

**JESUS, FRIEND OF ALL:
FRIEND OF THE LEPER**
January 19, 20, and 23, 2019

BELLS AND WELCOME

HYMN 453, vv. 1-4

Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke

M In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.



M Brothers and sisters, Jesus is the true light that gives light to everyone. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.

C He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him (*John 1:9-11*).

M Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God (*John 1:12-13*). Though undeserving, we are the children of God, born into his family through the waters of baptism. As children of light, we confess all that is still dark within us.

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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and 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.



God of mercy, God of grace,
 Show the brightness of your face.
 Shine upon us, Savior, shine;
 Fill your Church with light divine,
 And your saving health extend
 To the earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise you, Lord!
 Be by all that live adored.
 Let the nations shout and sing
 Glory to their Savior King,
 At your feet their tribute pay,
 And your holy will obey.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you



C: And al - so with you.

M Let us pray.
 Heavenly Father, you created all the peoples of the earth.

C **In Christ you love them all, and long to draw them all back into your family.**

M Destroy the pride and prejudice that so often rear their ugly heads in our hearts and lives.

C **Teach us to love all people as you love them.**

M We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 5:1-14, Bible page 366

Naaman, an enemy of God's people, comes to know Israel's gracious and compassionate God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 71, Hymnal page 92

God is the rock of refuge for you, for me, for all.

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 1:9-20, Bible page 1236

Jesus shares a vision of himself in all his power and glory to the churches suffering persecution for their faith in him.

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.

HYMN 349

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

SERMON

Luke 5:12-16, Bible page 1031

Pastor Nate Strobel

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (Sunday)

How Great Thou Art, Brass Ensemble
arr. by Todd Merchand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M Jesus Christ, Lord of glory, you delight in making yourself know to us and others.

C **Bring us to recognize and rejoice in your majesty and your ministry.**

M In love you chose to exercise your greatest strength to serve us in our greatest need.

C **You revealed the brightness of your glory through humble deeds of love.**

M You called ordinary men to do extraordinary things as your disciples and apostles. You also call us confidently to follow you, diligently to learn from you, and lovingly to imitate you.

C **Equip and empower us to serve you and our neighbor faithfully. Use us as your witnesses to bring many throughout the world to the light of your gospel.**

M You revealed your glory through mighty signs and wonders. Assure us that you still rule all things in the universe and use them to serve our eternal good. In wise compassion you often exercise your power to help and heal people with physical and emotional needs.

C **Give us courage and compassion to relieve the distress of the hurting, to pray for all according to their needs, and to be content and cheerful when in your wisdom you ask us to endure hardship.**

Special prayers and intercessions.

M Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M Preserve your truth among us, and by that truth preserve us until you appear in dazzling splendor to bring us to the glory of heaven.

C **Let our anticipation of the heavenly kingdom ennoble our thinking and speaking, enrich our conduct, and increase our joy in all aspects of earthly life.**

M Hear us, Light of the Gentiles and Glory of Israel. Amen.

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.

CLOSING HYMN 520

Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

CLOSING PRAYER

M Precious Savior, you are the Light of the world.

C **The message of salvation in your name is meant of bring joy to every heart.**

M Send out your light and your truth to all people,

C **that every knee many bow before you and every heart worship you as true God.**

M We pray in your name, Jesus.



BLESSING

M The Lord bless 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.



POSTLUDE (Sunday) **What a Friend We Have in Jesus**, *Brass Ensemble*

arr. by Al Schumacher

PRESIDING MINISTER (Sunday) *Pastor David Kuehl*

ORGANIST *Darik Mischke*

FIND FINANCIAL PEACE — REGISTER TODAY

The popular Dave Ramsey course *Financial Peace University* will be offered on our campus on Thursdays at 6:30 pm, beginning January 31. Dave's proven money course will show you step-by-step how to take control of your finances, create a budget, pay off your debt, make wise spending decisions, and save for the future. The course meets for 9 weeks. Simply register on the back of your Connection Card before placing it in the offering plate or contact Pastor Pete directly at ppanitzke@stpaulmuskego.org.

FOLLOWING THE PROMISE BEGINS TUESDAY!

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. Emily Davis just finishing the class and said, "I am thankful to Pastor Strobel for teaching me the doctrines of Scripture in the *Following the Promise* class. I love the friendliness of St. Paul's."

