



# T H E E C H O

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**“Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” 1 John 4:11**

## Three Things I Like About Winter

I know..... Did I just say that? If you know me at all, you know that I **HATE** being cold. I wear layers of clothing, hand warmers in my mittens, and scarves around my neck! If you live where we do, then you know that winter has definitely arrived in full swing. Cold winds that literally take your breath away, temperatures in the single digits, extra layers of clothing, heating up your mug of coffee countless times just to keep your hands warm! Yes, winter is here and most people find themselves complaining about the excruciating cold. I get it. I really do. I'm cold-natured to the core. I don't like the gloomy, dark, frigid, bone-chilling, frosty, bitter, arctic. COLD!

Then this week, my devotion read: "It was You who set all the boundaries of the earth; You made both summer and winter." Psalm 74:17 God made the summer AND winter. It wasn't a mistake. It's not like He ran out of heat and made up another season at the last minute. No, he created winter for a purpose.

Even though I don't fully understand everything about God's creation, here's a few silver linings I've grown to embrace during this winter season:

### 1. It makes me appreciate the warmth of heat!

When I walk into my house after school, I'm often reminded how blessed I am to have heat! I often find myself thinking about those who live on the streets who may be struggling to survive this arctic-blast weather. Heat - Something we take for granted. Something we would never appreciate if it were never cold.

### 2. It causes me to slow down and be still.

With the shorter days and frigid temps, I'm inside a lot more. Whether it's playing a game, puzzles or finding something fun to watch on television, families definitely can spend more time together. When winter first comes on the scene, I whine and think I'm bored, but it's not too long before I settle into a routine of grabbing my favorite book and cuddling up in the recliner or bake a loaf of fresh bread. Winter provides a change of pace and gives me a chance to just breathe!

### 3. It can be an extended time of inward reflection.

When life slows down and we're limited to inside activities, it's only natural to have more time to be still. But what we choose to do with this time is crucial! Instead of being bored or wishing the time away, we can use this season of life to truly seek the face of God more intently and purposefully. What does He want to do **in** me? What does He want to do **through** me? What areas of my life need some renovation? Who is He putting in my path to pour into? All of these are questions flowing into the stillness of my thoughts. It's His gentle calling in the middle of winter that melts the coolness of my stubborn soul. So yes, this time of year is perfect to be still at the feet of Jesus. A time for renewal of what is to come. Spring is coming and I want to be ready!

I encourage you to embrace this winter season. Gain a new perspective, slow down, reflect and take time to feel the warmth of God's peace.

Mrs. Denise Gieschen, CARE Director

## JANUARY

23-29 Sun-Sat National Lutheran Schools Week

26 Wed Chapel – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (Langfield)

29-30 Sa-Su B Boys Basketball Tournament

## FEBRUARY

2 Wed Chapel – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Clemens)

8 Tue Gr. 1-4 Field Trip to CUW

14 Mon Progress Reports

16 Wed Chapel – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade (Boyce)

18 Fri **1/2 Day of School 11:40am Dismissal  
NO 3&4PK PM Classes**

19-20 Sa-Su A Boys Basketball Tournament

21 Mon **NO SCHOOL (President's Day)**

23 Wed Chapel – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (Prichard)

26 Sat Solo/Ensemble, Kewaskum

## Calling All Torte Makers!!

The 60th St. Paul Invitational Tournament is February 18-20 and we can't serve our delicious tortes without help from you. If you are willing to make a torte, I'll supply you with one or more of the famous recipes. Just call Diane Schumann (377-4659 x133) or email [diane.schumann@splgrafton.org](mailto:diane.schumann@splgrafton.org) and you will be given all the details. Thanks!



**Winter Sports Pictures** have been scheduled for Tuesday, February 8 at 3:15 in the gym for all grades 5-8 basketball and archery.



## St. Paul Rooted Women - Save the Date for the IF:Gathering 2022

Friday, March 4, 6:15-9:30 PM - Saturday, March 5, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM in the FLC

Join us for a weekend of worship, prayer, Bible study, and fellowship as we experience God's power which is greater than our darkness.

