

# The **EAGLE CONNECTION**

ALL-SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## **ENJOY THE SUMMER**

Dear students and families,

Congratulations on a successful school year! We are so blessed to live and learn together as God's baptized children here at St. John's. Enjoy your summer adventures and relaxation. May God bless you richly and return you safely in the fall.

Much love,  
Dr. Skura





## **SUMMER RESOURCES**

Our fabulous LSEM teacher, Mrs. Meyer has compiled a list of [excellent summer resources](#) for reading and math. Be sure to check them out to help prevent the summer slide!

## **BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT: SAVE THE DATE!!**

Be sure to mark your calendar now for Back-to-School Night 2025 on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 from 4:00-7:00pm. We'll see you there!

## **2025/26 SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS**

School supply lists for the 2025/26 school year will be mailed with your child's report card; they will also be available on the school website (click on "Current Families") in the near future.

## **LET'S FILL THE BUS!!!**

This year, Back-to-School Night will include a special service opportunity to fill our STJ school bus with school supplies for families in need. When you begin shopping for your child, be sure to pick up a few extra items to donate. Backpacks, notebooks and paper, pens and pencils, crayons, markers, etc. will all be collected. All donations will be given to C.R.O.S.S. Services and/or other places in need of supplies.

## **FREE BOOKS!**

We've weeded out some older books from the library to make room for new ones. If you're looking for some great reads, check out the library cart in the entryway and give these books a new home!

## **CHECK OUT OUR NEW STJ BLOG!!**

We are very excited to share that we now have an official STJ blog! You may access our new blog by visiting our website, clicking on the "Life at STJ" tab, and then clicking "[STJ Blog](#)." More posts will be added over the coming weeks and months, so be on the lookout for some great resources, including:

- Fun Family Summer Activities
- Minnesota Family Adventures
- You Can't Go Wrong with Reading
- How to Raise a Lifelong Reader
- How to Help Your Child Read More...Even if They Don't Want To
- and much more!

This blog will be dedicated not only sharing about St. John's, but also providing excellent resources for parents, families, and students, along with some fun activities.

If you have a blog post idea, please email [Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org](mailto:Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org). We'd love to hear from you!!



## **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL INFO**

- Students DO NOT need to bring backpacks.
- School ends at 11:30am.
- There is NO ESP.
- Afterschool picnic is 11:30am-12:30pm.
- **Parents are responsible for children during the picnic.**

### **IF YOU ARE ATTENDING THE PICNIC**

- Pick your **K-8<sup>th</sup> grade** child up in the gym and proceed to picnic outside.
- Pick your **preschooler** up in his/her classroom and proceed to picnic outside.

### **IF YOU ARE NOT ATTENDING THE PICNIC**

- If you are NOT attending the picnic after school, you will need to either pick your child up in regular car line or have him/her ride the bus home (regular bus students only).
  - Parents, notify the front office if your child will be riding the bus.

## **CLOSING SERVICE & GRADUATION**

- K-8<sup>th</sup> grade are participating in the closing service/graduation
- 8<sup>th</sup> graders arrive at 6pm and head to music room
- K-7<sup>th</sup> graders arrive at 6:15pm and head to music room
- Service begins at 6:30pm
- Students should wear church clothes and look nice

## **WE ARE HIRING!**

### **Assistant Office Administrator**

- 30 hours/week, Monday-Friday
- Follows school year calendar
- Answer phones, greet visitors, support church and school administrative tasks, perform general front desk duties as assigned
- Prior administrative experience preferred but not required
- Contact our business manager, Stephanie.Parris@stjlutheran.org for more information or to apply

### **Facilities Manager**

- Full-time and year-round
- Responsibilities include daily custodial duties (sweeping, mopping, vacuuming, disinfecting, trash removal), general maintenance and minor repairs, coordinating with vendors and contractors as needed, supporting school staff with facility-related needs, ensuring the building and grounds are clean, safe, and welcoming
- Prior maintenance and/or custodial experience preferred but not required
- Background check required
- Contact our business manager, Stephanie.Parris@stjlutheran.org for more information or to apply

### **2025/2026 Afterschool Preschool**

#### **Aides**

- This position begins in August 2025.
- 2:45-5:30pm Monday-Friday
- Follows the school year calendar



## **WE ARE HIRING! cont.**

- Supervise and engage with children ages 3-5 years old
- Must be fingerprinted and pass background check
- Must be/become CPR/1<sup>st</sup> aid certified (all applicable training will be provided)
- Previous childcare experience preferred but not required
- Contact our preschool director, [Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org](mailto:Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org) for more information or to apply

### **2025/2026 Substitute Teachers**

- This position begins mid-August 2025.
- Substitutes teachers are needed for grades preschool-8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- College degrees are preferred but not required.
- Contact our principal, [Kristen.Skura@stjlutheran.org](mailto:Kristen.Skura@stjlutheran.org) for more information or to apply.

## **FUND THE BLEACHERS**

While we raised an impressive \$25,000 at FUNDay, our journey isn't over yet.

**We still need your help to reach our goal!** An anonymous donor has graciously pledged to match every dollar donated, up to \$2000! This means every contribution counts twice as much! Your support can make a huge difference. The PTL is running a FUND for BLEACHERS campaign throughout the remainder of the year!

