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UPCOMING DATES

Nov 18 Kindergarten-8th grade
field trip to KVTA's
The Jungle Book

Nov 21-25 Thanksgiving Break
NO SCHOOL



Nov 30 Christmas tree lighting
ceremony in chapel (8:30)

Dec 2 Bradley Lighted Christ-
mas Parade at 6:30 p.m.
on Broadway Street

Dec 11 Sunday School
Christmas Program (at
downtown church)

Dec 13 Preschool Christmas
program at 6:30

Dec 15 K-8th Christmas pro-
gram (K-4th at 6:30,
5th-8th at 7:30)

Dec 16 Class Christmas parties

Dec 16 **Early Dismissal**
PreK 11:15 / K-8 11:30
**No afternoon extended
care available!**

Dec 17-Jan 2 Christmas Break

Jan 3 School resumes
Early enrollment for
school families begins!

ADVENT DINNERS: Our midweek
Advent services begin at the downtown
church on Wednesday, November 30th,
and we will once again be hosting din-
ner prior to the services. Dinners will
be served at 5:30 in the Fellowship
Hall. For the first
dinner of the sea-
son Parish Fellow-
ship will serve la-
sagna, salad, and
garlic bread along
with coffee, lem-
onade, and dessert.
We would love to
see you there!



SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS during
Thanksgiving break will be very min-
imal; please email Mrs. Olney at
aolney@stpaulslutheran.net or send a
Fast Direct if you need anything!

CHAPEL OFFERINGS for the last
three chapels of the year will go to-
ward Redeeming Life Outreach Min-
istries. This is a Christ-centered ma-
ternity home offering love, hope, and
a future to single pregnant women in
crisis. There are plans in place to ex-
pand the program into East Dundee,
IL. Any offerings we collect will be
matched from the \$14,000 grant from
the Lutheran Church - Missouri Syn-
od. For more information, please vis-
it <https://www.rlom.org/expansion>.

CANNED FOOD DRIVE: Our an-
nual food drive runs through the
month of November. The Board of
Human Care distributes food baskets
year round and you can help stock our
food pantry! Items need-
ed include nonperishable
foods and non-food items
like paper towels, toilet
paper, tin foil, Kleenex,
etc. Donations can be
brought to the school or
church.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS
PROGRAM** will be on December
11th at 5:00 p.m. at the downtown
church. All preschool through 5th
grade students are invited to partici-
pate! Kids will learn the songs each
week leading up to the program, so
Sunday School attendance is im-
portant as they get ready to share the
Christmas message. There will be
two Saturday rehearsals at the down-
town church on December 3rd and
10th from 9:00-11:00 a.m.
(Preschool and kindergarten kids do
not need to attend the first rehearsal
on the 3rd.)



This year St. Paul's will have our own float in Bradley's annual lighted Christmas parade! Come on out to Broadway St. the evening of December 2nd for a "Candy Land Christmas." We have limited space on the float; the goal is 20 riders plus several more walkers to hand out candy and flyers. Due to the float's high sides, we need any float riders to be third grade or older. Sign your family up at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4ca8a923a2fb6-lighted>

Please be sure to specify how many in your family will be participating! (If the link does not work, *please* message Mrs. Olney. Signup genius has been less than genius lately...)

YOUTH WORSHIP BAND: Attention all 5th-8th grade band students! The church is looking to put together a youth worship band for the December 18th church service at 8:30. There will be a rehearsal on Saturday, December 17th at 9:00 a.m. at the school. For more information and to express interest, please contact Bill Dyche at bill.dyche66@gmail.com or 815-592-0870. Please include your name, grade, and instrument in your message.

YEARBOOKS are \$17 until December 16; after that, the price goes up to \$20. Be sure to stop by the office if you haven't ordered one yet, OR you can pay \$17 in the "general" category in the Finance screen on Fast Direct.

TRIP / RAISE RIGHT: If you plan to order physical gift cards for Christmas gifts, orders need to be placed by **Monday, December 5**. You can still place orders for digital gift cards any time (you're welcome, for all you last-minute shoppers!), and Julie Salzman has a good supply of gift cards available for purchase in the main entrance after school. Remember that your earnings from this program help support the school, and your portion can be used for things like extended care, hot lunch, or upcoming enrollment fees!



BUTTER BRAIDS will be delivered to the school and available for pick up on Tuesday, November 22, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. If you want your order before Thanksgiving, please make arrangements to pick up that day! Otherwise, orders may be picked up on Sunday mornings or during school hours the week after Thanksgiving break.



THANK YOU to all who helped with the St. Paul's book fair! It was a tremendous success and we appreciate everyone's efforts, whether it was setting up the event, running the cash register, or keeping the books straightened up. Many blessings to all your little readers!

THANKSGIVING BREAK is the entire week of Thanksgiving! Please enjoy the extra time with your kids and families, and may God richly bless your family gatherings. See you back on Monday the 28th!

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