

MONDAY MESSENGER

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NO SCHOOL: Reminder that there is no school this Thursday, March 4th and Friday, March 5th. Enjoy your long weekend!

GROUP PHOTOS: Next Wednesday, March 10th, School Pics will be here during the school day to take class photos, candid photos and extra-curricular groups (piano, band, etc).

BASKETBALL/VOLLEYBALL PHOTOS: Basketball and volleyball team photos will be taken on Thursday, March 11th. We will begin with Boys C Team basketball at 3:30 p.m., followed by Girls Volleyball at 4:00 p.m., Boys B basketball at 4:30 p.m. and Boys A basketball at 5:00 p.m. These times are approximate, so please arrive earlier than your scheduled time. Due to Covid restrictions, photos will be taken individually and added into a collage format. There are no paper order forms – parents should be receiving an email from Sport Pics with a link to order your child's photo.

PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR: With the announcement of Mr. Willms and Mrs. Willms' retirements, we are planning for next year and beyond. For those who will have a 4K student next year be assured we will have a quality teacher who will show your child the same care and joy as in the past. We don't have that determined at this time but will communicate with you as soon as that takes place.

Parents with students in grades 5-8 next year understand that there is work being done to bring in a quality teacher to support the learning in those grades. Next year we are planning for Mr. Clough to be the primary teacher for the 5th and 6th grades. Mr. Schulmeister is planning to continue to connect with our 8th grade class, with a new teacher joining us to work with 7th and 8th. If you have any questions or would like to learn more please feel free to contact Mr. Schulmeister.

UPPER GRADE TEACHER CALL: Last Wednesday, our voting members of the congregation called Mr. Philip Stuebs to teach in the upper grades. We received this letter from Mr. Stuebs: Brothers and Sisters of St. Paul's, I have received your call to teach in the upper grades. I am excited to hear from you and learn more about the ministry at St. Paul's. My family and I ask for your prayers as we consider both ministries and where the Lord would best have me serve. Lord's Richest Blessings to you as we look forward to the risen Savior. In Christ, Phil Stuebs

PASTOR CALL: Last Wednesday, our voting members of the congregation called Pastor Joshua Becker, now serving at Christ Ev. Lutheran Church in Saginaw, Michigan. We received this letter from Pastor Becker: Dear Members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, We again find ourselves making our annual journey with Jesus to his cross and the empty tomb. What a privilege we have to be reminded and encouraged by our Savior's sacrifice that has given us triumph over sin, Satan, death, and hell. The work of Jesus that we celebrate during this season of Lent is the very heart of our hope and joy as Christians. This past week you extended a call to me to proclaim this work of our Savior to you as your pastor. I am humbled at the opportunity to consider your call and my current call to serve your brothers and sisters in the faith at Christ Lutheran Church in Saginaw. Both of these calls are ultimately from our Lord Jesus through his church. For that reason I would ask you to join

me and the saints here at Christ Lutheran Church in prayer over this matter. Ask the Lord for wisdom and his blessing as I make this decision. I look forward to becoming more familiar with your ministry as I communicate with the leaders of your congregation to seek their wisdom in my deliberations. I also invite any of the members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church to feel free to contact me (e-mail: joshua_j_becker@yahoo.com; cell: 989-780-3178). May the Lord continue to bless your labor in his name. In Christ, Pastor Joshua Becker

LENTEN SERVICES: Please join us each Wednesday at 3:30 PM or 6:30 PM for our Midweek Lenten services. The theme for this year is "The Road to Redemption", each week featuring a guest pastor from neighboring congregations. Please note, students attending must be accompanied by an adult.

GRADES 4 & 6 ARE INVITED TO "MAKE A SPLASH": On Monday, March 15th, Mr. Ricke and Mr. Wetzel from Wisconsin Lutheran High School welcome all 4th and 6th graders and at least one parent/guardian (mandatory) to attend their FREE annual "Make a Splash" event at Springs Water Park (formerly Country Springs Water Park) in Pewaukee. A formal parent presentation will take place from 6:00-7:00 p.m., and students are welcome to use the water park from 4:30-8:00 p.m. Click [here](#) to register by Monday, March 8th!

THIRD QUARTER MISSION PROJECT – ECUADOR: Our 3rd quarter project focuses on a new mission area, Ecuador. In 2018 two Latin American missionaries located to Quito, Ecuador – Nathan Schulte from Mexico and Philip Strackbein and his wife Kathy, from Bolivia. This mission has been officially incorporated so that the missionaries are able to legally remain in the country for extended amounts of time. The mission team continues to teach classes in various parts of Quito as well as following up on contacts and opportunities to teach in other areas of the country. In addition to your weekly offerings, please pray for our missionaries as they begin to reach out to this new country with the gospel message. With the Lord's blessings and the Holy Spirit at work in the heart of Ecuadorians, we pray that the church-planting movement in Ecuador will bear fruit so more and more Latin Americans can be brought to faith!

SCRIP: The next Scrip order will be placed Monday, March 8th. Please have your order in the Scrip box in the office by 3:15, or you may place your order online.