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**JESUS FRIEND OF ALL:  
FRIEND OF THE OUTCAST**  
January 12, 13, and 16, 2019

**BELLS AND WELCOME**

**OPENING HYMN 353**

**Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**

**BAPTISM** (*Sunday 9:15 am*)

Hymnal page 12

*Elaina Karen Mischke*

*Daughter of Darik and Leah (nee Duley) Mischke, born December 15, 2018*

M The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, the love of God the Father,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C **And also with you.**

**Confession of Sins**

M Brothers and sisters in Christ, at one time we were alienated from God. Because of our  
evil behavior, we imagined that we would always be God's enemies.

C **But God made a way for us to be at peace with him. He sent his eternal Son into this  
world to live and die for us.**

M In Christ we are holy in God's sight, without blemish and free from accusation. Since we  
know this is true, we can approach the throne of God with humble hearts and confess our  
sins to him, knowing that he will forgive us for Jesus' sake. We confess:

All **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have  
disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed  
to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I  
am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have  
mercy on me, a sinner.**

M God, our heavenly Father, who is able to make all grace abound in us, has given his only  
Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by  
his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of  
the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## LORD HAVE MERCY

### *Kyrie*

- M For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



- M For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



- M For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



- M Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.



- M The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## HYMN OF PRAISE 84, v. 1, 4, 5

## Jesus Shall Reign, Where'r the Sun

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns:  
The pris'ner leaps, unloosed his chains,  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all who suffer want are blest.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring  
Worship and honor to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world.

C **Help us as your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of Christ's glory,**

M that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth. We pray in Jesus' name. He lives and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now, and forever.



## FIRST LESSON

**Isaiah 6:1-8**, Bible page 685

*Isaiah is commissioned to be a spokesman for the Lord. Though he is not worthy, the Lord cleanses his lips and calls him to go.*

## SECOND LESSON

**Romans 10:13-17**, Bible page 1135

*God wants all people to be saved through the power of the gospel. Yet how can they believe if they have not heard?*

## HYMN OF THE DAY 86

**The Only Son from Heaven**

## SERMON

**Luke 5:1-11**, Bible page 1031

*Pastor Peter Panitzke*

## NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## OFFERING

OFFERTORY (*Sunday 9:15 am*)

**O Jesus, How Can I Show My Love?**  
*St. Paul's Lutheran School Grades 2 and 8*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

M The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M Lift up your hearts



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; grant us your peace. A - men.

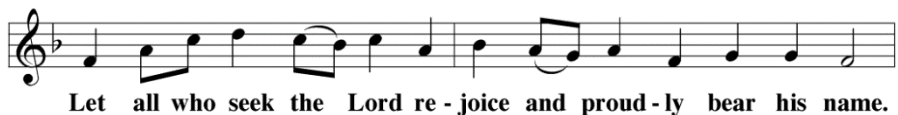
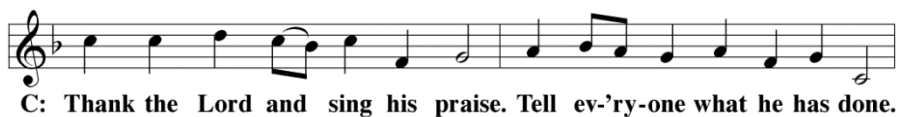
## DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please see Communion note on page 7.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS 525  
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The Son of God, Our Christ  
Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying

## THANK THE LORD



M Merciful Father, we give you thanks and praise that you have fed us with the precious body and blood of your dear Son for the forgiveness of our sin. By your grace fill us with the desire and the power to walk worthy of our holy calling and to reflect your glory in our daily lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## BLESSING

M Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRESIDING MINISTER (Sunday) Pastor Wayne Shevey

*Thank you to Pastor Shevey for serving among us while Pastor Kuehl is guest preaching for the services at Living Water Ev. Lutheran Church in Wind Lake. Pastor Shevey serves as the campus pastor at Wisconsin Lutheran College.*

