

### **Spartan Sentinel Weekly News**

November 17, 2023

#### **QUICK LINKS**

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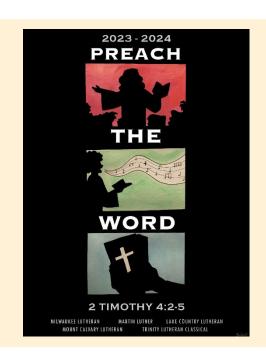
**Upcoming Events and Weekly Calendar** 

2023 - 2024 Major Events Calendar

2023 - 2024 Academic Calendar

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# Principal's Message Not just about hydration!



As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God.

Psalm 42:1

Good luck and stay safe to all of you who might be going out into the woods this weekend for the opening weekend of the annual gun deer hunt. Be smart and mindful of those around you and, of course, come back with a bunch of fresh venison!

As we go out and do all things deer hunting, may we all take just a moment to reflect on the passage from Psalm 42 offered above. Perhaps excited, exhausted, or just plain old thirsty, the deer runs to streams of water to take in the life sustaining essential need of water. Thirst quenched and need satisfied, the deer then runs off to whatever of life's endeavors might occupy its days.

This simple transaction of life between animal and water is also True for each of us in this lifetime. Not just in terms of our physiological need for hydration, but also as it relates to our relationship with The Lord. The Waters of our Baptism gave us new life in Christ. The Word and Holy Spirit of God are regularly poured into us through Scripture, faith, worship, and prayer. And, the life sustaining Body and Blood of The Lord's Supper is literally consumed by us as a faithful act of worship. Each of these things are the freely given and freely received gifts from The Triune God "for whom our soul pants".

Then, like the deer, fed, nourished, sustained, and satisfied, we can go out into this lifetime and take on the world for His Sake! In no way keeping a secret of who we are and who we have been forever made in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ! "Having received these eternally life changing waters", go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations that all might know and call on The Holy Name of Jesus!

Dr. Wayne Jensen

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Principal

(414) 421-4000, x101



# Thanksgiving is the holiday that encompasses all others.

We have many international students who want to have an American family experience. Thanksgiving is the perfect time to share your American traditions. If you are willing to host an international student or two this Thanksgiving, please get in touch with Mr. Bahr at <a href="mailto:SethBahr@martinlutherhs.org">SethBahr@martinlutherhs.org</a>. You must be willing to pick up the student(s) and return them to the dorm that evening.

# Mark Your Calendari

### **Important Dates**

November, Wednesday, 22 - Virtual Day for ALL Students. THIS IS A REGULAR DAY OF SCHOOL

- Students need to check Schoology for directions from ALL teachers. It is possible that project based classes (Art, Woods, Sewing, etc.) may not have work to be completed for the day.
- Just as a in person school day, you may have homework outside of the regular school day (8am-3:15pm). All assignments will be open and need to be submitted by 11:59pm on 11/22.
   No makeup work for Virtual Day will be allowed.
- If you are ill on Wednesday and unable to complete work because of illness, your parent/guardian should follow normal attendance procedures (call the office to let them know).
- If a teacher chooses and communicates that they will be doing a live lesson, they will also record it, but the live lesson will take place during normal class time. (i.e. 3rd Period 10:17-10:59) Attendance is not based on the live lesson.
- All lessons and assignments will be on Schoology, but the Office App may be needed to complete any word documents, PPT, etc. (the Office App is available on your mobile device app store if you do not have a computer)
- Teachers will communicate expectations for their individual classes and office hours they will have on Wednesday before you leave on Tuesday, 21st.
- Passwords will not be given on Wednesday. Make sure you have all passwords and apps in
  order before you leave school on Tuesday. Not having your password is not a valid reason for
  missing work.



Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23 & 24

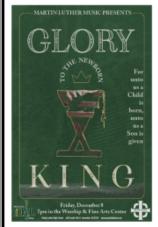


- Tuesday, Dec. 19 Student Help Day
- Wednesday, Dec. 20, Thursday, Dec. 21, and Friday, Dec. 22 Final Exams

• Monday, Dec. 25th - Friday, Jan. 5th - Christmas Break



# Christmas Concert December 8th at 7:00 p.m.



#### Martin Luther High School Music Department Presents

# GLORY TO THE NEWBORN KING

Featuring the Troubadours, Chorus, Concert Choir, Brass Choir, Spartan Band, Varsity Band, and Symphonic Band

The concert is at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, December 8th.

The performance is held in the Martin Luther High School Worship/Fine Arts Center.

