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CHRIST LIGHT CONNECTION

The next couple weeks, we dig into the lives and leadership of two of the best-known judges, Gideon and Samson. Gideon was a faithful believer but needed a confidence boost in order to fulfill God's call for him. God answered with his promises, miraculous signs, and ultimately an unlikely victory. And again God showed his faithfulness to his promises and his people, despite their recent unfaithfulness to him.

What is God's call for each of us? Are we a parent, a church or school volunteer, a worker, or a manager? Has he called us to share his love and Word with our children, neighbors, co-workers, or online acquaintances, or someone we haven't even met yet?

Do we sometimes lack confidence to carry out our God-given callings? What about our children? How do we help them confidently carry out their callings as our children, as siblings, and as students and teammates? How do we help them step forward confidently into the callings God has planned for them in the future?

In all these cases, we begin like Gideon, by focusing again on God's faithfulness and his promises, and by growing in our trust in him as we read and study stories like this in his Word. Then we can step out in confident faith to follow God's call in our lives, no matter the challenge.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION

February's soft skill is Conflict Resolution. We spent Friday last morning together discussing how to identify conflicts and how to resolve conflicts in God pleasing ways.



Hebrews 12:14 - "Make every effort to live at peace with everyone."

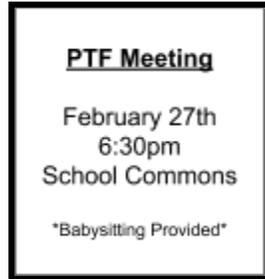
PARENT TEACHER FRIENDSHIP (PTF)

Our Parent Teacher Friendship meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, February 27th. Our agenda remains the same. We hope to see you there!



Business items include:

- Children's Christmas Service discussion
- School mascot discussion
- Open Forum - Board of Ed.
- PTF Officer Nominations



MARRIAGE BIBLE CLASSES

The Parent Teacher Friendship (PTF) group is sponsoring Bible classes on marriage during the month of February. Don't worry if you missed the first session of study. You won't be behind! Please consider joining us for any of the remaining two dates listed below. Pastor Bode will lead us through a study of God's Word and how it can guide our marriages. Babysitting will be provided.



Tuesday, February 19th at 6:30pm
 Tuesday, February 26th at 6:30pm

DIVINE CALL

Mr. Curia is in the third week of his call deliberations. He has received a call to serve at St. Mark's Lutheran School in Watertown, WI. The call includes 4th grade classroom teacher and church music development.

Thanks to all who have reached out to Mr. Curia. Please continue to keep Mr. Curia and his family in your prayers.

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A-TEAM TOURNAMENTS

St. Paul's boys' A-team will be competing in their conference tournament this weekend.

The boys' first game will be Friday night at Bethany Lutheran School at 7:15pm. All other games for the weekend will be played at Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

[A-TEAM BOYS' BRACKET](#)



TAX INFORMATION

Private school parents can benefit from Wisconsin's K-12 tuition tax deduction by simply completing a one-page form with their 2018 state tax filing. Please click on the link below for the downloadable form.

[Schedule PS](#)

St. Paul's FEIN is 39-1204930. St. Paul's will print out tuition statements for families that make a request. Or, you may print them on your own through your TADS account.



WISCONSIN PARENTAL CHOICE PROGRAM

The window for applying for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program is open. The application window continues from February 1st until April 20th.

Any student entering 4K, Kindergarten, or 1st grade is eligible to apply through the WPCP. Students transferring in from the public school system, out of state, or a homeschool education, may apply at any grade level.

Please see the following links below for more information on the WPCP. You are also encouraged to reach out to Principal Marohn if you have any questions.

February 1st through April 20th

[Choice Application Homepage](#)

[2018-2019 Income Limits](#)

[Application Process Presentation](#)



THE 10TH ANNUAL LAKESHORE LUTHERAN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Will be held at MLHS on Friday, April 5. Students in grades 4 - 8 can sign up for vocal, piano, or instrumental solos, duets, or ensembles. We have many talented musicians at St. Paul's! As we have done in the past, St. Paul's will even "foot the bill"! More information can be found [HERE](#). There are a few printed copies of the informational handout in the office if you'd prefer a hard copy.

Sign-ups this year are online to help parents know for sure whether their student has or has not signed up for an event.

Sign up ONLINE using [THIS LINK](#) before March 8.

Band Students: You will also need to sign-up. Mrs. Schmill will not be doing this for you. Please speak with Mr. Curia if you have any other questions.