HOPE AND HEALING IN THE HURT OF DIVORCE

If you are divorced or contemplating divorce, we are here for you. This is a support group for individuals, rather than couples. *DivorceCare* meets Tuesdays, beginning February 5, from 6:00 until 8:00 pm, in school classroom 8. Contact Kristen Miller at kmiller@stpaulmuskego.org, or (414) 422-0320, ext. 140, for more information.

SAVE THE DATE! ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER SUNDAY IS FEBRUARY 17

Help raise funds for *A Cool Million* while you enjoy camaraderie and a fantastic chicken dinner, 10:00 – 2:00 pm, on February 17. Look for sign-up sheets in the lobby to help-out. All proceeds will go towards reaching our goal of refinishing the Centennial Gym ceiling and replacing the roofs of the Centennial Gym and the church this summer.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of January 21, 2019

MON	9:00 am	Western Lakes Pastoral Conference (Main Church and Grace Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	Woodwind Rehearsal
TUE	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study (Faith Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise</i> – New Session (Faith Room)
	7:00 pm	Volleyball League (Trinity Gym)
WED	4:30 pm	Public School 6-8 Grade Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
	8:00 pm	Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
THURS	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
FRI	7:00 am	Parent/Grandparent Breakfast (Centennial Gym)
	8:15 am	Lutheran School Chapel Service (Main Church)
SAT	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	9:30 am	Mommy and Me (Faith Room)
	3:00 pm	Teen Boys Basketball League (Centennial Gym)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
SUN	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:45 am	The Bridge Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion

MOMMY AND ME

There will be **no Mommy and Me on Wednesday** this week, but join the group this Saturday for a special session at 9:30 am in the Faith Room.

STONEY CREEK UPCOMING

Join the folks at Stoney Creek Adult Community on a trip to the Fireside Theater on March 28 to see *My Fair Lady*. Sign up by February 1. After Easter, a 5-day bus excursion is planned to Pigeon Forge in Gatlinburg. Deadline to register is February 21. For further details contact Anita at (414)-422-4686.

VOLUNTEER SUNDAY MORNINGS IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY

Help your fellow friends in Christ check 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, two Sundays every 8 weeks. For more information and to indicate interest, contact Lynne Lemke at (262) 679-9537.

THE WORLD-WIDE REACH OF A COOL MILLION CC'd



Last year, God placed on our hearts a desire to raise 1 million dollars for improvements on our campus. So much has already been done! Today, we invite you to rejoice as you see our tithe (10%) of **A Cool Million** being put to great use by our Mission Partners.

Costa Maya Ministries' Building Project

The first \$30,000 in tithes was sent to Costa Maya Ministries on the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico. St. Paul's contributed \$7,000 to purchase a van that is vital for the ministry. The remaining \$23,000 of our tithe will be used to build their first permanent facility. This week the crew (at left) began clearing the land as the first step in the mission's building project!



Malawi Mission Partner

In the January newsletter, our Malawi Mission Partner John Holtz shared with us the exciting news of a possible new mission field in Uganda. (Copies of the newsletter are available at the Welcome Center.) We asked if our African mission team would like our next \$10,000 tithed gift to fund the exploration of this field. They said yes! Below is the thank-you we have already received!

Dear members of St. Paul's,

On behalf of One Africa Team I give thanks to God for the evidence of his Spirit's love overflowing from your hearts to your Christian brothers and sisters in Uganda. With a current population of 44 million and one of the highest birthrates in the world, there are many people in Uganda who are in need of the Gospel.

One Africa Team's core focus is, "Christ for All, Great News for Africa." ... May the Lord use your gift for expanding his kingdom in Uganda, as we continue to build on the foundation which he has laid there. To God be the glory!

In Christ,

Missionary John Roebke, Communications for One Africa Team

A Cool Million CC'd

At the Chicken Dinner on Sunday, February 17, we will "C the Ceiling." If we receive \$500,000 by that date, we will plan to refinish the Centennial Gym ceiling and replace the roofs of the Centennial Gym and the church this summer. The next goal will be \$700,000 by summer's end to fully fund this work.

On Chicken Dinner Sunday, we also want to celebrate sending our next \$10,000 tithe to Garden Homes Lutheran Church and School, our mission partner in one of the most impoverished parts of Milwaukee.



Prayerfully consider a special gift to A Cool Million CC'd. Mark your gift "A Cool Million" or give a one-time or recurring gift at StPaulMuskego.org/give.

