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January 23, 2025

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

YOLO You Only Live Once

Do you find yourself worrying about a specific problem more than once? No matter what you do it keeps replaying in your mind inhibiting you from being present in other aspects of your life. You deemed yourself an overthinker, and it's just the way of life.

WRONG!

God has created us to only live once. That we are to only live a problem once. If we allow ourselves to continuously overthink instead of casting our worries and fears onto our Lord then we are not truly living. We are holding ourselves back from all the other blessings God has given us. We are told in Philippians 4:6 “do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made.”

As we brace ourselves through the cold days we should “consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin” Matthew 6:28. We will have our ups and downs, but you only live once. So remember that your problems are temporary, but God's love is eternal.

Mrs. Allysa Shull, 2nd Grade Teacher

Notes from the Principal:

1. This week we celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week. Thank you to all of our congregational members for making faith based education a priority here at St. Paul. Together we live out our mission of existing to shape lives for Christian service by providing educational excellence in a Christ-centered environment.

2. Congratulations to our B Girls Basketball Team for winning the consolation championship last weekend at the Good Shepherd West Bend Tournament last weekend.

3. With 2024 ending, do you have Thrivent Choice Dollars to donate? If so, please consider having that charitable donation given to St. Paul Lutheran School.



JANUARY

24 Fri **NO SCHOOL**
 25-26 Sa-Su B Boys Basketball Tournament
 26-31 Su-Sa National Lutheran Schools Week

FEBRUARY

6 Thu Panther Parent Meeting
 7 Fri PreK Day with Dudes
 12 Wed Chapel – 1st Grade (Pingel)
 14-16 Fr-Su A Boys Basketball Tournament
 19 Wed Chapel – 4th Grade (Steiner)
 21 Fri **1/2 Day of School 11:40am Dismissal**
NO 3&4Pre-K AM Classes PM classes attend in AM
 24 Mon **NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)**
 28 Fri End of 2nd Trimester

MARCH

5 Wed **ASH WEDNESDAY**
 Chapel – 4th Grade (Anderson)
 6 Thu Panther Parent Meeting
 7 Fri **Interest Day – 11:40am Dismissal**
NO 3&4PK PM Classes

Approved Calendar Dates 2025-26 School Year

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Aug 14	Teachers Report
Aug 21 (Thu)	Orientation Day
Aug 25 (Mon)	First Day of Classes
Aug 29	No School (Labor Day Weekend)
Sept 1	Labor Day No School
Oct 6-8	Outdoor Education (7 th)
Oct 31	No School
Nov 21	End of 1 st Trimester
Nov 24-28	Thanksgiving Break – No School
Dec 22–Jan 2	Christmas Break – No School
Jan 30	P/T Conferences – No classes
Feb 20	Half Day – 11:40 dismissal
Feb 23	No School – Winter Break
Mar 6	End of 2 nd Trimester / Interest Day
Mar 30–Apr 6	Spring Break/Easter – No School
May 22	Half Day – 11:40 dismissal
May 25	Memorial Day – No School
May 29	PreK Closing Service
June 5	K-8 Closing Service/10am dismissal/ Graduation
June 12	Teachers Last Day

EvenOdds PIZZA

FUNDRAISER

plan a pizza night on

TUESDAY, January 28

to help earn money for our school!

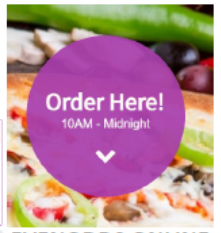
50% OF ALL SALES

will be donated to St. Paul Lutheran School!

**must mention
St. Paul Lutheran School
to receive credit!**

- ORDER FROM 10AM-8PM
- DINE IN or CARRY OUT
- ONLINE ORDERS MUST CHECK DINING FOR DOLLARS (D4D) BOX & NOTE ST. PAUL SCHOOL WHEN PLACING ORDER

ORDER ONLINE or CALL 262.376.0420



1) Click Donation

2) Click Add

3) Click Add to Cart

4) St. Paul earns 50% of the total spent

GRAFTON PARKS AND RECREATION



SAFE SITTER ESSENTIALS

January 25, 2025

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Municipal Services Facility
675 N. Green Bay Road

Class Fee: \$85.00

This course is designed to prepare students in grades 6-8 to be safe when they are home alone, watching younger siblings, or babysitting. Students will learn safety skills, child care skills, first aid and rescue skills, and life and business skills. This class is filled with fun games and role-playing exercises. Pre-registration required.

