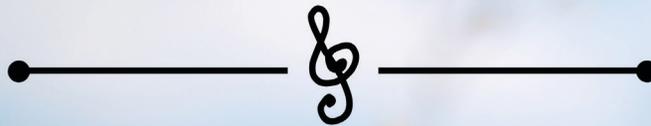




SPRING CONCERT



FRIDAY, MAY 23

7:00P

SCLA Gym
Presented by High School Choirs and Bands
Plus Ministry Anniversary Recognition, Honors, and Awards

SPRING CONCERT

ST. CROIX LUTHERAN ACADEMY

High School Spring Concert

Friday, May 23, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

WELCOME

Mr. Nate Kallies, SCLA Principal

OAKDALE AVENUE JAZZ

Higher Ground

Stevie Wonder, arr. Mike Tomaro

Aileen Koskela, alto sax; Olivia Footh, alto sax

Sir Duke

Stevie Wonder, arr. Michael Mossman

Kenyon Tess, tenor sax

I Wanna Be Like You

Robert & Richard Sherman, arr. John Wasson

Aileen Koskela, alto sax; Nathan Nikoley, trombone;

Abby Guldberg, trumpet; Lydia Schaefer, piano

MINISTRY RECOGNITION

Rebecca Hillstrom

CROIXALIERS

You've Got a Friend in Me

(from *Toy Story*)

Randy Newman, arr. Mac Huff

Linus and Lucy

Vince Guaraldi, arr. Roger Emerson

Jonah Stelljes, piano; Jameson Frantzen, drum set

Under the Sea

(from Disney's *The Little Mermaid*)

Alan Menken, arr. Kirby Shaw

CHORAL AWARDS

State Solo and Ensemble | Letter | Trophy | Plaque | National School Choral Award

CRUSADER BAND

"Les Miserables" Soundtrack Highlights

Claude-Michel Schönberg, arr. Jay Bocook

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Captain Toad - The Treasure Tracker

Naoto Kubo & Mahito Yakota, arr. Jonah Stelljes

CRUSADER BAND

The Dark Knight Rises

Hans Zimmer, arr. Ralph Ford

MINISTRY RECOGNITION

Mike Marquardt

CHORALE

Choral Highlights from “Dear Evan Hansen”

Benj Pasek & Justin Paul, arr. Mark Brymer

CONCERT CHOIR

Another Day of Sun

(from *La La Land*)

Benj Pasek & Justin Paul, arr. Jacob Narverud

Lullaby (Goodnight My Angel)

Billy Joel, arr. Mac Huff
Jonah Stelljes, piano

Let the River Run

Carly Simon, arr. Craig Hella Johnson
Jonah Stelljes and Will Wakeman, percussion; Lydia Schaefer, piano

COMBINED CHOIRS

Seize the Day

(from *Newsies*)

Alan Menken, arr. Roger Emerson

BAND AWARDS

Letter | Trophy | Plaque | Louis Armstrong Jazz Award | John Philip Sousa Band Award

CRUSADER BAND

Selections from “Wicked”

Stephen Schwartz, arr. Jay Bocook

The Wizard of Oz

Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg, arr. James Barnes

CLOSING THOUGHTS
Mr. Nate Kallies, Principal

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundred

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all

The first system of music features a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody in the treble clef consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4. The bass line consists of chords: G2-B2-D2, A2-C2-E2, B1-D2-F#2, G2-B2-D2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2, F#2-A2-C2, E2-G2-B2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2.

creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'n -

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The treble clef melody includes quarter notes: D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3. The bass line continues with chords: G2-B2-D2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2, F#2-A2-C2, E2-G2-B2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2, F#2-A2-C2, E2-G2-B2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2.

ly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

The third system concludes the piece. The treble clef melody includes quarter notes: G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2. The bass line continues with chords: G2-B2-D2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2, F#2-A2-C2, E2-G2-B2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2, F#2-A2-C2, E2-G2-B2, A2-C2-E2, G2-B2-D2.

BANDS

OAKDALE AVE JAZZ

ALTO SAX

Aileen Koskela
Olivia Footh
Joseph Harper
Micah Luepke

TENOR SAX

Kenyon Tess
Jenna Schmotter
Emily May Hadad

BARI SAX

Ben McTarsney
Aaron Toms

TRUMPET

Matthew Beekman
Arianna Rinear
Abigail Guldberg
Zach Isenberger
Khac (Dan) Cao
Zachary Schaefer
Isaiah Otterstatter
Leo Dub

TROMBONE

Nathan Nikoley
Carson Stehr
Charlie Dub
Cole Tess
Shaun Bandelin
Mitchell Smith

GIUITAR

Alexandra Park

PIANO

Lydia Schaefer
Jonah Stelljes

BASS

Tyler Conklin

DRUM SET

Jameson Frantzen
Nicholas Ostman

CONCERT BAND

*Section Leader

PICCOLO

Natalie Krueger*

FLUTE

Ellie Ross*
Natalie Krueger
Jiale (Jerry) Yang

OBOE

Lydia Schaefer*
Sophie Krueger

CLARINET

Lydia Schaefer*
Brielle Rinear
Zeta Eichenberger
Claire Peterson
Yixuan (Max) Ma
Boying (Ben) Duan

