

FOR ALL THE SAINTS

OH, FEAR THE LORD, YOU HIS SAINTS, FOR THOSE WHO FEAR HIM HAVE NO LACK! —PSALMS 34:9

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TAKE A WALK

My association with Saint Paul Lutheran High School began in 1981, when I met my wife Lori, who spent all of her days up to and including her college years in the area. As we spent more time with each other, runs to Emma, Missouri, to stay with family became commonplace. Moreover, as I met her family, I learned of the history that they had working at Saint Paul. Eventually, we planned our wedding and held our reception at Krueger Hall. When my parents arrived for the wedding, I drove my father, who spent 38 years as an education professional, to the campus. As we drove around, Dad said, "Park the car - let's take a walk," and we did.

Whenever I walked school grounds or a campus with my dad, he would always point out the challenges associated with buildings, infrastructure, funding, and keeping the institution moving forward while never losing focus on the importance of a well-structured plan for student success. As we walked the campus of Saint Paul that day, he was impressed that even though it was summer, every student or faculty member greeted us with a smile and asked if we needed any assistance.

It has been many years since that walk, and over those years, I have had the pleasure of meeting many of the students that pass through these halls and for a brief time call Saint Paul Lutheran High School and Concordia home. There is something very special here that goes beyond 139 years of existence. A special bond of camaraderie, creating enduring international friendships, the academic prowess of the current students, and success of the alumni that make Saint Paul a unique place to attend.

As word of this special campaign reaches your email or pops up on your screen, I ask that you pause and prayerfully consider contributing, and for a brief time "take a walk" - FOR ALL THE SAINTS.

~Joe Connell

SAVE THESE DATES!

March 24, 2019 - Sausage Dinner hosted by SOS - Come to Krueger Dining Hall beginning at 11:00 AM on this Sunday for a tasty sausage dinner and fellowship with fellow Saints! That night please come enjoy the Singing Saints Home Concert at 7:00 PM. All choir alumni are invited to join the choir in singing *For All the Saints*. If you would like to practice beforehand, a 15 minute practice will be held at 1:00 PM in the Fine Arts building.

Late April, 2019 - Phone-a-thon - A phone-a-thon is in the works to make contact with those who have a love for Saint

Paul. Be looking for a call at the end of April and be ready to spend some time learning more about this effort that is For ALL the Saints!

June 14 & 15, 2019 - Saints Pride Work Day - Get your work clothes on and help maintain and improve campus! You will also get a sneak peek at what has already been done!

June 23, 2019 - Campaign Celebration - Annual Hog Roast and Auction. Come celebrate as we announce our final totals for the For All the Saints Campaign. Bring your appetites!

PRAYER

We praise You God! Yours is the greatness and power and the glory and majesty and the splendor. For EVERYTHING in heaven and earth is Yours. We know that all wealth and honor come from You. You are the ruler of all things. You have abundantly blessed SPLHS through our capital campaign. You have moved hearts to share what You have already given to further Your work on our campus. As we head into the next phase of our campaign, we ask for You to continue to remind us of the truths of Your word - that all we have is because of all You have given. We trust that when You move us to give that You will provide abundantly more than what we can imagine. Thank You for those who have responded to Your call and guide those who are waiting for Your direction on how they can serve You through the campaign. We trust You and love You. In Jesus' holy name, Amen.

Have a prayer that you want our prayer warriors to keep in their hearts? Send us an email at prayers@splhs.org so we can pray for you!

NEED MORE INFO?

For Capital Campaign information head to <http://splhs.org/capital-campaign>



WHERE ARE WE NOW?



As we enter into our second official month since the For All the Saints Campaign kickoff, we are blessed and thankful to announce that our current level of commitments, through pledges, gifts and other donations, has totaled to **\$1,193,865** (as of March 20)! While we are so thankful to have made it this far, we recognize that there is still much to be done to reach our goal! As we prepare to break ground at the end of the school year, please pray that funds will be in place to complete our goals. None of this is possible without all of your prayers and support for our school and our students. Thank you for all that you do FOR ALL THE SAINTS!
GTGTG!

YES

It is amazing how one word can change your life. A year ago I was asked to be the director of an upcoming campaign.

My answer - "Yes. Whatever I can do to help Saint Paul."

Through the course of the summer and after some events, I was asked if I would be willing to come work at Saint Paul as Director of Development, and my answer was again, "Yes!... But let me speak with my wife first!"

Over the last 6 months I have thoroughly enjoyed speaking with alumni and supporters of Saint Paul. I love to hear the stories of how this school has made such a positive impact on the lives of those who attended here and "families" that were created at Saint Paul. Today, Saint Paul stands as the last of the LCMS Residential High Schools, and we are educating young men and women to be Christian leaders in this broken world. This is who we are.

I ask that you would prayerfully consider making a 3 year pledge to the For All the Saints campaign. We cannot do this without your help. It is time for us all to say, "Yes. Whatever I can do to help Saint Paul."

~Kent Kunkel, Director of Development

NOTES AND THOUGHTS - STUDENTS STEP UP!

We were excited to meet and connect with so many alumni during the Singing Saints Choir Tour. What a blessing to reconnect with so many supporters of Saint Paul!

The current student body is stepping up to a challenge to make a change on campus! Stay tuned for more exciting details!