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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 September 6-16, 2018		
9/6	Th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15-9:30am <i>Mornings with Mommy</i> Handbells w/Mrs. Handeland Piano w/Mrs. Bortulin 4:15pm Soccer @ St. Jacobi Volleyball (B/A) @ Atonement 6-8pm WLHS Grade School Band Open House 6-8pm WLHS Children's Choir Auditions
9/7	Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spirit Wear Sale Extended to Sunday, Sept 9
9/8	Sat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NO Saturday Worship Services
9/9	Sun	<p>UNITY SUNDAY</p> <p>9:00am Worship Service</p> <p>K5 to Grade 8 sing</p> <p>11:59pm Crusader Spirit Wear Sale Ends!!</p>
9/10	Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Piano w/Mrs. Wilke Guitar w/Mr. Krellwitz Violin w/Mrs. Buschkopf 6-8pm WLHS Grade School Band Open House 6-8pm WLHS Children's Choir Auditions
9/11	Tue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Piano w/Mrs. Wilke Guitar w/Mr. Krellwitz 4:15 Soccer vs Muskego @ Rainbow Park
9/12	Wed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15 Children's Chapel 8:15 RIBS Piano w/Mrs. Bortulin Star CC Meet @ Malone Park
9/13	Th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15-9:30am Mornings with Mommy Handbells w/Mrs. Handeland Piano w/Mrs. Bortulin 4:15pm Soccer @ St. Jacobi Volleyball (B/A) @ Atonement 6-8pm WLHS Grade School Band Open House 6-8pm WLHS Children's Choir Auditions
9/14	Fri	SCHOOL PICTURE DAY 📷!
9/15	Sat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30pm Evening Worship w/communion 7:00pm Worship in Chinese
9/16	Sun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 & 10:30 Worship w/communion 8am Grade 3 sings 10:30am Grade 4 sings 9:15 Sunday School & Bible Class

Crusader Spirit Wear Sale
Just in...Sale Extended to
11:59pm, Sunday, Sept. 9th!



From the Principal's Desk

Greetings,

Unity Sunday is the big thing for this week. The school will be singing as part of the worship service and we hope you will be part of the unifying feeling on Sunday, Sept. 9th at 9:00am.

Today we begin a **new program led by Mrs. Henning** for Moms and their young children who are not part of our Preschool program. This program of parent/child activities lasts about an hour and a half for a series of Thursdays. There will be a series of sessions over the course of the school year. Please email Mrs. Henning for more information or to suggest names we might contact to include in our program.

We have some **new faces** that will be introduced in this edition of the Crusader Chronicle or in the Fall Lamplighter. On Wednesday you received a Lamplighter from church that gave you a great set of bios on two of our new faces, Mrs. Patty Schwabe (Childcare) and Mrs. Christina Wilke (piano). Also, as part of our Childcare program, three former students, Hannah Leyrer (WLC), Vanessa Hoene (WCTC) and Grace Rindfleisch (WLHS) are assisting in supervision of our afterschool program. Libby Edelmeyer (WLC) is our new group leader of the afterschool program. Our thanks for great work go out to Anna Pollesch and Anna Johnson as they leave to begin college.

Do you know anyone needing **Childcare**? We have room so please invite them to tour our program.

Mr. and Mrs. Allerheiligen have shared their intent to **retire** at the end of this school year with our congregation leadership. Mr. A began teaching in 1974 and will complete his teaching ministry in May of 2019. He came to St. John's in 2001 and Mrs. A was called to St. John's in 2005. Thank you for two lifetimes of service to His church and decades of service to the ministry at St. John's.

See you Sunday for church at 9:00!!!!

~Mr. Uecker~

Quick Crusader Links

- [School Handouts & Parent Resources](#)
- [September Activity Calendar](#)
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Crusader Spirit Wear Sale

Want to show your St. John's spirit? The Crusader Spirit Wear Sale is up and running through On-Time Tees. Crusader t-shirts, hoodies, performance-wear and hats are available in adult and child sizes. This sale is for all members and friends of St. John's school and congregation. **Order your gear online thru 11:59pm on Sunday, September 9th.**



Go to: [Crusader Spirit Wear Orders](#)

Items will be delivered to school by September 28th. Samples will be displayed in the school commons thru Unity Sunday. Please contact Mary Ban at mary.ban@ge.com for more information.



Unity Sunday September 9th K5-8 Children Singing

The students in K5-8 will sing for our Unity Sunday service on Sunday, September 9, at 9:00 a.m. The students should arrive in the gym to sit with their class on the bleachers by 8:55 a.m. Following the service, parents are asked to come to the bleachers to get their children. May the Lord bless our singing to his glory!

