

St. John's Lutheran School

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*Welcome to the
2019-20 School
Year at
St. John's!*

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- ♦ *Fri., Aug. 30
& Labor Day,
Mon., Sept. 2
NO SCHOOL*
- ♦ *Sept. 19-29
FALL BOOK FAIR*
- ♦ *Mon., Sept. 23
SCHOOL
PICTURES*
- ♦ *Tues., Sept. 24
6:30 P.M. PTS Mtg.*
- ♦ *Fri., Sept. 27
NO SCHOOL*



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Weekly Schedule

Sat., Aug. 24	5:00 PM	DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE in Horicon
Sun., Aug. 25	8:30 AM	DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE in Juneau
	9:45 AM	Fall Sports Parents' Mtg. In Mr. Krebs' Classroom @ School
	10:00 AM	DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE at Salem, Lowell
Mon., Aug. 26	7:00 AM	Faculty Mtg.
	3-4:00 PM	Cross Country Practice
Tues., Aug. 27		Piano Lessons Begin
	3-4:30 PM	B VB Practice
	3-5:00 PM	A VB Practice
Wed., Aug. 28	7:00 AM	Faculty Mtg.
	8:00 AM	CHAPEL/MISSION OFFERING
	3-5:00 PM	A VB Practice
	3-4:00 PM	Cross Country Practice
	5:00 PM	Fall Sports Parents' Mtg. in Mr. Krebs' Classroom
Thurs., Aug. 29	3-4:30 PM	B VB Practice
	3-5:00 PM	A VB Practice
	6:30 PM	DIVINE WORSHIP SERVICE
Fri., Aug. 30		NO SCHOOL

Worship Schedule

"What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer.
Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer! CW 411 st. 1

Thursday—6:30 P.M. Juneau Campus
Saturday—5:00 P.M. Horicon Campus
Sunday—8:30 A.M. Juneau Campus
Sunday—10:00 A.M. Salem-Lowell Campus



From the Principal's Desk

Influences: Past and Present

I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lives in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.. 2 Timothy 1:5

Who or what are the major influences in the lives of children today? TV? Smart phone? Video Games? Friends? What about your children? Who or what influences them? Has the list changed? If so, how? Actors? Musicians? Sports Figures? What about you? That's right you, the parent. Do you realize what an influence you are in your child's life?

It's really important that we see things from God's point of view, especially as we begin a new school year. Throughout scripture, God says to us that the parents are to be the primary educator in the child's life. They are to be the ones that raise their children, not the smart phone, Hollywood, or the latest fad.

God gives us some direction on what He wants from us. He says to train or raise up a child in the Word of God. He tells us to love our children enough to tell them, "no". Most importantly He tells us that we are the one that is responsible for telling our children about their Savior from sin, Jesus.

You might be thinking to yourself, "well that's why I sent them to St. John's School". It is true that we will do all these things here at St. John's, but that doesn't replace you. We are here to assist you as you apply God's Word in your child's life.

This year your child will come home with memory work. Don't just memorize it, talk about what the passage is saying and rejoice in the memory treasure from God's Word that will now be with your child always. When their religion homework comes home, use it as an opportunity to grow in faith as a family.

If you're reading this with a guilty conscience, take your sins to the cross of Jesus. Jesus forgives you. He washes you clean. Remember also that He always made time for children. He even rebuked His disciples when they tried to push the children away. Jesus realized how precious they are and how His time with them mattered.

Your time with your child matters. Being a parent is never easy. So many things to juggle. Yet, God blessed you with your child and God promises to help you as a parent. We are thankful that we are able to partner with you in the one thing that is important: Knowing Jesus and growing in His grace.

It is our prayer as called workers that you realize your calling from God. You are to be the primary influence in your child's life. You are to tell the next generation the love of Jesus. You are to instruct using God's Word. Jesus will be with you every step of the way and we, called servants of the Gospel, will be there to assist you along the way.

You are in our prayers as we raise the next generation of Christians.

In Christ,

The Called Workers of St. John's



HAPPENINGS AT ST. JOHN'S

School Enrollment

St. John's began the 2019-2020 school year with 104 students (PK3-Gr. 8). Our school has 65 families that make up our St. John's School family!

Church Attendance Forms

A church attendance form has been enclosed in your family envelope for all children in grades PK3 through Gr. 2. Please fill it out and return it each week in your family envelope. The teachers in grades 3-8 will take church attendance weekly in their classrooms.

