



MISSION

Partnering with parents in our congregation and community to shine Christ's light on children's lives.

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CHRIST LIGHT CONNECTION

The next stop for our Christ Light lessons is the village of Nain. Here we read about a funeral procession, accompanied with great weeping. A woman who had already lost her husband for she is identified as a widow, has now also lost her son.

Jesus response to death, the world's height of grief, is "Don't cry". We have uttered these same words ourselves many times to try and comfort a child or a spouse. However, when uttered by us, words often don't remove the hurt, or the reason for weeping. But when Jesus speaks words of comfort, it is different. Jesus, the creator and ruler of the world, brings real comfort through his love and power.

Following Jesus words of comfort - "Don't cry", Jesus commands the lifeless body of the widow's son, "Young man, I say to you, get up!". We can only imagine the joy this mother must have felt. The crowd's response was belief that "A great prophet has appeared among us." They proclaimed, "God has come to help his people". Our response is the same in grief. We know that we need not cry for long. God is with us. God has power over sin and death. God will command our bodies to "get up" when our time on earth is over. Praise God!

VETERANS DAY THANKS!

Thanks to our many parent volunteers who helped make our Veterans Day a success. We were blessed to have around 50 veterans join us for our dinner. It was wonderful to have them as our honored guests.

Most of all, we thank our Veterans for their service to our families and our country. Please keep those who serve in your prayers!



CHRISTMAS SERVICE LIGHTS REQUEST

Even though the house lights will be down for the Christmas concert on December 15, we would like to use halogen work lights to make sure the children are visible to the worshipers. If you have a light that we could use for the service, please let Mr. Curia know (luther.curia@stpaulshowardsgrove.org). Thank you!



PARENT TEACHER FRIENDSHIP

Our second Parent Teacher Friendship meeting is tonight! Agenda items include the following:

- Technology in and out of school
- School cleaning Sign-up
- Christmas service update
- Board of Education Open Forum



The PTF is a great opportunity to learn about your school, meet other families, and get involved. The meeting begins at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria. Babysitting is provided. Please join us if you can!

PARENT TEACHER THANKS!

Thanks to all of our school parents for an opportunity to meet last week during our parent-teacher conferences. It was a pleasure to be able to discuss the progress of your child(ren) and our partnership in Christian education.

Please know that St. Paul's teachers are always available for any questions or concerns that you might have. We have an open door policy. Stop in, call, email, or text any time!

Thanks also to our PTF for providing supper for the teachers during conferences. It was a very thoughtful gesture and much appreciated. The supper was delicious!



USBORNE BOOK FAIR

Thanks to all who ordered from our book fair during Parent-Teacher conferences. We will keep you posted on the arrival of your books.

Thanks also to Mrs. Katie Meyer and her helpers for their work in organizing our fair. The book fair is a great benefit to our students and school!



ADVENT FAMILY DEVOTIONS

Have you been wanting to refresh devotional routines with your family? Advent is a great time to start! For families with younger or early grade school children, "Counting to Christmas" by Gail Pawlitz is a great option. For families with middle school age children or above, "Be Near Me, Lord Jesus" by Richard Lauersdorf and "Behold! I Am Coming Soon: Advent Devotions from Revelation" by Bruce McKenney are both great options. Beginning in December, you can light an additional candle each week on an Advent wreath during your family devotions as you prepare to celebrate the birth of this world's Light. Any of these items can be purchased through nph.net, our WELS publishing house.



SEVERE WEATHER CLOSINGS/DELAYS

Winter coats, hats, and gloves serve as a reminder that winter is approaching, if not here already. With severe weather comes the potential for school closings and delays.

St. Paul's follows the Howards Grove School District as it relates to closings and delays. If Howards Grove is having school, St. Paul's is having school. If Howards Grove is closed, St. Paul's is closed. If Howards Grove is delayed, St. Paul's is also delayed. Please watch your local news or check the internet for Howards Grove school closings and delays.

St. Paul's will also send out a TADS announcement via text, email, and phone call when school is closed or delayed. Please be sure that all of your contact information is up to date in our TADS system.



CHRISTMAS SERVICE INFORMATION

Here's a link to an online Google Drive folder where you can find the recitations/narrations as well as links to the service songs: click [here!](#)

Remember to put these important dates/times on your calendar:

- Saturday, December 7 - practice from 9:00-10:30 a.m. (in church)
- Sunday, December 8 - practice from 9:00-10:15 a.m. (in church)
- Saturday, December 14 - practice from 9:00-10:30 a.m. (in the gym)
- Sunday, December 15
 - all students arrive by 8:40 and go into Sunday School classrooms. Service @ 9:00 a.m.

MISSION - PALABRA DE VIDA

We collected \$172.00 during the first quarter of our mission offerings. Thanks for faithfully bringing in offerings for Palabra De Vida in Detroit, MI.

Our mission collection will be used to help provide a Christian education to families who desire it for their children. Keep those offerings coming throughout our second quarter!



Palabra De Vida Confirmation class hard at work.

BASKETBALL OPEN GYM

Back by popular demand, the Tuesday night basketball open gym will continue. You are welcome to join us from 7:00 - 8:30pm. If you have any questions please contact Brandon Lis at brandon_lis@yahoo.com.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli, Breadstick
8:10 - Chapel
9:00 - Bible Study
10:00 - Mindful Moms
4:15 - Public School Catechism
4:30 - Evangelism Canvassing
5:30 - Stewardship

Thursday, November 14, 2019

Turkey & Cheese Subs, Carrots with dip
8:10 - Chapel
1:30 - Ladies Aid
3:30 - Girls A & B Bball Practice
4:15 - History Committee Meeting
6:30 - Bible Information Class
6:30 - Bible study on Christology

Friday, November 15, 2019

Pizza, apple slices
8:10 - Chapel

Saturday, November 16, 2019

Sunday, November 17, 2019

8:00 - Worship
9:15 - Family Bible Hour
10:30 - Worship
11:30 - Living Nativity Rehearsal & Lunch
2:00 - Sheepshead & Cribbage afternoon

Monday, November 18, 2019

Pancakes, sausage, applesauce
8:10 - Chapel
3:30 - Boys A & B Bball practice
3:30 - Cheer/dance/stunt
6:00 - Worship
7:00 - Choir

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Turkey, mashed potatoes w/gravy
8:10 - Chapel
3:30 - 5:00 - Girls A & B Bball practice
7:00 - 8:30 - Basketball Open Gym
