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March 7, 2025

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

This week we celebrate Interest Day at St. Paul. Many hands come together to make this event possible. Thank you to the many teachers, staff, and volunteers who donate their time and resources to put on this program. This day is filled with unique learning experiences as the students develop new skills outside of our regular curriculum.

But the big idea of Interest Day, and all that we do here at St. Paul, is that we would see God’s plan of salvation for us. This is why it is good to reflect on this event. Interest Day is an opportunity for students to take classes in what may be of interest to them. But the most important thing we learn here at school is not these new classes, but rather the gospel of Jesus. His gospel is the good news that even when we sin and make mistakes, God is still interested in us. The creator of the world did not have to create the world. And after he created everything, and humans rebelled against him, he could have walked away from us, but he didn’t. God decided to pursue humanity. He called out to Adam in the Garden of Eden, “Where are you?” to not only confront sin, but most importantly to restore a right relationship with him.

God did not give up on Adam and Eve, and he will not give up on you either. Psalm 23 says “goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.” We can’t escape from God’s goodness and mercy, and that is a good thing!

This week, please celebrate Interest Day. It is a good gift from God. But this week, most importantly, give thanks to God that he has taken an interest in you and me. He certainly did not need to, but he does. And his goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives.

Pastor Schultz



MARCH

7 Fri Interest Day – 11:40am Dismissal
NO 3&4PK PM Classes
Panther Parent Skateland Event
7-9 Fr-Su LSA State Basketball Tournament
12 Wed Chapel – 8th Grade (Schumann)
15 Sat Archery Tournament
21 Fri End of 3rd Quarter
21 Fri Family Day 10:45am Dismissal
NO TAKE HOME BUSING
24-28 Mo-Fr Spring Break – NO SCHOOL

APRIL

3 Thu Panther Parent Meeting
4 Fri March Madness
5-6 Sa-Su World of Discovery Fair
7-30 Mo-We MAP Testing (Reading)



Panther Parents invite you to:

Schools Out Skate at Skateland

Friday March 7th 12:30pm-2:30pm
\$8 to skate
Skate rentals included
Concessions will be available for purchase

**STUDENTS 4TH GRADE AND YOUNGER MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

Notes from the Principal:



1. Thank you to all of the volunteers that helped make our annual Interest Day a huge success.
2. This weekend members of our St. Paul Music Department participated in the regional Solo and Ensemble Competition.
3. Last weekend our SPL Archery Team competed in the Wisconsin Dells Tournament. Congratulations to Landon K. (5th grade) for taking 6th place in the Elementary School Boys Division. Next Saturday we are hosting the 2nd Annual St. Paul Archery Tournament. Come to the gym and check out what an archery tournament is all about.

SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION



June							July						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
29	30						27	28	29	30	31		

Session A - June 23 to July 2*
 Session B - July 7 to July 17
 Session C - July 21 to July 31

Summer School classes are held Monday through Thursday
 *Session A is only 7 days in length

Due to ongoing construction at the middle school, the 2025 Grafton Summer Learning Academy will be held at Grafton High School.

More information about specific dates for registration will be available by March 7. Once classes are finalized, we will post all class information here and notify parents in all newsletters. We are aiming for registration to take place the first week in April.

For more information about Grafton Summer School opportunities visit: <https://www.grafton.k12.wi.us/district/summer-school.cfm>.

If you need more information about remedial classes, please contact denise.gieschen@splgrafton.org



Port Washington-Saukville SCHOOL DISTRICT

Click below for more information:

<https://www.pwssd.org/families/summer-school.cfm>

JUNE 2025							JULY 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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SESSION 1
 SESSION 2



DONATE BLOOD

HAZEL'S BLOOD DRIVE!

Hosted at St. Paul Lutheran Grafton Family Life Center | 701 Washington St, Grafton, WI 53024

Blood transfusions are a lifeline for countless individuals. From accident victims to cancer patients, those who need blood transfusions often face life-threatening situations. Every donation has the potential to save multiple lives. Whether you're battling a chronic illness, recovering from surgery, or simply helping a neighbor in need, blood transfusions can be the difference between life and death.

Friday
March 7
 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Donate blood for a chance to win a trip to Hawaii!*

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT: Visit the link below or call 877.232.4376 to secure your spot today:



tinyurl.com/hazel3725



*NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. Open to WI residents only. Ends 3/31/25. One (1) drawing. Enter by blood donation or online. See Official Rules and online entry form at versiti.org/selection. Sponsor: Versiti, Inc., 638 N. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233.