ORGANIST Susan Gedemer

## OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

*The Lord's Supper is a fellowship meal. In this meal Jesus expresses his fellowship with us by giving us his body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. In this meal we also express our fellowship with each other, that is, that we are united in a common confession of faith.*

*We at St. Paul's want everyone to enjoy this fellowship meal. However, we cannot ask someone to express agreement with us until we give that person an opportunity to discover what we teach. That is why we schedule frequent membership classes to provide an overview of our teachings. Following the Promise is currently being held on Tuesday evenings in the Faith Room with a new class beginning January 22. We invite you to register on the back of your Connection Card or by contacting Pastor Strobel at [nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org).*

*If you are a member of St. Paul's or a member of a WELS or ELS congregation, we invite you to express our common confession by communing with us. You may wish to use the "Personal Preparation for Holy Communion" on page 156 of Christian Worship to examine yourself. Please register your intent to commune as a member or guest by filling out the Connection Card and placing it in the offering plate.*

*The light colored cups in the center of the individual cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine. Gluten-free wafers are located in the trays on the Communion rail. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please inform an usher as you approach the rail. The first pews in the left center section are reserved for those who have difficulty approaching the Communion rail, and we kindly ask those who desire to be communed privately to use these pews.*

### **YOUR MINISTERIAL STAFF** Office (414) 422-0320

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# WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of January 14, 2018

<b>MON</b>	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	Woodwind Rehearsal
<b>TUE</b>	9:30 am	Ministerial Growth Team Meeting
	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study (Faith Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	10:30 am	Ministerial Team Meeting
	6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
	6:30 pm	Alzheimer's Support Group (Church Library)
	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room)
	7:00 pm	Volleyball League (Trinity Gym)
<b>WED</b>	9:30 am	Mommy & Me (Faith Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School 6-8 Grade Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
	8:00 pm	Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
<b>THURS</b>	6:30 am	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	6:30 pm	Pickleball League (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice
<b>SAT</b>	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	3:00 pm	Teen Boys Basketball League (Centennial Gym)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
<b>SUN</b>	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:45 am	The Bridge Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
	10:30 am	Cancer Support Group Meeting (Church Library)
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service

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**JOIN US ONLINE!**



- **Watch Live:** Sundays at The Bridge at 10:15 am. Live streaming is available at [www.thebridgemuskego.org](http://www.thebridgemuskego.org), Facebook at *The Bridge at St. Paul's*, and You Tube at *The Bridge Church Muskego*. All past live replays are also available on each platform.
  - **Sermon Videos and MP3's:** Sermons are available at [www.stpaulmuskego.org](http://www.stpaulmuskego.org) and [www.thebridgemuskego.org](http://www.thebridgemuskego.org). They are available Sunday evening for that same Sunday's message.
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# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## FUNERAL

Arleen Lutsch, born May 26, 1930, entered eternal peace with her Savior on January 4, 2019. Funeral arrangements were conducted on January 12, 2019. May the family and loved ones of Arleen be comforted with the love and promises of God today and always.

## HOSPITALIZED

Lois Guhr is at Crossroads Care Center in Pewaukee, David Knapp at Linden Grove New Berlin, Bruce Marggraf at Wisconsin Rehab Hospital, and Marlene Sobczak at Waukesha Memorial. Audrey Wefel has returned home.

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: David Burkowitz, Mary Schauwitzer, Carol Smith, Jeanne Steinbrecher, and Dick and Jane Sternberg.

## ATTENDANCE

1081 were in attendance at last weekend's worship services.

## SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY

We have a staffed nursery during the 9:15 and 10:45 am services in the east wing of the church. A silent pager system allows childcare providers to alert you of any need your child has. Ask an usher for directions if needed.

