

# WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

## News for the Week of May 17

### All School

#### Three Important Changes on the Horizon

As we wrap up the 2019–20 school year, we wanted to let you know about a few changes that we will be working on over the summer and implementing for 2020–21. These exciting transitions have been made with an eye toward further improving the St. Francis experience for all.

#### CAMPUS NAME CHANGE

First, beginning this July, and with the approval of the St. Francis Episcopal School Board of Trustees and the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, we are renaming our campuses. We are doing this to reflect the equal roles they play in our present educational endeavors and to honor those whose past contributions have been invaluable in shaping St. Francis into something truly special. This change also supports the "Community of Inclusion" goal of our strategic plan by recognizing the importance of all of our divisions to the inclusive St. Francis experience.

- Our Main Campus will be renamed the **Piney Point Village Campus**—or Piney Point (PP), for short—to honor the community that has nurtured our school for more than 60 years.
- Our South Piney Point Campus will be renamed the **Mary Frances Bowles Couper Campus**—or Couper Campus (CC), for short—in honor of the family whose generosity made our school's second campus possible.

#### UNIFORM PROVIDER UPDATE

Back in December, we let you know that we had chosen DENNIS Uniform as our exclusive uniforms partner for the 2020–21 school year. DENNIS has a reputation for excellent quality, value, and customer satisfaction, and we expect the transition to be very easy. The online ordering process is almost finalized, and we will be sending you details on how to order soon. Stay tuned!

## **NEW SIS SOFTWARE**

We will be replacing My BackPack with Veracross, student information system (SIS) software that should provide parents and students with a smoother, more robust, and more efficient way to access information online. We'll be sharing more details with you later in the year, but expect improvements in grade and attendance reporting, summer and after-school course registration, directory access, and more.

## **A Note About Changes to the Board of Trustees**

As we continue planning for the 2020–21 school year, the St. Francis Episcopal School Board of Trustees would like to extend a warm welcome to three new members voted onto the board at our April meeting:

- Paul Moreton
- Robby Zorich
- Rob Pierce

Each new member brings valuable professional and nonprofit experience to the board, as well as increasing representation of our Primary and Upper School families. We look forward to working with each of them.

We also would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to the following outgoing board members:

- Nicole Ederle
- Jamie Taussig
- Mark Terry
- Joel Moore

Mark Terry and Joel Moore are both nine-year board veterans and former board chairs who very much shaped the St. Francis we know today. Nicole and Jamie were active committee members, whose energy and expertise we will miss. We are blessed and grateful for the time, dedication, and support given by all of our board members to the school.

The board pledges to spend the summer continuing to evaluate additional ways to preserve the resources and safeguard the assets of the community for the benefit of our St. Francis families—to date, we have been able to defer tuition deadlines, reduce fees for monthly payers, and return tuition to 2019–20 levels. Please know we are conscientiously keeping operating costs as low as possible and doing everything we can to support our St. Francis community. We hope all our St. Francis families have a safe and healthy summer, and we continue to pray for our entire community and an end to the global pandemic.

Warmly,

Kate Denham  
Chair, Board of Trustees

### **Please Share Your Feedback on Distance Learning**

Parents, you should have received an e-mail this week with a link to a survey requesting feedback on distance learning. (In case you didn't see the e-mail, [here is the link](#).) We hope you will take the time to share your thoughts with us as we plan and prepare this summer. Thank you!

### **Live Virtual Ceremony for Eighth-Grade Graduation**

Please join us online on **Thursday, May 21, at 6:30 p.m.** for our live Eighth-Grade Graduation Service. When it's time for the ceremony to start, you'll be able to view it via [this link](#).

### **Support Your St. Francis Community**

The strength of St. Francis lies in our community. Now more than ever is the time to support one another. Please consider using a St. Francis family-owned business. If you are a business owner and would like to be added to [this list](#), please [e-mail Sandy August](#).

### **Congratulations, Woolrich Award Winners!**



On behalf of the Woolrich Committee, we are pleased to announce the 2019–20 recipients of the Sarah W. Woolrich Fund for Faculty awards. While travel for

these experiences typically occurs during the summer, our 2019–20 recipients will work with school administration to make arrangements as soon as we are able.