School Schedule

Doors Open: 7:30 A.M.

School Hours: 7:50 A.M. to 2:55 P.M.

Preschool Hours: 8-11:00 A.M.

Eagle Care: 11:00 A.M. to 2:50 P.M.

Before & After School Care:

6:30-7:30 A.M. & 3-6:00 P.M.

Power School

Enclosed in your family envelope today is your new login and password for your child for the 2019-2020 school year. If you have any questions regarding Power School, please contact your child's teacher, Mr. Cody, or Mrs. Leissring in the school office. We will do our best to help you.

PowerSchool

The Book Fair is Coming!

The Book Fair is coming! The fall book fair is from September 19 to September 29. The fair will be open after services on Sundays, September 22 & 29, and after school September 19-20, 23 to 26 until 3:30 P.M. We need help to make this fair a success. If you can help during the book fair, please contact Miss Pauly or Mrs. Leissring at 386-4644.



School Secretary's Schedule

Mrs. Leissring's office hours will be: Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM and all day on Fridays. This schedule may be adjusted due to scheduled school days off.

Tan (Family) Envelopes



The tan envelope that was sent home today with the youngest child in your family is to be returned on Monday, August 26th. Families with children in PK3 and with older siblings will have their envelope sent home on Fridays with the next oldest sibling. Please remove all items from the envelope before returning. If you have a church attendance form enclosed in your family envelope, please fill it out every week and leave it in the family envelope. The envelopes have the date they will go home and a place for you to initial that you have received all items in the envelope. Only one Eagle Claw will be sent home per family in this envelope with exception of those who are receiving the Eagle Claw by e-mail only. All other notes from school will be in this envelope also. If you would like the envelope sent home with a different child in your family, please contact Mrs. Leissring in the school office.

Piano Lessons



Piano lessons at school will be starting on August 27th. Lessons will be all day on Tuesday at school. All returning students are to bring their books and notebook on Tuesday. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Loersch at 920-341-8878 or kloersch@me.com.

Band



Band practice will begin on Friday, September 13th. Mr. Duwe will meet with the fourth grade and 5-8th grade students who are interested in band on Monday, August 26th. He will also have instruments for the students to try out.

Principal's Schedule

Mr. Cody will be in the Classroom teaching from 7:50 A.M. to 12:45 P.M. He does have release/administration time from 12:45 P.M. to 2:45 P.M. Monday, Wednesday, & Friday, and Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:00-9:00 A.M. If you would like to call Mr. Cody or set up an appointment, please contact Mr. Cody at rcody@stjohnsjuneau.org. or Mrs. Leissring at school@stjohnsjuneau.org. You may also call the school office at 920-386-4644. Appointments can also be made for times outside the school day.

Parking, Drop Off & Pick Up

Reminder: Please park in the church parking lot in the marked parking stalls when dropping off your children.

Do not park in the drop off lane which is marked on the pavement.

By parking here and leaving your vehicle unattended, you are clogging the drop off and pick up lane.

The parking stalls in front of the school are reserved for teachers and staff only. Please do not park there.

Thank you for your cooperation in making our parking lot a safe area for drop off and pick up.

School Bus Traffic Rules

Reminder to parents dropping off children in the morning at school!

Please note the improvements that have been made by the city near the north driveway. If a bus is stopped at the top of the hill with its red lights flashing dropping off children, you may not leave the school driveway nor should you pass the bus. If you choose to not follow the school bus rules of the road, you may get a ticket from the police department. School bus drivers can report you to the police department. Please keep this in mind as you exit the school driveway in the morning. Thank you.



September Hot Lunch Orders

Reminder: there will be no hot lunch on Monday, August 26th and Wednesday, August 28th.

Due to no school on Monday, September 2nd, Wendy's lunch will be on Wednesday, September 4th. St. John's lunch will be on Friday, September 6th. If you have any questions regarding hot lunch, please contact Mrs. Leissring in the school office.



Mission Offering

The following are the mission projects for each quarter of the school year:

**1st Quarter: World Missions
Apache Mission, Peridot, AZ**

**2nd Quarter: Home Missions
Trinity Lutheran School, Kaukauna, WI**

**3rd Quarter: Ministerial Education
Michigan Lutheran Seminary**

**4th Quarter: Service
Friends of China**

Please remember that our mission offerings for our Lord are collected on Wednesday.

