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Dear St. Paul Lutheran School Family,

As we approach the new school year, we want to make you aware of an option for the payment of tuition and/or lunch fees. *Simply Giving*, a program designed by Thrivent for Lutherans enabling congregations to receive offerings through electronic funds transfer (EFT), is available to Lutheran education institutions for receiving tuition and/or lunch payments.

You may already be taking advantage of the convenience and simplicity of using a system of automatic withdrawal to make mortgage or utility payments. Through *Simply Giving* for Institutions, the opportunity and convenience of automatic withdrawal is also available to families attending St. Paul Lutheran School. The enclosed sheet shows you how easy it to make tuition and/or lunch payments via this method.

St. Paul Lutheran encourages using *Simply Giving* to make tuition and/or lunch payments. Electronic funds transfer is convenient, reliable and safe -- safer than writing a check since it can't be lost or stolen. There is no cost to you to participate in *Simply Giving*.

To enroll in *Simply Giving*, complete the Tuition Payment Authorization Form and return it to the school on **registration days, July 30 and 31**. Here is additional information you'll need to complete it:

- St. Paul will use the 9-month period option or the 12 month option when using *Simply Giving*.
- Once you're enrolled, tuition payments will automatically be deducted on the 1st or the 15th of each month from the account you designate. If the 1st or 15th falls on a weekend or holiday, the withdrawal will be made on the first business day after the 1st or 15th.
- The date of the first payment is 9-1-14 or 9-15-14. The date of last payment is 5-1-15 or 5-15-15 for those using the 9 month plan, and 8-1-15 or 8-15-15 for those using the 12 month plan. (Except Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten whose last payment is 4-1-15 or 4-15-15.)

