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**CELEBRATE THE HARVEST: 10 FOR 10**  
**A JOYFUL SAVIOR —PROPORTIONATE GIVING**  
October 12, 13, and 16, 2019

*Each of us has been blessed in different ways and at various levels.  
What should our thoughtful, prayerful response be to these blessings?*

**BELLS AND WELCOME**

**HYMN 234, vv. 1-4**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

- M The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- M Brothers and sisters, Jesus warns us that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. We who live in such a wealthy nation have reason to ask with the apostles:
- C **Who then can be saved?**
- M With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible. Let us, then, admit to our God the allure of money and possessions. Let us confess our discontent and greed. Let us humble ourselves before God and confess our sin:
- C **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, has been merciful to us. He has given us his only Son as the atoning sacrifice for all 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.**
- M The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

Lord, I will tell, while I am living,  
 Your love and grace with ev'ry breath  
 And greet each morning with thanksgiving  
 Until my heart is still in death,  
 And, when at last my lips grow cold,  
 Your praise shall in my sighs be told.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M Let us pray.  
 Lord God, the eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time.  
 C **You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.**  
 M Teach us to listen closely to your Word and to hold tightly to your promise to care for us.  
 C **Remove all doubts and worries from our minds. Help us to trust you.**  
 M We pray in Jesus' name. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## FIRST LESSON

**1 Corinthians 16:1-4**, Bible page 1155

*Paul gives instructions concerning the collection being gathered  
 for the brothers and sisters in Jerusalem.*

## VERSE OF THE DAY



*Jesus tells a parable concerning faithful stewardship.*

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*



HYMN OF THE DAY 469 (*Saturday, Wednesday*)

**Take My Life and Let It Be**

ANTHEM (*Sunday*)

**Take My Life and Let It Be, with Called to Sing**



S: Take my life\_\_\_ and\_\_\_ let it be Con - se - cra - ted,\_\_\_  
 C: Take my hands and\_\_\_ let them move At the im - pulse\_\_\_  
 S: Take my voice\_\_\_ and\_\_\_ let me sing Al - ways, on - ly\_\_\_  
 C: Take my sil - ver\_\_\_ and my gold; Not a mite\_\_\_ would



Lord, to\_\_\_ thee. Take my mo - ments and my days;\_\_\_ Let them flow in  
 of thy\_\_\_ love. Take my feet and\_\_\_ let them be\_\_\_ Swift and beau - ti -  
 for my\_\_\_ King. Take my lips and\_\_\_ let them be\_\_\_ Filled with mes - sag -  
 I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect and use\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry pow'r as



cease - less\_\_\_ praise,\_\_\_ Let them flow in\_\_\_ cease - less praise.  
 ful\_\_\_ for\_\_\_ thee,\_\_\_ Swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 es\_\_\_ from\_\_\_ thee,\_\_\_ Filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 thou\_\_\_ shalt\_\_\_ choose,\_\_\_ Ev - 'ry pow'r as\_\_\_ thou shalt choose.

S: Take my will and make it thine;  
 It shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart—it is thine own;  
 It shall be thy royal throne,  
 It shall be thy royal throne.

C: Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
 At thy feet its treasure store.  
 Take myself, and I will be  
 Ever, only, all for thee,  
 Ever, only, all for thee.

SERMON

Matthew 25:14-30, Bible page 994

*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*)

*Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace), Handbells and Called to Sing*

## 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.



M Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth. 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

