



St. James Lutheran School

Newsletter

September 18, 2026

Christ at the Center Truth in All Things

VIPDAY

Remember to let the office know by **September 25**, how many VIPs are coming on October 2 to join us for lunch. The cost for a guest lunch is \$5.50. After lunch the guests may visit classrooms before joining all of us for chapel at 1:15. There will be no Wednesday chapel that week.

Each student also received a fundraising sheet about this year's Celebrate St. James Drive. Return the attached sheet with the donations to the school office when you have finished collecting. You can reach out to family members, neighbors, coworkers, friends, or anyone that you think would like to support our mission here at St. James.



Picture Day is Tuesday, September 29. Forms went home today with every child today. You may use that form to order pictures or go online to strawbridge.net. Click "order pictures & yearbooks". Enter this code: PX505485 and place your order.

Chapel 2026-27:

This quarter's chapel offerings will be going to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. This agency provides printed materials to churches and schools. Our donations will be specified for a church in England that needs catechisms. Our goal for the year is \$3000.00. Which breaks down to \$750.00 per quarter.

****Dress your child(ren) in grades 1-8 appropriately for being outdoors all day on Monday, September 21 for their time at the Outdoor Ed Day. Also send a lunch if you did not order the sack lunch from the school.**

Spirit Wear available for 2026-27. Use this link to order your spirit wear.
<https://appsigns.company.site/St-James-Saints-Gear-c61493008>

Sunday, September 20
8:00 a.m.

5-8 Grade Choir

Chapel Service: Wednesday, September 23
8:20 a.m.

Pastor Loder

In Our Prayers: This upcoming week please add these prayer requests to your daily prayer time:

- † Grant the Holy Spirit to be with us to remain steadfast in the faith.
- † Thanks for the free and full salvation won for us by Christ's death and resurrection.
- † Thanks for our families.
- † For all who have been impacted by the recent hurricanes, flooding, earthquakes and wildfires in so many parts of the world.
- † For all who are dealing with health issues.
- † For our nation's leaders, that God would guide them to make wise and godly decisions.
- † For all service men and women currently protecting our nation.
- † For safety in traveling to and from school each day.



If you wish to apply for tuition assistance or set up a payment plan for the year, those forms must be filled out and turned into the office by Friday, September 25.



Registration fees for the 26-27 school year are due on the 25th if not already paid. After that date the fee will be an additional \$100.00.

On the Sycamore home page you will find volunteer opportunities listed. This is an easy place to find the times/events that work into your schedule to meet your 8 hours of volunteer service to St. James. During September and October there are several home volleyball games when help with concessions is needed.

Next Week at St. James School:

Sun. Sept., 20

8:00 a.m. Grades 5-8 Choir

Mon., Sept. 21

Outdoor Ed Day for grades 1-8

3:15-4:45 p.m. VB practice

Tues., Sept. 22

4:00 p.m. Home VB vs. Cologne Academy

Wed., Sept. 23

8:20 a.m. Chapel

4:00 p.m. VB game @ Chaska

Thurs., Sept. 24

Library

3:15-4:45 p.m. VB practice

Fri. Sept. 25

Deadline to register guest lunches for VIP day

Sun., Sept. 27

10:30 a.m. Grades 3-4 Choir

At the front desk:

- *Yearbook order forms.*
- *Lunch menus*
- *Newsletters*
- *4-H information*
- *Choir schedules*
- *School calendars*

Here are the amazon wish lists put together by the teachers. If you are able to help with any of these items it would be greatly appreciated!

Kindergarten-

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1CTN6O87M4QWG?ref=wl_share

1/2-

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/33R6LPFS9KLUO?ref=wl_share

3rd -

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/G9BBU812XQBT?ref=wl_share

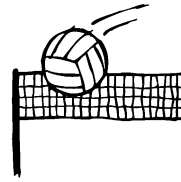
4th-

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2L7LKZ4I58NIT?ref=list_d_wl_lfu_nav_1#

7/8-

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3VL7GR8MIF79B?ref=wl_share

4-H Open House Events – Tues.. Sept. 29 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at 3500 Braddock Ave. NE Buffalo
Sun. Oct. 4 Noon-3:00 at Fresh Acres Corn Maze
8102 72nd St. NE, Monticello, MN with free pumpkin painting. Maze admission is an additional cost.



Come cheer on our 5th-6th grade volleyball team. They have a home game on Tuesday and an away game at Chaska on Wednesday

Please continue to explore the Sycamore website.

There's much information available at your fingertips. If you have had any issues getting logged in, please reach out to the school office and we will help you. The Sycamore app is available both in Google Play Store and Apple.

Election results for student council 26-27.

Our student council election was held today at lunch time.

Fifth grade members:

Emerson Koosman

Asher Trobiani

Bentley Skelly

Sixth grade members:

Kaitlyn King

Averi Nowak

Harper Salmela

Seventh grade members;

Fischer Eckhoff

Owen Davis

Eden Koosman

Eighth grade members:

Allison Estrem

Kennedy Sparkman

Lila Hennen



Next week election for president of the student council will be held. The three eighth grade members are eligible to be president. The person with the top number of votes will be president, the person with the second highest vote total will be vice president.