Register online at <https://graftonrecreation.village.grafton.wi.us> or call the Grafton Parks and Recreation Department at 262-375-5310.

March 8 Walther Christian Academy Choir Host Families Needed



St. Paul will host the Walther Christian Academy Choir from Chicago for a Saturday night in March.

Can you:

- enjoy a concert at St. Paul on Saturday night, March 8 at 6:30pm
- provide a bed and breakfast for 2 - 4 high school students
- take home students after the concert (about 8:30pm) for relaxing Saturday evening
- bring them to St. Paul for worship on Sun, March 9 about 7:30am

Please sign up using tinyurl.com/WaltherChoir2025, calling the reception office or contacting Valerie Bremer by phone (377-4659 x.110) or email (music@splgrafton.org).



National Lutheran Schools Week
January 26th - January 31st



"Endure" Hebrews 12:1-3

Daily Activities - All-School Devotions by LJHA
 Online Mission Trip - "Wild about Kenya"
 "Where in the World" Challenge



Sunday - K-8 Sing in Church
 "Dress To Impress"
 - A-K @ 8:00
 - L-Z @ 9:30



Monday - Stripping Away Hindrances
 "Pajama Day"



Tuesday - Fixing our Eyes on Jesus
 "Safari Day"

Wednesday - Enduring the Cross
 "Black-Out Chapel Dress"



Thursday - The Joy Set Before Us
 "Grade Color Day"

Friday - Running the Race with Perseverance
 "Sports Day"
 Panthers on the Prowl



Father Daughter Dance 2025

BEACH PARTY!

All girls 3PreK- 5th grade along with their dad, grandpa, uncle or other special friend are invited to dance the night away!

January 31, 2025

7:00pm - 8:30pm

St. Paul Family Life Center

Tickets will be available for

purchase Jan. 20-24

before school at the

main entrances from 8:00am - 8:15am
or after school in the school office.

The cost is \$15.00 per family.

After January 24,
tickets will cost \$20.

for more info contact
diane.schumann@splgrafton.org

On Sunday, January 26 at the 8am and 9:30am worship services, St. Paul will be recognizing the following staff members for significant years of service to St. Paul.



Kim Edgar



Lisa Frinzi
25 years



Jeremy Kell
25 years



Alan Wellna
15 years



Martha Witt
15 years

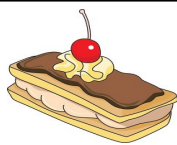


Heidi McNabb
10 years

WELL DONE,
—GOOD—
AND
faithful
SERVANT.

Calling All Torte Makers!!

The 63rd St. Paul Invitational Tournament is February 14-16 and we can't serve our delicious tortes without help from you. If you are willing to make a torte, I'll supply you with one or more of the famous recipes. Just call Diane Schumann (377-4659 x133) or email diane.schumann@splgrafton.org and you will be given all the details. Thanks!

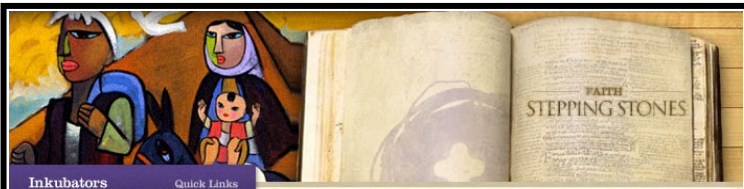


VEGGIES & ICE CREAM

Families are invited to come join us on **Friday, February 7** from **6-7pm** as we watch *Princess and the Popstar*. We will also be making some fun crafts and enjoying some ice cream.



Signup here to join the fun: <https://tinyurl.com/VeggiesFeb25>.



Faith Stepping Stones

Faith Stepping Stones is faith based parenting education from cradle to high school graduation through eight short-courses, which pull parents into the role of primary faith mentors for their own children every night through blessing, prayer, scripture, Highs & Lows, and faith dialogue (FAITH 5).

Stone 2: Raising a Healthy Preschooler

You are invited to join us for Stone 2: Raising a Healthy Preschooler. In this class there will be three sessions on physical, emotional and spiritual needs of preschoolers. Parents are also taught how to do a nightly blessing and prayer as a family faith practice.

This class will meet in the youth room and run **Wednesday, February 5, 12, and 19 from 6-7:15pm**. Check out the link to sign up tinyurl.com/FaithStones2 or for more information contact Tracy at tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org.