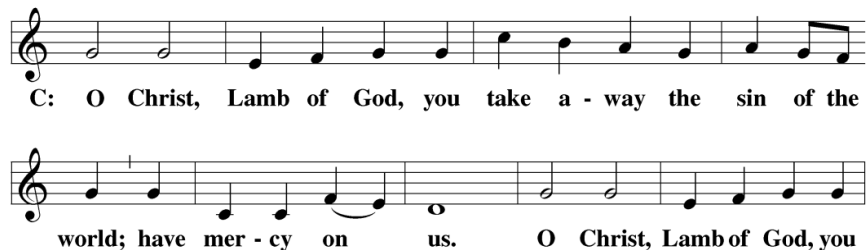


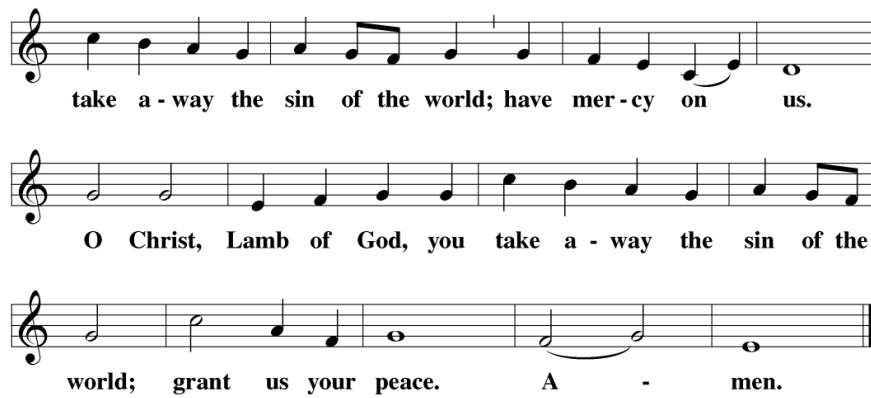
### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.



### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD





## DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please see Communion note on page 7.*

## DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM (*Sunday*)

**Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart, Handbells**  
*arr. by Sandra Eithum*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS 481 312

**O God, Your Hand the Heavens Made**  
**Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared**

## CLOSING PRAYER

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 upon you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRESIDING MINISTER** (*Sunday*) *Pastor David Kuehl*

**ORGANIST** *Darik Mischke*

## 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, entitled *Following the Promise*, to provide an overview of our teachings. Contact Pastor Nate Strobel at [nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org) to find the session that works best for your schedule.*

*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 pew in the left center section is 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.*

## JOIN US ONLINE

If you can't join us in person, join us online! A video archive of sermons is available at [www.stpaulmuskego.org/worship/sermons](http://www.stpaulmuskego.org/worship/sermons).

The Bridge, our casual contemporary service, is livestreamed every Sunday at 10:15 am on each of the following platforms. You can find an archive of past messages on each site, with a full HD replay on YouTube.



[www.thebridgemuskego.org](http://www.thebridgemuskego.org)



@ The Bridge Church Muskego



@ The Bridge at St. Paul's



Our vision is that by every possible means we bring every person in our area of influence closer to Christ through regular worship, small groups, and serving together.

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# WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of October 14, 2019

<b>MON</b>	10:00 am	Walking Group
	7:00 pm	Woodwind Rehearsal
<b>TUE</b>	9:00 am	Pastors' Conference (Elkhart Lake)
	9:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Faith Room)
	9:30 am	Ministry Growth Team Meeting
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	10:30 am	Ministerial Team Meeting
	6:00 pm	DivorceCare (School Classroom 8)
	6:30 pm	Alzheimer's Support Group (Church Library)
	6:30 pm	Handbells Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room)
	7:00 pm	Dorcas Society (Grace Room)
	7:30 pm	Festival Choir Rehearsal
<b>WED</b>	8:30 am	Pastors' Conference (Elkhart Lake)
	9:30 am	Mommy and Me (Faith Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School Confirmation Classes
	6:30 pm	Financial Peace University (Grace Room)
	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
	7:00 pm	The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice
<b>FRI</b>	8:15 am	Lutheran Elementary School Chapel Service (Main Church)
	5:30 pm	St. Paul's Unity Glow Run (St. Paul's grounds/Trinity Café)
	6:00 pm	Stark/LaLicata Wedding Rehearsal
<b>SAT</b>	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	1:00 pm	Wedding of Tommy Stark and Amanda LaLicata
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
<b>SUN</b>	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service
	8:00 am	Festival Choir Rehearsal
	8:00 am	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (School Classroom 8)
	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 (Church Library)
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service



# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: Carol Beyer, David Burkowitz, Steve Drobka, Carol Gosseck, Connie Hikade, Barbara Luedtke, Josh Nagel, Mary Schauwitzer, Carol Smith, Jeanne Steinbrecher, and Dick and Jane Sternberg.

