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***St. John's Mission Statement:** We exist to prepare our children for a lifelong relationship with Christ, proclaim the gospel message, and provide excellence in education to equip students for life and for eternity.*

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL October 11-21, 2018		
10/11	Th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soccer Playoffs – Round 2
10/12	Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> K4 to Bases Pumpkin Farm 10am Grades 1-8 to WLHS Marching Band Performance (WALKING-DRESS WARM!) WLC Championship Cross Country Meet
10/13	Sat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A-Team Volleyball Tournament @ Star B-Team Volleyball Tournament @ St. Pauls 5:30pm Evening Worship 7:00pm Worship in Chinese
10/14	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 & 10:30 Worship 9:15 Sunday School & Bible Class Grade School Soccer Championships
10/15	Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Piano w/Mrs. Wilke Guitar w/Mr. Krellwitz 6:30-8pm Boy Pioneers
10/16	Tue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Piano w/Mrs. Wilke Guitar w/Mr. Krellwitz 6-7:30pm Lutheran Girl Pioneers
10/17	Wed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15 Children's Chapel 8:15 RIBS Piano w/Mrs. Bortulin Band w/Mr. Peterson 11am/1pm/2pm Gr 1&3) Fire Safety House
10/18	Th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Happy Birthday, Mrs. Leyrer! Handbells w/Mrs. Handeland Piano w/Mrs. Bortulin Band w/Mrs. Hohenstein
10/19	Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of Quarter 1
10/20	Sat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WLHS A-Team Volleyball Tournament 5:30pm Evening Worship w/communion 7:00pm Worship in Chinese
10/21	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 & 10:30 Worship w/communion 8 & 10:30 Jr Handbells 9:15 Sunday School & Bible Class 1:00 – 4:00pm ST. JOHN'S FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL

From the Principal's Desk

Greetings,

This week **Mrs. Schmidt**, our school administrative assistant, shared her intent to pursue other employment opportunities. She has been the smiling face in the school office for 19 years. When I came in 2001, she was the person who kept the office running smoothly while I learned about St. John's school. During her time here, hundreds of students have been bandaged, hundred of notes have gone home, thousands of phone calls and questions have been received and about a thousand reports have been generated. Thank you, Mrs. Schmidt, for patience, kindness, and hard work to make St. John's school a place that cares for the children of our congregation! A letter has been attached to today's Crusader Chronicle from Mrs. Schmidt. Please read it.

This is the season for **playoffs**. Not only the Brewers but also, our Cross-Country teams are in the Lutheran National competitions. Our Soccer teams is wrapping up a great year in their playoffs and our Volleyball teams are in the season ending tournaments. Our students are having a great Fall sport season!

Tomorrow most of our school will be walking to Wisco to watch the Marching Band perform its routine for this year. If you see 200 students, big kids paired with little kids, walking down 84th, honk your horn and give us a wave.

*Thank God for His Blessings, for workers like Mrs. Schmidt
~Mr. Uecker~*

Reminder: ALL students in grades 1-8 will be walking to Wisco for the Marching Band performance tomorrow morning. Be sure to dress for the weather! Current forecast is....

**"Partly sunny and cold!"
High of 43 degrees.**



WELSSA Announces the Exemplary Accreditation of St. John's Ev. Lutheran School

The Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod School Accreditation (WELSSA) is pleased to announce the exemplary accreditation of St. John's Ev. Lutheran School in Wauwatosa, WI.

St. John's Ev. Lutheran School has proven compliance with WELSSA's educational standards and is a member in good standing. "We are pleased to congratulate St. John's Ev. Lutheran School for its dedication and efforts during the self-study process, and its commitment to continuous school improvement," remarked Tom Plitzuweit, WELSSA's executive director.

Schools working towards accreditation must complete a comprehensive self-study, host a site visit team of educators outside the school every five years, and develop and implement a school improvement plan to maintain accreditation. The school files an annual report detailing their progress in meeting their goals and staying in compliance with the WELSSA standards. WELSSA is a member in good standing of the National Council on Private School Accreditation (NCPSA).

Wisconsin Lutheran High School 2018 Report Card

Wisconsin Lutheran High School has also received exemplary accreditation thru WELSSA / NCPSA.