Please join us in congratulating the following individuals:

- **Maria Cruzalegui, Middle School Spanish faculty**, will travel to Spain to study both ancient Spanish culture and German in the Basque country.
- **Wendy Heinemann, chaplain**, will take guitar lessons to enrich our Chapel experience.
- **Cara Matzen, Upper School math faculty**, will journey to Finland to learn about the intersection of math and art at the Bridges Aalto conference.
- **Christine Nguyen, Lower School math faculty**, will be exploring technology initiatives in the Philippines and Singapore.
- **Michelle Staller, Primary II faculty**, will learn more about the importance of outdoor play and classrooms in Germany.
- **Mary Kate Springmann, Haley Tamlyn, and Alison Salinas, Lower School humanities faculty and curriculum staff**, are traveling to the American West to explore important historical sites.

Thank you to all of the committee members who served this year, and to our parents and donors, who make these experiences possible while helping to enrich learning at St. Francis.

### **School Supply Packs: Spring Sale Canceled**

Because we are still evaluating which supplies will be needed for the 2020–21 school year, St. Francis has asked the Parents Association not to sell school supply packs this year. We will be making decisions about necessary school supplies over the summer, and we will keep you posted!

### **Watch the Replay of Tuesday's Community Update**

A big thank-you to everyone who tuned in this past Tuesday for our community update with St. Francis Episcopal School Board of Trustees Chair Kate Denham and Head of School Stephen Lovejoy. If you missed it, you can [watch the replay here](#).

### **Thank You, 2019–20 Parent Volunteers!**

St. Francis is blessed with dedicated and talented parents who volunteer countless hours to enrich daily life in our community. We couldn't do it without your time and dedication! We are incredibly grateful for our strong parent group leaders (listed below) and for each and every one of our amazing volunteers. We appreciate you!

- **Art à la Carte:** Jennifer Stringer, President
- **Athletics Booster Club:** Lorie Herod, President

- **Dads' Club:** Wyatt McCulloch, President
- **Friends of Fine Arts:** Maureen Perea, President
- **Parents Association:** Carol Lee Lyons, President

## Stay in Touch With Membership Toolkit

Please remember that current St. Francis school families have access to the [Parents Association \(PA\) Membership Toolkit website](#) and the [PA Membership Toolkit app](#). Through Membership Toolkit, you can quickly access St. Francis's family directory, the listing of PA board/chair members, and items such as tickets to PA-sponsored luncheons.

- The website and app are maintained by the PA technology chair and not tied to My BackPack data; therefore, updates in My BackPack are not automatically reflected in Membership Toolkit. Rather, **you must update your contact information in your Membership Toolkit account.**
- Please [e-mail the PA technology chair](#) for assistance if:
  - Your e-mail address has changed, so your account can be updated.
  - You do not have access to Membership Toolkit, or you encounter any other issues while using the website or app.
- Only current families and faculty are given access to the website and app. If you are a new family to St. Francis in 2020–21, please note that we will be adding your account to the system a little later in the summer.

## Register Today for Online SOTP Camps

Summer on the Point is now online! [Click here](#) for descriptions and registration information.

Not all classes have supply packets; however, **any camps with supply packets will have them included in student-belonging pickups next week.** Anyone registering after Sunday, May 24, will have packets delivered to porches.

### New sessions added include the following:

- Speaking for Success for Middle School and Upper School;
- Voice-Over Acting for Middle School and Upper School;
- Jump Into Primary School;
- Let's Pretend drama class for Lower School;
- Creative Writing; and
- Several STEAM classes for students in Lower School and Middle School.

## **Festival Reimbursement Requests Due Thursday**

If you have already supported the St. Francis Festival, you may donate your contribution to the One Community Fund (which supports St. Francis Episcopal Church and School), or you may receive a refund. Please [click here](#) to submit your preference by **Thursday, May 21**. With questions, please [e-mail Martha Chavez](#).

## **PA Reimbursement Requests Due June 1**

Please be sure to turn in all check requests for any reimbursement related to the Parents Association (PA) no later than June 1, 2020. You can [e-mail Karen Rash](#) with the [request form](#) and receipts. Then, please mail a hard copy with original receipts to:

Karen Rash  
5481 Lynbrook Dr.  
Houston, TX 77056

Thanks, St. Francis parents, for helping the PA provide programs to our school community.

## **Summertime Notes From the Chaplains**

Fr. Wismer and Rev. Heinemann want to stay in touch with the Wolves this summer. If you would like your child to receive a note from a chaplain, please complete [this form](#).