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

JESUS FRIEND OF ALL

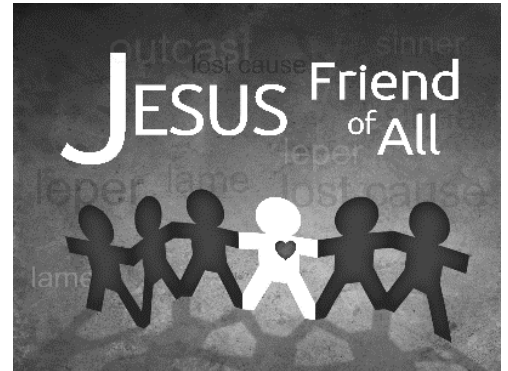
Celebrate Jesus' words and miracles that revealed him to be the Savior of the entire world. This month's message series shows us **Jesus** as the friend of sinners like you and me. The February message series will challenge **us** to be the friend of sinners – the entire world – all people.

Jesus Friend of All

- Friend of the Wounded – 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



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.

HOSPITALIZED

Lois Guhr is at Crossroads Care Center in Pewaukee, Theresa Raduege is in hospice care at Autumn Leaves in Franklin, and Marlene Sobczak at Linden Grove Mukwonago. David Knapp, Bruce Marggraf, Norma Schimmel, and Audrey Wefel have returned home.

ATTENDANCE

1030 were in attendance at last week's worship services.

SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY

We have a staffed nursery of friendly caregivers during the 9:15 and 10:45 am services in the East Wing.

BE A BEACON FOR CHRIST IN THE LIVES OF INNER-CITY YOUTH

The **14th Annual Lighthouse 9-Pin Tap Bowling Tournament & Silent Auction** is Sunday, January 27 at Riviera Lanes in West Allis to support the Lighthouse Youth Centers in Milwaukee. Further information and registration can be found at www.lighthouseyouthcenter.com (Events tab). Entrance fees increase after January 21. Consider sponsoring a Lighthouse student to bowl if you cannot attend. See the website for details.

SING TO THE LORD: A STUDY OF LUTHERAN HYMNODY

Explore many of the great hymns that express the truths of Scripture with beautiful lyrics set to timeless melodies, Sundays of January, at 9:15 am in the Grace Room. This study is led by St. Paul's member, Mr. Jon Eiche, an accomplished church musician, composer, and frequent Bible class presenter.

HELP AT CHURCH LEAGUE TEEN BASKETBALL GAMES

St. Paul's will be hosting two days of basketball games for the teen league on Sunday, January 27 and Sunday, February 10. We will have games in both of our gyms at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to run the clock, keep the score book, and direct people where to go. On January 27, there will be additional people in the building for the school Open House. If you would like to help out, please contact Dr. Nelson as soon as possible at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org, (414) 422-0320, ext 145, or (414) 750-2586. Or simply mark the back of your Connection Card and Dr. Nelson will be in contact with you.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

MRS. SARAH TONN ACCEPTS CALL AS EXTENDED LEARNING COORDINATOR

Mrs. Tonn, currently serving a one-year call as our 1st grade morning teacher, has accepted the call to be our Extended Learning Coordinator (ELC) beginning next school year. We are very blessed to have Mrs. Tonn continuing to serve the Lord and our students through the Extended Learning Center!

January 16, 2019

Dear members of St. Paul's Church and School,

I want to thank you all for your prayers the last few weeks. Also, thank you to all that reached out to me. After talking with many of you and with staff I have been led by the Holy Spirit to accept the call as your Extended Learning Coordinator. My prayer is that God will continue to use me to nurture his little lambs in my new role.

In His Service,

Sarah Tonn



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 one week 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 or would like more information about School Choice, Principal Seth Fitzsimmons would be happy to set up a one-on-one visit with you. He can be reached at (414) 422-0320, ext. 118.

NEW SCHOOL CHOICE INFORMATION FOR 2019-2020

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		

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		

UPCOMING CHRISTIAN RETREATS

A CORE VALUE – THE IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY

All of these retreats are designed to help you fulfill your role within your family, whether you are male or female, single or married. We at St. Paul's are committed to strengthening families. If you are interested in attending one of these events and find the cost an obstacle, please contact Pastor Pete. If you are looking for a RAWKs Fund idea, consider sponsoring an individual or couple to attend one of these conferences to strengthen their Family Church. (At St. Paul's, we encourage families and small groups to have their own RAWKs Fund, a fund to show Random Acts of Worship Kindness.)



