	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, Children's Choir sings @ 9:30	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, Gr. 4-5 Sings @ 9:30 Middle School Youth, 3pm
Monday	21-Oct	28-Oct
	Children's Choir, 3:15pm Worship @ 6:30pm	Children's Choir, 3:15pm Worship @ 6:30pm
Tuesday	22-Oct	29-Oct
	Volleyball vs. Oostburg Christian; 5/6-4:30, 7/8-5:30	Pre-Election Prayer Service @ 6pm
Wednesday	23-Oct	30-Oct
	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPEL - 5th Grade (Zvara/Fischer)</p> PreK Fall Party Volleyball @ Grace MF; 5/6-4:30, 7/8-5:30 Stone 4: My Bible, 6pm	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPEL - LJHA Induction</p> Pre-Election Prayer Service @ Noon Stone 4: My Bible, 6pm
Thursday	24-Oct	31-Oct
	End of 1st Quarter PreK Fall Party	
Friday	25-Oct	1-Nov
	NO SCHOOL	7th/8th Grade One Act Plays, 6:30pm
Saturday	26-Oct	2-Nov
	Cross Country Nationals @ CUW Trunk or Treat, 10am Worship at 5:00pm	Worship at 5:00pm

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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](#)