## REGISTER ON YOUR CONNECTION CARD

Our use of the Connection Cards is a vital part of our ministry, helping us stay connected as a family of believers. Please complete the card and include it as part of your offering. Let us know your prayer requests or request more information, especially about the following:

- **Find Financial Peace — beginning Thursday, January 31, at 6:30 pm**  
We will once again be offering the popular Dave Ramsey course *Financial Peace University* in January. Dave's proven money course will show you step-by-step how to create a budget, pay off your debt, make wise spending decisions, and save for the future. The course meets for 9 weeks.
- **New Member Bible Study — beginning Tuesday, January 22, at 7:00 pm**  
Pastor Nate Strobel will begin a new session of our new member Bible study—*Following the Promise* on Tuesday, January 22, at 7:00 pm. Enjoy camaraderie with Pastor Nate while you learn the basics of what the Bible teaches. You will track the promises of the Savior from the Garden of Eden down to your own heart and life.

## GET CONNECTED WITH A SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Is getting more relational with God's Word and your fellow friends in Christ a goal for 2019? Then come to Group Link on Sunday, January 13, at 6:30 pm in the Grace Room. (That's tonight if you are attending on Sunday!) You will meet others interested in a small group and find a time that works for all of you. That is what GroupLink is about. Join us for an hour. Perhaps God will use this to help you find Christian friends for life. Just text Pastor Pete at (414) 350-1436 to let him know to expect you.

# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## THE RANDOM ACTS OF WORSHIP KINDNESS KEEP GOING

We continue to hear great stories of how individuals, small groups and families have shown the love of Christ to others through Random Acts of Worship Kindness (RAWKs).

- “Our daughter received \$20 of seed money and we all thought for a week and basically came up with the identical random act! We decided to help out a good friend of our daughter’s who has gone through some really rough times, health-wise. We added our own money and put together a care basket and bought her a manicure. She was so surprised and loved it all.”
- “With my \$10 in seed money I added another \$10. We went to Aldi and put quarters in the shopping carts and then went to Mayfair and put quarters in the gum ball machines! It was fun watching the kids discover free gum balls. We saw kids sharing with their siblings and a few with what seemed to be strangers. The smiles on the kids’ faces showed they were happy and surprised at the little Christmas miracle!”
- “I received \$50 in my RAWKs Fund seed packet. For the past 5+ years, the department where I work has been buying presents for the children at Word of Life and Garden Homes Lutheran Schools who normally don’t receive Christmas gifts. This year our department collected money and was able to buy every student a coupon book to McDonald’s (a total of 360 students). In addition, the Pick ‘n Save in Franklin partnered with us in donating a cookie for each child. We also were able to donate five certificates for a free turkey or ham, a \$15 gift card to Pick ‘n Save, and \$125 in cash for each school. Fifty dollars was turned into \$610, 360 cookies, and 5 turkey/hams. Thank you St. Paul’s for the initial \$50 seed money!”

Our prayer is that RAWKs Funds (Random Acts of Worship Kindness) become a part of our on-going culture here at St. Paul’s. This is a great way for the pastors of our Family Churches (dads and moms) to teach their children the joy of Christian generosity.

## BOWLING FOR LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH CENTERS

St. Paul’s small group leaders, Jim and Kathie Haag, invite you and your friends to enter the **14th Annual Lighthouse 9-Pin Tap Bowling Tournament & Silent Auction** on Sunday, January 27 at Riviera Lanes in West Allis. The Haag small group Bible study has organized this event since its inception and last year raised \$4,600 for our mission partner, the Lighthouse Youth Centers in Milwaukee. Further information and registration can be found at [www.lighthouseyouthcenter.com](http://www.lighthouseyouthcenter.com) (click “Events” tab on the far right). This event fills up fast and prices increase after January 21. If you cannot attend, consider sponsoring a Lighthouse student to bowl.

## VOLUNTEER IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

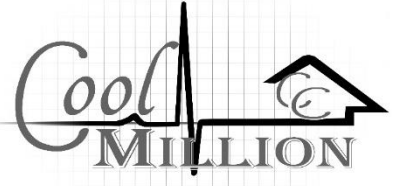
Help your fellow friends in Christ sign in and out library items after the Sunday morning services. There is especially a need after the 9:15 am service. It requires only 10 to 15 minutes for two Sundays every other month. For more information or to volunteer, contact Lynne Lemke at (262) 679-9537. Thank you!