CEF Stamps

Each Friday morning we will be selling Church Extension Fund (CEF) stamps to the children for \$1.00 each. The stamps will be sold from 7:35-7:55 A.M. starting Friday, September 6th. Please see Mrs. Leissring to purchase stamps. The primary purpose of WELS CEF is to make loans to mission-minded endeavors (projects) under the direction of the Board for Home Missions. These loans are used to acquire parsonages, land sites, and ministry facilities as tools for Gospel outreach. WELS members and WELS congregations can invest in WELS CEF to help support the church loan programs.

The CEF stamp program is a savings account where the money is invested in building churches and parsonages for mission congregations. The children earn interest from their savings just like a regular bank account. Why not have your child start an account and help out a mission church at the same time?

Forensics Practice

Forensics practices will begin on September 5th. Please watch future Eagle Claws for practice dates and times. Students in grades 5-8 are eligible to participate. Public speaking is a very good skill to acquire since it is needed in so many real life situations such as a lawyer, politician, pastor, teacher, or conducting a meeting. Fifth and sixth graders are encouraged to give Forensics a try!

Fax Number/School E-mail

We have a phone number designated as our fax line. It is 920-386-9660. Our e-mail address is: school@stjohnsjuneau.org

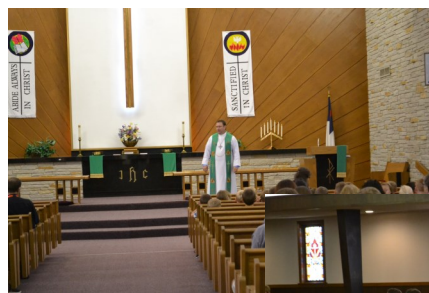


Kindergarten Looking for Chester Raccoon



Welcome to our new school families!

William Dogs (3rd Grade)
Benjamin Dogs (1st Grade)
Ayden Vande Streek (1st Grade)



OPENING DAY OF SCHOOL



ATHLETICS

Fall Sport Mandatory Parent Meeting

There will be a parent meeting for all Fall Sports on Sunday, August 25th, at 9:45 A.M. and Wednesday, August 28th, at 5:00 P.M. in Mr. Krebs' classroom. Fall schedules will be available at this meeting if you haven't received one. Schedules are also available in the school office. Attendance at one of these meetings is mandatory for parents of all Fall sports participants. Please see Mr. Krebs or Mrs. Colantonio before your child's first competition if you cannot attend either of these meetings.

Cross Country

Practices: 3-4:00 P.M.

August 26 & 28
September 3, 9, 11, 16, & 26
October 3 (only if needed due to rain on September 23rd)

The first cross country meet will be held in Janesville on Friday, September 6, at 4:15 P.M. The meet is at Janesville Youth Sports Complex, 96 S. Wuthering Hills Drive, Janesville. Cross country runners may leave school at 2:30 P.M. for the meet.



*"If God brings you to it;
He will bring you through it."
Have a Blessed Week!*

Volleyball



Practices—A Team 3-5:00 P.M.
B Team 3-4:30 P.M.

August 27, 28 (A Team Only), & 29
September 3, 5, 10, 12, 19, 24, & 26
October 1 & 3—Both Teams
10 & 17 (A Team Only)

Wednesday, September 4
At Our Redeemer, Madison
@ the Verona Athletic Center
(4:00 P.M. B Team & 5:00 P.M. A Team)

Saturday, September 7, 8:30 A.M.
A Tournament @ St. Paul's, Ixonia
Sunday, September 8, 11:30 A.M.
B Tournament @ St. Paul's, Ixonia

Wednesday, September 11
Here vs. Holy Cross, Madison
(4:00 P.M. B Team & 5:00 P.M. A Team)

Saturday, September 14, 8:30 A.M.
B Tournament @ St. Mark's, Watertown

Tuesday, September 17
At Peace, Sun Prairie
(4:00 P.M. B Team & 5:00 P.M. A Team)

Wednesday, September 18
At St. John's, Watertown
(4:00 P.M. B Team & 5:00 P.M. A Team)

Wednesday, September 25
At Zion, Columbus
(4:00 P.M. B Team & 5:00 P.M. A Team)

Soccer

A soccer schedule will be published next week. The first practice will be Tuesday, September 3, 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Sports Physicals

We remind all parents of athletes in grades 4-8 that your child must have a physical every two years to participate in Fall sports. If your child does not have an up-to-date physical on file, please schedule one and let Mrs. Leissring in the school office know the date. Thank you.