Cost is \$10 per person. Light meals and snacks will be provided all weekend.

Registration will be limited to the first 25 women. More details and how to register will be coming soon. We hope to see you there!

Rooted Women at Rooted Cafe

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP, DEVOTION, AND SERVICE

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Saturday, January 22nd  
8:30 to 10:00 AM  
NSeven - Grafton

Coffee

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## JANUARY Baptism Remembrance

Adalynn Blankenburg Jessica Collins Nicolette Dietz Elena Federl Eliana Fleck Liam Fleck Makayla Gehrke Nicholas Kell Samuel Kellerman Brianna Krause		Aliyah Krueger Addison Mielke Sienna Nelson Avery Passmore Wyatt Passmore James Totman Laila Zalewski Rowan Zalewski Isabella Zebrick Mr. Kell
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## Approved 2022-2023 Calendar

August 22 (Mon) August 24 (Wed) September 2-5 November 18 November 21-25 Dec. 23 - Jan. 2 February 20 March 2 March 27-31 April 7-10 May 26 June 2	Orientation/Picture Day 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Classes Labor Day Weekend (Fri-Mon) End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester Thanksgiving Break Christmas Break President's Day (No School) End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester Spring Break Easter Weekend PreK Graduation Last Day of School (Graduation)
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**Advertising Space is available in the tournament book** for the St. Paul Invitational A Boys' Basketball Tournament being held the weekend of February 18-20, 2022. This tournament provides a great deal of funding for the Athletic Department for all gym classes and teams. If you are interested in placing an ad in the book for your business for a nominal fee, please contact Mrs. Diane Schumann, ext. 133, by Tuesday, January 25. Thank you for your support!

### Interest Day 2022

Interest Day is a special day where students attend different hands-on classes in a variety of areas. In the past we have offered cooking, craft, woodworking, sports and music classes, just to name a few. Our Interest Day will be held on the morning of Friday, March 4. We are always looking for any new ideas for classes. We also need volunteers to lead a session. If you have any ideas or you or someone you know would like to lead a class, please contact one of our committee members:

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### Tuition Assistance Information for Parents of 2022/23 High School Students



Parents, are you enrolling your child at Living Word, Milwaukee Lutheran or Sheboygan Lutheran High School? St. Paul's offers tuition assistance to those enrolled. Fill out an application to be considered. Applications can be found in the school office during office hours and will need to be filled out no later than Thursday, February 17, 2022. Applications received late will only be considered if funds are available.

### Sunday School—Sunday, January 23, 2022 8:15-9:15 AM

All children 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to join us at JAM Sunday school. Signup [HERE](#) for the fun.

### Staff Recognition Anniversaries

Thank you all for your many years as dedicated Christian servants!



**David Schmidt**  
20 Years



**Deanne Boyce**  
15 Years



**James Fischer**  
10 Years

### Endowment Fund Grants for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

In accordance with the distribution policy and bylaws of the St. Paul Endowment Fund, a total of \$38,600 will be available for distribution for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Grant applications for the 2022-2023 fiscal year are now being accepted by the St. Paul Endowment Fund Committee. Grant applications are available on the St. Paul website at <https://www.splgrafton.org/church/endowment/>, or through the St. Paul Finance Office. Before submitting your grant application, one of St. Paul's boards must sponsor the application. Grant funds will be distributed as long as funds remain available.