BASS CLARINET

Libby Thome

ALTO SAX

Aileen Koskela*
Olivia Footh
Joseph Harper
Micah Luepke
Devin Ozangar
Alexander Hess
Sarah Wurst

TENOR SAX

Kenyon Tess*
Jenna Schmotter
Emily May Hadad
Seth Frey

BARI SAX

Ben McTarsney*
Aaron Toms

FRENCH HORN

Katharina Greene
Vijay Sengupta

TRUMPET

Matthew Beekman*
Arianna Rinear
Abigail Guldberg
Zach Isenberger
Khac (Dan) Cao
Zachary Schaefer
Isaiah Otterstatter
Leo Dub
Elijah Frey
Jonah Eastin
Chase Schindeldecker

TROMBONE

Carson Stehr*
Charlie Dub
Cole Tess
Shaun Bandelin

EUPHONIUM

Nathan Nikoley*
Caleb Harper
Mitchell Smith
Christian Little
Hunter Miller

TUBA

Daniel Beekman

PERCUSSION

Jonah Stelljes*
Jameson Frantzen
William Wakeman
Micah Sievert
Emily Roseth
Wyatt Hardinger
Luke Healy
Peter Singewald
Tyler Conklin
Nicholas Ostman
Amara Todd
Lindsey Fox
Ole Skrien

BAND DIRECTOR

Mr. John Fenske

CHOIRS

CROIXALIERS *Section Leader

SOPRANO

Violet Enter
Aoi Inoue
Rio Nomura
Natalie Krueger
Lydia Schaefer*
Cora Smith

ALTO

Grace Kinsley
Sophie Krueger
Claire Peterson*
Serenna Hartsock
Chenyu (Emily) Ou
Ellie Ross

TENOR

Elijah Frey
Seth Frey
Isaiah Luepke
Micah Luepke
Noah Schmeling*
Yi (Chris) Zhao

BASS

Evan Frey
Brady Schindeldecker
Will Wakeman
Seth Halverson
Martin Paulsen
Jonah Stelljes*

CONCERT CHOIR *Section Leader

SOPRANO

Addie Blumer
Amelia Converse
Violet Enter
Lydia Enter
Alivia Grahll
Hannah Gullickson
Aoi Inoue
Hannah Isenberger
Hee-Won Jeong
Natalie Krueger
Rio Nomura
Kailey Quast
Lydia Schaefer
Cora Smith
Lydia Tembreull
Soleil Walters
Tamasyn Walters
Maina Yasui

ALTO

Maria Caauwe
Stephanie Dickson
Jayda Ellingson
Violet Flynn
Lily Hartsock
Serenna Hartsock
Grace Kinsley
Sophie Krueger
Chenyu (Emily) Ou
Libby Paulsen
Claire Peterson
Ellie Ross
Maddie Sims

TENOR

Elijah Frey
Seth Frey
Peng (Tom) Li
Han (Adam) Li
Isaiah Luepke
Micah Luepke
Cam Oakland
Noah Schmeling
Nelson Weekes
Yi (Chris) Zhao

BASS

Evan Frey
Seth Halverson
Oliver McAghon
Martin Paulsen
Gideon Paulsen
Andrew Risley
Brady Schindeldecker
Owen Schmeling
Jonah Stelljes
Larry Swanson
Korban Thrasher
Will Wakeman

CHORALE

SOPRANO

Hailey Anderson
Isabella Barth
Xinyang (Amy) Cai
Luiza Chavez Ughini
Cora Coburn
Natalie Gerber
Yebin (Sarah) Hwang
Lauren Nelson
Ellen Dobashi Nunes
Justine Schmidt
Sarah Wurst
Siqi (Amo) Zhong

ALTO

Natalie Buske
Riley Coburn
Samara de Aguiar Fonseca
Alexa Haight
Aya Karashima
Noella Link
Mikayla Nelson
Nora Pone
Stella Pone
Olivia Schmitt
Tori Sell
Ashlyn Van
Kexin (Evelyn) Yang

TENOR

Nathaniel Hunt
Andrew Kinsley
Jarryn Oachs
Brandon Sims
Gavin Trudel
Tsz Fung (Andy) Wei
Trevor Wyganowski

BASS

Connor Aumann
Gavin Ballard-Hampton
Alexsey Bazhgin
Ethan Karbon
Alexander Marx
Max Mildebrandt
Zachary Olson
Edward Swanson
Kohen Thrasher
Hanqing (Halley) Yuan
Jiahan (Jonathan) Zhang

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Mr. Mike Marquardt

FACULTY MINISTRY RECOGNITION

MRS. REBECCA HILLSTROM - 25 YEARS OF TEACHING MINISTRY

This year, we joyfully celebrate Mrs. Rebecca Hillstrom's 25 years in Christian education—a journey marked by faith, dedication, and deep love for students. Since beginning part-time at St. Croix Lutheran Academy in 2000, and full-time in 2009, Mrs. Hillstrom has played an integral role in the lives of hundreds of students and families.



