



ST. PAUL VIKING



Autumn Blessings

October 24, 2025



"Equip, Support, Serve, Witness Where God Calls Us"

Reformation Sunday

Reformation Sunday, celebrated on the last Sunday in October, commemorates Martin Luther's pivotal act of nailing his 95 Theses to the Castle Church in Wittenberg on October 31, 1517. This event sparked the Protestant Reformation, promoting reform within the Roman Catholic Church and leading to the establishment of Protestantism. The day reminds us of the courage of reformers who emphasized scripture and faith in Jesus Christ, reflecting on our heritage and commitment to these core principles while celebrating our freedom to worship.

Join Us for our Reformation Sunday Celebration!

Get ready for a day of worship, fun, and fellowship as we celebrate Reformation Sunday at St. Paul this Sunday October 26th at 9:30 am! This special day honors the courageous spirit of Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation, and we're bringing that spirit to life with an exciting event for all ages!

What to Expect after our worship Service:

Delicious Food: Savor a variety of tasty treats that will delight your palate, we will have delectable food prepared by our congregation women, Fall Treats, Cider and Donuts, and a Pie baking contest!

Fun Games: Bring your competitive spirit for a cornhole competition and enjoy games for the whole family!

Petting Zoo: Get up close with adorable animals—perfect for the little ones and the young at heart!

Karaoke: Come sing your heart out, making memories one note at a time!

And there's so much more.....



This is not just a celebration of our heritage but a chance to create joyful memories together. We invite everyone to come, reflect on our faith, and have a great time with our church community!

Let's come together to celebrate our faith, enjoy great company, and have a blast! We can't wait to see you there!



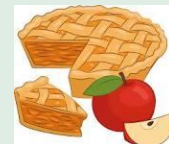
🍏 Apple Pie Fundraiser – Last Chance to Order!

Our Apple Pie Fundraiser is coming to an end! This is the final weekend to place your orders — all pie orders are due by Monday, October 27.

Catch our middle school students at church this Sunday, where they'll be making one last push to sell their delicious handmade apple pies. Each frozen pie is lovingly prepared by our 5th–8th graders and will be ready for early November delivery — just in time for your Thanksgiving table or as a special gift to share.

All proceeds help support our middle schoolers' spring educational trips, and we're so thankful for everyone who has supported their efforts through Art, Beats & Eats, babysitting nights, and this tasty fundraiser.

Thank you for helping our students learn, grow, and experience new adventures — one pie at a time!



Important School Dates

- October 26th – Reformation Sunday – All School Choir Sings 9:30AM Worship, Rally to Follow
- October 27th – Apple Pie Presale Ends – Orders Due
- October 28th – Evergreen Fundraiser Slips/Money Due!!!
- October 29th – Lunch Order Forms Due
- October 31st – Halloween at St Paul – Trick or Treat in the Halls 2:15pm
- November 2nd – Junior Chancel Sings 8:15 Worship Service
- November 6th – Half Day – Noon Dismissal – Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 7th – No School – Parent Teacher Conferences

Special Lunch:

- Asya Special Lunch – Monday October 27th
- Marcos Special Lunch – Monday November 3rd

PTL Notes:

- Evergreen Fundraiser—Orders due Tuesday October 28th
- Qdoba Dinner Night Fundraiser – Tuesday November 5th 4–8pm
- Book and Movie Night – Friday November 14th 6pm
- Christmas Shop – December 12th

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Deck the Halls & Spread the Cheer!

Information for our annual holiday fundraiser went home a couple weeks ago! We're partnering once again with Carlson's Greenhouse to help fill your homes with festive beauty—poinsettias, wreaths, evergreens, and even gift cards—all while raising funds for our school.

The top-selling student will earn a Pizza or Donut Party for their entire class!

- Orders Due: **This Tuesday, October 28, 2025**
- Pick-Up: Sunday, November 30, 2025 - 1:30–3:00 PM (school parking lot)
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Let's fill our homes with holiday cheer while supporting St. Paul Lutheran School!

Questions? Contact Julie Hansen at 248-778-7246 or jhansen@stpaulroyaloak.org



Babysitting Night – Parents' Night Out!

Our middle school students hosted a successful Parents' Night Out Babysitting Event on Saturday, October 11, to raise funds for their upcoming class trips. The evening was filled with games, snacks, crafts, and fun — and the feedback from families was fantastic!

Due to its success, we're excited to announce two more Babysitting Nights:

- 📅 **Saturday, November 1st, 5-9 pm, a sign-up genius is coming soon.**
- 📅 **Saturday, December 13th** (perfect timing for holiday shopping!)



Times will be announced soon for our December date. St. Paul staff, parents, and responsible older students will provide a safe and fun environment for your children while you enjoy a well-deserved evening out.

This event is truly a win-win — parents get a night off, and our students raise funds for their class trips. Keep an eye out for signup details coming soon!

🍷 PTL Dinner Night is Back!

