



# PANTHER PATTERN

A weekly newsletter of St. Paul's Lutheran School  
April 6, 2017

## The Foundations of Christian Education: PEACE, HOPE, JOY, and LOVE

“For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.” *1 Corinthians 13:12, 13*

Sunday is a special day for a number of reasons. First of all, we will celebrate Palm Sunday, a remembrance of our Savior’s ride into Jerusalem on a humble donkey. (Makes me thankful for my van) Many welcomed Jesus with great honor and respect, praising Him and placing palm branches and cloaks on the ground in front of Him. We pray God grant us that same joy each time we encounter our Savior in His word and sacraments.

Second, we get to celebrate the confirmation of young Christians. After years of careful study, they will make public confession of the faith the Holy Spirit has created in their hearts. Many of the key teachings they will confess they believe are summarized in Luther’s Small Catechism, written in 1529 to help parents teach their children the basic teachings of Scripture. We pray that God would bless these young people as they continue to grow in faith. Paul’s words to the Colossians seem a fitting prayer.

“We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.”  
Colossians 1:9-12

*Principal, Benjamin Bain*

“God created the world out of nothing, and so long as we are nothing, He can make something out of us.”  
*Martin Luther*



## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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| Luther High School Easter Concert (April 12)           | 7:00 p.m.         |
| Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion (April 13) | 6:30 p.m.         |
| Good Friday Services (April 14)                        | 1:00 & 6:30 p.m.  |
| Easter Sunrise Service (April 16)                      | 6:00 a.m.         |
| Festival Services                                      | 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. |

*Easter breakfast will be served from 7:00-10:00 a.m.*

### CONFIRMATION

This year’s class will be confirmed Sunday, April 9, at 10:30 a.m. Please let the office or one of the pastors know if you’ll be taking your gown home for pictures. **Gowns should be returned in their original boxes. They will be mailed back to the company Monday morning, April 10th.**

**NO PANTHER PATTERN NEXT WEEK**

**EASTER VACATION  
NO SCHOOL APRIL 13, 14, 17  
(Classes resume Tuesday, April 18, 2017)**

**JUNIOR CHOIR VOCAL CLINIC**

Junior Choir will be participating in the WSMA Choral Clinic at Luther High School Friday, April 7, at 9:30 a.m. The clinic will be in the old gym. Parents and friends are welcome to attend their performance. Junior Choir members should wear jeans and a shirt that is *not* a t-shirt or sweatshirt. (If your child doesn't have jeans, dark-colored dress pants would be a good substitute--please no athletic pants.).

**BAND UPDATE**

WSMA Band Clinic will be held from 1:00-2:45 p.m. Friday, April 21. Band members should arrive no later than 12:30 p.m. This is for the Lancer Band only. Later that day a rehearsal will be held for all band students. **Sabre and Lancer Bands** meet from 3:00-4:00 p.m. Jazz band will meet from 4:00-4:45 p.m.

**Congratulations to the Boys Volleyball team for taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the LALSAC tournament this past weekend.**



**SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS  
WEEK**

A mock tornado watch will be issued statewide by the National Weather Service (NWS) Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 1:00 p.m., followed by a statewide mock tornado warning at 1:45 p.m. This is an ideal opportunity to practice our severe weather safety procedures. We encourage you to take some time to review *your* emergency plans with your family.

- ◆ Wisconsin averages 23 tornadoes per year, but in the last 15 years we've had as many as 62 and as few as 4.
- ◆ The peak tornado season in Wisconsin is April to August, but they can occur any time of year, like the two tornadoes in Kenosha County on January 7, 2008.
- ◆ Tornadoes can occur any time during the day or night, but are most frequent between 4 pm and 9 pm.
- ◆ About 80% of tornadoes that hit Wisconsin are relatively weak, with winds under 110 mph. Only 1% are violent with winds over 165 mph.



**ONALASKA SUMMER SCHOOL**

Online course registration for Summer School 2016 Enrichment and Academic classes begins Thursday, April 6, at 6:00 p.m. Please make sure that you have preregistered to have your account ready to go at that time. **Login information and passwords did NOT carry over from last year. You need to create a new parent login and password for this year.**

You can create your login and password, along with looking over the course catalog at this link:

<http://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/parents/summerschools.cfm>

**Joint Band Concert**

**Sunday, April 23, 2017**

**2:00 p.m.**

**Luther High School**