Usher Assistants

Each week students in grades 5-8, whose families are members of St. John's Church, are assigned to hand out "News and Notes" following the 8am and 10:30am services. The children are to go to the rear of the church during the announcements and the ushers will give them these handouts. The names will be printed each week in the *Chronicle*. If you will not be at church on your assigned Sunday or time, it is your responsibility to find a substitute.

	SUNDAY SERVICES	
	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
October 14	Elsa Gregory Nora Gregory	Ally Rhyner Lexi Siegmund
October 21	Kaylie McEvoy Eden Rader	Noah Fritz Sam Goede

Quick Crusader Links

[School Handouts & Parent Resources](#)
[October Activity Calendar](#)
[Hot Lunch Menu & EFT Payment Request](#)
[Crusader Athletics](#)
[St. John's News & Notes](#)



Each week the *Chronicle* will contain this "Preparing for Sunday" section. The passages listed will be the readings for the Saturday/Sunday services. It is our hope that each of you will set aside time to read and prepare personally or as a family for Sunday worship services.

Saturday/Sunday Scripture Readings

The scripture readings for this week's services are:

The First Lesson: **2 Kings 5:14-27**

Psalms 90

The Second Lesson: **Hebrews 13:1-6**

The Gospel Lesson: **Mark 10:17-27**

Sermon theme: *Take Up the Savior's Call: with contentment*



It's not too late to join us as we learn to practice effective Bible study

methods. Pick up a copy of *Living by the Book Workbook* by Howard Hendricks and William Hendricks and join us Wednesday mornings from 8:30 to 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Fellowship begins at 8:00 and childcare is available. Contact Monica Gnat at monicagnat@sbcglobal.net or 414-774-6180 for more information. (NOTE: there is a book and a workbook. We are using the workbook. It is available at various retailers, including Amazon.

Bedtime Blessings

Wednesday, October 24th, 6:00pm

Join us for a Candy Land themed Bedtime Blessings: The Path to Jesus is So Sweet! This is a gathering of family fellowship for our childcare, preschool, kindergarten, and 1st grade families. It is on October 24th at 6 PM. All siblings are welcome to come. We have a fun night planned with bedtime stories, music, crafts, games and devotion with a special SWEET snack. Parents will have a chance to browse and purchase family devotion materials while children are playing a life-sized Candy Land game! Children can come dressed for bedtime. RSVP by October 12th to dana.leyrer@sjtosa.org to help us plan accordingly.



St. John's families, friends and neighbors are invited.....

St. John's Family Fall Festival Sunday, October 21st, 1:00-4:00

...Trunk or Treat...Games
...Food...Family Fun...



Volunteers Needed for Fall Festival

Volunteers are needed for Fall Festival on Sunday, 10/21! Anything from set up to hosting a trunk for Trunk or Treat to helping run games and crafts - We need you! Please use this link <http://signup.com/go/DiPAitZ> to sign up for the time slot(s) that best fit your schedule that day. Feel free to email Kerry Ognenoff (kognenoff@gmail.com) with any questions.

Serving Together 1st Semester Mission Project

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring the Good News."

Isaiah 52:7, Romans 10:15



The collection for this past weekend was \$32.27. There are 12 collection weekends left to go. Keep up the good work!

Food Pantry

Thank you to Miss Treder and her 3rd graders for sponsoring the October collection last week. The big box looked nice and full.



Both Mrs. A's and Mrs. Leyrer's Kindergartens are sponsoring the November collection for the Food Pantry on Nov. 3-4. Watch for boxes near the Kindergarten rooms to collect non-perishable non-glass items for the Food Pantry.

Soles for Jesus – Shoe Drive

During the month of October, your donated shoes will change lives in Africa! We are collecting shoes for this Milwaukee-based non-profit in the church narthex and at school. All sizes and types (men's, women's, children's), new or lovingly worn, are welcome. Questions may be directed to Yvonne Quint (262-790-5716) or Cindy Kuehn (414-534-1379). Also see attachment.



MADACC & St. John's LGP

St. John's Lutheran Girl Pioneers will be hosting a presentation and some furry visitors from MADACC

(Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission) at their Tuesday, October 16th meeting. Attached is a letter for our LGP parents which also includes a Fall Wishlist of items that this program is in need of.

