God sends a {Empowered} sinner like me

The last few weeks have focused on several descriptors of our sinful condition – reluctant and foolish yet chosen by God. Not only have we been brought into the family of God, but He calls us to be His ambassadors. We are empowered by God, despite our shortcomings.

In the Old Testament, the account of God confronting and commissioning Moses through the burning bush shows this conversation. God calls Moses to rescue His people from the hand of Pharaoh and lead them back to the Promised Land. Moses identifies a number of reasons why he is ill equipped to carry out this task. God continues to empower Moses with physical tools (his staff), individuals around him (Moses’ brother Aaron), and the assurance of the presence of God (Exodus 3 & 4). This same conversation happens with Gideon (Judges 6:14-16) and Paul.

But the Lord said to him, “Go for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel.” (Acts 9:15)

The same reality applies to each of us today. Whatever God is calling you to do, He sees the areas where you will struggle and has already equipped you and empowered you for the task. Too often we think that our “success” in accomplishing God’s goals will be dependent on us. What we must remind ourselves is that the calling from God is all we need. He will complete the work He has identified in His time and in His way. We are just blessed to be able to be a part of it. When the Spirit of God is upon us we should heed His call (Isaiah 6:8) and work with all our human efforts because of the power we have received from God.
SNOW DAYS  In the event severe weather conditions would occur, please check one of the local media outlets for information on school closings.  Our recommendation is that you check the WTMJ website (www.todaystmj4.com) for the earliest and most up-to-date information.  Other media outlets broadcasting school closings include:

Television: WTMJ-4, FOX-6, WISN-12, CBS-58  
Radio: 94.5 KTI Country, 620WTMJ  
Internet: fox6now.com/weather, WISN.com, cbs58.com  

Since our students come from many parts of the metropolitan area, weather conditions may vary from one area to another.  Please use discretion in sending your child to school even though school may be in session.  A guideline to use in making your decision would be the decision that your local public school district has made.  (Example: If you live in Cedarburg and the Cedarburg school district has closed due to the weather, consider keeping your child home from school that day.)

In the event that a sudden snowstorm forces school to close before the regular closing time, make certain that your child knows exactly where to go and what to do should no one be home during the school day.

ACADEMIC ADVISING . . .

STUDENT/COUNSELOR ASSIGNMENTS:  
LASLEY: Freshmen  
E. JANOUSKY: Juniors/Seniors  
GUTTER: Sophomores  
STEINKE: Juniors/Seniors  
L. KOEBERT: Transition

JUNIORS AND SENIORS  – Now is the time to start thinking about COLLEGE!!  The following colleges will be visiting our school in the near future.  You MUST sign up with Mrs. Ebben in the Advising Office at least 2 days prior to the college visit.

➢ Tuesday, January 11th – UW Oshkosh, 9:36 am  
➢ Tuesday, January 18th – Alverno, 9:36 am  
➢ Tuesday, January 25th – UW Platteville, 9:36 am  
➢ Tuesday, February 1st – UW Parkside, 9:36 am  
➢ Tuesday, February 8th – Carthage, 9:36 am
Greetings,

Every month we will have Students of the Month selected by each department at MLHS. Some of the comments that were made regarding the following students were: pleasure to have in class, positive attitude, kind, hard worker, has shown great maturity, etc. Here are the October Students of the Month:

Ajane Olusanya (Spanish)
Mattie Ellis (P.E)
Franklin Cole (Social Studies)
Nickia Smith (Math)
Nivea Webb (Tech Ed)
Naviah Jones (English)
Brooklyn May (Science)
Craig Robertson (Art)
Claire Cronce (Business)
Will Holmes (Resource)
Mikael Jones (Religion)
Justin McDaniel (Music)

Reminders:
- Try to get your student here by 7:50. The school day begins at 8:00.
- The school day ends at 3:20. Please try to arrange for pickup around that time. We do have our cafeteria open after school for students to wait for their rides.

If you have any questions about policies/procedures, please contact me at 414-461-6000X205 or jkalkopf@milwaukeelutheran.org

The verse of encouragement I would like to leave with you is from John 1:14 "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." Have a great weekend!

God's Blessings,
Mr. Joe Kalkopf
MLHS Dean of Culture
ADMISSIONS . . .

Important Upcoming Admission Dates for the Incoming Freshman Class of 2026:

- Online Applications Open for the Class of 2026 on September 15, 2021.
  - Please visit [www.milwaukeelutheran.org/get-started](http://www.milwaukeelutheran.org/get-started) after September 15 to apply and sign up for our required placement test.

ATK Ministry on CBS 58 news
Sunday, Dec. 12, at 7:00 am.

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STUDENT ACTIVITIES . . .

Food Drive: Thank you to everyone who donated for our annual food drive!

Pack the Pantry Basketball Game: Tonight (12/10), Student Council will be running a special event to collect more non-perishable food items to be included in our local church and community food pantries drop off. Each non-perishable or $1 that you donate will earn one raffle ticket into a drawing for raffle baskets valued at $50. Winners will be drawn at halftime of the Varsity game, and you must be present to win. Additionally, if you bring 3 non-perishable food items to the game, you will receive free admission! We hope to see you there!

Red Knight Before Christmas: Friday, December 17th is the last day of classes before finals. It has also been designated the Red Knight Before Christmas! Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater and enter our ugly sweater contest during lunch! You may be out of dress code if you are in Christmas theme. However, leggings and ripped jeans are still not allowed. Santa hats are welcome!