## **Virtue of the Month: Excellence**

During the month of May, the St. Francis community is focusing on excellence. Our virtue verse is Colossians 3:23: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters." Try to memorize it as a family. You can watch [this short video](#) to learn the ASL for "excellent."

***Table Talk:** It's family challenge time! Challenge each family member to live out the virtue of excellence within the family. Take turns sharing about times when you saw other family members giving their best to the activities before them.*

## **Primary School**

### **From the Division Head**

The school weeks since spring break have been different than any of us have ever experienced. It's not how we expected the year to be, but we've learned a lot about distance learning and ways to stay connected to you, our families. It seems like everyone had a role in helping to support children's learning this year. Whether you are

a professionally trained teacher, or learning along with your children, we know this has been a challenging time.

You may have heard educators or counselors refer to the “summer slide.” This is not something that should cause you concern. Fortunately, our teachers are able to quickly re-engage students when school resumes each fall. The coming school year will be no different. But, if you are looking for resources to support a wide variety of learning experiences and extend enrichment opportunities for you and your child, you may find the websites below helpful.

- [PBS Kids](#) is a collection of games, activities, and encounters with favorite book characters like Curious George and Clifford the Big Red Dog. Some of the games feature practice with Spanish vocabulary. There is a section specifically designed for preschool-aged children.
- [The Smithsonian Institute](#) has a wealth of information available in the form of games, simulations, and a range of STEM activities that promote problem-solving. The site is recommended for students in K–8, but some activities would be of interest to younger children.
- [Scholastic Learn at Home: Day-by-Day Projects to Keep Kids Reading, Thinking, and Growing](#) provides four weeks of plans for “play with a purpose.” In addition to activities that coordinate with quality children’s literature, there are PreK–K activities centered on movement and games, science and nature, and art and imaginative play.
- **Read!** Reading aloud to young children impacts their language development, contributes to the acquisition of rich vocabulary, helps to extend memory, and sparks curiosity. Research shows that children who are read to often have stronger parent-child relationships. Even after they have learned to read on their own, children benefit from hearing books read to them by their parents.

Most importantly, cherish summer. Make homemade ice cream, sleep in a tent, roast marshmallows, and run through the sprinkler. Eat popsicles and watermelon, and go barefoot. Summers are a special and meaningful time for children and families.

We are working hard now, and will continue to do so throughout the summer, as we plan for your child’s next steps at St. Francis. Thank you for sharing your children with us this year. We are honored to be a part of their young lives and privileged to see them grow up in the Primary School. **Our faculty and staff look forward to waving to you when you return to campus to pick up your child’s belongings on Tuesday, May 26 (details below).** We’ll see you soon!

Take good care,

Amy Whitley, MA  
Head of Primary School

## **PS Student Materials Pickup Day Is May 26**

We have designated times on Tuesday, May 26, for you and your child to drive through carpool to pick up materials that still remain on campus. The faculty and staff from your child's grade will be on the carpool route to wave goodbye and wish you a happy summer.

**Please plan to arrive at the following times:**

- **9:00 a.m.—Pre-Primary and Older Siblings**  
Pick up at the Pre-Primary Cottage carpool porte-cochere.
- **10:00 a.m.—Primary I and Older Siblings**  
Pick up at the Primary I Cottage carpool porte-cochere.
- **11:00 a.m.—Primary II**  
Pick up at the Primary II Cottage carpool porte-cochere.

To make this process efficient, please help us in the following ways:

- Use your carpool number. We will try to have your child's belongings ready.
- Please stay in vehicles to adhere to social-distancing guidelines. If possible, open your trunk/hatch, and your child's belongings will be placed inside by a staff member.
- If your child has library books or any other Primary School materials, please place these items in your trunk and they will be removed by a staff member.
- If your child has medication that has been kept in our clinic, please drive to the front office circle drive. Nurse Toler will be there to return medication to you (additional details below).

We are looking forward to seeing you!

## **PS Medication Pickup**

If your child has medications in the clinic—such as EpiPens, inhalers, prescriptions, and over-the-counter medications—please plan to stop by the Nurse's Table located outside of the Primary School administration building according to your grade-level materials drop-off/pickup schedule. At that time, you can pull your car up and the medications will be delivered to you in a zipper-lock bag.

If you have any questions regarding medications, please [e-mail Debbie Toler](#), school nurse for the Couper Campus.