Anyone interested in donating any of the following items to this worthy cause, please bring them to school on Tuesday, or to the LGP meeting on Tuesday evening. (The attached Wishlist also has information on how you can shop & donate online, if you prefer.) The MADACC thanks you for your support.

- Unopened bags of dry dog food (Purina Dog Chow preferred)
- Unopened bags of dry and canned cat food (Purina preferred)
- Unopened wet and dry kitten food (Pate type preferred)
- Towels
- Kongs and Nylabones
- Cat toys (plastic ball type toys, washable fabric stuffed cat toys)
- Cat carriers
- Cat litter (non-clumping)
- Cleaning supplies (dryer sheets, paper towels, garbage bags, Swiffer Wet mop sheets, vinegar glass cleaner)
- Hand sanitizer



Lutheran Girl Pioneers

Up-coming Dates:

* Tues, Oct. 16th, 6-7:30pm,
MADACC visitors & Pumpkin decorating (**could use some parent volunteers!!**)

* Tues, Nov. 6th, 6-7:30pm

Lutheran Boy Pioneers



Up-coming Dates:

- Monday, October 15th, 6:30-8:00pm,
Conservation/Hunting
- Saturday, October 27th,
morning, Fall Hike at
Schlitz Audubon



7th and 8th Grade Forensics Festival

The forensics season for the 7th & 8th graders is HERE! Forensics is part of the upper grade curriculum for all students. If students would like to take their piece to competition, they may choose to participate in the Forensics Festival. The Forensics Festival will be at WLHS on Saturday, November 3rd. A participation form was sent home with your child today. **PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THE FORENSICS COMPETITION PARTICIPATION FORM BY FRIDAY, OCT. 12!**

The students are working hard and making progress. Parents can support their student by listening to the selections at home and asking about improvements they are working on in school. Thank you for investing your time and effort with your child!

Please contact Mrs. Christine Rindfleisch (chririndfleisch@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns. Thanks!

Hot Lunch Program

You can access St. John's Hot Lunch Menu & EFT payment info at:

[Hot Lunch Menu & EFT Payment Request](#)



Advent By Candlelight

Sunday, December 2 – Mark your calendars for Advent by Candlelight! Ladies, please

consider assisting the ABC committee in hosting a table for our annual event at 1:30 p.m. in the school gym. Hostesses provide table settings, holiday decorations, candles, and a dessert for a table of 8 or 12 ladies. Many partner with one or two others to host a table. It is lots of fun and requires only a few hours of your time for planning, baking (or buying) a dessert, and decorating. Please fill out the registration form at www.sjtosa.org/ABC or e-mail Julie Handeland at sjtosa.abc@gmail.com if you can host a table this year or need more information before committing.

Wauwatosa Health Dept.

Flu Shot Clinics

Thursday, October 11th, 3:00-5:30pm

Thursday, November 15th, 3:00-5:30pm

The Wauwatosa Health Dept. is offering free flu shots for children (ages 6 months – 18 years) on Thursday, October 11th from 3-5:30pm, \$30 for adults while supplies last at Wauwatosa City Hall - Lower Level Civic Center. For more info, contact the Wauwatosa Health Dept. at 414-479-8936.

Childcare News

Please remember to fill out the survey link for October 25th, 26th and November 2nd if you haven't done so already. The deadline is October 12th. After the deadline, we will accept reservations based on space available.



A big thank you to all those who donated items, money, or artistic talent to our fundraiser for military service members. We were able to send care packages to Hawaii, North Carolina, and Virginia.

Childcare Reservations for Oct. 25, 26 and Nov. 2

There is no school on October 25th, 26th and November 2nd. If you will need childcare on any of these days off of school, please follow the link below to submit your needs for childcare. Please note that if this is a normally scheduled day for your child, you must still fill out the survey, so we have an accurate count. Deadline for reservations is October 12th.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/X9X9BXR>

Employment Opportunity

St. John's is currently seeking applications for the position of Childcare Director. This is a year-round, full-time, salaried position with benefits. For a complete job description, application and to upload a resume, visit www.sjtosa.org/employment. For questions, contact Principal Uecker (Scott.Uecker@sjtosa.org). Interviews will begin Monday, October 8.

Piano Lessons

with Mrs. Wilke

Piano lessons are in full swing! My students impress me more and more every week. Some are learning their first songs on the piano and some are challenging themselves every week. Keep up the great work!