# PARTICIPATE IN A COOL MILLION CC'd

## A Cool Million

Last year we began to raise funds for improvements on our campus, the largest being a new heating and cooling system serving most of our school, thus the name **A Cool Million!**

So far we have received \$423,247! As a result, we have...



New lighting at the altar... new windows in the Centennial gym... a repaved playground... a cool school! This summer we will complete the installation of the heating and cooling system in our school.

## A Cool Million CC'd

Normally "cc" means "carbon copy," but **A Cool Million CC'd** means "C the Ceiling." Walk into the Centennial Gym and "C the Ceiling" needs refinishing. The roofs of the Centennial Gym and the church (see the buckets catching the rain water) also need replacing as part of our **Cool Million CC'd** effort.



To schedule major repairs like this in a school requires months of lead time. We need \$500,000 by Chicken Dinner Sunday (February 17) to seek bids for summer work on the ceiling and roofs. We will need to receive \$700,000 by the end of the summer to fully cover the cost of these projects.

The final projects (upgrading electric and sound in Centennial Gym, installation of permanent Bridge equipment in the Trinity Gym, new HVAC in the church) will be done as funds are available in 2020.

## Celebrating the Tithe

10% of our **Cool Million** is given to our mission partners. We have sent \$30,000 to Costa Maya Ministries of Mexico for a van that is vital for their ministry (see picture) and money for a permanent facility. We will be sending \$10,000 to support our Malawi Mission Partner. The next \$10,000 gift will support the ministry of Garden Homes Lutheran Church and School on Milwaukee's north side.

**Consider a special gift to A Cool Million CC'd by February 17. Mark your gift "A Cool Million" or give a one-time or recurring gift at [StPaulMuskego.org/give](http://StPaulMuskego.org/give).**



# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

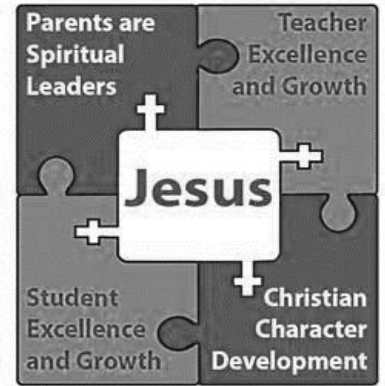
## EDUCATION WRAPPED IN FAITH

Have you considered a Christian education for your child? A Muskego family decided to make the switch from the public school system this year for their three kids and recently told Mr. Fitzsimmons, "I can't even tell you how much joy the school has brought to our life and our children." God be praised!

Just two weeks until our **Pre-K/Elementary/Middle School Open House** on Sunday, January 27, 1:00 – 3:00 pm! Meet our teachers, visit the classrooms, and learn about our school.

### • St. Paul's offers...

- Daily Bible study and Bible History time treasuring God's Word
- Christ-centered teaching and learning across the curriculum
- Christian-centered character development and mentoring
- Excellent test scores with 75% of students scoring advanced in reading, math, and language
- High parent-satisfaction ratings
- Flexible 3K & 4K programs
- Before and after school care
- Generous tuition assistance
- Participation in the Milwaukee and Wisconsin Parental School Choice programs



If you are not able to attend the Open House, you may also contact Principal Seth Fitzsimmons at [sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org) or (414) 422-0320, ext. 118, to set up a one-on-one visit.

## NEW SCHOOL CHOICE INFORMATION FOR 2019-2020

If you or someone you know might qualify for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP), please contact School Administrator Seth Fitzsimmons for more information at [sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org) or (414) 422-0320, ext. 118. We would LOVE to have your family take a tour of our school!

