



Week of February 10, 2020

		Lutheran Schools Week
MON	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	6:30 pm	Strings Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Woodwind Rehearsal
TUE	9:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Grace Room)
	10:00 am	Pastoral Circuit Meeting at St. John's, Mukwonago
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	12:00 pm	Organization of Wisconsin Lutheran Seniors Meeting (OWLS) (Grace Room)
	6:30 pm	Handbells Rehearsal
	6:30 pm	Volleyball League
WED	9:30 am	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School 6-8 Grade Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
	7:00 pm	High School Boys Basketball League
THURS	6:30 am	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice
FRI	8:15 am	Lutheran School Chapel Service (Main Church)
SAT		<i>Chicken Dinner Preparations – see sign-up sheets</i>
	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
SUN	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:15 am	Kids Club
	9:45 am	The Bridge Communion
	10:00 am	St. Paul's Annual Chicken Dinner (until 1:00 pm, Centennial Gym)
	10:15 am	The Bridge Worship Service
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service

JOIN US ONLINE

If you can't join us in person, join us online! We livestream The Bridge every Sunday at 10:15 am on the platforms below. Past messages are also available on each platform. Full HD replays of complete services are available on our YouTube channel.



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“A good person leaves an inheritance for their children’s children” (Proverbs 13:22). Many people have already included the Lord’s work here at St. Paul’s in their estate plan. We are forming the Thirteen 22 Society to celebrate your generous plans and encourage your ministry partners here at St. Paul’s to do the same. If a gift to St. Paul’s is included in your estate plans, please indicate that on the Connection Card.



MAKING AN IMPACT FOR GENERATIONS TO COME

What happens when you remember the Lord’s work here at St. Paul’s in your estate plans? Vital projects are completed. New missions are started. Christian education is supported. Ministry opportunities become a reality. In the twenty years since St. Paul’s has had the Gift Trust Fund, and more recently the Legacy Fund, nearly \$1 million has been distributed for things like:

- Gifts to support campus ministries in Madison and Milwaukee
- Support to help start new churches: Living Word in Waukesha and Victory of the Lamb in Franklin
- Lighting in our sanctuary
- New windows in the school
- Equipment to help care for our facilities
- Support for Pastor Bonack as he pursues a masters in mental health counseling to help us care for our members and our community

DO YOU HAVE YOUR OWN ESTATE PLAN?

If you haven’t made an estate plan or will of your own, you are not alone. According to the Caring.com 2019 survey, 57% of US adults do not have any estate plans. Only 20% of younger adults (18-34) have estate plans, even though many of these young adults have young children.

ESTATE PLANNING LUNCHEON – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

St. Paul’s has contracted with SFP Estate Coaching (the same firm used by Wisconsin Lutheran High School) to coach 30 individuals or families through the estate planning process during 2020. If you complete the process with them, there will be financial assistance given to you to help cover a portion of your attorney fees.

We invite you to come and learn more about this service and the first steps in estate planning at our Estate Planning Luncheon on Saturday, February 22, from 11:30 to 1:30 pm in the Grace Room. Seating is limited. Indicate interest on the Connection Card today.

ESTATE PLANNING OPTIONS

St. Paul’s provides two options to assist you in your estate planning:

- Gift Trust Fund: 30% of the fund is available for distribution each year. Distributions are determined at the annual voter’s meeting. An estate gift placed into the Gift Trust Fund is fully distributed over approximately ten years.
- Legacy Fund: 5% of the fund is available for distribution each year. Distribution are determined at the annual voter’s meeting. An estate gift placed into the Legacy Fund continues to help St. Paul’s ministry as on-going endowment fund. The Legacy Fund has four sub-funds that can be designated in an estate plan: Outreach, Christian Education, Capital Projects, or Undesignated. For more information, contact any of your Thirteen 22 Committee members: Mike Meyer (chair), Joanne Fritsch (secretary), Jeremy Rynders, Dorothy Nowack and Pastor Panitzke.

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PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: Carol Beyer, David Burkowitz, Steve Drobka, Carol Gosseck, Janelle Gray, Lois Guhr, Connie Hikade, Josh Nagel, Judy Schmidt, Jeanne Steinbrecher, and Dick Sternberg.

HOSPITALIZED

Carol Gosseck is at Clement Manor, Nancy Rindt is at Linden Grove New Berlin, and Marlene Sobczak has transferred to Linden Grove Mukwonago. Kellie Behrens and Robert Burkowitz have been discharged from the hospital.

ATTENDANCE

1061 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 of the church. An usher will be happy to direct you if needed.

ATTEND OUR ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Enjoy camaraderie and a fantastic buffet style chicken dinner on February 16, 10:00 – 1:00 pm, in the Centennial Gym. All proceeds from the free-will offering will go towards the Cool Million campaign. Look for sign-up sheets in the lobby to help out. For more information, contact Chicken Dinner Coordinator Jim Ross at (414) 315-7119 or jcragency@gmail.com.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Hosts are needed for the soup suppers provided between our Lenten services which begin with Ash Wednesday on February 26. As a host, you or your group buys the food and supplies needed. All donations given at the supper go toward your costs. Any proceeds go to a ministry of your choice. Dates needing hosts are March 11, 18, and 25. For more information and to sign up, contact Tammy Miller at tmiller@stpaulmuskego.org or 414-422-0320, ext. 111.

