

# LUTHER PREP SCHOOL



## Fall 2021 Update

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Do you identify with Martin Luther who 500 years ago—with such great chutzpa!—stood before Emperor Charles V and boldly declared, “My conscience is captive to the Word of God. I cannot and will not recant anything?” Or, do you identify with Peter in the courtyard who responded with an oath to the servant girl’s statement that Peter had been with Jesus of Nazareth: “I don’t know the man!?” For most of us the answer is likely “yes.”

Our ever forgiving, loving Lord has blessed Luther Prep with an opening enrollment of 425 students this fall—an increase of 25 from last year. Last year’s smaller graduating class ended with 19 young men enrolling in the pastor track at MLC, an above average percentage. The Word proclaimed faithfully and daily in Prep’s twice daily chapels, all classrooms, weekend worship services, and so many areas of our campus permeates the life of Prep students. Yes, they feed on the Bread of Life (John 6).

Grace—full and free—in Christ “is a hard teaching,” (John 6:60), not easy to comprehend. That many people turn their backs on Jesus is not surprising. To God’s people grace has a thrilling sound. That joyous sound leads all LPS students to consider becoming proclaimers of the joyous gospel sound in the full time ministry. They hear the encouraging words of the often mercurial Peter at the end of Christ’s Bread of Life discourse: “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God” (John 6:68-69). Scripture later points us to a Peter who became a strong confessor of Christ.

In his hymn *In Hopelessness and Near Despair* Jaroslav Vajda pens, “You know me as I really am: How much is truth, how much is sham...” God’s people can struggle with a cowardly flesh. Yet, through his Spirit’s working God blesses his people with confident faith which produces bold confessions of truth. As the LPS students prepare for ministry they do so with the eagerness found in the closing words of the aforementioned hymn: “This world must know what I have learned, that you bestow what none has earned: The joy of full forgiveness.”

LPS is truly grateful to our church body and the people who comprise it for their support of our purpose in preparing the next generation of “Apostle Peters” and “Martin Luthers” who eagerly and boldly stand on God’s Word. God in his grace continues to accomplish such.

Matthew A. Crass, President  
Luther Preparatory School

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with confident faith.”



Fall Play

NO PLACE LIKE  
NOWHERE

BY ANDREW ROSS

Saturday, Oct 23 at 7pm  
Sunday, Oct 24 at 2:30pm  
General Admission-RSVP not necessary

### New Faculty for 2021-2022 School Year

Tutor Dan Schmidt, Professor Eric Paulsen,  
Tutor Yaffet Gabayehu, Tutor Joe Herrewig

Director of Women's Services Lisa Mensching,  
Instructor Hannah Rodewald, Tutor Ava  
Steinbrenner, Tutor Emmalie Olsen, Professor  
Emily Grunwald



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New faculty installation during the opening service

## Southeastern WI District at LPS



Above are the students from the Chicago Conference and below are Shoreland Conference students at LPS.



## Project Timothy 2021 Northdale, Tampa, FL

In July, six LPS seniors and I had the wonderful opportunity to help lead a VBS at Northdale Lutheran Church just outside of Tampa. The theme was "God's Wonder Lab". The week consisted of science experiments with "mad professors" such as Pastor Guse and me, sing-a-long time, arts and crafts, and Bible stories, all of which Luther Prep students helped lead. A highlight was Pastor Guse dressing as a different "professor" everyday, as we looked at God's Word through the lenses of science.

It was truly a blessing to see Luther Prep students using their gifts to serve with such joy and excitement as they shared their faith.

As a group, we were also able to get our tan at the beach, visit Gatorland, and explore Disney Springs in the afternoons.

*Tutor Tyler Roecker*



## Semester I Events and Activities

### September

- 11 ACT at LPS
- 16 Open House for 5-8 grade families 5pm

### October

- 8 Homecoming Family Day
- 10 Alumni and Friends Worship 10am chapel
- 18 Mid-Semester Break
- 23 Open House for 5-8 grade families 5pm
- Fall play *No Place Like Nowhere*
- Dinner Theater 5:30pm, performance 7pm

### 24

Fall Play Matinee 2:30pm

25-26 Taste of Ministry for Tertianers

28-29 Quarta MLC Trip #1

### November

12-14 WELS National Choral Fest at MLC

17 Ministry Day

21 Fall Band Concert 7pm in auditorium

Open House for 5-8 grade families 5pm

24-28 Thanksgiving Break

## Luther Prep School Student Body 2021-22

26 States, 5 Foreign Countries, 425 Total Students