### 2019-2020 Income Limits Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
3	\$45,716	\$52,716
4	\$55,220	\$62,220
5	\$64,724	\$71,724
6	\$74,228	\$81,228
***Add \$9,504 for each additional family member		

### 2019-2020 Income Limits Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
3	\$62,340	\$69,340
4	\$75,300	\$82,300
5	\$88,260	\$95,260
6	\$101,220	\$108,220
***Add \$12,960 for each additional family member		

# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

## MULTIPLE SCHOOL VISITS TAKING PLACE

This past week, a family made the decision to enroll their son in our Kindergarten class next year, another mom with two sons came in for a tour since they're building a home in Muskego, and two more families set up visits to come and learn more about our Lutheran school. Mr. Fitzsimmons says, "Showing prospect parents the blessing of our school ministry is one of the best things I get to do as principal. Answering their questions and helping them see if our Christ-centered, leading school could be a blessing for building their children's hearts and minds is an awesome privilege. Keep making invitations to those in your circle of family and friends." Mr. Fitzsimmons can be reached at (414) 422-0320, ext. 118, or [sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org).



## A LETTER TO THE CONGREGATION FROM OUR NEW FIRST GRADE TEACHER

December 23, 2018

Dear St. Paul's congregation,

I want to extend a sincere thank you to the congregation of St. Paul's for your support and prayers on my behalf as I deliberated your call. The kindness and love my husband and I have felt from the congregation has been remarkable. St. Paul's, being my alma mater, has always held a special place in my heart. It is with great joy I share with you that the Holy Spirit has led me to accept the call I've received to serve as your first grade teacher and K-2 instructional team leader. I look forward to working together with you in the Spirit-led ministry at St. Paul's! I thank the Lord for the opportunity to serve Him and serve the congregation of St. Paul's. "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters." (Colossians 3:23)

Joy in Christ,  
Candace Noffsinger

*Mrs. Noffsinger's acceptance of her call was first reported the weekend of December 26 but this letter was inadvertently omitted.*

## A LETTER TO THE CONGREGATION FROM OUR THIRD GRADE TEACHER

January 10, 2019

Dear St. Paul's Congregation,

God in his grace and wisdom has blessed every believer with many roles to play in his kingdom. Each of those roles are important, and God asks us to dedicate our time, talent, and energy to fulfilling His will within them. The role of teaching is one that I have held in high importance throughout my ministry. It is a role I have enjoyed, and God has used it to bless both me and others. Serving God's children is a glorious calling, but it demands more time and dedication than I can give while still serving my family in the best way possible. So, with a thankful heart, I will be resigning from my position as third grade teacher, effective June 30, 2019. Being a teacher at St. Paul's these past nine years has been a great blessing. I am eternally grateful for all those that God has brought into my life through my ministry here. I look forward to serving my students faithfully these next five months and then continuing to serve at St. Paul's as a parent and a congregation member.

In Christ,  
Theresa Kirchoff

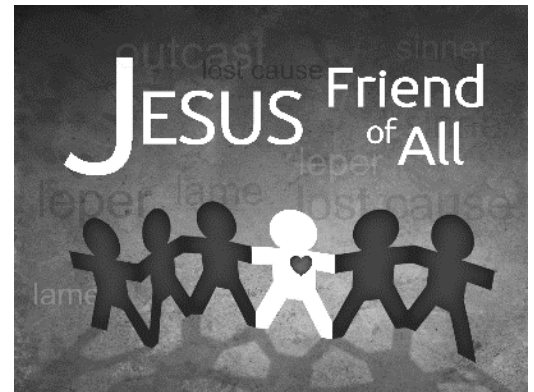
# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## JESUS FRIEND OF ALL

During this season of the church year - Epiphany - we celebrate that by his words and his miracles Jesus revealed himself to be the Savior of the entire world. This year we are celebrating that truth under two themes:

### Jesus Friend of All

- Friend of the Leper – Luke 5:12-16 – January 20
- Friend of the Lame – Luke 5:17-26 – January 27
- Friend of Sinners – Luke 5:27-32 – February 3



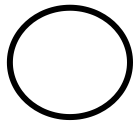
### Me? Friend of All

- Love Unconditional – Luke 10:25-37- February 10
- Gospel Unconditional – Luke 15:11-32 – February 17
- Bible Unconditional – Luke 13:22-30 – February 24
- Trust Unconditional – Luke 13:1-9 – March 3

The February message series will challenge us to be the friend of “sinners.” The January message series prepares us for that challenge by revealing Jesus is the friend of “sinners” like you and me.