MARRIAGE RETREAT MARCH 2-4



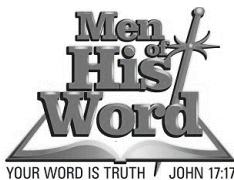
Invest in your most important earthly relationship - your marriage. You and your spouse will grow together in your faith life, enjoy date-night activities and uplifting music, and learn practical, relationship-building skills such as intimacy, structuring priorities, and applying God's covenant to marriage. This retreat is happening at the Hotel Mead and Conference Center in Wisconsin Rapids, February 22-24. More information and registration are available at www.withthisringretreat.com. Early bird registration ends January 31.

WOMEN'S RETREAT MARCH 9-11



The Christian Woman Today Retreat, planned by a committee of women from Christ the Lord Lutheran Church in Brookfield, will be held March 15-17 at the Sheraton Hotel in Brookfield. Information on breakout sessions and registration forms is available at ChristianWomanToday.org.

MEN'S RETREATS FEBRUARY 24



The *Men of His Word* conference uses God's Word to empower and equip men to carry out their God-given mission in their homes, churches, communities, and the world. The 9th annual *Men of His Word* conference will be held at the Oshkosh Best Western Premier Waterfront Convention Center on Saturday, February 9. Keynote speakers, breakout sessions, and online registration information is available at www.menofhisword.org.

MARCH 24

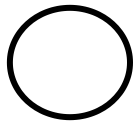


The 6th annual *Ironmen of God* men's conference is scheduled for Saturday, March 23, at St. Paul's in Ixonia. Guys, come and be strengthened in your faith and enjoy camaraderie with your fellow brothers in Christ! Register today at www.ironmenofgodwi.org.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP March 15-16



Guiding the next generation of Christian leaders at home, work, and in the community, the *Christian Leadership Experience* exists to foster faithful Christians saved by grace who long for serving God in all areas: spiritual, personal, and professional. For more information about this leadership conference that will take place in LaCrosse, visit www.christlead.com.

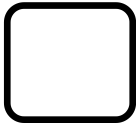


GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

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

1. **Share** a quick summary with each other of the most Christ-like person you have known.
2. **Read Luke 18:15-17.** As you are comfortable, share with the group a moment in time when you turned away from people Jesus loves.
3. **Read Luke 22:59-62 and John 21:15-19.** Jesus does not back down in his love for us! How did Jesus face, in love, the barrier between him and Peter? (Remember John 19:30)
4. **Altruism** – *Concern for the welfare of others, as opposed to egoism.* (American Heritage Dictionary) Why does the Christian even struggle to be truly “altruistic”?
5. **Are there any first responders in your group?** What helps you overcome the barriers that would make most people turn away?
6. **Read Hebrews 12:1-3.** As a group, create a commentary on these verses under the theme, “Jesus, the First Responder the World Truly Needs.”
7. **Close with prayer** asking God to remove the prejudices, the biases, and the fears that exist in our hearts. Pray for the strength of faith to live as selflessly as he loves.



NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

“Christ In Me” Changes How I Love

Luke 5:12-16, Bible page 1031

The most Christ-like person I know: _____

1. No fear of _____ barriers.

A. What would cause **me** to turn away?

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B. What caused Jesus to turn and help?

1. Love _____ of this world.
2. _____ that is cutting edge.

Application: Thank God for first responders!

2. No fear of _____ barriers.

A. Desperate times..... lead us to God.

1. A desperate man - _____ ! _____ !
2. Only _____ can make a difference!

B. Desperate faith... trusts only in Jesus.

1. Jesus came to earth to _____ !
2. “Jesus, your _____ be done.”

Application: “Lord, make **me** your first responder.”
“Christ in Me” changes how I love.

My Next Steps

- **The Foundation of “Christ in Me.”** Ponder Galatians 2:19-20. How does the Bible message of the Law (“Be Holy!”) and of the Gospel (“Christ was holy for me.”) change me and how I live and love?
- **The Challenge of “Christ in Me.”** Read Luke 18:15-17. What caused the disciples of Jesus to turn away from people Jesus loves? How did Jesus address the “discrimination”?
- **The Reward of “Christ in Me.”** Read aloud the account of “The Great Multitude in White Robes” found in Revelation 7:9-17. Make a list of the barriers between people and God that will not exist in heaven.