Her classroom has been a place of learning and encouragement, where students dive into Foods and Nutrition, Child Development, AP Psychology, and next year, Dual Credit Intro to Psychology—the first of its kind in WELS high schools. Her leadership has extended far beyond the classroom: Student Council advisor, Teens for Life, New Friends, Yearbook, Drama costumes, Night to Shine, and Spring Formal—all bearing her caring, creative touch.

A second-generation SCLA servant, Rebecca was raised within these walls, the daughter of beloved staff members William and Kathryn Staab. From childhood memories of locker numbers and hall passes to becoming a guiding light for today's students, her story has truly come full circle.

Rebecca and her husband Darin, married for over 30 years, have raised two wonderful children—SCLA grads Riley ('14), now a teacher at SCLA, and Kathryn ('17), an occupational therapist.

When asked to reflect, she says, "It is a privilege to minister to the students and serve with the faculty and staff at SCLA. I truly enjoy what I do and hope to continue for many years to come."

We thank God for Mrs. Hillstrom's heart for ministry, her wisdom, and her servant leadership. May He continue to bless her and all those who are touched by her faithful work at SCLA.

MR. MIKE MARQUARDT - 25 YEARS OF TEACHING MINISTRY

With great appreciation, we honor Mr. Mike Marquardt as he celebrates 25 years of faithful service in Christian education. His ministry has impacted hundreds of students through his deep love for music, teaching, and above all, his Savior.



Mike began his teaching career in 2000 at St. Paul's in Tomah, Wisconsin, serving as a fifth- and sixth-grade teacher and music director. In 2003, the Lord called him back to his hometown of Hartford, where he taught fifth grade and led the music program at Peace Lutheran School for 14 years. In 2017, he accepted the call to St. Croix Lutheran Academy, where he continues to share his passion for music and ministry as choir director, drama director, and teacher of middle school and freshman religion.

Mike and his wife of 28 years, April, are a musical powerhouse, pouring countless hours into SCLA's music ministry. Together, they support nearly every musical event and special program—from the middle school musical and major concerts to the Croixaliers' tours, church services, and festivals. Their dedication has helped SCLA's choral groups consistently earn top honors at local and statewide festivals.

Mike's love for Christ shines through in every note sung, every lesson taught, and every relationship nurtured. "My goal is to share the love of Jesus with my students and inspire in them a passion for service to Him and those around them," he says. His impact is clear—not only in awards and accolades, but in the hearts and faith of the students he mentors.

We give thanks to God for Mr. Marquardt's steadfast commitment, humble leadership, and joyful witness. Congratulations, Mike, on this milestone. May the Lord continue to bless your ministry at SCLA and beyond!

SPECIAL THANKS

The Music Parents Organization (MPO) and President Kristin Krueger for fundraising, volunteerism, and overall support of SCLA music activities.

Sound Engineer – Grant Conklin

Sound Assistant – Ian Wu

Video & Lighting – Dave Tess

Concert Set Up – SCLA Maintenance Crew

Livestream – Town Square TV, Chris Maki, Genesis Mancía, Drew Mildebrandt, Angel Liu, and Phong Nguyen

Publicity/Program Design – Lisa Streckert and Kristina Lewerenz

Reception Organizer – Kristin Lehmann

Ushers and Reception Volunteers

ABOUT ST. CROIX LUTHERAN ACADEMY

St. Croix Lutheran Academy is a Christian school of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) serving young men and women in grades six through twelve. Established in 1958, the school offers Bible-based experiential and college-prep curriculums including STEM, accelerated, advanced placement, and college-credit courses. 95% of graduates pursue higher education after graduation. SCLA offers 27 interscholastic activities and competes at the championship level as a member of the Skyline Conference. In addition to athletics, students have opportunities in a wide variety of fine arts, service, and leadership programs. The on-site 152-bed dormitory houses American and 125 international students from 20 countries worldwide. SCLA is committed to training students who know their Savior Jesus and live lives of exemplary Christian service.

UPCOMING EVENTS

High School Graduation

Congratulations to the 101 graduates of the SCLA Class of 2025!

Saturday, May 24 at 2:30 p.m.

Special thanks to Town Square Television for live streaming,

and thanks to Volkswagen of Inver Grove for providing a copy of the recorded service for every graduate.

StCroixLutheran.org/Graduation

SCLA Night at the Saints

Alumni and friends of SCLA are invited to a Saints baseball game.

Saturday, June 7

StCroixLutheran.org/Saints

SCLA Golf Classic

Monday, July 21

Troy Burne Golf Club, Hudson, WI

Space is limited - register early!

StCroixLutheran.org/GolfClassic



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