Come and worship together on this Unity Sunday, a day to remind us of the unity we share in Christ.

Usher Assistants

UNITY SERVICE 9:00 AM		
September 9 (Unity Sunday)	Chloe Campbell Cecilia Brown	John Handeland Noel Greene
SUNDAY SERVICES		
	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
September 16	Jacob Alejandro Jeremiah Alejandro	Kon Knueppel Jonny Moll
September 23	Sarah Laufer Annika Laufer	Kaylee Zimmer Isabella Lovelace

Serving Together 1st Semester Mission Project

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

Isaiah 52:7, Romans 10:15



Our mission effort for the 1st semester is a two-prong effort:

The 1st \$1000 received will go to our Teen's Mission to help with VBS at Illumine Lutheran Church, in Rock Hill, SC, and Cross of Life, in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. This will be our teens' 5th year sharing the love of Jesus through this mission.

The 2nd \$1000 received will to the Lighthouse Youth Center. This center has two centers in our city and is opening a third.

How do I contribute to these missions? You are probably already doing that. When your child(ren) put their envelope in the collection plate, that money goes to the mission. As of August 19th, we have \$270.98 in contributions.

There will also be special ways to contribute during CES Fall Festival and our Christmas gifts. Watch for details closer to those times. Watch our Mission Board outside the gym for updates!



Preparing for Sunday

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: **Isaiah 35:4-7a**

The Second Lesson: **James 1:17-27**

The Gospel Lesson: **Mark 7:31-37**

Sermon theme: *United in Christ*

RIBS

Renewed and Inspired by Our Savior

...a Bible study group for women

who want to deepen their faith and strengthen their walk with their Savior

Have you ever felt a twinge of guilt about not getting full enjoyment out of personal Bible study? Do you wonder how some people percolate with enthusiasm over the same passages you've read time and time again – unmoved? What's their secret? Practicing effective Bible study methods.

Join us Wednesday mornings from 8:30 to 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Our new study started on **September 5th**. Contact Monica Gnat at 414-774-6180 or monicagnat@sbcglobal.net for more information.

Food Pantry

Fifth grade with Miss Leverage will be the leaders for our September collection for the Food Pantry. The box for this collection will be in school for Unity Sunday on September 9. Non-perishables are needed. (Please no glass jars.) You can keep the donations in the plastic or paper grocery bags to put them into the box. (It's easier to get the items back out of the box.) Monetary contributions are also accepted. There is a clear box marked for that purpose near the large box.

ST. JOHN'S SHOE DRIVE

**DID YOUR CHILDREN
OUTGROW THEIR SHOES THIS SUMMER?
GYM SHOES NO LONGER FIT?**



Your donated shoes will change lives in Africa! We will be collecting shoes for Soles for Jesus (Milwaukee based non-profit) during **October** in the church narthex and at school. All sizes and types (men's, women's, children's) accepted. Please contact Cindy Kuehn at 414-534-1379 with questions.



African Missionary Presentation

8:15am, Thursday, September 13th

On Thursday, September 13th at 8:15am, Missionary John Roebke will be at St. John's to share his experiences of serving as the Director of Communications for *One Africa Team*. Missionary Roebke and his wife Nancy have been living in Malawi since June 2017 and currently reside in the city of Blantyre.

Missionary Roebke works closely with the Publications committee of the Lutheran Church of Central Africa – Malawi Synod to produce and distribute books and tracts. In addition, he is responsible for coordinating publications efforts across Africa with the WELS Multi-Language Publications Committee (MLP). This past summer, MLP underwrote a Translators Workshop that was held in Lusaka, Zambia. 24 participants from 8 countries spent two weeks gleaning valuable insights from Dr. Ernst R. Wendland into the art of communicating across cultural and linguistic barriers.

As a member of *One Africa Team*, Missionary Roebke oversees the social media and communications ministry for WELS missions in Africa. He manages a missions blog called "WELS Friends of Africa." Visit www.oneafricateam.com to sign up for weekly updates. You can also follow WELS Africa missions on Facebook at "One Africa Team."

Both John and Nancy Roebke are graduates of Fox Valley Lutheran HS ('86). The Roebkes served as WELS missionaries in Eastern Europe from 1994-2003. They have also served congregations in Wisconsin and Alabama and have two daughters who live in the United States.

School Doors

A reminder that the school doors, both mid and lower level doors will be opened at 7:40am each morning. Children arriving prior to 7:40am should check in to Childcare. Please contact childcare@sjtosa.org for more information.



