*News and Announcements – 2/17/19*

**Family Bible Hour:** On Sunday, Bible Class will meet in the gym, where Pastor Bode will finish some historical background to worship principles and some discussion on aspects of the worship service.

**Divine Calls:** On January 29, Mr. Curia received a divine call to St. Mark’s in Watertown to teach 4th grade and assist in the area of church music. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he considers his two calls: one here at St. Paul’s and the one to St. Mark’s. You are welcome to reach out to Mr. C with encouragement at luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org.

On Sunday, February 24, after the 10:30 am service, there will be a voters meeting with the following on the agenda: 1) voters selecting a Kindergarten teacher to call from a list provided by our synodical leadership, and 2) the Board of Christian Education and Church Council seeking voter approval to place a one-year call to Mrs. Sarah Mueller to teach part-time beginning next school year in 7th-8th grades providing administrative release time for our principal.

**A Model Marriage -** Our current round of Parent Bible Studies continues on Tuesday February 19, and 26 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. We are exploring Scripture’s guidance on commitment, communication, and collaboration in a Christ-centered marriage. Babysitting will be provided.

**Thursday Evening** 1 Timothy Bible study will continue through the month of February.

**The Stewardship Committee has** planned a congregational event to see a Milwaukee Admirals hockey game on Saturday March 16th at 6 pm. We would carpool from the church lot and plan to leave around 4 pm. We have 40 tickets reserved for this event. Please look for an email to come with a registration link soon. Tickets are $17. (It is also Ryan Ellis bobblehead night.)

 The Stewardship committee has also postponed our cornhole tourney and will combine it with our church picnic in July. We hope to have a winter cornhole tournament in January/February next year.

**Cradle Roll Requests -** If you have any donations for the cradle roll please drop them off in the church office. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Alycia Cameron (414-736-8966) or Amanda Bode (920-750-8437).

**Howards Grove Fire Department Brat Fry** –If you would like to help the fire department by supplying cakes and tortes for their annual brat fry on Sunday, February 24th, please sign up in the member room. Please label your pans with your name and church so they can make sure that all the pans can get back to us. Thank you in advance 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!

**Kwik Trip Scrip -** During the month of February Kwik Trip is giving back 10% instead of the usual 5%. Buy your Kwik Trip Scrip now, see the scrip table or the office for details.