



PALM SUNDAY
LOVE
LOVE SEES IT THROUGH
March 25, 2018



Welcome

Call to Worship / Procession

Sing to the King

Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

Communion Greeting and Blessing

See communion note on page 2.

Distribution Songs

Palm Sunday Processional, Lutheran School Grades K-8
You Are My King

Lessons

Zechariah 9:9,10, Bible page 953
The coming of Zion's king

Philippians 2:1-11, Bible page 1179
The humility of our King

Offering

Message Song

Come to Save Us

Message

Mark 11:1-10, Bible page 1015
John 19:28-30, Bible page 1087
Pastor Nate Strobel

Prayer / Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song

One Thing Remains

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. Contact Pastor Nate Strobel at nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org to register.

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.

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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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of March 26, 2018

MON	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Walking Club (Trinity Gym) Woodwind Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
TUE	9:30 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Ministerial Growth Team Ladies Bible Study (Grace Room) Walking Club (Trinity Gym) Ministerial Team Meeting <i>DivorceCare</i> Ministry (School Classroom 9) Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony) <i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room) Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
WED	9:30 am 4:30 pm 6:30 pm 8:00 pm	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room) Public School Confirmation Instruction Classes Easter Orchestra and Choir Rehearsal (Main Church) Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
THURS		Maundy Thursday 6:30 am Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room) 10:00 am Walking Club (Trinity Gym) 3:30 pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion 6:30 pm Easter Food Basket Distribution (Trinity Café) 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Holy Communion
FRI		Good Friday 1:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service 3:30 pm Good Friday Worship Service 7:00 pm Good Friday Worship Service
SAT	8:00 am 5:00 pm	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room) Easter Vigil Worship Service
SUN		Easter Sunday 6:00 pm Easter Sunrise Worship Service 7:45 am Easter Festival Worship Service 9:15 am Easter Festival Worship Service 9:45 am The Bridge Communion 10:15 am Easter at The Bridge 10:45 am Easter Festival Worship Service



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ST. PAUL'S NEWS

WHO WILL YOU INVITE THIS EASTER?

Social media can help you share our posts and emails with others.

- Our website just for Easter services is www.stpaulmuskego.org/easter-services-at-st-pauls.
- Text or email this address to friends and family.
- Like and share our Facebook page: St. Paul's Lutheran Church – Muskego, Wisconsin.

SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY

If you have small children, you might appreciate being able to focus on the sermon without interruption. We have a staffed nursery every Sunday 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 to any need your child has. Ask a worship host for directions.

HOSPITALIZED

Norman Boye is at Froedtert. Margaret Kujath and Brittany Michaels have been discharged from the rehab center/hospital.

ATTENDANCE

1138 attended last weekend's worship services. 359 attended midweek Lenten services.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: Dawn Brown, David Burkowitz, Sharon Dreyer, Namine Eiche, Brittany Gillespie, Tom Goodman, Janelle Gray, Daniel Holtz, Dawn Jahns, Judith Lauber, Sandra Merfeld, Sonia Neuberger, Cheri Sorensen, Jeanne Steinbrecher, and Dick and Jane Sternberg.

EASTER MEALS PICK UP TIME

Our Food Pantry Team will be distributing the Easter food baskets on Thursday, March 29, 6:30 – 8:00 pm, in the Trinity Café. If you or a family member or friend have requested an Easter food basket, please pick it up at this time.

PUERTO RICO HURRICANE AID FINAL REPORT

Thank you to everyone who donated to provide help to our “extended family” in Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria last fall. You generously gave \$9,124.79! The team used \$6,732.52 of that amount to help the family and friends of St. Paul's member, Diane Ludwig, whose homes and livelihoods were destroyed in the hurricane. This week we sent the remaining \$2,392.27 to our synod's Christian Aid and Relief Fund to help rebuild one of our churches in Puerto Rico. This closes the Puerto Rico project. Any additional gifts labeled for Puerto Rico will be placed in our Friends in Need fund.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars have until March 31 to direct them. Go to www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoid to learn more or call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt. Thank you to all who have used this opportunity to increase your support of the ministry of St. Paul's Church and School.

MRS. SALLY WALLNER – MUSKEGO VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR!



St. Paul's Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner has received the Muskego Chamber of Commerce 2017 Volunteer of the Year award! We congratulate Sally and are so thankful for her light that shines with the love of Christ in our community and at St. Paul's. As an ambassador for St. Paul's, Sally is a shining example to our community of the love of Christ that also flows through St. Paul's. If you would like to speak with Sally about future outreach volunteer opportunities, she can be reached at (414) 422-0320, ext. 294, or swallner@stpaulmuskego.org.

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

Mark your Connection Card to receive more information or call the church office at (414) 422-0320.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW JESUS BETTER

Anyone and everyone is invited to *Following the Promise*, a Bible study tracing the promise of the Savior through the Bible all the way into your own life. This study also serves as St. Paul's pre-membership study. Pastor Nate Strobel is leading these studies in the Faith Room on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm beginning May 8. A second class begins Sunday, April 15, 8:30-9:30 am, in school classroom 9.

DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL PEACE COURSE FOR TEENS AND PARENTS

St. Paul's member and father of teens, Erich Gunther, has offered to present *Generation Change*—a course for teens and parents. *Generation Change* was created by Dave Ramsey and his daughter to lead teens to a better understanding of God, themselves and their money—and how it all works together. Mark the back of your Connection Card or email Dr. Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org if you are interested.

TUG TALK



The next TUG Talk is Sunday, March 25, at 6:30 pm in Trinity Café. We will continue our look at Joseph: *Abandoned, Tested, Trapped, Promoted*. How did the God-guided choices Joseph made help him overcome every overwhelming obstacle life threw at him?

CLASS OF 2018 – LET US KNOW YOUR PLANS

St. Paul's will be celebrating our teens graduating from junior and senior high school this spring. Contact Dr. Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 145 with the following:

CLASS
of
2018

- What school are you graduating from?
- What are your plans for fall 2017? 8th grade graduates - what high school? 12th grade graduates - what college, branch of military, or work area?

UNDERSTANDING ISLAM

Join Pastor John Brug, Ph.D., retired professor at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, in studying the beliefs and religious practices of Islam: political history, jihad, terrorism, and the role of women. The final lesson will offer suggestions for outreach to Muslims. As part of his doctoral studies, Professor Brug lived in the Middle East for a year. Attend in the Grace Room, Sundays at 9:15 am, April 8-May 6.

MOMMY & ME

Mommy & Me is a group for moms of young children — infant through age five. The group meets at St. Paul's on Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11:00 am, in the Faith Room. Contact Sam Lindner at sam.lindner2323@gmail.com or (989) 284-2854 for more information.

DIVORCECARE

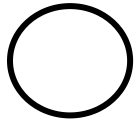
DivorceCare meets Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm, in school classroom 9. Contact Kristen Miller at kmiller@stpaulmuskego.org for more information.

MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE

St. Lucas Lutheran Church in Bay View is looking for 4-5 men to fill out their roster for their Tuesday night softball league. The league runs May 1 – mid-August. Games are played at 6:30, 7:30, and 8:30 pm at Sijan Field in Bay View. If you are interested, please contact Mike Westendorf at mike@mikewestendorf.com or text (414) 507-8250.

STONEY CREEK ADULT COMMUNITY JOB OPENING

Stoney Creek Adult Community is looking for a creative, energetic, and compassionate person who has a heart for seniors. The part-time position available has many facets with the main duties being coordinating a balanced variety of activities for their community of residents. Contact Cindy at (414) 414-4686 to apply. More information about Stoney Creek may be found at www.stoneycreekmuskego.com



GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

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

1. Where have you seen God active in your life this past week? Any confusion? Any struggle seeing his love?

2. Is "love" in the details...or in the doing...? What *trips* you up in your efforts to love?

3. This week's message is *Love Sees it Through*. Have you ever experienced a time where you felt like you gave and gave (and gave) and never seemed to get anything back? Describe the situation.

4. Read Mark 11:1-10. Discuss how each of these groups uniquely show their definition of love in this account:
 - a. The two disciples

 - b. The crowds of people

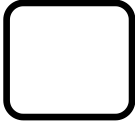
 - c. Jesus

5. How would you respond if someone said to you "*human love is always tainted by selfish motivations*"? Read the second text for this week's message, John 19:28-30, and discuss how *amazing* is Jesus' love "in the moment."

6. Read Philippians 2:5-11. What verse or phrase best reminds you that Jesus's love sees it *through*? Why?

7. What could you do this week that would help someone in your life better understand the faithful kind of love Jesus shows us?

8. What could you do this week that would help strengthen your ability to love even in the times where you feel you have nothing left to give?



NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

TRUE LOVE SEES IT THROUGH

Mark 11:1-10, John 19:28-30

Is *TRUE* love in the _____, or is true love in the _____?

1. With Attention to Detail So That We _____ Him

A. He Had a Date with _____

“not on a horse to _____, but on a donkey to bring _____”

B. He Had a Date with _____

“He rode in as a _____, and accepted the _____!”

- “Hosanna!” = _____!
- “Blessed is he who comes in the _____ of the _____!”
- “Blessed is the coming _____ of our father _____.”

But, he was a bit of a _____ king!

APPLICATION Do we always see God’s _____ in the _____ of our lives?

2. With Attention to Doing So That We _____

A. He Never Flinched in His Quest to Be _____

He earned his title: “_____ of the _____”

- Crucified with _____
- Condemned for being the _____
- Clothes divided by the casting of _____
- A care plan for his _____

B. He Never Balked in _____ to Save

One last detail: “I am _____.”

APPLICATION There is _____ in Jesus’ attention to details!

Next Steps

- **Look It Up:** 2 Kings 6:8-23. Read the amazing account of God being strong for us even when we cannot see.
- **Look Back:** Think back on your own life when you couldn’t see the loving hand of God, but time has helped to make things clearer. Pray in praise and thanksgiving!
- **Look Ahead:** Anticipate what God might bring into your life before you reach heaven. Can you pray for his strength to trust his “love in the details” ahead of time?