Girls’ Basketball Theme Night: Join us on Friday, December 17th for our first basketball theme night! The theme for the evening is CHRISTMAS. Wear your ugly sweaters and Santa hats as you cheer on our girls! An ugly sweater contest will take place at halftime. Fun fact: December 17, 2021 also happens to be National Ugly Sweater Day!

Seniors: If you ordered a senior shirt and have not picked yours up, please see Miss Vonderheide next week.

Looking Ahead:
- Student Council will be hosting another Skate Night on January 25th at Butler Skateland! Sign up after Christmas break!
- Do you have a talent that you would like to share with your classmates? Consider auditioning for our annual Talent Show this April! Auditions will take place second semester. More details are to come.
MILWAUKEE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL BANDS PRESENT
2021 CHRISTMAS BAND CONCERT

Christmas Mash Up

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11
7:00 PM
MLHS GYMNASIUM - FREE ADMISSION
Basketball, Wrestling, Swim, and Cheerleading are fundraising!
The 2021 winter season is underway, and we are reaching out to YOU for support. Your generosity and backing have been essential in providing exceptional experiences for our student-athletes. To support the athletes, click on this link and share it with your family and friends. Go Red Knights! Click here to support your team.

Great news! Did you know that you can advertise your business and help Milwaukee Lutheran Athletics at the same time through our Athletics Sponsorship/Advertising program? Whether through partner sponsorships or single sport advertising, Milwaukee Lutheran High School is looking to team up with local companies to advertise their business through various media outlets, including signage, program event advertising and social media advertising, to name a few. All proceeds will go to support the sports programs at Milwaukee Lutheran High School. Want to learn more? Contact Preston Hoffman at phoffman@lhsagm.org; or at (414) 418-7638 for further information.

What a fantastic way to showcase your business where exceptional experiences happen!

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**2021 SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE**

*No Lunch will be available on Exam Days.*

**MONDAY, Dec. 20**

1st Hour: 8:00 am – 9:00 am  
2nd Hour: 9:10 am – 10:10 am  
3rd Hour: 10:20 am – 11:20 am

**TUESDAY, Dec. 21**

4th Hour: 8:00 am – 9:00 am  
5th Hour: 9:10 am – 10:10 am  
6th Hour: 10:20 am – 11:20 am

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 22**

7th Hour: 8:00 am – 9:00 am  
8th Hour: 9:10 am – 10:10 am
ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES . . .

REPORTING A STUDENT ABSENT OR LATE
Absences must be reported to the Attendance Office by email attendance@milwaukeelutheran.org OR (414) 461-6062 by 9 AM on the day of the absence.

EARLY RELEASE
If you need to have your student released early, please Email attendance@milwaukeelutheran.org or call the attendance office (414) 461-6062 AT LEAST ONE HOUR IN ADVANCE. Last minute calls may result in a delayed dismissal.

GETTING A MESSAGE TO A STUDENT
If you need to get a message to a student please email attendance@milwaukeelutheran.org OR call (414) 461-6062 and a message will be sent to the student through student mail.

***Please note that due to the large volume of calls and activity in the attendance office you may have to leave a message. Messages are checked often and the call will be handled accordingly.***

Thank you for your assistance in this matter!

A reminder to all students and parents – No outside food deliveries are allowed to Milwaukee Lutheran. We also discourage parents/others from bringing food at lunches for their child. This becomes a burden on our office staff who have other responsibilities during the day. Students are welcome to bring a cold lunch in the morning. There are microwaves to heat food as well as cafeteria lunch being provided.
CURRENT NEWS . . .

ESPORTS Gaming Event: Concordia University Wisconsin will be hosting an esports gaming event on December 4th from 1:00 to 6:00 pm. The event will include tours of campus, a Meet and Greet with Esports athletes, information on different areas of study at Concordia, food, and a tournament of Super Smash Bros and Rocket League will be provided. More information will be released closer to the event and can be found on the CUW Esports Instagram, @cuwesports, and Twitter, @CUWEsports. Students involved in Esports at Concordia are considered Division III varsity athletes and can compete for scholarships in tournaments at the college level. Concordia is one of the leading colleges with such a program, being the #1 College Esports Program in Wisconsin. Anyone with interest in this event please email cuwesportsevent@gmail.com and registration information will be sent to you in the coming weeks. Registration for the tournament closes Sunday, November 21st, but registration for attending the Meet and Greet event will be open up until the day of the event.

Tackle the college “to-do” list now!
1. Apply now! Take time to complete college applications online.
2. Notify me (ksteinke@milwaukeelutheran.org) when an application is submitted. I will send your transcript right away!
3. Complete the FAFSA found at fafsa.gov. Students MUST complete the FAFSA in order to qualify for federal financial aid. The application opened October 1st
4. An updated Scholarship List can be found in Schoology. Go to “Courses,” select “Red Knight Vault: Class of 2022,” and click on “Scholarships.”

WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

MONDAY, Dec. 13 – Spicy Chicken Breast
TUESDAY, Dec. 14 – Street Tacos
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 15 – Hamburgers
THURSDAY, Dec. 16 – Spaghetti w/Meatballs
FRIDAY, Dec. 17 – Sweet Sour Chicken
MONDAY, Dec. 20 – Exams, No Lunch
TUESDAY, Dec. 21 – Exams, No Lunch
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 22 – Exams, No Lunch
THURSDAY, Dec. 23 – Christmas Break
FRIDAY, Dec. 24 – Christmas Break