FOLLOWING THE PROMISE BIBLE STUDY

Invite someone to join you for the next *Following the Promise* series, beginning February 18, at 7:00 pm. You are sure to grow in your understanding of the truths of God's Word and his promises for you and all people. Please text Pastor Nate at (414) 426-8236 or mark the back of your Connection Card to let us know of your interest.

A STUDY ON THE BOOK OF JOB

Grow in understanding God's ways as you walk along with Job through his struggles. Join Rev. Dr. Mark Braun of Wisconsin Lutheran College for this Grace Room Bible study series, Sundays of February at 9:15 am.

JOB IS IN THE LIBRARY

Resources regarding times of suffering, seeing God's will during difficult times, and other books that support the study of Job are on display in the church library.

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LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK BEGINS MONDAY

Our Lutheran schools are treasured places...because Jesus is there. Lutheran Schools Week takes time to celebrate that – the joy and impact of Christ on our kids and families. Our classes “take every thought and make it obedient to Christ” (2 *Corinthians 10:5*). We assist your family by helping your kids “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ” (2 *Peter 3:18*). We are very blessed to have your support in prayers, offerings, and volunteerism! Thank you! Keep praying for our school that more and more children come to grow closer to Jesus each day as we partner with parents in this awesome task!



If you were unable 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 2020-2021

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

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
3	\$46,926	\$53,926
4	\$56,650	\$63,650
5	\$66,374	\$73,374
6	\$76,098	\$83,098

*Add \$9,724 for each additional family member

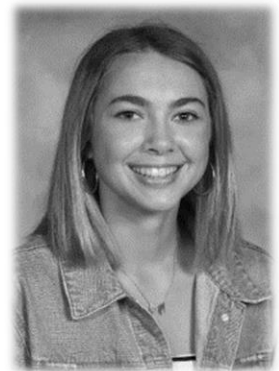
Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
3	\$63,990	\$70,990
4	\$77,250	\$84,250
5	\$90,510	\$97,510
6	\$103,770	\$110,770

*Add \$13,260 for each additional family member

VIKING CHRISTIAN LEADER OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to St. Paul's Lutheran School alumna Grace Schneider who was selected as Wisconsin Lutheran High School Viking Christian Leader for the month of January. We thank God for the way Grace has modeled Christian wisdom at school and in the community. Grace characterizes wisdom in Christian leadership by keeping Christ's purpose in mind in every decision, and knowing that he is ultimately in control. And using Christ's example in the way she treats others.



SMALL GROUP BOWLING TOURNAMENT BREAKS RECORD

Kudos to the Jim and Kathy Haag small group members who sponsored and ran their 15th Annual 9 Pin Tap Bowling Tournament and Silent Auction to support the Lighthouse Youth Centers in Milwaukee. One of the centers is a part of Garden Homes Lutheran Church, a St. Paul's mission partner. The event raised \$5,502 for the Lighthouse Ministries. This was an all-time record. Jim Haag reported, “We had 64 bowlers and 14 paid non-bowlers for this event. We also had more St. Paul's members attend than ever before! Thanks to all the participants and their support of this event! To God be the glory!”

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WISH LIST

The items listed 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.

Item	Est. Cost	Received	Still Needed
Promethean Board	\$4,500	\$4,500	Fully Funded
iPads for PreK Classrooms	\$8,000	\$7,000	\$1,000
Photo Feature Walls for church lobby and Trinity Café	\$4,000	\$875	\$3,125
Church Signage Updates	\$6,373	\$0	\$6,373
Church Family Room Furniture Updates	\$8,850	\$1,180	\$7,670
Martin Luther College Tuition Grant	\$4,000	\$150	\$3,850

Martin Luther College Tuition Assistance Grant

This grant will provide tuition assistance for our members and members of Garden Homes Lutheran Church, our sister congregation, who are attending Martin Luther College preparing to become pastors, teachers, and staff ministers. Next year we anticipate two students from St. Paul's and three from Garden Homes enrolled at MLC.

2020 CHURCH PICNIC

Help make the Church Picnic on August 2 a great event for young and old! Volunteer to be on the Church Picnic Planning Team! Express interest by marking the back of your Connection Card or contacting Pastor Kuehl at dkuehl@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 121.

OWLS MEET TUESDAY

Let's get together for lunch. Join the Organization of Wisconsin Synod Lutherans on Tuesday, February 11, in the Grace Room. Bring a bag lunch and listen to the music of Kathy Albrecht. Contact OWLS Coordinator Char Pingel at (262) 490-2579.

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 held on Tuesday evenings or 12 weeks in the Faith Room with a new session beginning February 11. You may register on the back of your Connection Card.

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.