



# TRIP

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## CANNED FOOD DRIVE; BRING YOUR CANNED GOODS IN!

St. Paul's School's annual canned food drive started November 1st and runs through December. Hunger knows no season! St. Paul's Human Care Board donates food to approximately 21 families every 2 months. The food pantry is needing canned meats, such as tuna & chicken, tomato sauce & canned tomatoes, soups, canned fruits & vegetables, hot & cold cereals, jello, pudding and non-perishable items such as foil, and plastic wrap. Please drop off donated items in the barrel in the atrium downtown or in the red box in the lobby of the school.



## EARN FREE LUNCH MONEY OR EXTENDED CARE MONEY WHILE PURCHASING YOUR GIFT CARDS FROM TRIP AT ST. PAUL'S!

Let us help you do your holiday shopping! Everyone loves gift cards! See Julie Salzman for your order today! You can reach her by phone at 815-530-7320.

**Last order to guarantee that it is here by Christmas is Monday, December 13th at 8:30AM.**

We do have a large inventory, but quantities are limited so be sure to place by Monday. You can always order from the app RaiseRight to get your trip orders for immediate download. It only takes a few minutes to set up. Stay safe and shop online! TRIP earns money for your school account as well as St. Paul's! Happy Shopping! New vendors Big Lots, Circle K, Casey's, Harley Davidson, Doordash, and Instacart!

**CHAPEL**-Chapel is Wednesday at 8:30AM. Our Chapel offering for the month of December will be donated to a local family in need. The Beedle family has both Annebelle, 5, and Abigail, 1, that have Batten Disease, a very rare terminal illness. Batten disease is a fatal type of genetic nervous system disorder. This disease causes a decline in thinking ability, functional ability, loss of vision and seizures. They currently are travelling to Ohio monthly and weekly to Luries Children's Hospital to have treatments to slow the disease. Even with insurance, not everything is covered with the frequent travels.

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to all who helped make St. Paul's Book Fair a success. Whether you helped set up, ran the register, fluffed and straightened the merchandise, helped pack up, or offered advice and encouragement, your time and efforts are greatly appreciated. Blessings, Terri Jones

**CHRISTMAS BREAK/EARLY DISMISSAL** We are on Christmas Break from December 20th to January 3rd. December 20th is a early dismissal at 11:15 PK and 11:30 K-8, and there is **NO** afternoon extended care available.

## UPCOMING DATES

Dec 16	Christmas Event
Dec 17	Early Dismissal 11:30K-8, 11:15 PK No Afternoon Extended Care
Dec 20– Jan 3	Christmas Break
Jan 4	Classes Resume
Jan 4	Re-Enrollment for current students begins
Jan 6	Enrollment Open House 5-6:30PM
Jan 10	Members and Siblings Enrollment
Jan 17	Martin Luther King Day No School
Jan 18	Open Enrollment for the public

## ST. PAUL'S ANNUAL SPRING AUCTION DONATIONS

St. Paul's Lutheran School PTL is hosting our annual Spring Auction and Pork Chop Dinner on Saturday, March 12, 2022. The silent auction will begin online March 4, 2022, and end at 7 pm on March 12, 2022, during the live dinner. The auction committee is well underway working on this event! If you work for or own a business that would be interested in donating a basket, service, or giving a sponsorship or advertisement, please let Mrs. Meyer or Mrs. Rahn in the office know, and we will work with you to get this done and also provide the proper paperwork for tax benefits! If you have a talent to share, we would also love to get some great handmade products or experiences for the Auction! All donors will receive advertisement for their donation on our Auction website, and our *Thank You Video* that will run on our school website and Facebook page from March 4th-March 12th and during the Pork Chop dinner event on March 12th. Our goal is to raise \$20,000. All proceeds for the event will be used to provide teaching supplies for our teachers and rubber mulch for our large playground. All donations are due February 7th, 2022. Thank you!



### PARKING NOTICE

Please take notice in the parking lot, there are two spots that are designated for the two families that have bought them at the last Spring Auction. They are clearly labeled

with a white sign next to disabled parking. Even if the spot is empty, it does not mean it is open to everyone else. Please be courteous and avoid parking there if you have not paid for the spot.



## Kindergarten through 8th Grade Parents,

I have good news and bad news. First of all, we will not be having a school Christmas concert this year.

Because Covid regulations are still in place, we did not feel comfortable having a concert.

Now, I have good news to balance that bit of information. We will still have an outdoor Christmas event at our school complete with Christmas carols, hot chocolate, cookies, and Christmas lights. Everyone (students, parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends) is welcome to this event on Thursday, December 16 at 6:00 p.m. More information to come soon!

It is going to be a wonderful Advent season!  
Jamie Stirnaman

## THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS

Like everything else this year, Covid is affecting how we handle holiday gatherings. Please keep in mind that as you mix with friends and family throughout this holiday season, it is important for you to keep informed amongst your group if someone in that group is diagnosed with Covid. If that is the case, like any other Covid exposure, If your children are exposed to someone in the household, they will need to quarantine for 14 days. Please contact the school office. IF YOUR CHILD HAS HAD A COVID TEST, AND YOU ARE AWAITING RESULTS, THEY ARE NOT TO BE AT SCHOOL UNTIL THE TEST COMES BACK NEGATIVE. Please let your holiday group know the importance of this openness with each other. The school is not going to be checking on this, but we ask that each family be responsible so that we don't have major exposure after the breaks and be able to continue with in-person instruction. We are thankful that God has kept us relatively safe at St. Paul's, and we pray His continued protection for the weeks to come.



## CHRISTMAS COOKIES-

Do you like cookies? Do you like to eat a variety of Christmas

cookies but don't like to make all the different kinds yourself? Do you like to give food gifts at Christmas? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you will love the St. Paul's Youth Ministry Christmas Cookie Sale. For \$12 you get a box of two dozen assorted Christmas Cookies. Enjoy some Christmas cookies you don't have to bake yourself or share some cookie love with friends and family.

Below is the link to a Google form where you can place your order. You simply pay when picking up your box of cookies.

<https://forms.gle/s1fDeSb43jCytRZi9>

Pick up days and times are :

Saturday, Dec 11 from 9:30-11 am at St. Paul's School or from 4:30-5 pm at the St. Paul's Downtown Church or

Sunday, Dec 12 from 9:30-11 am at St. Paul's School between worship services.

Your support helps fund the Youth Programs at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



## Advent Services

Join us for Advent Services on Wednesday, December 8, 15, at the Downtown Church at 7PM. Advent dinners are served from 5:30-6:30PM in Fellowship Hall downstairs at the Church. (Enter off the alley)

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

Friday, December 24th at 5PM, 7PM and 10PM at the downtown church.

## Christmas Day Service

Saturday, December 25 at 10AM at the downtown church.

## New Year's Eve Service

Friday, December 31 at 6PM at the downtown church.

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HELP ST. PAUL'S  
SCHOOL?** You can

do all three through the Invest in Kids Scholarship Tax Credit. There is a page on the St Paul's website, so you can learn more about this wonderful opportunity. Don't delay! There are less than 4 weeks left to earn credits for this year.



<https://www.stpaulslutheran.net/admissions/invest-in-kids>