## SING TO THE LORD: A STUDY OF LUTHERAN HYMNODY

During the Sundays in January, explore many of the great hymns that express the truths of Scripture with beautiful lyrics set to timeless melodies. Class members will leave the sessions with a renewed appreciation for Lutheran hymns and the ability to sing them with greater understanding and enthusiasm. The class will be in the Grace Room at 9:15 am, led by St. Paul's member, Mr. Jon Eiche, an accomplished church musician, composer, and frequent Grace Room Bible class presenter.



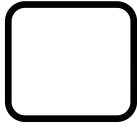
## GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

*Life application materials for us in Connector Groups, home devotions, and other small groups.*

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1. Who is the best fisherman you know? Why do you say he/she is “the best”?
2. Read Isaiah 6:1-13 and Luke 5:1-11. What similarities do you see in Isaiah’s call and Peter’s call into ministry? What differences?
3. In what way is your experience as a Christian similar or different than Isaiah and Peter’s?
4. What do you believe is the thing about the Christian faith that would be most attractive to the people you know who don’t believe in Jesus?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-11 where Paul talks about his experiences. Then read verse 4 again together. What did God use to make Paul a more effective “fisher of people” to serve the Christians in Corinth?
6. As you feel comfortable, share an experience in your life that Jesus has used to make you a better “fisher of people.”
7. Close with prayer for the individuals you are “fishing for” - hoping that they are drawn closer to Christ.



# NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

Take notes during the sermon to help you remember the main points

## Jesus, Friend of All: Friend of the Outcast

Luke 5:1-11, Bible page 1031

### 1. The Outcast

### 2. The Outcast Caught

- a. Caught by a \_\_\_\_\_  
*"All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be" (Psalm 139:16).*
- b. Caught by p \_\_\_\_\_  
*"The heavens declare the glory of God, the skies proclaim the work of his hands" (Psalm 19:1).*  
*"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me" (2 Corinthians 12:9).*
- c. Caught by the W \_\_\_\_\_  
*"Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ" (Romans 10:17).*

### 3. The Outcast Cast

- a. God used Peter to cast to...
  - The worldly
  - The braggart
  - The coward
  - The hopeless
- b. What lures is God adding to your tackle box?

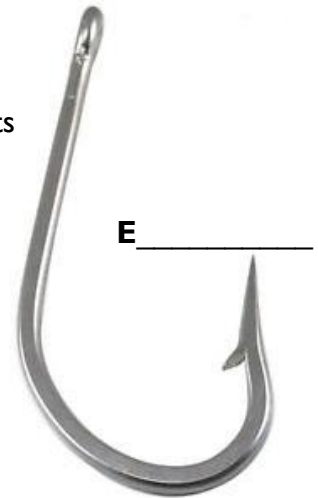
Spiritual Gifts

Heart

Aptitude

Personality

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### My Next Steps

- **Get hooked.** Let Jesus draw you to himself. Make a commitment to read the Bible every day this week with the prayer of beginning a life-long habit. Read Peter's two letters (a chapter per day) to see how Jesus changed him.
- **Prepare your tackle box.** What are one or two significant events in your life where Jesus suddenly broke into your life to call you to follow him?
- **Get casting.** Whom as God put on your heart to reach for Jesus? A child or grandchild? A sibling? A classmate, co-worker or friend? Ask Jesus to give you opportunities to share the love of Christ in actions and in words to those in your area of influence.