



**Assisting Parents  
in Bringing up their Children  
in the Training  
and Instruction of the Lord.**



# ***THE PARTNERSHIP POST***

**February 1, 2021**

## **Basketball Games**

B Team Girls Only - SVLS @ Martin Luther Oshkosh  
When Thu, February 4, 4:30pm – 5:30pm

A Team Boys only - SVLS vs. Martin Luther Oshkosh  
When Fri, February 5, 6pm – 7pm

[FWAL procedures document.](#)

## **SVLS Job Postings**

### **K-8 EDP Leader**

SVLS is looking for someone to serve as our Extended Day Program (EDP) leader. The commitment for this position would be 15-25 hours per week and would involve working every weekday morning and afternoon. SVLS will pay an hourly wage based on qualifications and experience. A job description and application can be obtained from the SVLS K-8 office.

### **Hot Lunch Coordinator and Cook**

SVLS is looking for a qualified individual to serve as our school hot lunch coordinator and cook. The commitment for this position would be 15-25 hours per week when school is in session and would primarily involve planning well-rounded, nutritious meals; purchasing the food; and preparing and serving the meals. (This position could potentially be split into two positions: Cook, and Grocery Shopper). This person will also need to be (or become) familiar with health and food safety standards. This position is considered a contracted position. A job description and application can be obtained from the SVLS K-8 office.

### **Financial Manager**

SVLS is hiring a Financial Manager to assist with the accounting functions of the school. We anticipate this part-time position will require between 10-20 hours per week. If you or someone you know would have an interest in the position, please contact Jacob Steinmetz for a job description and application for the position. SVLS would like to fill the position no later than June 1st and will pay an hourly wage based on applicant qualifications.

## **Sports Pictures**

Basketball and Cheer team pictures are being taken this week. Girls basketball pictures are being taken on Monday and boys basketball and cheer pictures are being taken on Tuesday.

**EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT ORDERING PICTURES, YOUR CHILD WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE TEAM PICTURE AND WILL NEED THEIR UNIFORM AND SHOES.**

## **Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)**

The application window for WPCP opens today and will remain open through April 15. Families who are currently receiving WPCP vouchers need to complete the online application at [www.dpi.wi.gov/choice](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/choice) and provide the school with proof of residency in order to keep the voucher for next year. You do not need to re-verify income. You will not lose your voucher unless you do not re-apply.

If you didn't qualify for WPCP last year, but your 2020 income was lower than 2019, you might be eligible to apply. And this year again, SVLS families with children at any grade level are eligible to apply for WPCP and receive a voucher. Compare your 2020 income with the published income limits to see if you'd qualify. The attachment to last week's Partnership Post with all the information about that can be found [here](#). And, as always, please contact Mr. Steinmetz if you think you might be eligible, or if you have any questions regarding the application process.

## **Ski Trip to Nordic Mountain**

There has been a Ski Trip coordinated through Nordic Mountain for Friday, February 12th. In place of those attending taking a bus, families are invited to drive to Nordic Mountain. Additionally, if 20+ skiers commit and buy ahead of time using the group code, the rates are lower than ordering online or purchasing the day of. The information for the ski trip is being finalized and will be sent out later this week. If you'd like to go on the ski trip, please contact Amanda Marks on or before Tuesday, February 9. That way, she can notify you on whether you will be receiving the group rate. Please direct any questions to Amanda Marks ([am070410@gmail.com](mailto:am070410@gmail.com)).

### **Children's Christmas Service DVDs**

Our 2020 Children's Christmas Service can be found on our YouTube channel. If you would like a DVD of the Children's Christmas Service, please contact Mr. Steinmetz.

### **Gift Card/Scrip Fundraising**

Kwik Trip is currently running a special rebate. When searching on the [www.ShopwithScrip.com](http://www.ShopwithScrip.com) website, you will see "Kwik Trip" and "Kwik Trip Bonus 10%". If you order "Kwik Trip", they are at a 9% rebate in February. If you order the "Kwik Trip Bonus 10%", they are physical cards only and a 10% rebate in February.

Other bonuses currently offered - Buffalo Wild Wings - 10%, Sephora - 7%, Baskin Robbins - 5%, Outback Steakhouse - 13%. A complete list of current bonuses can be viewed at [www.ShopWithScrip.com/shop](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com/shop)

### **Private School Tax Deduction**

Wisconsin state law allows Wisconsin parents to deduct private school tuition on their taxes. Under this law, parents statewide can deduct up to \$4,000 per student in grades K-8, and up to \$10,000 per high school student. In order to complete Schedule PS, you will need the following information:

**Name of School:** Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran School, Inc.

**Address of School:** N8728 South Coop Road, Menasha, WI 54952

**FEIN of School:** 46-1896578

Please consult with your tax preparer for more information.

