

The **EAGLE CONNECTION**

ALL-SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DINE OUT & SUPPORT ST. JOHN'S... ALL THANKS TO OUR PTL!

Dear St. John's Families,

Who knew that grabbing a meal could make such a big impact? Thanks to our amazing PTL, doing just that really does make a big impact for St. John's and our students and staff.

As you know, PTL organizes several restaurant fundraisers throughout the year, giving families an easy (and delicious!) way to support STJ. When you dine at these partner restaurants on designated nights and times, a portion of the proceeds comes right back to our school—helping fund incredible experiences and extras for our students and staff.

These easy fundraisers directly support many of the fun and enriching opportunities that make St. John's so special. Thanks to your generosity and the dedication of PTL, the money that has been raised has gone to support special things like FUNDay and Trunk or Treat activities, special treats for our hardworking teachers, inflatables for students during National Lutheran Schools Week, school-wide t-shirts, preschool classroom instruments, and so much more! In short, each of these fundraisers add up to exciting experiences and well-deserved appreciation for our teachers and students alike.

The benefits of these events aren't just financial, though—it's also a great way to connect with other St. John's families, support local businesses, and enjoy a stress-free meal together. Whether it's pizza, burritos, hot dogs, or falafel, there's something for everyone to enjoy while making a difference.

All of us here at St. John's are incredibly grateful to PTL for organizing these events and to all of our families who participate. Your support—whether by dining in, ordering takeout, spreading the word, or sharing the social media posts—makes a real impact on our school!

Don't forget to join us **TONIGHT** at **Punch Pizza!** Grab a delicious meal, catch up with friends, and help support St. John's—one bite at a time! 🍕





FUNDAY HELP NEEDED

PTL is in need of some help to make this year's FUNDay the best ever. Here's how you can contribute.

- VOLUNTEER to help with a game or other activity.
- Purchase your WRISTBANDS in advance.
- Make an EAGLE CRUSADER DONATION.
- Donate an item or more from their AMAZON wish list.
- Donate an item or more from their TARGET wish list.
- Bid on a SILENT AUCTION item or two (or more). Auction opens on April 17th.

ARTS FAIR INFORMATION

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Arts Fair **NEXT** Friday, April 11th from 5:30-7pm.

- ALL preschool projects will be completed at school.
- All language arts pieces will be created at SCHOOL (K-8th grade).
- All visual arts pieces will be created at HOME for grades K-8.
- Performance arts pieces will be created at SCHOOL for grades K-3.
- Performance arts pieces will be created at HOME for grades 4th-8th.
 - They may collaborate with friends or perform solo.

All projects must be completed and at school by **NEXT** Wednesday, April 9th.

STUDENT EAGLE CRUSADER GOALS

Each of our students have the opportunity to participate as an EAGLE EARNINGS CRUSADER and raise money for their school. Each EAGLE CRUSADER has a goal of earning \$100+. For every \$100 raised, the participant will get a ticket entered into a drawing to win one of the following prizes.

- \$100 Cash
- (2) Passes to Sky Zone
- \$25 Five Below Gift Card

The student who raises the MOST will win a NINTENDO SWITCH!!

NEW THIS YEAR: The Class that has the HIGHEST fundraising average per student will win a exciting class party!!

STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Student Council meeting will be NEXT Wednesday, April 9th at 7:15am.

YEARBOOK PICTURES NEEDED

Parents, have you taken some great photos of students and events this school year? If so, please consider sharing them with us to be used in the yearbook. We especially need pictures from Grandparents Day. Photos may be sent to pictures@stjlutheranschool.org. Thank you!



EASTER BREAK

Don't forget, there will be no school Friday, April 18th through Monday, April 21st in celebration of our risen Lord! School and ESP will resume as usual on Tuesday, April 22nd.

SCHOOL SPIRIT STORE OPEN!!

Our school spirit store is open now through April 13th, and any orders you place are expected to arrive the second week of May. Check out all that we have to offer to get you looking your best and most spirited!

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS NEEDED

The Board of Education is looking for new members to help support and guide the ministry of our school. If you have a heart for Christian education, a desire to serve, and are a member of St. John's Lutheran Church we'd love to hear from you. Please contact Bonnie Radintz at Bonnie.Radintz@gmail.com to learn more.

MAUNDY THURSDAY NOW A SCHOOL DAY

Due to the number of snow days we have had this year, our flex day, Thursday, April 17th (Maundy Thursday) is now a school day. Please plan to send your child to school on this day as normal.

SPRING PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Spring parent/teacher conferences will be held the week of April 7th. More information will be coming soon.

SPELLING BEE

The annual Spelling Bee is TOMORROW at King of Kings Lutheran School in Roseville. We are honored to share that the following students will be representing us!

- 3/4th grade division: Leonie, Liam, Braydon, Layla (alternate Emery)
- 5/6th grade division: Andrew, Ryan, Olivia, Josh (alternates Oliver and Conrad)
- 7/8th grade division: Kara, Karis, Josef, Molly (alternates Max and Gabe)

Congratulations, students! We are very proud of you and your accomplishments!