Accepting Endowment Fund Grant Applications - Fiscal Year 2025-2026

In accordance with the distribution policy and bylaws of the St. Paul Endowment Fund, a total of \$42,400 will be available to distribution from the St. Paul Endowment Fund during the 2025-2026 fiscal year (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026). Endowment grant applications are now being accepted by the St. Paul Endowment Committee. A copy of the endowment grant application is available through the St. Paul Endowment website (<https://www.splgrafton.org/church/endowment/>), in the St. Paul Finance Office, or by contacting Jason Hasenstein, Director of Finance. One of St. Paul's Boards must sponsor each endowment grant application. Please direct any questions regarding endowment grant applications and/or submit any grant applications to Jason Hasenstein, Director of Finance. Grant funds will be distributed as long as endowment funds remain available in the fiscal year.

Endowment Fund Committee:

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 Wayne Wiertzema wwiertzema1@gmail.com

Interest Day is a special school day where students attend different hands-on classes in a variety of areas. In the past, we have offered cooking, crafts, woods, sports and music classes, just to name a few. This school year, our Interest Day will be held on the morning of Friday, March 7. We are always looking for any new ideas for classes. We also need volunteers to lead a session. If you have any ideas, or you or someone you know would like to lead a class, please contact one of our committee members:



Amy Steiner: amy.steiner@splgrafton.org
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Christian Day School Singing Schedule



Lutheran School's Week

Sun.	Jan. 26	8:00 am	(K-8) Last name A-K Sing With JiVe
		9:30 am	(K-8) Last name L-Z Sing
Sun.	Feb. 2	8:00 am	PraisePower
Sat.	Feb. 8	5:00 pm	JiVe
Sat.	Feb. 15	5:00 pm	Gr. K-1 Sings
Sat.	Mar. 1	5:00 pm	Gr. 6-8 Sing w/ Concert Band
Wed.	Mar. 5	4:30 pm	PraisePower
Sun.	Mar. 9	9:30 am	Children's Choir
Sun.	Mar. 16	8:00 am	JiVe
Wed.	Mar. 19	4:30 pm	JuBellate
Wed.	Apr. 2	4:30 pm	Children's Choir
Wed.	Apr. 9	4:30 pm	JiVe
Sun.	Apr. 13	8:00 am	(K-8) Last name L-Z Sing With JuBellate
		11:00 am	(K-8) Last name A-K Sing



UNIT FOUR >>> BOUNCE BACK
CONNECT THROUGH CONVERSATION

>>> UNIT FOUR <<<

This Friendly unit is all about resilience. Resilience is a person's ability to bounce back in response to hard or challenging times. It is working through things that are hard and not giving up. This unit teaches students to understand the concept and importance of resilience and develop skills that will help them bounce back from challenges.

KEY VERSES

"BEING CONFIDENT OF THIS, THAT HE WHO BEGAN A GOOD WORK IN YOU WILL CARRY IT ON TO COMPLETION UNTIL THE DAY OF CHRIST JESUS."
PHILIPPIANS 1:6

"EVEN YOUTHS GROW TIRED AND WEARY, AND YOUNG MEN STUMBLE AND FALL; BUT THOSE WHO HOPE IN THE LORD WILL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH."
ISAIAH 40:30-31A

>>> CONVERSATION STARTERS <<<

- > How has God given you the ability to bounce back when things are difficult? How are you remaining hopeful?
- > Who are the people in your life that help you to be resilient and bounce back?
- > Take some time to remember the 4 R's of Resilience taught in this unit. Which of the Four R's of Resilience are you good at? Which do you need to work on? Explain.

Grab a babysitter and join us for

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

**JANUARY 24
6PM**

GRAFTON LEGION

**GAMES &
APPETIZERS
PROVIDED BY
PANTHER
PARENTS**

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@splgraffton.org



1/26: We will be hearing a devotion and playing "Bad Bible Translator." As always you won't want to miss the snacks.

2/9: Join us this week as we go on a scavenger hunt. We will also have a short devotion and enjoy some snacks together. Hope to see you there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL



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. 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@splgraffton.org.

1/26: This week's Bible story is from 2 Kings 2:1-18, God takes Elijah to heaven. We will be learning that God is mysterious and so we have faith even when we don't un-



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Ozaukee County 4-H Leaders
Association—A Team of
Active 4-H Volunteers.

