



# LUTHER PREPARATORY SCHOOL

# WINTER UPDATE

WINTER 2024

FROM MISSION ADVANCEMENT

## THE VALUES OF LUTHER PREP

**Eleven.** The number can be small, large, or somewhere in between, relative to different subjects.

**Eleven.** That is the number of students at Luther Prep who hail from the state of Utah, which is slightly less than 1,500 miles from Watertown, Wisconsin. Considering there are only 4 WELS congregations in Utah, eleven Utah students attending Luther Prep is a large, yes, very large number. **All of these students know their parents have not sent them away from home, but rather to something.** Something touched and blessed by God's grace.



*Pictured: 10 of our students from Utah*

The mother of a current student wrote the following words in a devotion. Her words speak to the value of Luther Prep, whether a family lives 20, 12, or 2 hours away, or only 10 minutes away from Watertown.

"This fall, we drove our youngest daughter 1,600 miles away from home to begin her high school education.... We did the same thing with our first three daughters, sending them excruciatingly far away at the age of 14.

Explaining this choice to others is almost impossible. I can see them mentally sifting through the possibilities: "Hmm, that kid must need boot camp," or "those parents must not really love their kid." Finally, they offer up the least offensive reaction they can muster: "She must be so excited to live in a dorm!" No, definitely not, and not yet.

We send our children because we want them to stay close to Jesus. We want them to continue to plumb the depths of his Word. To develop lifelong Christian friends. To be taught by adults who confess Christ, not ridicule him. We want their ears and hearts to be filled with Jesus before they enter an unbelieving world that will try to drown God out."

Luther Prep: A place where God's grace touches hearts and lives. Thank you for encouraging parents to send their children to this blessed school.

MATT CRASS, PRESIDENT

## GROWING AND THRIVING!

Luther Prep's Project Timothy is just another example of the single purpose and focus of our school: training and encouraging young people to serve in ministry.

From December to July, more than 75 students will assist 15 congregations in their outreach efforts as part of Project Timothy. A new destination has been added this year: Gilbert, Arizona during Spring Break.

We are grateful for the many congregations who partner with us to bring students the opportunity to experience first-hand other cultures by working in a mission field. They are a strong encouragement for the public ministry.

God has blessed hundreds of students and these journeys of faith for 31 years. May he continue to bless our students this year and always!



*Project Timothy: Living Savior, Asheville, NC  
July 2023*



# ABOUT LUTHER PREP

Luther Preparatory School prepares and encourages young men and women to become pastors, teachers, and staff ministers in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS).

Luther Prep is owned and operated by the 1,200 congregations of the WELS. Luther Prep is YOUR school. Thank you for your support!



## COMMITMENT PAYS OFF



**ALL  
FOR THE  
GLORY  
OF  
GOD**  
1 COR. 10:31

This year's varsity football team won the Metro Classic Conference with a 6-1 conference record and overall record of 8-3. This is the first time LPS has won a football conference championship since 2003. The Phoenix advanced to the second level of playoffs, the first time in 17 years, and lost to the eventual state champion.



FRANK LOESSER AND ABE BURROWS'  
**HOW to SUCCEED**  
*IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING*

**March 8-10, 2024 at 7:00 pm**

Ticket sales begin February 1.  
Purchase tickets online at  
[lps.wels.net/apps/pages/musical](https://lps.wels.net/apps/pages/musical).



## VISIT LUTHER PREP!



USE THE QR CODE TO FIND OUT MORE  
ABOUT VISITING LUTHER PREP.



Think about the young people in your congregation or school. Are they willing to be encouraged toward ministry? If so, Luther Prep is the school for them! Encourage them and their parents to get to know Luther Prep by joining our mailing list. They will receive up to 4 mailed pieces geared toward 5-8th graders each year.

Schools, churches and youth groups can visit us for an open house, enjoy one of our drama productions, attend Phoenix for a Day on February 7, or schedule a field trip to visit campus (and consider visiting Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary and WELS Center for Mission and Ministry too!). Pastors and teachers, encourage a 7th or 8th grade student to shadow an LPS student during an overnight stay and school day. We'd love to meet future Phoenix!

**SAVE THE DATE  
FOR THESE  
EVENTS**

**MARCH 8-10 Musical**  
**March 10 Spring Concert**  
**April 20 Lives Prepared Gala**  
**MAY 25 Graduation**