VEGGIES & ICE CREAM

Families are invited to come join us on **Friday, March 14** from **6-7pm** as we watch *Celery Night Fever*. We will also be making some fun crafts and enjoying some ice cream. Sign up here to join the fun: tinyurl.com/VeggiesMar25.

Approved Calendar Dates 2025-26 School Year

Date	Event
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

March Madness

Tournament of Books

2025



We are excited to REVEAL our FIRST selections of the 2025 Tournament of Books!

Can't wait to hear what your students are thinking about the selections! The next REVEAL will be on Wednesday, March 19th.



LIVING WORD LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Youth SUMMER CAMPS

SPORTS, MUSIC, ART & MORE! | OPEN TO ALL KIDS IN 1ST-8TH GRADE



MORE DETAILS AT: WWW.LWLHS.COM/CAMPS

IT'S TIME! [Youth Summer Camp](#) registration is now open at Living Word Lutheran High School.

We have various camp offerings for all kids in the community in 1st-8th grade, plus some camps open to incoming 9th graders, including:

Boys: Basketball, Football

Girls: Volleyball, Basketball

Co-Ed: Art, Runners/Track, Soccer, Theater, Band, Speed/Agility Training

PLUS: Our Junior Wolves Basketball Program is running their Annual "Scoring Camp" for boys and girls in August!

Need a break for lunch? For those attending both a morning and afternoon camp on the same day, we have a 1-hour lunch break in our cafeteria for students to bring their own lunch to eat.

Our teachers and coaches are thrilled to offer these opportunities to compete, create, perform, and excel this summer!

Find out camp dates & details at:
www.lwlhs.com/camps

[Click here](#) for our camp flyer.

Lutheran State Basketball Tournament Workers Needed

Date: March 7 & 8

Locations: St. Paul and Our Savior's Grafton

Needed: Admissions Table, Concessions, Scorer's Table

Sign up [HERE](#): Or Email Jenny

Clemens: jennifer.clemens@splgrafton.org

High School Students Welcome!!



Youth Feeder Programs at Living Word High School

Open to ALL kids in the community & feeder schools.



FOOTBALL - Boys in 5th-8th Grade

- Play in the GMMYFL from August to October
- Teams available for 5th/6th and 7th/8th grades
- Mandatory Equipment Try-On & Season Meeting: Tuesday, March 18, 2025



BASKETBALL - Boys/Girls in 2nd-8th Grade

- Teams play in local leagues and tournaments from October to March.
- Tryouts: Sunday, August 24, 2025.



VOLLEYBALL - Girls in 5th-8th Grade

- Compete in the Greater Metro Power League from September to October.
- Tryouts: May 6-8, 2025

We collaborate with our feeder schools to ensure that students can prioritize their school teams while also participating in our club teams.



REGISTER ONLINE

Scan QR code to Register
OR, visit:
www.lwlhs.com/jrwolves

Questions?

Billy Bynum,
Junior Wolves Director
bbynum@lwlhs.com

LIVING WORD
LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Hello, Dolly!



FRIDAY, MARCH 14 7:00 PM **SATURDAY, MARCH 15 1:00 PM | 7:00 PM**

ONLINE TICKETS SOLD AT
WWW.LWLHS.COM/EVENTS



PERFORMED IN THE
LWLHS GYMNASIUM

SCAN QR CODE FOR ONLINE TICKETS. ADDITIONAL TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Christian Day School Singing Schedule



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 With Concert Band



Rooted Women

Lenten Breakfast

Saturday April 5 8:30-10:00AM

Youth Room

Ladies! Please join us (& bring a friend) for a delicious breakfast and focus on Jesus during this Lenten season

Please register here by **March 31** so we can plan for you!
<https://tinurl.com/LentBreakfast25>

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.splgraffton.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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Hands are used to heal, mend, build, teach, comfort, and so much more. Yet, as humans, our hands are sinful and unclean. Christ's hands are the ones that can transform our dirty, sinful hands into beautiful, clean ones for His plans. Spend this Lent exploring God's Word to see how His hands are used in both the New and Old Testaments, from creation to crucifixion and eternal life.