## **SUMMER READING PROGRAMS**

Did you know that reading over the summer helps kids retain the knowledge and skills they gained during the school year and prevents the “summer slide”? Many great summer reading programs offer fun incentives like free books or prizes! Check out the flyer at the end of the newsletter for links to several programs, and don't forget to explore options at your local public library—most offer reading programs and sometimes even use Beanstack to track progress. Local bookstores like The Thinking Spot, The Red Balloon, and Wild Rumpus also participate, though their details usually come out later in the summer.

Highlights:

- FYCC: Once you open the link, click "FYCC Programs" and scroll to “Reading in the Park.” Kids through 8th grade receive a free Scholastic book at each session.
- Nothing Bundt Cakes: Stop by the store and ask for a reading tracker.

Keep reading and have fun this summer!

## **REPORT CARDS**

Final report cards will be mailed to your home on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.



## 12TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The St. John's PTL invites you to join us for the 12th Annual Charity Golf Tournament—an event that brings together golf enthusiasts, St. John's families, and our broader community for a fun-filled day of golf and giving. Proceeds directly support the cost of education and help enhance facilities and opportunities for our students.

### Details

- Location: Rush Creek Golf Course
- Date: Saturday, September 13, 2025
- Time: 12:45 PM check-in & range balls | 2:00 PM shotgun start | Dinner to follow

### How to Get Involved

- Play: Register to golf and enjoy a great day for a great cause. Limited to 144 participants—register early! Early Bird Bonus: Register in May to receive a team “Color Ball.”
- Sponsor: Promote your business and support education by becoming a sponsor. Invite friends, coworkers, and neighbors to join!

## STJ VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - REGISTER NOW!

join us for Vacation Bible School this summer, and learn how we are all RESTORED IN CHRIST! Registration opens today!

When: June 23-27, 2025

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Volunteers are needed! Contact Erika Rossow at [erossow17@gmail.com](mailto:erossow17@gmail.com) for more information.

## JOIN US IN THE PARADES!

St. John's is participating in the Maple Grove Days and Osseo Lions Roar parades this summer, and we want YOU to join us!

**Who:** A minimum of 5 adults and as many children as possible are needed. Parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, current, future, and former students are all welcome!! Feel free to participate in one or both of the parades!

**What:** We'll have a decorated trailer pulled by a truck.

**When:**

- Maple Grove parade: Thurs., July 17 at 6:30pm
- Osseo parade: Sat., Sep. 6 at 12:00pm

More info to come.

Sign up to participate here.

- Maple Grove parade
- Osseo parade



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Friday, May 23

- 8:15am All-school chapel
- 11:30am Dismissal - NO ESP

### Monday, May 26 - MEMORIAL DAY

- Office closed
- 10:00am Memorial Day Service

### Tuesday, May 27

### Wednesday, May 28

### Thursday, May 29

### Friday, May 30

- Report cards mailed home

### Monday, June 2

- 7:30am Summer ESP begins

## 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
- 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](mailto:pictures@stjlutheralschool.org)

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# FUND for BLEACHERS!

**WHILE WE RAISED AN IMPRESSIVE \$25K AT FUNDAY, OUR JOURNEY ISN'T OVER YET. WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP TO REACH OUR GOAL OF \$10K MORE!**

**AN ANONYMOUS DONOR HAS GRACIOUSLY PLEDGED TO MATCH EVERY DOLLAR DONATED, UP TO \$2000. THIS MEANS EVERY CONTRIBUTION COUNTS TWICE AS MUCH! YOUR SUPPORT CAN MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE.**

**THE PTL IS RUNNING A FUND FOR BLEACHERS CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR!**

**Questions?**  
Please reach out to  
[PTL@stjlutheran.org](mailto:PTL@stjlutheran.org)

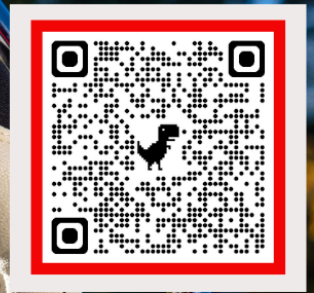
An illustration at the bottom center shows two stylized hands in a light blue color. The hands are cupped together, holding a large, light grey circle. Inside the circle, the word "PLEASE" is written in a black, sans-serif font, and the word "HELP" is written below it in a red, sans-serif font.

PLEASE  
HELP

**Check Donations:**  
Write checks out to St.  
John's PTL and deliver  
to the front office.

# ST. JOHN'S 12TH ANNUAL

# CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Contests    Steak Dinner    Prizes



**SATURDAY**  
September 13th, 2025  
RUSH CREEK GOLF CLUB  
(Maple Grove)

12:45 pm Check In  
& Range Balls

2:00 pm Shotgun  
Scramble Start

6:30 pm Dinner & Awards

**EARLY BIRD  
REGISTRATION**

**\$150 Per Golfer**

(18 Holes, Golf Cart & Dinner)

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
St. John's School  
Tuition Assistance & PTL  
School Enhancements!**

**REGISTER IN MAY AND GET  
A TEAM 'COLOR BALL'!  
(Team of Four)**

Questions: Jamie Peterson  
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