**Hot Lunch  
on  
Friday,  
2/5/21  
\$3**

**Cheese or Sausage Pizza, veggie, fruit**

### **2nd Semester Mission Offerings**

In the second semester, SVLS will partner with FVL Schools to gather mission offerings to support Costa Maya Ministries. So far this semester SVLS has collected \$139.00 to support the Gospel work of Costa Maya Ministries. See the attachment for information about Costa Maya Ministries, or visit [www.costamayaministries.org](http://www.costamayaministries.org).

### **Virtual/At-Home Worship Opportunities**

We encourage you to make use of a virtual option from one of our congregations

**Mt. Calvary** - A recording of the Thursday service is published to [Mt. Calvary's Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/mtcalvarymenasha) (<https://www.facebook.com/mtcalvarymenasha>) and also to [Pastor Johnston's YouTube Channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrevjjohnston) (revjjohnston).

**Bethel** - The 8:00 Sunday worship service is live streamed on [Bethel's YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBethelMenasha) (Bethel Lutheran Church - Menasha, WI) and then kept on YouTube. Additionally, Bethel also has Worship At Home videos on [the homepage of their website](http://www.bethelmenasha.org) ([www.bethelmenasha.org](http://www.bethelmenasha.org)).

**St. Luke** - Sunday worship services are live streamed on [St. Luke's Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/stlukeslittlechute) (found at <https://www.facebook.com/stlukeslittlechute>) and kept there. Additionally, recordings of both Wednesday and Sunday worship services can be found at [St. Luke's Vimeo channel](https://vimeo.com/user19193641) (found at <https://vimeo.com/user19193641>)

#### **Worship at Bethel**

920-725-1822-English  
920-840-5490-Espanol  
Thursday Worship English 6:30pm  
Sunday Worship-English 8:00,  
10:30am  
Los Domingos Misa-Español  
12:00pm

#### **Worship at St. Luke**

920-788-4408  
Wednesday at 6:30pm  
Sunday at 9:00am

#### **Worship at Mt. Calvary**

920-731-4001  
Thursday at 6:30pm  
Sunday at 8:00 & 9:00am in  
Menasha and 6:30pm in  
Stockbridge



Costa Maya Ministries is located on the Mexican Caribbean coast - about 4 hours south of Cancun in a small town called Mahahual. Here we are blessed to reach in a variety of locations with the Word and Christian service.



**Port Costa Maya**  
and  
**Mahahual**  
(Cruz de Cristo  
Lutheran Church)

## We welcome you to Costa Maya!

We are very thankful that you have chosen us to be the mission your school will help to support through the prayers, gifts and encouragement of your children! We are in the “frontier” area of Mexico, and the only Lutheran church on the entire Yucatan Peninsula, an area of 5 million people. While we are WELS affiliated, Costa Maya Ministries is a “labor of love” started in 2007 and operated by a groups of WELS lay people. By God’s grace we are growing!

This is our pastor, Pastor Martin Valleskey. He’s served our congregation, Cristo de Crux (Cross of Christ) Lutheran Church. Pastor Valleskey arrived in 2015 and brought his guitar with him. What a blessing, as we presently worship in rented space under a covered roof – no place for an organ here! But the congregation has purchased land in 2018 and is having an architect draw its first church as this is written. We pray you and your children will get to know us, your fellow Christians at Costa Maya, and personally feel a part of the Lord’s work in a distant place!



## What's New:

**IN EDUCATION** — We are thrilled to share that in June 2019 the Lord blessed us with an interim education director, Christopher Dean, an graduate of Martin Luther College. In addition to teaching English to future "tourist" workers, he is also teaching Spanish to children who have not had the opportunity to attend school.



**IN OUTREACH** - God has blessed us with a new position to help with both administration of the growing mission and outreach connection to the community. Meghan Mortenson, a nurse from Green Bay has also joined our staff June! Pastor Valleskey will spend less time in organizing our soup kitchen and hosting cruise ship visitors – and more time in ministry with God's Word!

**IN WORSHIP** — We are growing and what a blessing it is! We have actually outgrown our current place of worship and

have purchased land on which to build.

Please pray for this building project in the coming year and pray for the ministry as we continue to seek opportunities to reach out into the vast Yucatan Peninsula with the gospel.



### Gifts Support Our Ministry:

While we coordinate with WELS world missions, we are totally supported by special gifts directly to Costa Maya Ministries. For more information, contact Pastor Dennis

Kleist, our Mission Advancement coordinator. After 15 years with the WELS Ministry of Christian Giving, he is ready to help with Gospel motivated, tax wise gifts from cash IRAs, stock, and real estate. Contact him at:

[dennisakleist@gmail.com](mailto:dennisakleist@gmail.com)

(920) 740-5899



We'd love to have you learn more on Facebook or at our website:

[Costamayaministries.org](http://Costamayaministries.org)

***Our ministry is completely sustained by the gifts of individuals.*** Our worship facility, Iglesia Cruz de Cristo (Cross of Christ Church), is located in the "Casitas" neighborhood near the port. Port workers, Mexican and foreign small business owners and retirees make up this area. ***Take a cruise including Costa Maya and visit!***