TERM 3 MID-TERM

Can you believe it? Term 3 mid-term is TOMORROW - Friday, April 5th. Be sure you're checking your child's grades via your FACTS parent portal.

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK

Time is running out to order your yearbook. See the included flyer for more information and instructions on how to order.



PTL 2025/26 NOMINATIONS

The following individuals have been nominated for positions within PTL. Any PTL member who has reasonable concerns regarding any candidate on this list should contact the Principal prior to April 10, 2025, to explain the reasons why a particular candidate's name should be withdrawn.

The 2025/26 Parent Teacher League (PTL)

President: Kodi Hoffarth

Vice President: Megan Stewart

Treasurer: Jamie Peterson

Secretary: Breanna Squire

Fundraising Chair 1: Britta Orr

Fundraising Chair 2: Stephanie Haver

Volunteer ('Fun') Committee Members:

- Sara Shank
- Gina Benicasa
- Nicole Hedlund
- Dena Justen
- Kara Birznieks
- Tricia Hayes
- Jess Hartmann
- Julie Wise
- Kayla Harken
- Katie Cohen
- Melissa Blodgett

PARENT RESOURCES

A few weeks ago, Jenna Garee, MA, LMFT provided a wonderful information session on the mental health and well-being of children that included a valuable list of both referral and printed resources for parents. We are excited to share that many of these printed resources are now available to be checked out! Contact Kristen.Skura@stjlutheran.org if you would like to borrow one or more.

CONTINUOUS FEEDBACK OPPORTUNITY

Parents, we want to offer you the continuous opportunity to provide feedback for our school - both the things you'd like to praise and those things you may have concern about. Be sure to check out the new CONTINUOUS CONNECTION link located in the body of the newsletter email and on the last page of the newsletter. Feedback may be left anonymously or you may include your name and contact information.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, April 4 - TERM 3 MIDTERM!

- 7:30am Coffee & Conversation!
- 8:15am All-school chapel
- 5:30pm Spelling Bee

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES ALL WEEK

Monday, April 7

- 3:00pm Bowling practice
- 3:30pm 3rd, 4th, 5th volleyball practice

Tuesday, April 8

- 3:30pm A level volleyball mini-tourney
- 6:30pm PTL meeting

Wednesday, April 9

- Band and Library
- 7:15am Student Council meeting
- 10:00am K-8th field trip
- 7:00pm Lenten mid-week service

Thursday, April 10

- 3:30pm 6th, 7th, 8th volleyball practice

Friday, April 11 - TERM 3 MIDTERM!

- 7:30am Coffee & Conversation!
- 8:10am 2nd-8th grade chapel
- 8:50am PS-1st grade chapel
- 5:30pm Arts Fair

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Join us for worship each Sunday at
St. John's Lutheran Church!

- Divine Service 8:00 & 10:30am
- Adult Bible study 9:30am
- Sunday school 9:30am

STJL BOARD OF EDUCATION

The St. John's Lutheran School Board of
Education consists of the the following:

- Chairperson: Bonnie Radintz
- Deacon & Vice Chair: Grant Birznieks
- Deacon: Russ Reznecheck
- Deacon: Gary Volberding
- Secretary: James Beck
- Rob Borcharding
- Brenna Koehler
- Jim Peterson
- Jamie Radintz
- Ex officio: Kristen Skura
- Ex officio: Tori Kuehne

Board meetings are typically held the
third Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

BOE agendas and approved minutes are
available in FACTS.

WHERE DO I FIND...?

- [FACTS family portal](#) (Use code SJL-MN)
- [School calendars](#)
- [Hot lunch menu](#)
- [ESP sign up](#)
- [Continuous Connection survey](#)



Submit your pictures for use to
pictures@stjlutheralschool.org

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**THURSDAY,
APRIL 3RD
11AM-8:30PM**

PUNCH

**INVITE
FAMILY &
FRIENDS**

ST. JOHN'S FUNDRAISING NIGHT!

Join us for dine-in or takeout!

20% of the proceeds go back to St. John's.

USE CODE: EAGLES

PUNCH - MAPLE GROVE

12107 ELM CREEK BLVD



FUNDAY 2025



(SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH, 2025)

TOGETHER WE RISE

This year, our school is raising funds to improve our gymnasium with new bleachers and sound barriers. These upgrades will create a better space for sports, events, and gatherings that bring our community together. Your support will help us grow as students and athletes, creating a space where memories are made both on and off the court. Plus, 25% of all proceeds will help maintain affordable tuition for all families at St. John's.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 9:00AM FUND-RUN Check In
- 9:45AM FUND-RUN 'Little Eagle loop'
- 10-12pm Carnival, Lunch, & Silent Auction
- 12:15pm Eagle Earnings Crusaders & Raffle prize drawings



CARNIVAL WRISTBANDS

Wristbands are your all-access pass to fun! Secure yours today by scanning or clicking on the QR code.