## **Primary II: Live Digital Chapel Is Tomorrow**

This week, we will be holding **live Chapel for Primary II on Monday, May 18, at 12:00 p.m.** Live Chapels will be recorded and made available later in the day. Prerecorded Chapels will still be made available on Wednesdays.



Zoom links can be found in grade-level communications. All things Chapel can be found [here](#).

## Mark Your Calendar

### Monday, May 18–Friday, May 22

- *Distance Learning: Campus closed*
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### Friday, May 22

- *Last Day of School for PS*
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### Tuesday, May 26

- *PS Materials Pickup and Drop-off*
  - **Pre-Primary and Older Siblings:** 9:00 a.m. (Pre-Primary Cottage carpool porte-cochere)
  - **Primary I and Older Siblings:** 10:00 a.m. (Primary I Cottage carpool porte-cochere)
  - **Primary II:** 11:00 a.m. (Primary II Cottage carpool porte-cochere)

## Lower School

### From the Division Head

I hope you've enjoyed your weekend! As we wind down the school year, we have some swapping to do! Your children have school items that we need, and we have items that you need.

So, here's the plan.

On Tuesday, May 26, we are asking that you come through carpool for a "safe swap."

1. Please place the items listed below in a **bag** clearly labeled with your **child's name and grade**.
2. Place this bag in the trunk or hatch of your car.
3. Come through the carpool line (afternoon direction) at the designated time, listed below. If you have two or more children in the division, pick which time you like best!

4. When you pull up, open your trunk or hatch, and we will grab your bag and replace it with the items that we have for your child. Then, proceed on.

Here are the items to return at the listed time:

**KINDERGARTEN: 9:00–10:00 a.m.**

- iPad (with thin black or gold case)
- Charger and cord
- Stylus
- Book bag with books

**GRADE 1: 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

- iPad (with case and keyboard)
- Charger and cord
- Book bag with books
- Any library books
- Whiteboards
- QuickWords book (Ms. DuByne's class)
- Headphones (Ms. DuByne's class)
- Stylus (Mrs. Masini's class)

**GRADE 2: 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**

- iPad (with case and keyboard)
- Charger and cord
- Book bag with books
- Library books

**GRADE 3: 12:00–1:00 p.m.**

- iPad (with case and keyboard)
- Logitech pen (crayon)
- Charger and cord
- Headphones

**GRADE 4: 1:00–2:00 p.m.**

- iPad (with case and keyboard)
- Logitech pen (crayon)
- Charger and cord
- Headphones
- Classroom library books borrowed for March Madness reading

Thank you in advance for your help with this process.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

Cheers!

Carol Christ, MEd  
Head of Lower School

P.S. We have a fun surprise for the kiddos: the grade-level teachers will be outside waving to all their students as items are being exchanged. Our teachers are DYING to see their students!

### **LS Medication Pickup**

If your child has medications in the clinic—such as EpiPens, inhalers, prescriptions, and over-the-counter medications—please plan to stop by the Nurse’s Table located at the front of campus directly in front of the Chapel according to your grade-level materials drop-off/pickup schedule. At that time, you can pull your car up and the medications will be delivered to you in a zipper-lock bag.

If you have any questions regarding medications, please [e-mail Nicki Newell](#), Piney Point Village Campus nurse.

### **Fourth Grade: Live Digital Chapel Is Tomorrow**

This week, we will be holding live Chapel for fourth grade on Monday, May 18, at 1:00 p.m. Zoom links can be found in grade-level communications. All things Chapel can be found [here](#).

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Monday, May 18–Friday, May 22**

- *Distance Learning: Campus closed*
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#### **Friday, May 22**

- *Virtual Fourth-Grade Completion Ceremony: 9:00 a.m.*
  - *Last Day of School for LS*
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**Tuesday, May 26**

- *LS Materials Pickup and Drop-off (Carpool Line—Afternoon Direction)*
  - **Kindergarten:** 9:00 a.m.
  - **Grade 1:** 10:00 a.m.
  - **Grade 2:** 11:00 a.m.
  - **Grade 3:** 12:00 p.m.
  - **Grade 4:** 1:00 p.m.