WEDNESDAYS | 4:30PM & 6:30PM

ASH WEDNESDAY | MARCH 5

Freely Gives: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Randall Ferguson

Meal host: Women's Guild

Ashes will be available (optional) prior to service

MIDWEEK 1 | MARCH 12

Creates and Saves: Matthew 14:22-33

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Kevin Voss

Meal host: LWML

MIDWEEK 2 | MARCH 19

Casts Out Demons: Luke 9:37-43; 11:14-23

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Jason Soenksen

Meal host: 8th Grade

MIDWEEK 3 | MARCH 26

Heals the Sick: Matthew 8:1-4, [5-17]

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. John Oberdeck

Meal host: LERT & HMC

MIDWEEK 4 | APRIL 2

Raises the Dead: Luke 7:11-17

Guest Preacher: Rev. Jonathon Bakker

Meal host: IMPACT High School Youth

MIDWEEK 5 | APRIL 9

Holds All Things: John 3:11-18, 22-36

Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. James Kroemer

Meal host: Elders

Lenten dinners served 5:15PM-6:15PM

NEW THIS YEAR: Free-will offering accepted; no tickets needed.
Thank you for your support of our ministries!



PALM SUNDAY | APRIL 13

Saturday: 5pm / Sunday: 8am, 9:30am (Cont), 11am

Rev. Larry Prah

MAUNDY THURSDAY | APRIL 17

4:30pm & 6:30pm

Serves and Feeds Us:

John 13:1-17, 31b-35 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Rev. Dr. Timothy Maschke

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE | APRIL 18

1pm & 6:30pm

Was Pierced for Us: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Rev. Jacob Schultz

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 20*

6am, 8am, 9:30am (Cont), 11am

Is Risen: Psalm 16; Luke 24:1-12

Rev. Luke Anderson

*Easter Breakfast 7-11am in the FLC
Hosted by IMPACT High School Youth
Free-will offering accepted.

No Worship Service:
Saturday, April 19 & Monday, April 21.

Monday Night Worship Service Hiatus:

March 10-April 21

Worship Services resume on April 28

Pick up Your Lenten Devotional in the Narthex.



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
701 WASHINGTON ST. GRAFTON, WI 53024
SPLGRAFTON.ORG | 262-377-4659

VBS — Save the Date

VBS this year is June 16-20, 9am-12pm. We will start volunteer sign up in March and child registration will begin the end of April. We are also in need of cardboard for some of our decorating projects. Please contact Tracy at tracy.krueger@splgraffton.org if you have cardboard we can use or have any questions about VBS.



EASTER EGG HUNT

This year's Easter Egg Hunt will be held on **Saturday, April 19** beginning at **10am** in the gym. Everyone is invited! Please sign up to participate at tinyurl.com/Easteregg25



If you would like to make a donation of candy or other items to place in eggs, or prizes for the prize table, please take one or more of the donation eggs from the board in the Gathering Hall. All items donated should be returned no later than **Sunday, April 6**

Volunteers are needed to help with stuffing eggs on **Sunday, April 6** and with setup, running crafts/games, and helping with the egg hunt on Saturday, April 19. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up at tinyurl.com/Eggvolunteers25

Questions? Contact Tracy at tracy.krueger@splgraffton.org.
Thanks for your help with this event!

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



3/9: Join us this week as we play prison ball. 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.

3/9: This week's Bible story is from Mark 3:1-6, Jesus heals on the Sabbath. We will be learning that Jesus is bold.

3/16: This week we will be learning that Jesus is compassionate. We will read Luke 7:11-17 as we look at the story of Jesus bringing a widow's son back to life.

3/23: No Sunday school this week. Enjoy spring break!

JELLY BEAN JAMBOREE

APRIL 5, 2025
9:00 - 12:00

FREE Indoor Event - Refreshments

Visit ozaukeebeebunbreakfast.weebly.com for more information

Event Location:
Circle B Recreation
6261 Hwy 60, Cedarburg

See the Bunny

Ages 10 and under

Crafts and Games



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CINCINNATI REDS

VS

MILWAUKEE BREWERS

SATURDAY | APRIL 5 | 6:10 PM

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE
OR CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL/CHURCH OFFICE

<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Lutheranschools25>
Or visit the SWD website — swd.lcms.org



SCAN ME

\$17.50-\$67

Terrace Box/Infield, Loge Outfield/Infield
Field Infield Box

Order tickets by March 28.