## HOSPITALIZED

Lois Guhr has transferred to hospice care at Care-Age in Brookfield, and Marilyn Miller is in hospice care at Elder Care Cottages in Tichigan. Mary Braun is at Froedtert. Shelby Crosby and baby Mackenna, Dora Janke, Tom O'Laughlin, Nancy Plamann, and Ralph Stumpf have been discharged from the hospital.

## ATTENDANCE

974 attended worship services last week.

## FOLLOWING THE PROMISE

Wide-open discussion will challenge you to rethink deeply the promises of our God. Non-members are welcome to use this class as a path to membership at the end, or just as a chance to connect with the God of the Bible. Tuesday classes meet in the Faith Room at church, Sunday classes in Room 8 in the school. Register on the back of your Connection Card. It will be a joy!

## OCTOBER GRACE ROOM SERIES

*What Is the Genius of Godly Generosity?* focuses on Scripture's teaching of Christ-centered generosity. Explore the transformation this generosity can bring to our lives and to St. Paul's ministry as we seek to bring as many people as possible with us to heaven. St. Paul's School Administrator Seth Fitzsimmons is presenting this study the Sundays of October, 9:15-10:15 am, in the Grace Room.

## A VOLUNTEER'S MISSION TRIP – OCTOBER 27 AT 9:15 AM IN GRACE ROOM

St. Paul's member, Kara Darling, wife, mother of five, and frequent volunteer, will tell about her recent trip to Malawi, Africa, and the disability ministry she engaged in with WELS Kingdom Workers. You will recall we publicized Kara's trip last summer and also financially supported it. Kara's fascinating and faith-filled story will stir your heart for Jesus.

## WISH LIST

This list of items (explanations below) would greatly benefit the ministry at St. Paul's. These items are above and beyond the budgeted expenses. If you would like to give toward a Wish List item, clearly mark your envelope, "Wish List," with the item title, or give online at [www.stpaulmuskego.org/give](http://www.stpaulmuskego.org/give).

Item	Est. Cost	Received	Still Needed
Promethean Board for our school	\$4,500	\$775	\$3,725
Four Feature Wall Concepts for church lobby and Trinity Café	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
Church Signage Updates	\$6,373	\$0	\$6,373

# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## WELCOME HOME WORSHIP SERIES—OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 28

What would it look like if every member showed up for worship? While there certainly would be some challenges—parking and seating issues, to name a few—how exciting it would be. Warm smiles from faces not seen in a while, a packed church, and the singing—how majestic! This is partly why we're celebrating a *Welcome Home* series this fall. Our dream is to have our entire church family come together for worship from October 27 through Thanksgiving.

That is what Jesus has called us to be, after all—a family, his family. So, can you pray about someone whom you haven't seen in church for a while? Can you encourage them to come home? What would it be like if every single member showed up for worship? Let's find out!

WELCOME  
*Home*

## HIM + HER WORSHIP CONCERT

*Him + Her* is a worship duo from Minnesota. They will be joining us for a worship **concert** on **Wednesday, November 6, at 7:00 pm.** *(This will take the place of our regular Wednesday worship service.)*

*him + her*  
WORSHIP

From Seth + Jenna:

"Hi there! We are Seth and Jenna Herlich, and we are Him + Her Worship. We encourage you to come and invite your friends and family, especially those who do not yet know Christ. We do our best to be real and authentic, and we believe that God works through us to heal and encourage people with His Word. We sing both familiar songs and original Christian music! We would love for you to come sing and worship with us!"

### Check out their story and their music:

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/himandherworship](http://www.facebook.com/himandherworship)

Instagram: @himandherworship

Website: [www.himandherworship.com](http://www.himandherworship.com)

YouTube: Him + Her Worship

## TEENS SERVE MUSKEGO TO PREP FOR FLAG CEREMONY

On Saturday, October 5, ten St. Paul's teens hauled and spread a couple tons of woodchips around Muskego's Old City Hall in preparation for the October 12 Muskego Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8171 Flag Burning Ceremony. City of Muskego Public Works and Development Director Scott Kroger emailed, "Old Town Hall looks great. Please tell everyone thank you who helped on the project!" St. Paul's teens who served: Evelyn and Henry Westphal, Lily Nagel, Kate Klein, Aiden and Ashton Krause, Bradyn Horn, Gabe Sheahan, Rowan and Sean Gray. Adult Helpers: Joe Klein, Pastor Strobel, Dr. Nelson.