## **Middle School**

### **From the Division Head**

I hope you are having a great weekend! I would like to start by sharing my gratitude for your partnership this school year. In ways that have been large and small, you helped to make St. Francis feel like home to me. I appreciate all that you do for your children, one another, and our school community. We still have one week left, and we are working hard behind the scenes to finalize our end-of-year events and prepare for 2020–21.

With so much going on, it can be easy to lose track of things. The section below includes information and links to a variety of recorded and upcoming live events.

- On Tuesday at 6:00 p.m., be on the lookout for an e-mail with a link to a recording of our **2019–20 Middle School Awards Ceremony**.
- Our **2019–20 Middle School Community Service Awards Ceremony** will now be part of the Middle School Chapel service that will be prerecorded and released Wednesday morning.
- Follow [this link](#) to join us for our **Eighth-Grade Graduation Service** on Thursday, May 21, at 6:30 p.m.
- If you were unable to join us for the **Honors Program Presentation** this past Thursday, please [click here](#) to view a recording of the session.
- And finally, follow [this link](#) for an awesome **video showcasing our varied elective options** for the 2020–21 school year.

I hope that summer offers opportunities for you and your family to rest and rejuvenate as we continue to work through our current circumstances. Our admin team will be working throughout the summer, and we will be happy to connect with you should you have the need.

For summer to truly begin, we will need your help and continued partnership. **On Wednesday, May 27, Middle School administration and faculty will be on campus to facilitate the return of your child's possessions and to collect school property.** Our procedure and time windows for this exchange are outlined below.

## **PROCEDURE FOR EXCHANGING STUDENT MATERIALS**

1. The following items need to be in your trunk, placed in separate bags that are labeled with your child's name and grade level:
  - Bag of textbooks
  - Bag of library books
  - Bag of school computers and chargers
  - Bag of athletic equipment and uniforms (please label with team/sport)
2. Please help us ensure this process runs safely and smoothly by doing the following:
  - Clearly displaying your carpool sign on your dashboard
  - Entering campus through the north driveway (by the church)
  - Remaining in your vehicle and opening your trunk when you stop at your pickup location
3. Middle School faculty and staff will put student materials, labeled with your child's name, in your trunk. We have completely cleaned out your child's locker and everything—including shelving—will be in a large contractor bag.

## **PICKUP LOCATIONS AND TIMES**

- All families should enter campus via the north driveway (by the church) and proceed as indicated by signage and school staff.
- The materials exchange for **grades 5 and 7** will take place at the **MS afternoon pickup location near the Dining Hall**.
  - **Grade 5:** 8:30–10:00 a.m.
  - **Grade 7:** 12:30–2:00 p.m.
- The materials exchange for **grades 6 and 8** will take place at the **back side of the FAC**.
  - **Grade 6:** 10:15–11:45 a.m.
  - **Grade 8:** 2:15–3:45 p.m.
- Families with siblings in MS only make one trip to campus! **Please use the pickup window and location for your oldest child.**

Wishing you and your families a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

Chris Bertha, MA  
Head of Middle School

### **MS Medication Pickup**

If your child has medications in the clinic—such as EpiPens, inhalers, prescriptions, and over-the-counter medications—please plan to stop by the Nurse's Table located at the front of campus directly in front of the Chapel according to your grade-level materials

drop-off/pickup schedule. At that time, you can pull your car up and the medications will be delivered to you in a zipper-lock bag.

If you have any questions regarding medications, please [e-mail Nicki Newell](#), Piney Point Village Campus nurse.

### **Changes to PE and Athletics Clothing Sales for 2020–21**

New for next school year! **All approved clothing for Middle School physical education classes and athletics practices will be purchased online through a BSN Sports team shop.** The team shop will be open in June and will have a firm closing date. The team shop site will be posted on the St. Francis website, and families will receive an e-mail when the shop opens. Spirit wear items from the Athletics Booster Club may no longer be worn for classes, practices, or games.

### **Breaking News: *Wolf Weekly News* Is LIVE!**

Hello, Wolf Nation! Make sure you [check out the latest version of \*Wolf Weekly News\*](#) for the latest and greatest in laughs, fun, and happiness in the virtual Middle School world! Go Wolves, and Happy Summer!