ACT NOW

Early bird pricing is \$15/wristband
Price after 4/22 is \$20/wristband

EAGLE CRUSADERS

Scan or click the QR code to Support your Eagle Crusader! Remember to select their name from the participant list. Thank you for your donation!



WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

We need Volunteers! Scan the QR Code or Click [HERE](#)



Donate items from our Amazon Wish-List. Scan the QR Code or Click [HERE](#)



Donate items from our Target Wish-List. Scan the QR Code or Click [HERE](#)



St. John's PTL Thanks You for your generous support!

STJ FUNDay 2025

84262025 **50/50**
RAFFLE 84262025
CASH OR CHECK PAYMENTS ONLY

**BUY YOUR TICKET(S) TODAY FOR
A CHANCE TO WIN \$5,000**

The prize grows with every ticket sold!

Each Ticket
\$100

SCAN TO
BUY TICKET(S)

A limited number of 100 tickets available to purchase

The drawing will be held on April 26, 2025.

50% of the money raised goes to the
winner! The other 50% goes directly to
supporting the new gym bleachers and
the cost of tuition.

*MGC B rules & regulations apply to this raffle. For more information visit:

<https://mn.gov/gcb/start-here/nonprofits-permits/>





CAPTURE YOUR MEMORIES IN THIS YEAR'S

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL YEARBOOK!

Customize Your 2 Free Pages

Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.

Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.

The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$1.99.

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ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

LEARN. PRAY. GROW.

The Week of Judica (Lent 5): Apr. 6 - Apr. 12, 2025



LEARN-BY-HEART

MEMORIZE TOGETHER AS A FAMILY
SCHOOL STUDENTS EXPECTED TO RECITE ON FRIDAY

Classic Bible Memory for Primary Grades

K.+ **Psalm 119:105-** Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

John 10:35b- Scripture cannot be broken.

The Table of Duties: To Bishops, Pastors, and Preachers

- 1st gr+ The overseer must be above reproach,
The husband of but one wife,
Temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach,
- 2nd gr+ Not given to drunkenness,
Not violent but gentle,
Not quarrelsome,
Not a lover of money.
He must manage his own family well
And see that his children obey him with proper respect. (1 Timothy 3:2-4)
- 3rd gr+ He must not be a recent convert,
Or he may become conceited
And fall under the same judgment as the devil. (1 Timothy 3:6)
- 4th gr+ He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught,
So that he can encourage others by sound doctrine
And refute those who oppose it. (Titus 1:9)



PRAYERS

MANY CHRISTIANS STRUGGLE TO PRAY BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW WHO OR WHAT TO
PRAY FOR. USE THIS GUIDE TO PRAY FOR DIFFERENT NEIGHBORS IN THEIR VARIOUS NEEDS.
LET US PRAY...

- Sun ...for all who attend the Divine Service today, that they may be fed with His Word and Sacrament
...for all who do not know the joy of the Resurrection, that they hear and believe the Gospel
- Mon ...for all who begin a new week of work, for the unemployed, for our government, & for our teachers &
students who begin a new week of school
- Tues ...for rescue from temptation and sin, for repentance for those who have fallen away, for the guilty to be
comforted with the Gospel
- Wed ...for all husbands & wives, parents & children, that all families may live in peace according to God's Word
- Thu ...for our Church, our pastors, our teachers, our missionaries, all who serve and volunteer at St. John's
- Fri ...for all who preach Christ crucified this week, for Christians who are persecuted, for all who are sick & dying
- Sat ... for the Holy Spirit to preserve our faith to the End, for our hearts to be ready to hear God's Word at the Divine Service
tomorrow



SCRIPTURE LESSONS

STUDY TO HEAR NEXT SUNDAY

April 13 -Palm Procession & Sunday of the Passion

John 12:12-19 - The Palm Procession

Matthew 26 - 27 - The Passion of Jesus Christ



HYMNS

Church Hymn of the Day for Palm Procession- “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” (*LSB* 442)

Church Hymn of the Day for Passion Sunday- “A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth” (*LSB* 438)

School Hymn of the Month (Lent): “A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth” (*LSB* 438)

School Year Theme Hymn: “Fight the Good Fight” (*LSB* 664)



FAMILY DEVOTION

Here is a short order you may follow for family devotions around the dinner table or in the living room.

Invocation - In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit - **Amen.**

Recite - the Apostles’ Creed and the Learn-by-Heart Bible Verse & Catechism

Read and Discuss - one of the Scripture readings from this past Sunday, from school, or the coming Sunday

Pray - the Lord’s Prayer, Luther’s morning or evening prayers, and the topical prayers for the day of the week

Sing a hymn - use one of the hymns from the past Sunday, the coming Sunday, or the school year

Benediction

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C: Amen.

Luther’s Morning & Evening Prayers

<p>I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, That the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen</p>	<p>I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen</p>
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