



ST. PAUL VIKING



Autumn

Blessings

November 07, 2025



“Equip, Support, Serve, Witness Where God Calls Us”

Special Chapel & Awards Ceremony – Wednesday, November 12

Join us for a meaningful chapel service this Wednesday at 8:30 AM, followed by our First Quarter Awards Ceremony.



We'll celebrate students who have earned Honor Roll recognition and Perfect Church and School Attendance.

This year, we're also introducing a new tradition—our Fruit of the Spirit Awards! Inspired by Galatians, these honors will be given each quarter to students who demonstrate a specific fruit of the Spirit. This quarter's focus: **Love and Joy**.

Come share in this time of worship and celebration as we recognize our Vikings for their hard work, faith, and Christ-like spirit.



Thanksgiving Break

We'll begin our break with a half day on Tuesday, November 25th, following our beloved Special Persons Day celebration. Dismissal will be at noon, and there will be no school November 26th–28th as we pause to give thanks with family and friends. Classes resume Monday, December 1st.



Apple Pie Fundraiser – Baking Begins!

Our Apple Pie Fundraiser has officially come to an end, and we're so grateful for the wonderful support from our school and church families!

Now the fun part begins — our middle school students will begin making pies this weekend, with distribution Beginning Monday, November 10th, and continuing until all pies are completed before Thanksgiving. Each frozen pie is handmade with care and love by our 5th–8th graders and will be ready to enjoy or share at your holiday table. All proceeds from this fundraiser went to help support our students' spring educational trips, and we couldn't do it without your generosity and encouragement. Thank you for helping our Vikings learn, serve, and grow — one pie at a time!



PTL Dinner Nights at Benito's Pizza!

Who's ready for some pizza and a great way to support St. Paul? 🍕

Mark your calendars for Monday and Tuesday, December 8th & 9th, from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and join us at Benito's Pizza for our next PTL Dinner Nights!



Bring your family, friends, and neighbors—because Benito's will donate 20% of all St. Paul friends and family sales right back to our school! Let's make it a delicious two-day pizza celebration while giving back to our amazing Viking community! 🍕

Babysitting Night – Parents' Night Out!

Our middle school students hosted two successful Parents' Night Out Babysitting Events on Saturday, October 11th and November 1st, to raise funds for their upcoming class trips. The evenings were filled with games, snacks, crafts, and fun — and the feedback from families was fantastic! Due to its success, we're excited for another Babysitting Night:



Saturday, December 13th (perfect timing for holiday shopping!), a signup and times will be announced soon.

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.

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Special Lunch:

- Marcos Special Lunch – Monday November 3rd
- Red Robin Special Lunch – Monday November 10th

PTL Notes:

- Evergreen Fundraiser–Pickups November 30th 1:30pm
- Qdoba Dinner Night Fundraiser – Tuesday November 5th 4–8pm
- Book and Movie Night – Friday November 14th 6pm
- Christmas Shop – December 12th
- Bagel Days will be every Friday unless we have no school or otherwise announced.



Second Quarter Chapel Offerings – Supporting Our St Paul Food Pantry

This quarter our weekly chapel offerings will be dedicated to supporting our food pantry here at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our pantry provides essential food items to anyone in need, serving not only our church family but also the surrounding community. Through your and our students' contributions, the students are learning the value of service, compassion, and reaching out to others. Every offering makes a difference, and we are grateful for the generosity of our school families in supporting this meaningful mission. Thank you for joining us in caring for our neighbors in need. This week's chapel offerings brought in **\$55.48** for our food pantry, with a year-to-date total for chapel earnings of **\$327.83** for combined efforts.



Thanksgiving Eve Worship & Food Pantry Blessings

As we prepare to give thanks for God's abundant blessings, we invite you to join us for our Thanksgiving Eve Worship on Wednesday, November 26th at 7:00 p.m. Come and lift your hearts in gratitude as we reflect on His goodness and share in a time of praise and fellowship.



As part of our worship, we will once again collect donations for our St. Paul Food Pantry to support families in need within our community. You are encouraged to bring a bag of nonperishable food items to place at the altar. Suggested donations include 16 oz. jars of peanut butter and jelly, canned meats, soups, fruits, pork and beans, boxed cereals, oatmeal, rice, potatoes, and noodles.

If you'd like to lend a hand in organizing the pantry donations, we'd love your help on Friday, November 27th at 10:00 a.m. in the church lounge.

For more information, please contact Sue in the church office.

Support Our Sister School – Lutheran High Westland's Winter Craft Show!

Lutheran High Westland invites you to their "Winter Wonderland" Arts & Craft Show!

Get into the holiday spirit while supporting our sister school! Enjoy a festive weekend filled with unique handmade crafts, lunch options, a bake sale, live entertainment, and exciting door prize drawings.

- Friday & Saturday, December 5 & 6
 - 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
 - Lutheran High Westland
- 33300 Cowan Rd., just ½ mile east of Westland Mall

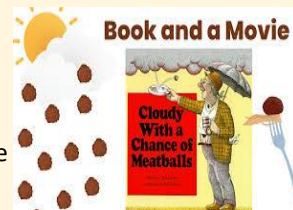


Admission: \$3.00 (Children under 12 are free)
For more information, call 734-422-2090 or visit their Facebook page:
facebook.com/LutheranWestlandCraftShow

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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PTL Evergreen Pickup

From all of us here at the school and your PTL, we thank you for your support with the Evergreen Fundraiser. It was a big success and we know that your homes will be filled with beauty this holiday season. Pickup day for your holiday greens and poinsettias will be on Sunday November 30th between 1:30pm and 3pm.



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 or Meredith Sanislo 248-766-9189 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!



Bundle Up, Vikings!

We've been fortunate to enjoy a mild fall so far, but with colder days ahead, we want to ensure that all students stay cozy and prepared! Please remember to send your child with a warm coat, hat, and mittens or gloves for outdoor play. Classrooms can also be a bit chilly, so it's a good idea to pack a dress-code-approved sweater or jacket for indoor comfort. When winter arrives, don't forget to add snow boots and snow pants on especially cold days. To keep everyone safe and comfortable, please note that students without appropriate outdoor gear will need to stay indoors during recess. Thank you for helping us keep your children warm and ready for all the fun winter brings!

Half Day Extended Care Hours:

Please Remember on Most half days, Extended care is available Only until **4pm** unless noted otherwise!

Church Attendance:

Do not forget to record your attendance at church. Parents must sign in at the kiosk at church services. A minimum of 50% in-person attendance is required each quarter for church members to qualify for the member education rate.



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**

Support Learning Beyond the Classroom:

- Box Tops for Education:** Download the Box Tops for Education app, scan your receipts, and earn rewards for St. Paul!
- Little Ceaser proof of Purchase:** Collect proof of purchase off the pizza box and bring to school.
- Kroger Community:** Visit Kroger.com, sign in or create an account, go to the Community Rewards section, select St. Paul Lutheran School as your organization of choice.
- Returnable Cans and Bottles:** Bring returnable bottles and cans to church or school to help with school fundraising.



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

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