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Monday, May 18–Thursday, May 21**

- *Distance Learning:* Campus closed
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#### **Tuesday, May 19**

- *Middle School Awards:* Prerecorded ceremony will be shared via e-mail at 6:00 p.m.
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#### **Wednesday, May 20**

- *Middle School Community Service Awards (During Chapel):* Prerecorded ceremony
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## Thursday, May 21

- *Last Day of School for MS (Special Schedule [Here](#))*
  - *Eighth-Grade Graduation Service: 6:30 p.m., live virtual ceremony will be online [here](#)*
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## Wednesday, May 27

- *Pickup and Drop-off of St. Francis Belongings*
  - **Grade 5:** 8:30–10:00 a.m. (Dining Hall)
  - **Grade 6:** 10:15–11:45 a.m. (Back Side of FAC)
  - **Grade 7:** 12:30–2:00 p.m. (Dining Hall)
  - **Grade 8:** 2:15–3:45 p.m. (Back Side of FAC)

## Upper School

### From the Division Head

Here we are, about to begin the final week of what has been a very different school year experience for all of us. While we wish we could have been together on campus before heading into summer break, we are embracing the present moment and our current circumstances while simultaneously planning for a fun-filled final four days.

Our Student Council has planned for special dress days this week, as explained below:

- **Monday, May 18, is Sports Monday.** Wear your favorite team jersey or dress up as your favorite athlete.
- **Tuesday, May 19, is Mask Tuesday.** Wear your favorite cloth face mask. You will be allowed to wear your mask for the first 2–3 minutes of class before removing masks in order to fully participate in the class. Feel free to wear a different mask (maybe even one you made yourself?) to each class.
- **Wednesday, May 20, is Wolf Wednesday.** Wear your favorite SFES Wolf Wear. **(Remember that this is the day you are invited to Couper Campus—formerly known as South Campus—between 12:30 and 2:30 p.m. to retrieve the contents of your locker/cubby in exchange for any athletics gear and/or school reference materials you need to return.)**
- **Thursday, May 21, is Hoodie Thursday.** Wear your favorite hoodie for a last “class” day of the 2019–20 school year. We have lots of fun activities planned for the last day of school.

I extend a big, heartfelt “thank you” to students, parents, and teachers for hanging in there and supporting one another through the last few months. It is an honor to be a part of such a caring community.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please let me know. Here's to a great final week!

Sincerely,

Cara Henderson, EdD  
Head of Upper School

### This Week's Learning Schedule

Please find the Week 9 distance-learning schedule below:

#### WEEK 9 (May 18-21) of Distance Learning in the Upper School at SFES:

	Time	May 18 (EVEN)	May 19 (ODD)	May 20 (EVEN)	May 21 (Last Day)	May 22
<b>Block times =</b> synchronous online sessions	8:30- 9:00	Block 2	Block 1	Block 2	Game 1	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> for students (FACULTY IN-SERVICE DAY)
	9:15-9:45	Block 4	Block 3	Block 4	Game 2	
	10:00-10:30	Block 6	Block 5	Block 6	Game 3	
<b>Tutorial times =</b> practice & teacher consults (by appointment, students join online call as needed and/or requested by teacher)	10:45-11:15	Block 8	Block 7	Block 8	Game 4	
	11:30-12:00	Arts Electives	Councils	Arts Electives	Video, Talent Show & Gift	
	12:00-1:00 (LUNCH)	12-1pm LUNCH (students)	US Faculty Mtg. (12:15- 12:45)		Summer Vacation Begins!	
	1:00- 4:00	EVEN Block Tutorials (by appointment)	ODD Block Tutorials (by appointment)	EVEN Block Tutorials (by appointment)	(We miss you already!)	
	4:00- 4:30	PE		PE		

\*Middle & Upper School Chapels accessible via link on Wednesdays.

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shop site will be posted on the St. Francis website, and families will receive an e-mail when the shop opens. Spirit wear items from the Athletics Booster Club may no longer be worn for classes, practices, or games.

### **US Medication Pickup**

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If you have any questions regarding medications, please [e-mail Debbie Toler](#), school nurse for the Couper Campus.

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Monday, May 18–Thursday, May 21**

- *Distance Learning: Campus closed*
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#### **Wednesday, May 20**

- *US Materials Pickup and Drop-off: 12:30–2:30 p.m., outside Crum Gym*
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#### **Thursday, May 21**

- *Last Day of School for US*

### **Church**

#### **Fair Haven Food Pantry Collection Continues Tomorrow**

We will continue our food drive for Fair Haven Food Pantry tomorrow and Tuesday (May 18–19) from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will be collecting items in the parking lot in front of the church. Thank you for your continued generosity to those who are struggling.