Skip the kitchen and support St. Paul at the same time! Join us on Wednesday, November 5th, from 4–8 PM at Qdoba Mexican Eats on Woodward Ave in Royal Oak. Just mention St. Paul Lutheran School (or show the flyer) when you order or enter the promo code "QDOBAGIVES" when ordering online or on the mobile app, and 25% of your purchase will come back to help our school! What a tasty and easy way to support our Vikings!

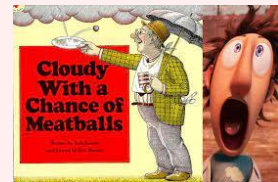


Keep an eye out for details on our next Dinner Night in December — a two-night Pizza Perks event with Benito's Pizza!

Mark Your Calendars -- PTL Sponsored Family Book & Movie Night – Friday, November 14th 6–8pm

Join us for a fun family night sponsored by our PTL as we bring a favorite story to life

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs! Students will receive their books this week so they can read the story before we watch the movie together. The beloved book, written by Judi Barrett, tells the whimsical tale of a town where food falls from the sky—until the tasty weather takes a wild turn! The animated film adds a modern twist, following inventor Flint Lockwood as his food-making machine goes out of control, creating storms of giant spaghetti and meatballs!



🍷 **Concessions will be available for purchase, so bring your appetite and your Viking spirit for an evening of family fun!**

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 **Halloween at St. Paul – Thursday, October 31**  - St. Paul will be filled with Halloween spirit on Friday, October 31 as our students celebrate this fun fall tradition! Students are invited to wear festive Halloween colors—orange, black, or white—throughout the day. Then, at 2:15 PM, the real fun begins! Students will have the opportunity to trick-or-treat through the hallways and show off their creative costumes. Please make sure costumes are school-appropriate—no weapons, blood, scary themes, or violent accessories (such as knives or guns). If a costume is deemed inappropriate, your child may be asked to change. We’re looking forward to a fun-filled afternoon and can’t wait to see all the festive outfits and smiles!



Christmas Shop – The PTL is excited to begin preparations for this year’s Holiday Shopping Experience for the children at Christmas. We are currently seeking donations and would greatly appreciate your contributions. If you have a hidden talent and would like to donate handcrafted items, we welcome your creativity. This year, again, we are also accepting gently used or like-new toys as well as regifted items to help make this event special for the children. Stay tuned for more details as the event approaches! Please reach out to Mrs. Hansen at jhansen@stpaulroyaloak.org or 248-778-7246 for more details if you would like to donate. Thank you for your generosity and support.



Acolyte Schedule- Middle school families—our students have a wonderful opportunity to serve! After being trained to acolyte during chapel, they are now ready to take on this meaningful role in our Sunday and mid-week worship services. A special reminder for confirmation students: each is required to acolyte at least five times throughout the school year. Here is the Signup Genius link to schedule your child’s service. Thank you for encouraging and supporting our students as they grow in both faith and service!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4AADAD22AAF8C16-58956488-acolyte>



Special Persons Day – Tuesday, November 25th
We’re excited to celebrate the wonderful people who make a difference in our students’ lives! Special Persons Day will take place on Tuesday, November 25th, beginning with chapel at 8:30 a.m. Following chapel, guests will enjoy time in the classrooms with their students, taking part in fun activities and sharing in the joy of the day. The celebration will conclude with fellowship, crafts, and refreshments in the gym, ending about noon. This day is all about showing appreciation for the special connections that help our children grow in faith, love, and community. If you’d like to volunteer to be a “special someone” for a student who doesn’t have a guest that day, we would be deeply grateful for your support!



Chapel Offerings – Supporting Camp Restore Detroit
We continue to be blessed to gather for chapel these weeks. It’s been a joy worshipping together and lifting our voices in praise and learning more about God’s word! Our last chapel offering for Camp Restore Detroit brought in **\$54.50** to support this beautiful ministry, with a year-to-date total of **\$272.35** for them, a ministry based at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church.






Upcoming Dates to Remember:
Reminder that Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on **November 6th and 7th**. November 6th will be a half day of school, and there will be no school on November 7th to provide ample time for these important meetings. Information came home about scheduling your conference with your child’s teacher—we can’t wait to connect with you!

Half Day Extended Care Hours:
Please Remember on Most half days, Extended care is available Only until 4pm unless noted otherwise!

Yearbook Help- Have you snapped some great photos of our students during school events or field trips? We’d love to include them in this year’s yearbook! Your pictures are a wonderful way to help us showcase all the special moments from the school year. To share your images, simply click the link below and use the provided password. Thank you for helping us make this year’s yearbook one to remember!
<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/StPaul2026> The School Password is: **Vikings1**



 **Halloween Handouts:**
We’re excited to share a fun way for you to spread the word about St. Paul Lutheran School this Halloween! Attached, you’ll find a flyer that you can print and cut out to hand out with your candy while trick-or-treaters visit. It’s a simple and effective way to promote our wonderful school to the community. If you’re willing to participate, please print and cut as many copies as you’d like. Every small effort helps grow our St. Paul family, and we truly appreciate your support!

 **Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord – Psalms 98:4** 

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