~Mrs. Wilke



Snow Removal

Plans are underway for the coming winter months for snow removal and salting of the church and school parking lots and sidewalks. Work needs to be completed by 7:00 a.m. on weekdays and Sundays, and by 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays. As in the past, a contract will be arranged to cover the needs for the winter season. If you are interested in bidding for the contract or have any recommendations or suggestions for a snow removal service, please contact Dan Schmal (dan.schmal@sjtosa.org) or the church office (church@sjtosa.org).



K3 Update

We are learning about fall and harvest time. We are enjoying stories that the children share about fun things to do with/in leaves and going to a pumpkin farm and/or apple orchard. Fall projects/decorations will continue to be the focus at craft time. We have a tree bulletin board with handprinted fall colored leaves to help the children recognize their first name. The apple bulletin board will help us identify our whole name and say the letters in our name. We will create some wonderful pumpkins with paper that the children cut independently. We are continually working to build our fine motor skills. We are also working hard to color neatly staying in the lines while holding our crayon or marker correctly.

We have been exploring the world of musical instruments trying to find our rhythm. The children enjoy using our rhythm sticks and other percussion instruments to enhance songs we already know and learn some new ones.

During Jesus time we have been learning how God loved Jacob even though he sinned. God promised to be with Jacob always and send Jesus, the Savior to take away sin. The children colored a mini-book of the story, Jacob's Beautiful Dream.

Serving Jesus and His Lambs,

Mrs. Henning



Last week, the MwM participants were 'At the Farm'. Everyone was able to finger paint a muddy pig and make a barn and animals to play with at home using the 'Hello, Farm' rhyme. The story,

Mrs. Wishy Washy's Farm, was very silly because the animals didn't want to be clean and ran away to the city.

The MwM theme was Harvest Time: Apples, Corn, and Gourds. The children were able to rake some leaves, toss apples into a basket, and play in sensory table filled with corn. It was fun making colorful autumn headbands, Fingerprinted Apple Trees, and a Corn craft. During the 'Turkey Feathers' song, the children were able to attach feathers to friend Tom turkey. The story, Thanks for Thanksgiving, reminded us of our many blessings, especially our family.

Mornings with Mommy will be opening online registration (www.sjtosa.org) for the winter session on Nov. 1. Each week will feature a new theme with age-appropriate activities for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. The program costs \$35 for the 8 week session or you may choose the \$5/week fee. MwM starts at 8:15am and ends at 9:45am. The dates for the winter session are January 9,16,23,30 and February 6, 13, 20, 27. Spread the word! Invite your friends and neighbors with young children!

Crusader Athletics

Go to www.sjtosaathletics.org to view updated schedules for all Crusader sports (practices, games & tournaments).



Soccer News: The soccer team won their game against St. Jacobi in the first round of the playoffs this past Tuesday with a score of 6-1. The boys had some impressive passing and teamwork. The Crusaders face St. Marcus this afternoon at 4:00 at Rainbow Park. If they win, the team will play for the championship on Sunday afternoon. Let's finish strong!

~Coach Rindfleisch



B-Team Volleyball News: Our B-team finished 3rd in their pool play last Saturday at the Christ Big Bend tournament. They finished the day with a 6th place trophy. They did great, considering we lost different players throughout the day to various other sports and try-outs. They have improved so much this season and have been a fantastic group of girls to work with. Thank you to Mr. Ognenoff who has done a great job helping us in practices and at the tournaments. This week will wrap up our season for the B-Team. The girls will be playing in their last tournament on Saturday at St. Paul's Muskego. Their first game is at 9am against Garden Homes. Good Luck Crusaders!

~Coach Leyrer



A-Team Volleyball News: The A-team will also be playing on Saturday at their conference tournament. They are at Star of Bethlehem. Their first game is at 10:30 against St. Marcus. Good Luck Lady Crusaders. Next week they will be traveling to Kathy's House for their team community service project. They will be making and serving a meal to the residents there. The girls raised \$350 at their bake sale. This money will be used to buy our supplies for our meal. The rest of the money will be donated to Kathy's House. Thank you for your support! Way to let your light shine Crusaders!

~Coach Leyrer and Coach Treichel



