



PANTHER PATTERN

A weekly newsletter of St. Paul's Lutheran School
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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*

King James Version (KJV), New International Version (NIV), English Standard Version (ESV), An American Translation (Beck Bible), Holman Christian Standard Bible (HCSB). These are just a few of the many English Bible translations available today. You have access to these, and many more, through websites and apps almost instantly. Martin Luther knew the value of putting Scripture into the language of the people. He understood how powerful God's Word is. He wanted it to be able to change the minds and hearts of all people, just like it did for him. Luther believed, "Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is found through the word of Christ." (Romans 10:17, NIV 1984) If you prefer KJV, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

Well into 1522, Luther lived as "Knight George" at the Wartburg. He dressed as a knight. He grew out his beard. At first he did some role playing – went hunting with the guys. But he was no good at it. Instead, he found himself back in his room at the castle hunting down Greek words and translating the New Testament into the kind of German that farmers, merchants, plowboys and butchers could learn to read for themselves. By 1534, with the help of fellow scholars, he published the entire German Bible, a work so well done that it shaped and, to a great extent, unified the German language for centuries to come.

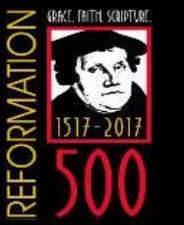
Pastor R. W. Hefti

Do you have a favorite translation? I grew up with the NIV 1984. Memory Treasures from that version often just seem "right" to me. When the NIV was updated, you may have heard about the concerns surrounding certain parts of this new translation. Leaders in our synod studied the NIV 2011 as well as several other translations. People across our synod learned more about how translations are made, what the strengths and weaknesses of various translations were, and, hopefully, spent more time reading God's Word as a result. How blessed we are to be able to set various translations side-by-side while we study Scripture! To Him be the glory.

Principal, Benjamin Bain

“Grant us your grace that the heavenly bread Jesus Christ, may be preached and heard in all the world, that we may know it in our hearts, and so that all harmful, heretical, erroneous, and human doctrine may cease and only your Word, which is truly our living bread, be distributed.”

Martin Luther



MUSIC NOTES

- Grades 1 & 2 sing in the 8:00 service Sunday, May 7.
- All three bands will perform at the Spring Spotlight Concert held at Luther High School Sunday, May 14, at 2:00 p.m.
- Junior Choir will sing at the 8th Grade Graduation Service, Thursday, May 25, at 6:30 p.m.

LALSAC TRACK MEET SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017 AT LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK (MAY 8-12)





EARLY CHILDHOOD PRESENTS

"STORY TIME DOWN IN THE JUNGLE"

ENTERTAINMENT NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 5TH 6:30 P.M., (GYMNASIUM)

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Following our last morning chapel service Friday, May 26, the children in first through seventh grades will be participating in team games and activities. Parents are invited to come and watch the festivities. Activities will begin approximately at 9:00 a.m. **School will dismiss at 12:00 noon, after lunch.** Buses from Holmen and Onalaska will be picking up the children. If your child is not walking home, please be sure to pick him/her up on time. The children will be receiving their report cards on Wednesday or Thursday as the teachers have the opportunity.

SCHOOL PICNIC

We are once again inviting parents to eat lunch with their child on the last day of school, Friday, May 26. We will begin serving lunch to the younger children about 11:15 a.m.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION AND YEAR END EVENTS

Everyone is invited to join the 8th Grade Class for their final days of grade school, their final program, and graduation service on the following days:

- **Wednesday, May 24 (6:30 p.m.)** 8th Grade Play; (7:30 p.m.) Cake Reception
- **Thursday, May 25 (6:30 p.m.)** Graduation Church Service followed by 8th grade receiving line

LIBRARY BOOKS

This is a friendly reminder that May 8-12th is the last week for checking out books from the school library. All books need to be returned by Friday, May 19th. There are a lot of overdue books in each class. Please look around your house for them. If you're not sure, please contact me via ParentSquare and I will get you the information. The replacement fee for a book is \$15.00. Any questions, please let me know.

Thank you! Liz Horstman



1. Volunteer coach (**KEVIN FRY**)
2. Volunteer hot lunch checker (**PASTOR BADER**)
3. Volunteer hot lunch, teachers aid, and whatever else the school needs (**SHERI BARNES**)



LUTHERAN BOY AND GIRL PIONEERS' AWARD NIGHT & POT LUCK

Monday, May 8, 2017, 6:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall