MONDAY MESSENGER November 20, 2017

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CHAPEL THIS WEEK: This week's Chapel service will be Wednesday at 8:30 AM. Parents are welcome to attend!

GIRLS B TEAM PRACTICE TIMES: The Girls B Team practice times have changed. The times listed will be the new schedule going forward. Please see the Sports section for details.

MUSTACHE DAY: We will be having Mustache Day on Wednesday, November 22nd. Put on a mustache and join the fun!

MARCUS MOVIE TICKET FUNDRAISER: Movie Ticket orders are due this Wednesday, November 22nd! Tickets are as follows: Platinum \$8.50, Silver \$6.50. Plastic Gift Cards are \$10 and \$25. Profits (15%) will be split 50/50 into your Scrip account. If you haven't signed up yet for Scrip you still can at any time. For every \$25 gift card purchased, you will receive a \$5 snack cash coupon. For sales over \$300 you will earn two silver tickets and a \$3 snack cash coupon.

PRE-K – **GRADE 8 SING:** Our whole school sings at our Wednesday evening Thanksgiving service, this Wednesday, November 22nd at 6:30 PM. Students will sit with their parents and come up front to sing.

GRADES 6, 7, & 8: Each year at the Wednesday evening Thanksgiving service we have a bake sale that benefits Camp Phillip. Grades 6-8 are asked to provide the baked goods for this sale. Please bring your items to school on Wednesday morning, or right after school so that we can set things up before the service.

NO SCHOOL: Reminder, there is no school this Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th. Happy Thanksgiving!

CHAPEL BUDDY SPAGHETTI DINNER: Thank you to all the families that took time out of their busy schedules to attend our Chapel Buddy Spaghetti Dinner last Thursday! We hope you enjoyed spending time together!

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICE & MEAL: On Wednesday, December 13th we will be having our only Midweek Advent worship service. The Adult Choir and **Grades 5-8** will be a part of this special service. The Board of Elders will also be serving a meal prior to the service beginning at 5:30pm. In order to assist in our planning for the meal, we ask you to sign-up on the sheets in the back of church if you'd like to attend the meal. If you would like to help bring some of the food items for that meal, there are sign-up sheets on the counter in the narthex as well. (If you are donating food, please have the items at church between 4:00 and 4:30pm that day.) Monetary donations are welcome any time, and there will be a free-will offering gathered at the meal.

HORNET DAY: Looking ahead, we will have Hornet Day next Friday, December 1^{st.} Wear your Hornet gear to help cheer on our basketball teams who have their first games (away games) of the season! Go Hornets!

CHURCH DECORATING: As has become the tradition in recent years, the Confirmation Classes at St. Paul's and their families are asked to help decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. The church decorating will take place on Sunday, December 10th after the 2nd service at about 11:30 AM. Take down of the decorations will be on Sunday, January 7th at 11:30 AM.

GALA MEETING: The next Gala meeting will be on Sunday, December 10th from 6:00-8:00 PM. We will be choosing class projects, so come with any ideas you have!

GALA CLASS BASKET UPDATE: Your Gala Classroom Basket Coordinator has or will soon contact you regarding donations for your classroom basket. Please be timely and generous with your donations. The Coordinators are eager to begin shopping and putting together their awesome baskets. Thank you for your support!

RECESS SUPERVISION: K5-4th Grade teachers are looking for some willing parent volunteers to help supervise recess through the remainder of the school year. A St. Paul's teacher would always be present at recess with a parent helper. Recess is every day from 9:55-10:10am and 12:30-12:45pm. A sign up sheet for volunteer times is located in office. Sign up for one time or multiple times a week. So, break out the parka and boots and join us for the recess fun!

SUMMER 2018 TRIP TO CHINA: The parent of one of our former students is excited to present this travel opportunity to all of our families! Mrs. Melching invites you and your family to participate in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity - An Educational Tour of China-Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai! Visit the Great Wall, see the Terra Cotta Army, enjoy an Acrobatics Show, and experience many other locations, sites, and tastes of China. The trip is organized through Education First (EF), the largest organizer of academic tours in the U.S., thus, the trip is aimed at students 7th grade and up, but all ages are welcome. Call or Text (414-368-7026) or email Mrs. Melching (yangqiong_m@yahoo.com) for more information.

IMPORTANT - **CONCESSIONS COORDINATOR**: St. Paul's will need a new Concessions Coordinator beginning next school year. Our current coordinators, Mike and Nikki Vullings would like to work with a new family this year to train them to take over. Concession sales are a **vital** part of our athletic program, allowing us to pay for referees, entrance fees, new uniforms, etc. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Nikki Vullings at <u>nicole.sweeny@hotmail.com</u>.

SECOND QUARTER MISSION OFFERING: Our mission offerings this quarter will be going to the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary (WLS) food pantry. WLS is located in Mequon and is where all of the pastors in our national church body, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, are trained. Both Pastors Adams and Hoff graduated from there. Many of the young men training to be pastors are married with children. Between a full class load and part time jobs it can be difficult to juggle paying for school, college loans, and providing for their families. One of the ways we can help encourage them to continue training to share Jesus with the next generation is by keeping their pantries well stocked. All money offered will be used to purchase gift cards to grocery stores which will be distributed to the married students on an as-needed basis. In addition, later this quarter we will be hosting a food drive, gathering non-perishable food items and other essentials like toilet paper and diapers. We will share more information about the food drive in a few weeks. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Pastor Hoff.

BOX TOPS: Our class standings remain the same for November -- 6th grade is in 1st place, the 3rd & 4th grades are in 2nd place, and the 7th and 8th grades are in 3rd place. Keep turning those Tops in!

PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR: Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: December 14th, January 11th & 25th, February 8th & 22nd, March 8th & 22nd, April 12th & 26th and May 10th & 24th. See the flyer coming home today for more details!

SCRIP: The next Scrip order will be placed on Monday, November 27th. Please have your order in the Scrip box in the office by 3:15, or you may place your order online. Please note, there will be only one order placed in December (11th), so start thinking about how Scrip can help you with your Christmas shopping! ****Exciting** news! Kwik Trip is wishing us a happy holiday season by increasing the rebate from 5% to 10% from now until May 31, 2018! We will be placing Kwik Trip orders on the 27th and December 11th, so take advantage of this awesome deal! Kwik Trip order forms are on the lobby bookshelf.

SPORTS:

| Boys A Team BB Practice: | Tuesday, November 21 st 7:00-8:30 PM Saturday, November 25 th - NO PRACTICE Tuesday, November 28 th 7:00-8:30 PM Saturday, December 2 nd 9:00-11:00 AM |
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| Boys B Team BB Practice: | Tuesday, November 21 st 6:00-7:30 PM Thursday, November 23 rd – HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Tuesday, November 28 th 6:00-7:30 PM Thursday, November 30 th 6:00-7:30 PM |
| Girls B Team BB Practice: | Monday, November 20 th 3:30-5:00 PM Wednesday, November 22 nd THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE (NO PRACTICE) Monday, November 27 th 3:30-5:00 PM Wednesday, November 29 th 6:00-7:30 PM |
| Boys C Team BB Practice: | Tuesday, November 21 st – 5:00-6:00 PM Thursday, November 23 rd – HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Tuesday, November 28 th 5:00-6:00 PM Thursday, November 30 th 5:00-6:00 PM |
| Games: | Friday, December 1 st @ Zion – South Milwaukee Boys C at 4:00 PM, Girls B at 4:50 PM Boys B at 5:40 PM, Boys A at 6:30 PM |