



Autumn Blessings



Choral Services: Lessons and Carols and Holiday Magic

Mark your calendars for two special performances that highlight the incredible talents of our student choirs!

Wednesday, December 4th | 7:00 PM | Lessons and Carols Worship Service

Our Junior Chancel Choir will join Lutheran High Northwest for a beautiful evening of Lessons and Carols during service here at St. Paul. Permission slips with all the important details were sent home this week, so please be sure to check your child's backpack if they are in our Jr Chancel Choir!



Thursday, December 5th | 6:00 PM | Holiday Magic Marketplace in Royal Oak

We're thrilled that the St. Paul Children's Choir has been invited to perform at the Royal Oak Holiday Magic Marketplace! This is a wonderful chance for our students to represent St. Paul Lutheran School while sharing the joy of the season with our community. We look forward to seeing as many children as possible participating and spreading holiday cheer through their music!



Don't miss these special opportunities to support our students and celebrate the season!

A Week of Gratitude and Rest: Thanksgiving Break Reminder

As we approach Thanksgiving, we want to remind you that there will be no school the week of November 25th. Our teachers will be attending their annual conference on November 25th and 26th, followed by Thanksgiving break from November 27th through the 29th.

This is a wonderful opportunity to slow down, cherish time with loved ones, and reflect on the many blessings God has given us. Whether you're celebrating with festive traditions or enjoying a quiet time of rest and renewal, we pray your week is filled with gratitude, joy, and his abundant love.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday, December 2nd!



Thanksgiving Eve Worship-Let's Come Together in Thankfulness

As we prepare for the season of Thanksgiving, let's reflect on all the blessings God has given us. Join us for a special Thanksgiving Eve worship on **Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m.**

This year, our chapel offerings are also going to support our church **food pantry**, helping to serve those in need within our community. As we gather for worship, please consider bringing a bag of food to place at the altar. These donations will directly contribute to the pantry's mission, along with our chapel efforts. Suggested items include jars of peanut butter and jelly, canned meats, soups, fruits, pork and beans, boxed cereals, oatmeal, rice, potatoes, and boxed noodles.

If you'd like to help organize pantry donations, we'd love to have you on Friday, November 29th at 1:00 p.m. in the church lounge. For questions, please reach out to LeeAnne Millinger (contact information available from the church office).

Let's show our gratitude this season by contributing to those in need and sharing God's love in our community. May God's abundant blessings surround you and your family this Thanksgiving!

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December 18th - School Christmas Service 7pm
December 19th - School Fieldtrip to Emagine 1pm
December 20th - 1/2 Day-Noon Dismissal

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Preparing for Colder Weather



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!

Biennial St. Paul Auction – Mark Your Calendars! We're thrilled to announce the return of our biennial St. Paul Auction! This spring, our PTL will host this much-anticipated event at Red Run Golf Course on May 16, 2025. For those who attended our last auction, you know it was a wonderful success, made possible by the amazing support and teamwork of our community.

To ensure another successful event, we're seeking volunteers to join us in making this auction unforgettable! Whether you're interested in helping on a committee, lending a hand at meetings, or supporting in other ways, we'd love your involvement. We've created a Google form to match volunteers with roles they feel comfortable in, and we're looking forward to working with you!

Please fill out the form by **Friday November 29th**, to let our PTL know how you'd like to participate. Every bit of support makes a tremendous difference, and we are grateful for the time and talent our families share. Thank you for being part of this exciting event!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-R_LJPIY_Ltr4PQrJGCzG0Z2goJMr2sZuYxKEKP8OWo/edit?ts=672141d2&hl=en&pli=1

Children's Christmas Shop Donations Needed – We Need Your Help to Stock Our Shop

The PTL is excited to host this year's Holiday Shopping Experience on December 13th, where our students can choose special gifts for their loved ones. But we need your help to make it a success!

Our Christmas Shop is in urgent need of donations to fill it with treasures the children will love. We are seeking:

- Handcrafted items
- Gently used or like-new toys
- Regifted items of all kinds
- Gift bags, tissue paper, wrapping paper, gift tags, and more.....



This is a wonderful opportunity to share the joy of giving and brighten the season for our students. Whether you have items to contribute or can lend your crafting talents, your support is greatly needed!

We are also looking for volunteers to assist with the preparations and activities surrounding the shopping experience. If you can spare some time to help with set-up the day before or guide the children through their shopping on the 13th, we'd be truly grateful. Volunteers are also needed to help wrap the gifts the children select. Your support will make this experience even more special for our students! Please check out our Signup Genius link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A4BA4A82BA5F85-53389121-christmas> to see how you can help.

Donations or questions? Reach out to Meredith Sanislo at 248-766-9189 or Mrs. Hansen at jhansen@stpaulroyaloak.org / 248-778-7246.

Thank you for helping us make this a magical experience for our children. Every donation and helping hand make a difference!

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November 22nd, 2024



Winter Weather Closure Notices



As winter weather approaches, please watch for school closing notices on your local TV broadcasts, text messages, and our school Facebook page. This year, school closure decisions will continue to be made independently by our Principal, Mr. Francik, based on driving conditions.

We no longer follow Royal Oak Public Schools for closure updates. If a school closure is necessary, Mr. Francik will notify families via television, text message, and Facebook.

If school remains open but you feel the roads are unsafe, please make the choice that feels best for your family's safety.

Second Quarter Chapel Offering - Supporting Our Church's Food Pantry

This quarter, our weekly chapel offerings will be dedicated to supporting the food pantry 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 their contributions, our 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!

Support Learning Beyond the Classroom:

Little Caesars Pizza Box Bar Codes— Want to support St. Paul while enjoying a delicious pizza night? Save the barcodes from your Little Caesars pizza boxes and help fund our school's pizza parties! Here's how you can contribute:

- *Cut out the barcode from your Little Caesars pizza box.
- *Send the barcodes to school with your child.

Each barcode collected helps us fund pizza parties for the school—yum!

Bottles/Cans Recycling - Field trips and overnight excursions offer St. Paul students a unique chance to learn and grow outside the traditional classroom setting. The funds raised through this initiative will help support trips to Michigan Christian Youth Camp for outdoor education and Washington D.C. We kindly ask for your support by donating cans and bottles of carbonated beverages. Please remember not to crush the containers, as it's important for the barcodes to be clearly visible. Donations can be dropped off in the barrel located in the lobby coatroom at the church or to the school office. Thank you for helping make these enriching experiences possible for our students!

Box Tops for Education-

Help Us Earn with Box Tops for Education! It's time to scan those Box Tops for Education and help support our school! Each Box Top you scan is worth 10 cents, and those small amounts really add up to big rewards for St. Paul! Here's how it works:

- *Look for the Box Tops logo on participating products.
- *Download the Box Tops for Education app to scan your receipts and earn rewards for St. Paul!

It's an easy way to support our school, and every Box Top counts.

Kroger Community Rewards - Did you know you can support St. Paul just by shopping at Kroger? It's easy to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards program and help raise funds for our school—at no extra cost to you!

Here's how it works:

- *Visit Kroger.com and sign in or create an account.
- *Go to the Community Rewards section and select St. Paul Lutheran School as your organization of choice.

Every time you shop and use your Kroger Plus card, St. Paul earns a percentage of the sale! It's that simple! Your everyday grocery shopping can help provide valuable resources for our students. Thank you for supporting St. Paul through this easy, no-cost program!

Run with Endurance.....Looking to Jesus

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