Ozaukee 4-H Dance Saturday, February 15

6:00pm to 10:00pm

Open to the Public

- Bring the entire Family!!! There will be music for all ages!!!
- Sally-down the Alley—7:00pm
- Dance off (5th Grade & Younger) -7:30pm
- Mr. & Miss Ozaukee 4-H Court Introductions - 8:00pm
- Dance off (6th Grade & Up) - 8:30pm

**Ozaukee Pavilion
Ozaukee County Fairgrounds**

Music by: DJ Dan Bichler

Admission is FREE!!!!
There will be a concession stand,
So bring money for some tasty treats!



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GRAFTON PARKS AND RECREATION

BLOOM SWEET CREATIONS COOKIE CLASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025

9:00 - 11:00 A.M.

Robert P. Zaun Pavilion, 2020 S. Green Bay Road

Learn the art of cookie decorating! Participants will be provided the tools, cookies, icing, a take home bakery box, and instruction to decorate five royal icing cookies. We will also play a fun baking bingo game while the cookies dry. Open to children ages 8-14 (open to children younger with parent participation). Class fee is \$45.00.

Register online at <https://grafftonrecreation.village.graffton.wi.us> or call the Grafton Parks and Recreation Department at 262-375-5310.



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday	26-Jan	2-Feb
	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, K-8 Last Name A-K sings with JiVE @ 8:00 K-8 Last Name L-Z sings @ 9:30 Middle School Youth, 3pm 7/8 Girls BB Tournament @ Hales Corners 6 Boys BB Tournament @ Home	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, PraisePower sings @ 8 7/8 Boys & Girls BB Tournament @ Peace Hartford
Monday	27-Jan	3-Feb
	National Lutheran Schools Week Children's Choir, 3:15p	Children's Choir, 3:15p BB vs. FIL; 5B-4:15, 6B-5:15, 7/8B-6:15 BB @ FIL; 5G-4:15, 6G-5:15, 7/8G(B)-6:15, 7/8G(A)-7:15
Tuesday	28-Jan	4-Feb
	National Lutheran Schools Week Even Odds Pizza Fundraiser BB @ Trinity Sheboygan; 5/6G-4:30, 6B-5:30, 7/8G-6:30	
Wednesday	29-Jan	5-Feb
	National Lutheran Schools Week CHAPEL - Pastor Anderson 5th Boys BB Tournament @ Brookfield Christian	CHAPEL - Living Word Stone 2: Raising a Healthy Preschooler, 6pm
Thursday	30-Jan	6-Feb
	National Lutheran Schools Week 5th Boys BB Tournament @ Brookfield Christian 6th Boys & Girls BB Tournament @ St. John WB	BB vs. St. John WB; 5G-4:30, 6G-5:30 BB @ St. John WB; 5B-4:30, 6B-5:30, 7/8B-6:30 Panther Parent Meeting, 6:30pm
Friday	31-Jan	7-Feb
	National Lutheran Schools Week Father/Daughter Dance, 7pm 5th Boys BB Tournament @ Brookfield Christian 6th Boys & Girls BB Tournament @ St. John WB 7/8 Boys & Girls BB Tournament @ Peace Hartford	PreK Day with Dudes 7/8 Girls BB Tournament @ Bethlehem Sheboygan Veggies & Ice Cream, 6pm Mother/Son Bowling, 7pm
Saturday	1-Feb	8-Feb
	Virtual Archery Tournament 5th Boys BB Tournament @ Brookfield Christian 6th Boys & Girls BB Tournament @ St. John WB 7/8 Boys & Girls BB Tournament @ Peace Hartford Worship at 5:00pm;	7/8 Girls BB Tournament @ Bethlehem Sheboygan Worship at 5:00pm; JiVE sings

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**:

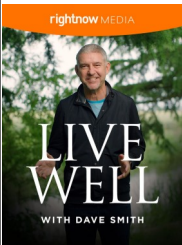
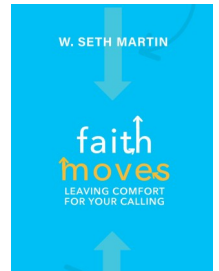


Visit <https://app.righnowmedia.org/join/splcas> to create your account. Or you can: **Text-to-Sign-Up: Text SPLCAS to 49775** and receive a direct link to the registration page.

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

Faith Moves: Leaving Comfort for Your Calling by W. Seth Martin

To honor God, we must be willing to decisively step into the unknown. Why? Because the greatest hindrances to us walking into our destiny are complacency and familiarity. Many of us have audacious, God-given dreams, but fear and uncertainty aim to discourage us from pursuing them. This series is designed to deal with the voices that plague our mind, tempting us to play it safe. Whether it's family, relationships, financial security, or past successes, Faith Moves encourages us to abandon our need for security and venture into the unknown. It crystallizes the reality that faith isn't stagnant but active. God wants you to break free from comfortable surroundings to experience his divine calling for your life. So, take a leap of faith! You'll find that your destiny is waiting for you when you leave familiarity and live by faith. [Faith Moves: Leaving Comfort for Your Calling :: RightNow Media](#)



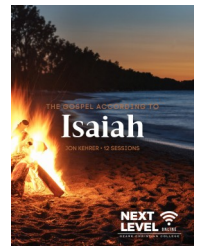
Live Well by Dave Smith

Wellbeing isn't just a trendy, twenty-first century buzzword. It originates in the heart of God. This timely – and timeless – five-part series is centered on God's plan for your wellbeing. Dave Smith takes a holistic, biblical approach to how to live with *shalom* – *wellbeing in every area of life* – *exploring six different but interrelated areas of our lives* – *physical, emotional, spiritual, relational, financial, and vocational wellbeing*. [Live Well :: RightNow Media](#)

The Gospel According to Isaiah By Jon Kehrer

Jon Kehrer (Old Testament and biblical languages professor at Ozark Christian College) will teach the good news about Jesus according to what Isaiah has to say. Jon will show the glorious picture of what God laid out for us in the coming of the Messiah and how his coming can transform our lives today.

[The Gospel According to Isaiah - Jon Kehrer](#)



Drive Thru History® - BIBLE BACKROADS™ (ages 8-12)

BIBLE BACKROADS™ is a new show from Drive Thru History®, which explores the people, places, and events of the New Testament. Hosted by Dave Stotts, each series is designed as a Bible teaching tool for churches, schools, and families. The home base for the show is Dave's Garage™, a state-of-the-art, extended reality lair where almost anything is possible. In addition to using maps, timelines, animations and artifacts in his garage, Dave goes on-location to Israel and the Mediterranean region for many of his adventures. BIBLE BACKROADS™ was created as a non-denominational resource, which focuses on Bible history, archaeology, and apologetics, while encouraging viewers to dig deeper into the scriptures themselves. [Drive Thru History® - BIBLE BACKROADS™ :: RightNow Media](#)

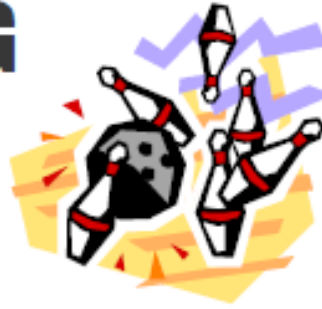
The Good Gospel by Jennie Allen

So many of us claim to know the gospel, but sometimes we can forget parts of the story. God has created a narrative of salvation that reveals who he is—and so much more. Because of the gospel, we can experience life with God. Because of the gospel, we are free from sin and death. Because of the gospel, we have an eternal hope no matter what happens. Do we live like we believe every part of the gospel? In this six-week study with Jennie Allen, Jamie Ivey, and Jackie Hill Perry, learn about the foundation of our faith to discover how God brings us from death to life, from fallen to free.

[The Good Gospel :: RightNow Media](#)



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL MOTHER/SON ROCKIN' BOWLING



WHEN

**Friday, February 7
7:00-8:30 pm**

WHERE

Circle B Recreation Center

6261 Wisconsin Hwy 60, Cedarburg, WI 53012

**GRADES: 3PREK
THROUGH 5TH**

**ADVANCE
TICKETS ONLY!!**

\$11.00 Per Person

REGISTRATION DUE BY:

Wednesday, January 29

FEATURING

- 1.5 hours of bowling
- Shoe rental
- Snacks
- Soda (1 per person)
- Give-away-bag

REGISTRATION FORM

Names: _____

Grades of students: _____

Cost: Attendees _____ * \$11.00 = _____ (checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran School)

Request Bumpers: Yes or No (circle one) We will do our best to give bumpers if available

Request of other family whom you would like to share a lane with (if possible):

REGISTRATION MUST BE RETURNED BY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED DUE TO NUMBER OF PEOPLE