Late Arrivals

If your child arrives at school after the 8:00am bell, please bring them in to the school office on the main level and sign the Tardy Log which is on the front counter. Your child will receive a slip that they will present to their teacher upon entering the classroom. Thank you!

School Picture Day

Friday, September 14

Individual **school pictures** will be taken **Friday, September 14.**



- Picture Envelopes will be sent home with students on Monday/Tuesday of next week. ALL students need to bring the "order form packet" to school on Friday, whether you are ordering pictures or not (they are labeled and bar-coded).
- If you want to order pictures you may either complete the form and include payment Monday, or order online (follow instructions on the packet). If you ordered online, attach the receipt to the order packet and send it with your child on Friday.

If you have a Childcare or K3 student not in school on Friday, the re-take day for pictures will be Tuesday, October 23. You may wish to bring your child on Friday, but you do not need to make a special trip. If your child is in Childcare on that Friday morning, the Childcare staff is willing to take children for pictures, but please email childcare@sjtosa.org to make arrangements.

Childcare News

Is your child in piano, volleyball, soccer, cross country? Please let us know of any changes to your child's after school childcare schedule! Email: childcare@sjtosa.org



Meet Our Childcare Staff

Full-time Staff:

Mrs. Patty Schwabe, Director
Mrs. Corinne Paul, Lead Teacher
Ms. Alex Scheibe, Childcare Aide

Part-time Staff:

Ms. Elizabeth Adelmeyer
Mrs. Julie Campbell
Mr. Mike George
Mrs. Kathy Greenfield
Ms. Vanessa Hoene
Ms. Hannah Leyrer
Ms. Grace Rindfleisch
Ms. Mary Rindfleisch
Mrs. Naomi Stein

We welcome Elizabeth Adelmeyer, Vanessa Hoene, Hannah Leyrer. Hannah and Elizabeth attend Wisconsin Lutheran College, Vanessa attends Waukesha County Technical College, and Grace attends Wisconsin Lutheran High School. Hannah, Vanessa, and Elizabeth will be here 3 days per week, and Grace will be here every day. We said goodbye to Mrs. Morgan Schuppe over the summer. We thank Morgan for her 3 years at St. John's and wish her many blessings in the future.



Blood Drive Tuesday, September 18

One in three people relies on a blood transfusion at some point in their life. You can be a hero to your community and beyond by donating blood at our upcoming blood drive for the

Blood Center of Wisconsin in the school Commons from 2:00-6:30 p.m. Please [click here](#) or call 1-877-232-4376 to make an appointment. Questions may be directed to [Jessica Strautmann](#) or call 414-241-8184. Donate blood in September and be automatically entered to win a tailgate package to see the Green & Gold at Lambeau Field.

Wisconsin Lutheran Children's Choir

The Wisconsin Lutheran Children's Choir (WLCC) has a long history of praising our Lord through quality literature. The choir is open to all 3 (mature) -8 grade boys and girls with **unchanged** voices. For more information, the full schedule, and to register, click [here](#). [Read More](#)

Hot Lunch Program

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

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

Starting this week, emails will be sent out if your account balance falls below \$15 as a reminder to add funds to your family account. Account deposits and lunches used are posted on Fridays each week. Your account balance may be obtained by emailing school@sjtosa.org.



Presidential Physical Fitness Testing

The date for Presidential Fitness will be Tuesday, September 25th, 2018. The event will begin at 8:15am. An email went to volunteers that signed up on Registration Day. If you are able to volunteer your time, please contact Mr. Duncan (andrew.duncan@sjtosa.org) Volunteers should arrive at St. John's by 8:00am so Mr. Duncan can go over the events and answer any questions or address any concerns. This will be a fun-packed day and the event should wrap up around 11:30am. Thank you for volunteering for this event. (Mrs. Schmidt heard there might be coffee/juice and cinnamon rolls involved for the volunteers! 😊)



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

This year's fall festival will be held on **Sunday, October 21**. Mark your calendars and come in costume for Trunk or Treat, plus join in tons of fall games, crafts, food and family fun!

Meet our Piano Teachers...



Mrs. Sarah Bortulin is teaching piano lessons at St. John's on Wednesdays and Thursdays...

Sarah Bortulin is in her 15th year of teaching piano lessons. Her week is spent traveling to various St. John's around the area. On Mondays, she is the Spanish teacher at St. John's in Burlington. On Tuesdays, she

is the piano teacher at St. John's in Mukwonago. Wednesdays and Thursdays are spent in Wauwatosa. Sarah is the mother of five girls, ages 6-14 and is married to Pastor John Bortulin. They live in Mukwonago, where Sarah serves as a music director and organist.