If you have questions, contact a member of the Endowment Fund Committee:

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### Middle School Youth

Sunday, January 23  
3:00-4:30pm



All 6-8 graders are invited to middle school youth group as we dig into God's Word and play capture the flag. Signup here to join the fun: [tinyurl.com/MSY22](https://tinyurl.com/MSY22)  
 For more information or to volunteer to help with middle school youth contact Tracy at: [tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org](mailto:tracy.krueger@splgrafton.org)

**Sheboygan Lutheran High School  
Open House for 5th — 8th graders  
and Freshman Registration  
Tuesday, January 25, 2022  
5 - 6:45 p.m.**



#### You are invited to join us for:

- Classroom tours
- Visit our brand new Fine Arts Center Theatre, Robotics & Science Labs
- Opportunities to meet teachers
- Each visiting family can register for the FREE Registration drawing (one registration fee to be waived for one year)
- Information on the School Choice voucher program and other tuition assistance options
- Freshmen: Register\* for classes for next Fall
- \*Call to make an appointment to register for Freshmen classes at (920) 452-3323



We invite you to see what a Lutheran High School experience can provide for your entire family. Sheboygan Lutheran High is "Preparing Christian Leaders—One Student at a Time"



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## ST. PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday	23-Jan	30-Jan
	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00 <i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>  Good Shepherd WB BB Tournament (B Girls)	Worship at 8:00; 9:30; 11:00  B Boys BB Tournament
Monday	24-Jan	31-Jan
	<i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>	BB vs. FIL; B2G-4:00, AG-5:00  BB @ FIL; B2B-4:00, B1B-5:00, A2B-6:00, A1B-7:00
Tuesday	25-Jan	1-Feb
	<i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>  BB @ Trinity Sheboygan; B1G-4:30, B1B-5:30, AG-6:30, A1B-7:30	
Wednesday	26-Jan	2-Feb
	<i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>  <b>CHAPEL - 4th Grade (Langfield)</b>	<b>CHAPEL - 3rd Grade (Clemens)</b>  BB vs. Immanuel Brookfield; BG5-4:30, B2B-5:30
Thursday	27-Jan	3-Feb
	<i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>  Hales Corners BB Tournament (A Girls)	BB @ Immanuel Brookfield; BG6-:4:30, B1B-5:30, A2B-6:30 BB vs. Grace MF; BG5-4:30, B2B-5:30 Panther Parents, 6:30pm
Friday	28-Jan	4-Feb
	<i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>  BB @ Christ Alone Thiensville; BB-5:00 Hales Corners BB Tournament (A Girls)	A Girls BB Tournament @ Bethlehem Sheboygan
Saturday	29-Jan	5-Feb
	<i>National Lutheran Schools Week</i>  B Boys BB Tournament Hales Corners BB Tournament (A Girls) Worship at 5:00	A Girls BB Tournament @ Bethlehem Sheboygan  Worship at 5:00



# National Lutheran Schools Week

## January 24th - 28th



### *"In All Things"*

#### **Daily Activities** - All-School Devotions

All-School Snacks

Online Mission Trip - "Zambia Bound"

"Lunch Bunch Hunch" (Guessing game)

"Where In the School" Challenge



**Monday** - Christ is "In All Things"  
"Team Cooper Day!" (Please wear green)

**Tuesday** - Christ is in Creation  
"Beach Day"



**Wednesday** - Christ is in our Families  
"Joyful Colors Chapel Dress"

**Thursday** - Christ in our Church  
"Sports Day"



**Friday** - Christ in our Community  
"Pajama Day"  
Movie Afternoon





# Camp LuWiSoMo Summer 2022 Youth Camps

LuWiSoMo Youth Camps provide campers with faith-growing opportunities and unique learning experiences while having fun in a beautiful Christ-centered outdoor ministry setting.



**Kinder  
Camp**



**Junior  
Camp**



**Youth  
Camp**



**High  
School  
Camp**



**Band  
Camp**

## **KinderCamp**

For campers Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 1 preferring to spend the weekend with their parents or grandparents

## **JuniorCamp**

For campers in Kindergarten to Grade 3 ready to spend a weekend away from their parents

## **Youth Camp**

A 5-night camp for campers in Grades 2-8  
*Age groups vary for each camp week*

## **Lutheran Band Camp**

A 6-night camp for students in Grades 5-9 with experience playing a band instrument

## **High School Camp**

A 5-night camp for students in Grades 8-11

## **CIT Program**

For high school students wanting to be leaders at camp

Details & Registration Information @  
[www.luwisomo.org](http://www.luwisomo.org)