Fair Haven Food Pantry could use additional volunteers for the sorting and distribution of the food items received. If you are able to help, please click this link:

[Food Pantry SignUp Genius](#). Where there are still slots to be filled and you find a time where you can serve, click the **Sign Up** button at the bottom of the time slot. When you have chosen one or more slots, click the **Submit & Sign Up** button at the bottom of the page. You will then need to put in your name and e-mail, and click the **Sign Up Now** button to finalize your time slot.

### **Moms: New Bible Study Begins May 20**

On Wednesday, May 20, we will begin a new study on the parables of Jesus that will extend through the summer. Join us Wednesdays from **3:30 to 4:30 p.m.** via Zoom. Please [e-mail Allison Devlin](#) for details.

### **Join Us Online for Services**

Visit the [church website](#) for more information on our Sunday streaming services. Fr. Wismer will give a children's homily, and Mrs. Devlin will offer the Let It Shine lesson. The service will begin at 11:00 a.m. Please join us!

### **Reading of Narnia With Fr. Wismer**

Join Fr. Wismer on Mondays through Fridays at 4:00 p.m. on the [St. Francis Episcopal Church Facebook page](#) as he reads from *The Chronicles of Narnia* on Facebook Live! (He has received special permission from the estate of C.S. Lewis to do this, but it cannot be recorded or rebroadcast—just the live version!) **He began on Monday, May 4, and will go through the end of the month.**

### **Connect With Fr. Wismer on Facebook Live**

Fr. Wismer is live on Facebook on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. on the [St. Francis Episcopal Church Facebook page](#)! These sessions are geared mainly toward children who are of Primary and Lower School age. Join Fr. Wismer for a couple of songs, a story, a prayer, and a check-in. (And watch for the occasional special guest!)

### **Join Fr. Price for Contemplative Café**

Join Fr. David Price via Zoom for a 50-minute learning spot on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings called **Contemplative Café**.

Come experience a new kind of prayer practice. This is a chance to learn a few classic and creative practices of prayer rooted in the historic Christian tradition and widely rediscovered today. Using them will greatly benefit the believer and devotee. Examples include the following:

- **Anglican Prayer Beads**—Like the rosary, but with a Celtic twist
- **Lectio Divina**—Using Bible verses as a deep focus for prayer
- **Holy Listening**—A way to form a small group for spiritual companionship and support

Join Fr. Price:

- **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.**, or
- **Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.**

Use this information to access the Zoom meetings:

- **Zoom Meeting Link:**  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081?pwd=dTdSVFIQ2xrRS9kMEhpWDJ6NUlwQT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 744 3239 1081
- **Password:** 043097

### **Join Us Online for Morning and Evening Prayer**

Join us mornings at 9:00 a.m. and evenings at 5:00 p.m. for 20- to 25-minute prayer sessions from the Book of Common Prayer, comprising a flow of Psalms and other Scriptures, plus both traditional and extemporaneous prayer.

#### **MORNING PRAYER (DAILY AT 9:00 A.M.)**

- **Zoom Meeting Link:**  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74430393620?pwd=N2xoNnl4L1pUQndVZzB0UThOWkdtdz09>
- **Meeting ID:** 744 3039 3620
- **Password:** 046258

#### **EVENING PRAYER (DAILY AT 5:00 P.M.)**

- **Zoom Meeting Link:**  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/986428707?pwd=M0ZaMTJzcVpldGswTE1kU3NmOEx3Zz09>
- **Meeting ID:** 986 428 707
- **Password:** 002711

### **Christian Meditation: Online on Tuesdays and Thursdays**

Join us Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings for 30-minute sessions designed to help you cultivate the practice of praying with silence, stillness, and simplicity. Experience how this quiet prayer of the heart creates a much-needed space of peace—an experience of the Christ within—in the midst of a noisy and busy world.

**TUESDAY AFTERNOONS (4:00 P.M.)**

- **Zoom Meeting Link:**  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/203726298?pwd=VHJTTDVYem8zMWVJakprZzFqUjBLUT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
- **Password:** 057417

**THURSDAY MORNINGS (7:30 A.M.)**

- **Zoom Meeting Link:**  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/286636365?pwd=ekhsLzIMT25ibUVOVDNKcCtodGYzUT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 286 636 365
- **Password:** 070054