## SINGERS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS DESIRED FOR UPCOMING FESTIVAL SERVICES

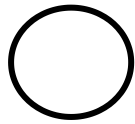
Please contact Michele Eiche at (414) 202-7522 if interested in singing in our upcoming festival services. Rehearsals are Sundays at 8:00 am and Tuesdays at 7:30 pm, beginning October 6. Please contact Heidi Schuh, our new worship volunteer coordinator, at (414) 530-4284 if interested in playing in the orchestra.

## ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have an immediate need for additional volunteers to serve on our Altar Guild, which helps prepare the church for worship services each week. Please contact Heidi Schuh at (414) 530-4284 if you can help.

## ST. PAUL'S GLOW FUN RUN / WALK

St. Paul's Church and School will host its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 5k/1mile Glow Fun Run/Walk on October 18, 5:30-8:30 pm, on our campus. Pick up registration information at the Welcome Center in the lobby.



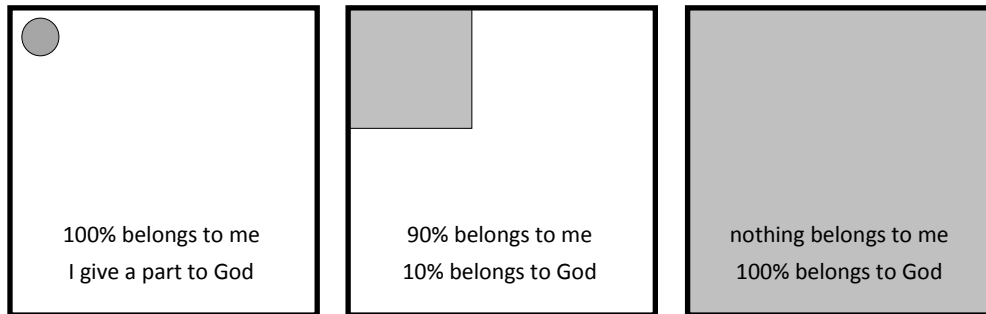
## GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

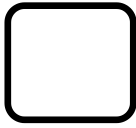
*Life application materials for use in Life Groups, home devotions, and other small groups.*

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1. Where have you seen Jesus active in your life this past week?
2. Look at the diagram below. Which box accurately reflects the truth of Psalm 24:1? How could this diagram help you explain proportionate giving to a new Christian?



3. Read Leviticus 27:30-34.
  - a. In what way(s) would it have been harder for God's people 3500 years ago to give 10%, than for us to give 10%?
  - b. In what way(s) would it have been easier for God's people 3500 years ago to give 10%, than for us to give 10%?
4. Read Malachi 3:8-11. Do you think God's call to test him in regard to giving a tithe still applies today? Why or why not?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-15. What can you learn about proportionate giving from the following verses?
  - a. Verse 2
  - b. Verse 3
  - c. Verse 5
  - d. Verse 7
  - e. Verse 12
6. What gives you joy as you give your offerings to the Lord?



# NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

## 10 FOR 10

### CONSIDER CAREFULLY YOUR WAYS

Matthew 25:14-30, Bible page 994

#### 1. The lazy way: “You wicked, lazy servant!”

A. A surprising warning to remind us of our blind spots.

1. Blind spots about \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Blind spots about \_\_\_\_\_.

B. A surprising warning coming from \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2. The proportionate way: “Well done good and faithful servant!”

A. A surprising commitment.

1. From \_\_\_\_\_.

2. From \_\_\_\_\_.

B. A surprising equality.

#### 3. A time for decision: Which way shall we go?

A. The minor’s decision of the \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Leviticus 27:30,32; Malachi 3:10

2. Galatians 4:1-7

B. The adult decision of \_\_\_\_\_.

1. 1 Corinthians 16:2

2. 2 Corinthians 8:12

3. 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

### Next Steps

- **Read Malachi 3:8-11.** God invites us to test him. Does your offering, as a proportion of your income, test God in this way?
- **Read 2 Corinthians 8 – 9.** Highlight phrases that help you consider your offering as a significant proportion of your income.