FLAMES BASKETBALL BANQUET

It's that time of year when we express our appreciation to our coaches. We would like to thank them for all the time and effort they put forth in working with our children during the basketball season. If you would like to donate to this gift we suggest \$5.00 per child. Please give your donation to Jenny Walleser no later than February 17th, so that all the coaches (A and B Team Basketball) can be presented with a gift at the Sports Banquet on Sunday, February 24th. Money can be dropped off in the school office with my name or Jenny Walleser's name on it.

The basketball season-ending Flames Banquet will be held on Sunday, Feb. 24th. We will start promptly at 11:45 am with the B team girls vs. Parents game. We will also start serving lunch at this time for those who wish to eat and who are not playing. There will be plenty of food, so no need to worry if you are the first game of the day. :) The menu will be pizza, salad, and dessert. PLEASE NOTE: YOU DO NOT NEED TO BRING A DISH TO PASS - ALL FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED.

The timeline for the afternoon will be as follows:

- 11:45 - Girls B team vs. Parents
- 12:20 – Boys B team vs. Parents
- 12:55 – Girls A Team vs. Parents
- 1:30 – Boys A Team vs. Parents
- 2:00 - Awards

Games will be 30 minute running clock – no halftime. There will be 5 minutes between each game.

Please respond to Andy Sprengers email to let them know how many from your family are attending, so they can plan how much food to purchase. Thank you!



YEARBOOK PICTURES NEEDED

We are about 2 months away from our yearbook deadline., please share any or all the pictures you have taken at events that have happened since the beginning of the school year. If you have team pictures from soccer and volleyball, please send them. We do not have any so far. Also, please remember to take team pictures at the tournaments that are coming up starting this weekend.

If we don't have pictures we will not be able to put this yearbook together. Please send the pictures to secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org or stpaulshgyearbook@gmail.com. Thank you for your help!

LAST MINUTE REMINDERS FOR ST. PAUL'S SILENT SATURDAY:

- This is the LAST WEEK to save \$5 on the Family Pass, everyone needs a ticket to enter the auction. Cost of the ticket includes your meal, bid number and fun!
- There are still some Cake Walk spots available...Don't Miss Out! \$5/ticket
- The Carnival for the kids runs from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Reminder that after that, children must remain with their parents in the gym. Wristbands are \$5, which is an addition to your auction ticket.
- You can start dropping off your auction donations on Sunday, Feb 24th between services and after late service...as well as anytime during that following school week 8am to 3:30pm.
- THANK YOU to everyone that signed up to bring food or volunteer to help at the auction. What a great response! We are still in need of help in the carnival area...grades 6 and up, adults too; cashiers and also help Friday and Saturday with food prep and serving. Check your ccb email or talk to a Committee Member today!
- All of our previous auctions have averaged right around 200 items to bid on. We still need some items to meet that goal. If you or your employer plan to donate, please fill out a sheet in the office or back of church to help the committee plan table space.
- SEE YOU MARCH 2!

ST. PAUL'S SILENT SATURDAY

GET YOUR TICKETS! Family passes and individual tickets are now available for purchase in the office for St. Paul's Silent Saturday. Get yours now...before prices go up! Cake walk tickets will be available starting in February. THEY SELL FAST! See Beth Heilman for tickets. See Melissa Lis if you are a talented baker and would love to donate a cake, pie, cupcakes or cookies. Thank you for supporting our school!



ST. PAUL'S SILENT SATURDAY Food Donation, Auction Donation, and Volunteer Sign-Ups are Available in the Back of Church. Please Sign Up Today and THANK YOU for Your Help!

- Here are the links to the classroom Silent Auction baskets.
- Pre-K - K - [Art Supplies Basket Link](#)
 - 1st & 2nd - [Toys & Games Basket Link](#)
 - 3rd & 4th - [Candy Basket Link](#)
 - 5th & 6th - [Movie Night Basket Link](#)
 - 7th & 8th - [Sport Basket Link](#)

SINGING SCHEDULE

2/24 - PK - 2 Sing
3/3 - Adult Choir
3/6 - Small Group

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Thursday, February 14

No School - District Teachers Conference

Friday, February 15

No School - District Teachers Conference
Boys A Conference Tournament at Bethany, Manitowoc

Saturday, February 16

Boys A Conference Tournament at MLHS

Sunday, February 17

8:00 - Worship
9:15 - Family Bible Hour
10:30 - Worship
Boys A Conference Tournament at MLHS

Monday, February 18

Spaghetti w/meatballs, breadstick, salad
6:00 - Worship
7:00 - Adult Choir

Tuesday, February 19

Tater tot casserole, mixed veggies
6:30 - Parent Bible study

Wednesday, February 20

Macaroni Cheese, roll
8:15 - Chapel
8:45 - Breakfast Bible Study
10:00 - Mindful moms
4:15 - Public School Catechism
