

## SPL SCHOOL NEWS

### Welcome New Teachers



**Mrs. Bethany Warnke** (3K) graduated from Martin Luther College in 2006. With teachers in her family and always being around kids, Bethany's love for children and coaching made the teaching profession a natural fit for her. After college, Bethany was assigned to ST. Johns/St. James in Reedsville, Wisconsin. She taught there ten years and was the 3K/4K teacher and

director. Bethany also taught throughout the school in areas such as music, reading, science, computers, art, phy ed, and gave piano lessons. She married Bryan in 2013 and has three daughters. In her free time, she likes to read, play the piano, watch a "good" Packer game, and enjoys family time.

**Mrs. Rebekah Bazaire** (4K/remedial) graduated from Martin Luther College in 2003. For as long as she can remember, she always wanted to be a teacher. Rebekah had an emergency teaching assignment for the 2001-2002 school year at Grace, in Charlotte, North Carolina. She married Chad in 2003 and returned to Grace after graduation and taught there until she had her first child and became a stay at home mom. In 2006, Rebekah and her family moved back to Wisconsin. She has two children: a daughter and a son. For the past several years, she has been Director of Sales for Ramada in Waupaca. Rebekah likes spending time with her family and reading.

**Miss Lindsay Sandwith** (K) graduated from Martin Luther College in 2014 with an early childhood major. In high school, Lindsay wanted to be a speech therapist but after talking with an admissions representative from Martin Luther College she decided to get a teaching degree. She was assigned to Redeemer in Tomahawk, Wisconsin, which was far away from her home in Puyallup, Washington. At Redeemer she oversaw two and three-year old children at the Early Childhood Learning Center. In her free time, Lindsay loves taking her two dogs for walks. She also enjoys all sports as she grew up participating in volleyball, soccer, basketball, track, and softball.

**Mr. Timothy Thies'** (5-6/Athl. Dir.) parents were teachers who influenced him in becoming a teacher, but before he attended Martin Luther College, Tim spent ten years as a sales associate for Play It Again Sports. He graduated from MLC in 2003 with a BS in Education and a concentration in social studies. Tim was assigned to Good Shephard in Michigan where he served six years as Principal, athletic director, and upper grades teacher. In 2009, he accepted a call to Bethany in Port Orchard, Washington to be Principal and upper grades teacher. While there he married his wife Janine in 2010. He followed his wife to Bethlehem, Hortonville after she accepted their call and Tim taught fifth and sixth grade for them. In his free time, Tim enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, theater at the Performing Arts Center, and spending time with his wife.

## SUNDAY BIBLE HOUR

### Adult Bible Hour

September 3rd - 24th: **Prepared to Answer**

In 1 Peter 3, Christians are encouraged to "always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have." But it's often difficult to give a good answer to someone who objects to our beliefs! In this study, participants will: 1. dig into devotional books called *Prepared to Answer*, written by Dr. Mark Paustian (Professor of Communication at Martin Luther College), 2. explore four of the world's objections to our beliefs, and 3. become better prepared to answer those objections based on the Bible.

October 7th - 28th: Guest speaker (topic to be determined)

November 4th - December 2nd: **The Book of Ephesians**

In this beautiful letter, the Holy Spirit teaches us what it means to be "in Christ." As participants study the six chapters of Ephesians, they'll learn more about predestination, salvation by grace, God's plan for His Church, the purpose of gospel ministry, the roles of men and women, what it means to put on the Armor of God, and more.

### Children's Bible Hour

Children's Bible Hour is open for students in 3K - 8th grade and we will begin our new year on Sunday September 9th at 9:15 am. We encourage all children to attend to strengthen their faith and to learn and share what our wonderful Lord has given us. We would love to see parents attending adult Bible Hour while their children are part of the children's Bible Hour; singing songs, learning beloved Bible stories, crafts and games.

Our teaching staff welcomes any child who would like to come and see what we are all about. Any questions can be addressed by calling or emailing Rachel Loehrke at 920-867-3908 or rloehrke@yahoo.com.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### Mornings with Jesus - Fall Session

Join us as we begin our fall session of Mornings with Jesus. We are excited to start a new year and hope you can join us. We meet the first Friday of each month from 9:00-10:00 in the Narthex. We will share a Bible lesson, stories, songs, and different activities. Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers (not just mom's) are invited.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Women's Bible Study** starts up again 10 am September 19 in the Narthex. The topic this year is Twelve Women of the Bible--Life changing stories for women today. Contact Judi Rehm @ 414-803-8310 or E-mail jrrehm@sbcglobal.net We meet once a month on the 3rd Wednesday morning.

**Advent by Candlelight Save the Date**

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Advent by Candlelight - December 2nd

## OUTREACH MINISTRY

### LWMS

All women in the congregation are invited to learn more about world and home missions by attending the Wolf River Circuit Rally at St. John's in East Bloomfield on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

The LWMS, St. Peter's Lutheran Elementary School, Vacation Bible School, Ladies Aid and a free will box offering from Congregation collected \$600 for the Digital Bible Story Picture project.

### Ladies Aid

Our congregation will be hosting the Community Dinner at the Presbyterian Church on October 1. Thanks to all that are volunteering to help.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Trunk & Treat - October TBD

Over 75 members from St. Peter and over 700 children from the community participated in this community outreach last year. If you want to be involved in this exciting event, contact Darren Carson at (928) 208-9393.



### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner

**Nov 22nd** Consider participating in this wonderful fellowship and outreach event by attending or donating time and/or food. Contact Pat Freer at (920) 723-5439 if you would like to be involved.



### WELS Movie:

Look for information in our bulletin when this will be shown in our church. This will be a wonderful opportunity to invite others to hear the story of apostle Paul.

The film tells the story of the apostle Paul and his work in Philippi. Its title is taken directly from Jesus' command to his disciples at his Ascension: "You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Since the movie focuses on mission activity, it reminds us of the important work that we have as we serve Christ—to reach out with the gospel to the ends of the earth," says Rev. Mike Hintz, retired director of WELS Commission on Evangelism who serves as a consultant for the film." (<https://wels.net/new-outreach-film-to-be-released/>)