Mrs. Christina Wilke will be teaching piano lessons at St. John's on Mondays and Tuesdays, starting on September 10th...

"Hello! I'm Christina Wilke. I am 23 years old, and my husband and I live in Mequon, Wisconsin. My husband is in his final year of school at

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Thiensville. I have played both the piano & the violin since I was four years old. In the past 19 years I have enjoyed playing in orchestras, small group settings, playing at weddings, and playing for church services. I am so excited to use both my love for music & working with children to serve as a piano teacher at St. John's. I can't wait to meet all of you!"

Piano Lessons at St. John's

Piano with Mrs. Bortulin:

It's great to be back at piano lessons. For some, it was a nice review to get back into playing, and for others it was a great continuation of what they worked on this summer. As we get back into the school routine, remember to talk about your schedules at home and help the students identify regular practice times so they can continue to grow this year.

My encouragement to the kids this week was to always set their assignment folders out when they are practicing. I don't expect them to remember everything I tell them, and often times I write very specific things in their folders. Check to see if they are looking there. Many of them are off to a great start finding practice time. Thanks for your encouragement at home! ~Mrs. Bortulin

Piano with Mrs. Wilke:

I'm so excited to meet all of my students! It will be a great year of learning and growing. As Mrs. Bortulin said, it will be important to establish a practice schedule right off the bat, so we can make the most out of our year. Excited to start lessons! ~Mrs. Wilke



Looking for Trunks!

We are looking for fun and creative families to decorate and host trunks for the Trunk or Treat event. If you're interested or have questions, email Kerry Ognenoff at KOgnenoff@gmail.com. Candy will be provided.



Join the Band!

Open House & Registration Nights

Wisco's Grade School Band Registration Nights coming up this **Thursday, Sep. 6 and Monday, Sep. 10 from 6-8pm**. These are the two nights where your NEW band students (in grades 5-8) can come over to WLHS, try ALL the instruments, meet the teachers, rent an instrument, get all the info, and sign up for band.

Guitar Lessons

Guitar lessons are being offered at St. John's with instructor Chris Krellwitz. If you are interested in registering your child, please contact Chris Krellwitz directly (ph: 262-617-8771, or email: chris.krellwitz@gmail.com)



Chris has more than 15 years of professional teaching experience and he is excited to begin his 7th year of guitar lessons at St. John's.

Violin Lessons

Ms. Megan Buschkopf will be offering violin lessons at St. John's. Please contact her directly at mbuschkopf@gmail.com.



Tailgate Party with Wisco Vikings School Families Invited, September 21st

Wisconsin Lutheran High School is honoring their Preschool thru grade 12 partnership by sponsoring a tailgate party before the Vikings vs. Milwaukee Lutheran football game on September 21st. Prior to the game, boys and girls of all ages will get to pass and catch on the turf of Raabe Field. It is a lot of space for a lot of fun. The field will be divided so three activities can happen at the same time. One section will feature kids up to grade 2. The middle section will have grades 3-5. Grades 6-8 will be on the north end of the turf. "Field Fun" begins at 5:15 and will continue until 5:45. Admittance to the Viking game will be provided! Hot dogs and chips will be served at 6 and there will be some drawings for prizes for the kids! The party will be on the northeast end of the stadium. **Please RSVP to wlhs.org/tailgate before Thursday September 20th.**

Wisco Jr Vikings Programs

WLHS has a number of Jr. Vikings programs which you may want to look into for your grade school children. Go to [Jr Viking Athletic Updates](#)



K3 Update

The K3 students are adjusting to the flow of our day. Each child is becoming more secure with using the bathroom, putting their folder and backpack away when they arrive, and being dropped off at school. We are getting to know each other through play and our circle time activities. The children are working on new skills while making art projects, manipulating play dough, and building pre-writing skills, as well as enjoying other learning centers in our classroom.

Our Bible lesson taught us about all the wonderful things God created with His almighty power and His Word. God made it all for us because he loves us. We sang about his great love and thanked Him for giving us everything we need. The K3 students enjoyed reading the creation book they made and hopefully shared it with you.

We also learned about the plants and seeds that God created for us to enjoy. We loved using a variety of beans in our sensory table to scoop, pour, and feel. We have started a science experiment with the beans. The children are looking for bean sprouts every day. A new song, "I'm a Little Seed," and a chant, "This is My Garden," help us remember that plants need sunlight, water, and dirt to grow. The children worked on drawing their own garden picture which is displayed in the hallway.

ALERT! Parents, please remember to sign your child into Preschool as you drop them off! The Sign-In Binder is located on the counter by the window. When picking up, you also need to sign the children out of Preschool. Thank you for taking care to sign your child in and out of school.

ALERT! School pictures have been moved to Friday, Sept. 14!

Serving Jesus and His lambs,

Mrs. Henning

2018 Warriors Attack Academy

Oct. 21, Nov. 11, Dec. 2 (1:30-4:00pm) at WLC

The Wisconsin Lutheran College men's basketball program will be hosting the Warriors Attack Academy this fall. This is a fantastic opportunity for every level of player grades 1-8 looking to improve their basketball skills in addition to achieving individual and team goals. The camp staff includes the coaching staff and current Warriors players. All sessions will be held inside WLC's Recreation Complex.

The camp will provide young boys with the best basketball environment regardless of their level of play. We work with players of all abilities and have a curriculum to fit each individual with a training program based upon their skill level. This camp will feature group activities, as well as time for discussion to advance understanding of the game.

We hope you can help disseminate the information to anyone who may be interested. More information is below, and the flyer is attached.

Camp Information:

<http://mensbasketball.wlcsportscamps.com/warriors-attack-academy.cfm>

Babysitter Directory

We are once again printing a Babysitting Directory for all St. John's families who may be in need of babysitting services. Any students in 6th, 7th and 8th grade who would like to be included in this directory and have not yet handed in the information form, please turn it in to the school office. Extra copies of the form can be found on the table outside the school office.



Important Forms

If you have not already done so, the following items need to be turned to the school office immediately:

- Emergency Contact Card (green)
- Social Media/Internet Acceptance Policy Form (signed by students and parents.) BOTH SIDES
- Commitment to Handbook Policy Form
- Background check forms
- Updates for immunization records
- K5 Eye Exam Form



TosaFest Chili & Cupcake Challenge Saturday, Sept. 8th

We need chili and cupcake entries for the TosaFest Chili & Cupcake Challenge, which is hosted by St. John's. [Click here](#) to sign up. For contest details [click here](#). Questions may be directed to [Jim Schneider](#). Teens can earn mission trip volunteer hours by helping to sell the chili and cupcakes on Saturday following the judging. Teens, contact [Pastor Bitter](#) to volunteer.

Mornings with Mommy

We're thrilled that St. John's new educational program for infants - preschoolers and their caregivers began this week! Eighteen registration spots were filled by mid-August for the first 6-week session of Mornings with Mommy. The children and their caregivers enjoyed circle time which offered the opportunity to play, listen to a story, music/movement, and learn a song. The theme for this week was Shapes and Colors. The children made abstract Shape Art by stamping painted shapes on paper. Some of their art is displayed in the K3 hallway. Come check it out! Shape Books were available to color, cut, and glue in the craft area. A shape/color bean bag toss game was enjoyed in the gross motor skills area. The sensory bin contained rice, colored foam shapes, and scooping equipment. Other activities offered were play doh, Farmer's Market Fruit and Veggie sorting, colorful lacing beads, lacing shape cards, sensory bottles, rainbow stacking cups, cars and legos. The Mornings with Mommy session ended with clean up, music, and a snack. It was a fantastic morning!

Crusader Athletics

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



Soccer: On Thursday August 30th, the soccer team won their first game against Mt. Calvary with a score of 3 - 1. Goals were scored by Micah Buske, Finley Buege, and Logan Rindfleisch.

After one wet and rainy practice, the team is ready to face St. Jacobi this Thursday at 5:00pm. **THE GAME WILL BE PLAYED AT ST. PAUL'S MUSKEGO - (WEATHER PERMITTING).** On Tuesday, September 11th, the boys will play a 4:15 game against St. Paul's Muskego at Rainbow Park. Come cheer the boys on to victory! **GO CRUSADERS!**

Cross Country: Cross country practices are underway and with about 40 runners it will be a fun season! The first meet was canceled this past week due to weather. The Star CC Meet will take place next Wednesday, September 12th at Malone Park. Go Crusaders!

Volleyball: The volleyball season is under way and the Lady Crusaders are looking forward to their first game today, September 6, at Atonement Lutheran. We have two B-team games at 4:30 and 5:30. The A-team game begins at 6:30. Come on out and cheer your Crusaders on to victory! ~Coach Leyrer and Coach Treichel