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		Number of Tickets	
Reserved Assigned Seats: (center & wing)		Friday, Dec. 8 7:00 p.m.	
Adults	\$10.00		
Seniors (60), K-12, ML Staff &Students, LHSAGM Passes	\$5.00		
General Admission: (unassigned sides)			
Adults	\$6.00		
Seniors (60) and K-12	\$4.00		
ML Staff &Students LHSAGM Passes	FREE		
Name:			B.t. and the second second
E-mail:			Bring or send your order to:
Phone: Student:			Martin Luther High School c/o Mrs. Lisa Kamprath 5201 South 76th Street
Special seating (reserved only): wheelchair	or walker	(circle one)	Greendale, WI 53129
Details:	_		

Phone orders not accepted. Place your order early by direct mail, through your student, or by email (likamprath@martinlutherhs.org). Payment (cash or check only) must accompany your order. Credit cards can be accepted at the door. If you choose to pay with a credit card, please indicate this on your order form. Tickets will be held at will call for you. For all other payments, tickets can be held at will call, you may pick them up in the office between the hours of 7:30 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., or you may also have your student pick up the tickets from Mrs. Kamprath.



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Dear Parents,	2023	POINSET	TIA SALE	
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### **ML MUSIC APPAREL!**

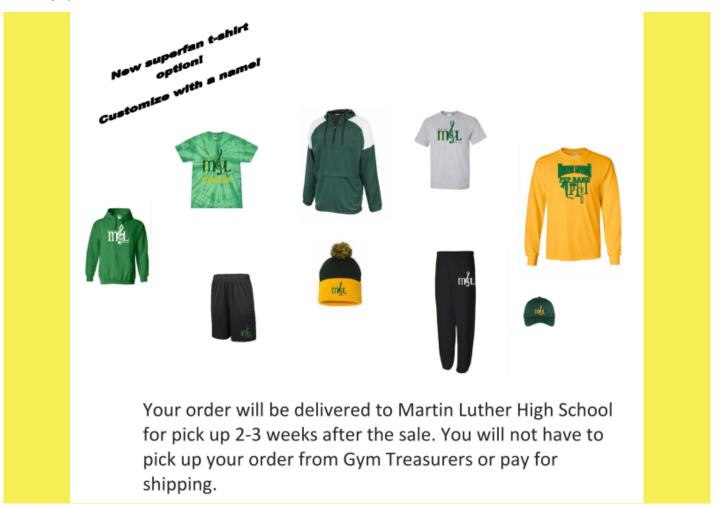
Show your pride in the talented ML music department!

# Sweatshirts, T-shirts, and more! OH MY! Shop and buy online using the link below.

**Products - Martin Luther Music - Gym Treasures (chipply.com)** 

#### Available for 2 weeks only! Wednesday, November 15- Wednesday, November 29

Here is a little info about our music department logo! This logo was designed by Martin Luther's Art teacher, Mr. James Dietz to incorporate the Martin Luther High School Campus, music, and God. The distinctive arches in the front of the school building can be seen in the initials ML. The vertical lines in these letters symbolize key aspects of the music program: sturdiness, stability, and responsibility. The treble clef represents both the choral and instrumental aspect of the music program, and the cross symbolizes God, who gives is the joy to make music to Him and to honor Him.



### **This Weeks Digital Discipleship**

This week's Digital Discipleship is rap artist, Christopher Hulvey. Under the name "Hulvey", this musician has dedicated his ministry to providing music that will draw in any music lover and gives clear witness to the hope of salvation through Jesus Christ. He just released a new album

"Perry Lane Pack", his content can be found on your favorite music provider, all forms of social media, or get updates on his website **hulveymusic.com**.



# Milwaukee Film Festival Teen Screen Selection Committee

Do you love film? Like, LOVE film, as in, carefully curating triple-features for pizza night, always making recommendations for friends? Want to channel that passion for cinema into selecting films for the next Milwaukee Film Festival? Then the Milwaukee Film Festival Teen Screen Selection Committee is for you! The Teen Screen Selection Committee program is completely FREE! Click the link for more information and to apply for this coveted opportunity! Any additional questions, see Mrs. Kulinski..

https://milwaukeefilm.formstack.com/forms/teenscreen2024?fbclid=lwAR1aDOqBGcSXbEZs-cXUGZr3UiYShllkDNznsOT2fZPxlrVCqfHYAAwWb8 aem AX-QhBW ElHqtQwiucFoOcF81Z6pnaEEvKOlxYFlnnl9rxM7Uic1aZVra-PUaxnzJ9Y

**Searching for a Christmas Present for a Milwaukee Sports Fan?** 

Martin Luther staff & families receive 20% off their total purchase. Just in time for Christmas!!