For groups of 10+ or other ticket questions, contact
Teddy Sibilsky | Milwaukee Brewers
414-902-4657

Event Questions? Robin | SWD | mueller@swd.lcms.org

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ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday	9-Mar	16-Mar
	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, Children's Choir sings @ 9:30 State Basketball Tournament <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i></p> Middle School Youth, 3pm	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00, JiVE sings @ 8am
Monday	10-Mar	17-Mar
	Children's Choir, 3:15pm	5th & 6th Grade Junk Box Wars at Living Word Children's Choir, 3:15pm
Tuesday	11-Mar	18-Mar
		Vision Screening
Wednesday	12-Mar	19-Mar
	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPEL - 8th Grade (Schumann)</p> Lenten Worship Services at 4:30pm & 6:30pm Dinner 5:15pm-6:15pm	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAPEL - Mr. Yurk</p> JuBellate plays @ 4:30 Lenten Worship Services at 4:30pm & 6:30pm Dinner 5:15pm-6:15pm
Thursday	13-Mar	20-Mar
Friday	14-Mar	21-Mar
	Veggies & Ice Cream, 6pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>End of 3rd Quarter</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Family Day - 10:45am Dismissal</p> <p style="text-align: center;">No Take Home Busing</p>
Saturday	15-Mar	22-Mar
	Archery Tournament Worship at 5:00pm;	Worship at 5:00pm;

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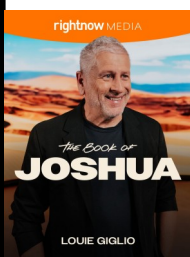
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Visit <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/splcas> to create your account. Or you can: **Text-to-Sign-Up: Text SPLCAS to 49775** and receive a direct link to the registration page.

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

Moms, Let's Talk: Conversations We Must Have with Our Kids by Jenny Worsham and Friends
Moms, you are already talking to your kids a lot, but are you talking to them about the topics they need to hear about the most? How do you know what to say, and when and how to say it? In this nine-session series from Gather Moms, learn how to have some of the most challenging conversations you need to have with your kids. The timely topics covered in this series include gender identity, screens, emotions, trauma, and faith. Discover how to navigate these difficult and sensitive topics with wisdom, love, and grace. [Moms, Let's Talk](#)

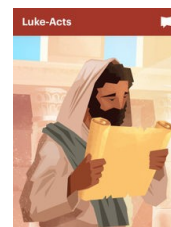


The Book of Joshua by Louie Giglio

Courage for Everyday People: After roaming the wilderness for decades, God's people finally reached the Promised Land. But there were still obstacles that stood in their way. Securing the land God had promised them would require strength, courage, and faith. In this eight-session series, pastor Louie Giglio shows us that our story today isn't too far removed from Joshua and the Israelites: we need the same strength, courage, and faith to face the challenges in our lives. Join Louie and learn what it means to follow God faithfully, no matter what obstacles are before you. [The Book of Joshua :: RightNow Media](#)

Luke - Acts by Tim Mackie

Dive into the two-part work of Luke and Acts and gain a unique perspective on the life of Jesus and the early Church. [Luke-Acts](#)



Tinley's Treehouse - Season 1 (ages 6-12)

Tinley from *The Creators* is back in a show of her own called *Tinley's Treehouse*. Join Tinley and her neighbor Max as they document their adventures in nature while learning important truths from God's Word. Engaging enough for the whole family, *Tinley's Treehouse* will have you laughing and learning right alongside this delightful duo. Come and explore God's world with *Tinley's Treehouse*! [Tinley's Treehouse - Season 1 :: RightNow Media](#)

5 Steps to Stress-Free Parenting by Kari Russo

In a recent survey, seventy percent of parents described their role as a parent as being stressful. It's no secret that parenting is the toughest role that one will ever have. In this series, Kari Russo will apply her twenty-five years of counseling parents and adolescents and walk the audience through how to not only parent well but to navigate the challenging times that we live in. Kari admits that parenting can be tough, however, she also believes that God would have never assigned parents to the task of disciplining and leading their children well if God didn't believe that they could do it. [5 Steps to Stress-Free Parenting :: RightNow Media](#)



The Book of Colossians: Is Jesus enough? By Jo Strohfeltd

There has never lived a more compelling person than Jesus of Nazareth. But is he *enough*? *Enough for your salvation, your character, your purpose? Enough for your whole life?* In this five-part series, Jo Strohfeltd walks through Paul's words in the book of Colossians to remind us that when we put Jesus at the centre of everything, everything changes. [The Book of Colossians: Is Jesus enough? :: RightNow Media](#)