

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



THE PARTNERSHIP POST

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COVID-19 Update

Even in the midst of a pandemic, there is a lot for which we can give thanks. I find myself frequently saying prayers of thanksgiving for a number of things:

- Thanksgiving that we have been able to continue in-person school!
- Thanksgiving that, to date, we still have had no positive COVID-19 cases among students or staff.
- Thanksgiving for our children, who are staying healthy and with whom we have the privilege of working with daily.
- Thanksgiving for our teachers, who are dedicated to the Christian education of our children.
- Thanksgiving that you are continuing to take precautions of your own to keep your family as healthy as possible.

Be that as it may, COVID-19 activity levels certainly aren't slowing down in our area; in fact, activity levels continue to rise. And by now you are likely aware that the activity levels in the Fox Valley are currently among the highest in the nation. This has caused the health departments in Appleton and Menasha, as well as Calumet, Outagamie, and Winnebago Counties, to issue a Public Health Emergency.

With that said, we are thankful to be able to continue to conduct in-person learning. We appreciate the steps and precautions you have taken to keep your family healthy, and we appreciate you continuing to do your part to not only keep your family healthy, but also to keep our kids physically in school. We strongly encourage you to continue taking precautions to keep our kids in school. Here are some things you can do to help:

- Continue to conduct Daily Home Health Screenings of your children before school.
- Keep your kids home if they're sick, and share the specifics (especially health specifics) of your child's absence with your child's teacher and/or the school office.
- Consult with Mr. Steinmetz if you have any health-related questions.
- Physically distance as much as possible, and wear a cloth face covering in public unless you are unable to wear one for medical reasons.
- Avoid gatherings where distancing is not possible.
- We also strongly encourage everyone to get a flu shot this year, because health experts are predicting that this year's flu season could be particularly serious, as the flu will be going around simultaneously with COVID-19.

Other mitigation steps can be found at the CDC website, and at the Public Health Emergency news article (from WBAY) linked above. Thank you again for everything you are doing to keep our SVLS family as safe and healthy as possible. Remember - God is in control of all things! "I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth" (Psalm 121:1-2).

Mr. Steinmetz

Cooler Weather Clothing

The weather is starting to get cooler and cooler, with predicted high temperatures only in the 40s later this week. Please be sure that you're checking the weather forecast for the day and make sure your children have appropriate outdoor clothing along for recess and phy ed. We will go outside for recess and most phy ed classes until the temperature drops below around 10°F or so, or if it is too rainy and wet to go outside. This hasn't been an issue at all this year, so this is simply a proactive communication. Thank you for your cooperation with this!

1st Semester Mission Offerings

We have chosen to support the WELS Prison Ministry with our school's first semester chapel mission offerings. WELS Prison Ministry is a special ministry of WELS which seeks to build relationships and share Jesus with individuals who are incarcerated and in prison. So far this semester, SVLS has collected \$336.00 for WELS Prison Ministry.

School Lunch This Week

Friday (10/16) – spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, fruit, veggies

The cost will be \$3 per meal, and the meal includes milk. If you would like your child(ren) to have the meal this week, please send \$3 with your child on or before Friday.

Thank you to Mrs. Grady and our volunteer lunch staff for making these meals available to our kids!

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-Espanol 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

CPTA news

thank you to everyone that donated to supply our teaching staff with breakfast at their Tuesday meeting.
We appreciate our teachers very much and this is a small way we can say thank you.