# **Severe Weather School Closure Alerts**

If it is necessary to close school because of severe weather conditions, please watch for a ML email or text alert, if you opted-in the School Messenger Service. Announcements will be made on local television (channels 4, 6 or 12).

The web sites <u>todaystmj4.com</u>, <u>fox6now.com</u> and <u>wisn.com</u> will have a listing of all closings as well. When Milwaukee Public Schools Public Schools close, Martin Luther will automatically close. When Greendale Public Schools close, Martin Luther will not necessarily close. The lack of an announcement means that school will be operating.

If school remains open and you feel that streets are too hazardous, please contact the school office, (414) 421-4000, to let us know if your child will be arriving late or not at all.



#### **Parents and Guardians**

You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service\* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number, 67587.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".



SchoolMessenger is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge<sup>™</sup>, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.

# Opt-In from your mobile phone now!



Just send "Y" or "Yes" to 67587

#### Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider. SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers if you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

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### **Attendance Matters**

Did you know that 7.8% of our students have already missed 10 or more days of school? Students need direct instruction from their teachers in order to understand the material as best as possible. In class time allows students to ask questions in real time, as the material is being taught. Missing school can impact your student's grades, which will then impact their graduation requirements. (missing 17 periods of a class can result in the forfeit of the credit for that

#### course- student handbook pg. 12 5.1)

What do you need to know? When you check attendance in Skyward, here is the key for the attendance codes:

• E: Excused

• R: Truant

• S: Suspension

• T: Tardy

U: UnexcusedW: Web Absent

• X: Exempt

You, the parent/guardian, are the only ones who can have your student be excused from school. That would be calling (414-421-4000 x100) or emailing (attendanceml@martinlutherhs.org) the office to let them know your student will not be in attendance for the day (they are ill, you are on vacation, you are attending a funeral, etc.). If you do not inform the office that your student will not be in attendance for all or part of the day, their attendance will be marked as W. Web absent means that they were not in class when attendance was taken and they did not come into class with a pass at any time during that period. They were essentially truant for that period (or sometimes a whole day). It is very important for the safety of our students that we are aware of where they are each period.

Even when students are ill (and we want them to stay home to get better) or if they miss school for other reasons, those absences can add up. It is important to know that even when your student is not at school, learning is still happening, assignments are given, tests are reviewed for and taken; and when they return all of that work must be made up. Schoology is a great tool to use when your student is absent. If your student is absent for an extended period of time, please communicate with the teachers so they can help build a plan to get your student caught up on work.

Attendance does matter; it matters because we want your student in our building; learning, engaging, and growing.

PLEASE NOTE: If your student is late and arrives after 8:30 a.m., a parent/guardian must call the school office. If a parent/guardian does not call the office when a student arrives after 8:30 a.m., the student will not be allowed to go to class.

## Notification of Choice Board Meetings for the Lutheran High School Association

The State of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction requires our High School Association to have two meetings per school year at which members of the governing body of the school will be present and at which all pupils and parents or guardians of all pupils applying to attend the school or attending the school may meet and communicate with Board members. This year the dates are the following: October 26th at 5:00 p.m. at Martin Luther High School, and April 4th at 5:00 p.m. at Milwaukee Lutheran High School. All students and parents or guardians are invited to attend.

## **Mental Health Counseling**

# Lutheran Counseling and Family Services (LCFS) is providing mental health counseling once a week here at SCHOOL!

Unsure when you should seek therapy services for your child? Here are just a few signs it may be time to seek counseling:

- Your child may be isolating, withdrawing
- Your child may not seem interested in things they once were interested in or they seem to have low energy
- They spend all their time on devices and/or video games and are not wanting to spend time with family or friends or the activities they enjoy
- They may have had a sudden change or gradual change in behavior
- They may not want to hang out with friends like they used to
- · Their grades are declining
- You may receive calls home from school due to their behavior
- They seem more on edge, irritable, like something is constantly bothering them
- They have recently lost a loved one or pet
- They had a serious incident happen to them or someone they love

If you are considering whether counseling is right for your child, LCFS's counselor Tina Popp can meet with you to answer any questions you may have. Please ask Mrs. Hammerling, <a href="mailto:chammerling@martinlutherhs.org">chammerling@martinlutherhs.org</a> for a packet.



If you were unable to attend the 2023-2024 Athletic Department Parent & Athlete Mandatory Kickoff meeting, you can view it