Teach Children School Bus Safety

In many ways, today's children are luckier than those of past generations. For example, because a bus picks them up, they don't have to walk a long distance to get to school.

Riding the bus is safer for kids than walking and crossing street on their own, but there are bus-related safety issues that parents need to stress:

- ♦ Have children put everything they carry into a backpack or school bag so they won't drop anything.
- ♦ Be sure they leave on time so they don't have to run for the bus.
- ♦ Go to the bus stop with young children. Have older kids walk in groups so they can easily be seen by drivers.
- ♦ Don't let children play games or push and shove at the bus stop.
- ♦ Make sure they stand six feet from the road while waiting.
- ♦ Teach them to secure loose drawstrings and other objects that could get caught in the handrail or door of the bus when they are leaving.
- ♦ If they must cross the street when exiting the bus, remind them to wait until the driver signals that it's safe.
- ♦ If they drop something near the bus, they should tell the bus driver and follow the driver's instructions.
- ♦ Remind them that when they are on the bus, they should talk quietly, be courteous to the bus driver, and follow the driver's directions.
- ♦ Insist that children keep the aisles clear and stay seated for the entire ride.



Scrip Orders

The scrip selling times for August 25-29:

Sunday after the 8:30 A.M. church service in the church basement.

Orders need to be placed by 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings.

Thursday Evening: 7:15-7:45 P.M. in the church basement.

Thank you from the Scrip committee.

St. John's, Juneau & Salem, Lowell Have Merged

St. John's and Salem in Lowell's leadership have actively explored a merger of our congregations since early 2019. In the past year, both congregations' leadership have spent many, many hours exploring this possibility. In July, our congregational leadership hosted several merger meetings with the purpose of educating our members on the findings. What was discussed was whether working together as one congregation with three locations accomplishes more Gospel ministry in Dodge County than working independently. After much prayerful consideration, the results of the Salem meeting on July 10th and the St. John's meeting on July 28th resulted in the merger approved by both voters of each congregation. Please pray for a smooth transition as we proceed forward with the blending of our congregations.

New worship times beginning September 8th:

Thursday, 6:30 P.M., Juneau Campus Saturday, 5:00 P.M., Horicon Campus
Sunday, 8:00 and 10:30 A.M. Juneau Campus and 9:30 A.M. Salem, Lowell Campus
Bible Class on Sunday mornings: 8:30-9:15 A.M. Salem, Lowell Campus
9:30-10:15 A.M. Juneau Campus

LWMS Service Project for the Fall Rally

The Beaver Dam Circuit of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society will be collecting crayons, markers, pencils, and glue sticks for Our Savior Lutheran School in Peridot, AZ. Money is also being accepted so the school can purchase Scholastic Books and bulkier school needs locally to save on shipping costs. Donation stations will be set up at school and in the narthex at church through mid-September! All donations will be taken to the Fall Rally held at Zion, Columbus in October. This is a great opportunity to show Christian love to our Apache friends in Arizona!

While this project has been in the planning stages for some time here at St. John's, we now have an exciting connection to this school! Miss Sydney Cody received her first call in May and was assigned to teach second grade at Our Savior Lutheran School in Peridot, AZ. Her students along with many others at the school will be the recipients of your generosity!

Stuff the Befriend A Mission Mailbox Event

Our **Befriend A Missionaries** often serve in faraway places overseas or here at home but with very few WELS Christians or close family around for support. Let's send cards, letters, and notes with our thoughts and prayers for them and the work they do on our behalf by sharing Jesus with those around them. You don't have to be fancy, elaborate, or long in your message or greeting, even signing your name in a "thinking of you" card will let them know you care.

Our goal here is to overwhelm them with love and support! Let's Do This!! Boxes for each Befriend a Mission will be in the narthex through mid-September. The families and the mission they serve are listed below:

One Africa Team, Malawi Africa—Paul & Susan Nitz, Joel, Frances (Joel will be finishing high school in Malawi and Frances will be beginning high school in Malawi)

River of Life Lutheran Church, Goodyear, AZ—Pastor Lincoln & Jenni Albrecht, Fiona (6 years old), Ezekiel (4 years old), and Genevieve (2 years old).

Illumine, Rock Hill, SC—Pastor Nathan & Rebecca Loersch

Grace Lutheran Church, Seattle, WA—Pastor Kent & Alexandra Reeder, Beck (1.5 years old)