



HIS PAIN OUR GAIN

HIS VICTORY

March 10, 2019

The devil had been winning the victory ever since the Garden of Eden. Every person fell to his temptations. Until a confrontation in the Judean wilderness...

Welcome

Call to Worship

My Story

Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

Baptisms

Su Mui Diekfuss

Adalynn Mui Diekfuss, born June 6, 2014

Alexis Sophia Diekfuss, born August 31, 2016

Adalyn and Alexis are the daughters of Su Mui and Alan Diekfuss

Communion Greeting / Blessing

Communion Distribution

See communion note on page 6.

Distribution Songs

**Oh Come to the Altar
Living Hope**

First Lesson

Genesis 3:1-15, Bible page 3

*In the garden the battle begins. The first campaign ends in tragic defeat.
But a champion is promised through whom victory is certain.*

Second Lesson

Revelation 12:7-12, Bible page 1245

*In his vision John takes us back to the heavenly battle that birthed Satan and his minions. Then
and always the final outcome is the same—complete and ultimate defeat of the evil one!*

Offering

Message Song

I Am Not Alone

Message

Luke 4:1-13, Bible page 1029

Pastor Nate Strobel

Prayer / Lord's Prayer / Blessing

Sending Song

Whom Shall I Fear

WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of March 11, 2019

MON	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	Woodwind Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
TUE	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study (Grace Room)
	10:00 am	Pastoral Circuit Meeting (St. Paul's, East Troy)
	10:00 am	Walking Group (Trinity Gym)
	12:00 pm	Organization of Wisconsin Lutheran Seniors – OWLS (Grace Room)
	6:00 pm	<i>DivorceCare</i> Ministry (School Classroom 8)
	6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Parents' Meeting (Grace Room)
	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room)
	7:00 pm	Volleyball League
	7:30 pm	Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Main Church)
WED	9:30 am	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)
	3:30 pm	Lenten Worship Service with Holy Communion
	4:30 pm	Soup Supper hosted by St. Paul's Quilting Fellowship (Grace Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service with Holy Communion
	8:00 pm	Brass Ensemble
THURS	6:30 am	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	6:30 pm	<i>Financial Peace University</i> (Grace Room)
	7:00 pm	Pickleball League (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice
SAT	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	9:30 am	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
SUN	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service
	8:00 am	Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Faith Room)
	8:30 am	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (School Classroom #8)
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:15 am	Kids Club and Boost Youth Ministries
	9:45 am	The Bridge Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service	

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BAPTISMS

Su Mui Diekfuss will be baptized together with her daughters, Adalynn Mui, born June 6, 2014, and Alexis Sophia, born August 31, 2016, at the contemporary service on March 10, 2019. We celebrate with husband and father, Alan, and the Diekfuss family in the gift of saving faith received through baptism.

FUNERAL

David Knapp, born July 1, 1942, entered eternal peace and joy with his Savior on March 1, 2019. A Christian funeral was held on Friday, March 8, 2019. May the God of all comfort and hope be with David's family and loved ones.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

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

HOSPITALIZED

Lois Guhr is at The View at Pine Ridge in Oconomowoc, Theresa Raduege at Autumn Leaves in Franklin, and Marlene Sobczak at Linden Grove Mukwonago. Mary Schauwitzer, Carol Gosseck, Bruce Marggraf, and Jeanne Steinbrecher have returned home.

ATTENDANCE

1012 were in attendance at last weekend's worship services. 510 were at the Ash Wednesday services.

FOLLOWING THE PROMISE – BIBLE BASICS AND YOU

Pastor Nate Strobel is leading two sessions of our new member Bible study—*Following the Promise*—right now: Sundays at 8:30 am and Tuesdays at 7:00 pm. Pastor Nate would love for you to join him while he walks through the basics of what the Bible teaches and how it relates to God's promises for you. Register on the back of your Connection Card or at nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org.

MARCH/APRIL GRACE ROOM SERIES

Will God's Word always be reliable and trustworthy? This is the theme for our current Grace Room Sunday morning Bible class at 9:30 am. Join former WELS Pastor Dan Kolosovsky in a study of 2 Peter that will answer this question.

OWLS MEET TUESDAY

Join the Organization of Wisconsin Lutheran Seniors at their next meeting on Tuesday, March 12 in the Grace Room at noon. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy the discussion. Contact Char Pingel with questions at (262) 490-2579.

LEARN ABOUT OUR SOUTHEAST ASIA MISSIONS

The Dorcas Society will be hosting Anne Press from Christians Forward, a Christ-centered humanitarian relief organization, to speak about our church body's mission efforts in Southeast Asia. Join the discussion on Tuesday, March 19, at 7:00 pm in the Grace Room.

EASTER FLOWERS

Sign-up sheets are available at a table in the lobby if you would like to purchase one of the flowers that will beautify the altar on Easter Sunday. The flowers will be placed at the altar for all Easter services and may be picked up after the 10:45 am Easter worship service. Payment should be made out to St. Paul's and placed in the provided envelopes marked, "Easter Flowers," then placed in the lock box provided.

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ENROLL NOW FOR PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is open for our 3K to 8th grade Lutheran school. School Administrator Seth Fitzsimmons would love to give you a tour of our school facilities and answer any questions you may have. He can be reached at sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 118. You may also find more information and register online at www.stpmuskego.org/tads.

DIVINE CALL EXTENDED TO MIKE WESTENDORF

St. Paul's Ministry Board, at its February 28 meeting, extended a divine call to Mike Westendorf to serve in a position called "Resident Musical Artist and Director of Video Production." Mike currently leads part-time as the coordinator of The Bridge and contemporary services. Please keep Mike and his family in your prayers as he prayerfully considers this call.

DIVINE CALL EXTENDED TO MRS. CHRISTEL STRUTZ

The St. Paul's Ministry Board has extended a call to Mrs. Christel Strutz to teach third grade in our elementary school. Mrs. Strutz currently serves as a third and fourth grade teacher at St. Paul's in Cudahy. Her husband, Randall, is a teacher and head coach of the varsity girls' basketball team at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. Mrs. Strutz sent the following letter to the congregation in response to receiving our call:

March 2, 2019

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Through you, St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School, I have received a Divine Call to teach third grade in the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. I am humbled in receiving this call, and thankful for the opportunity to consider how I can serve God in His kingdom. It is truly a blessing to be able to share God's Word with others through His ministry.

As I deliberate this call, I ask that you keep my husband, Randy, and I in your prayers. In the next few weeks, I look forward to being in contact with St. Paul's and learning more about your church and school. I will continuously pray not only for guidance and strength in this decision, but for your congregation as well. Thank you again for extending this call, and I ask for your continued prayers as I deliberate.

Blessings,

Christel Strutz

MR. JEFF WETZEL DIVINE CALL DECLINED

Mr. Wetzel, our 5th grade homeroom teacher, has declined the divine call to serve as principal at Trinity Lutheran School in Caledonia, Wisconsin. We pray the Lord's blessing over Mr. Wetzel and his family as he continues to serve the Lord here at St. Paul's. Mr. Wetzel wrote the following letter:

March 5, 2019

Dear Members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School,

After much prayerful consideration, God's direction and guidance has led me to return the call to lead the school at Trinity Lutheran in Caledonia, Wisconsin. I am trusting this is the decision the Lord has led me to and how He wants me to use my gifts at this time. I am excited to continue my ministry here at St. Paul's, and pray that I am able to bring children closer to Christ.

Please keep Trinity Lutheran in your prayers, as they are currently without a leader. We can be confident the Lord will provide the right servant to help them move forward when the time is right.

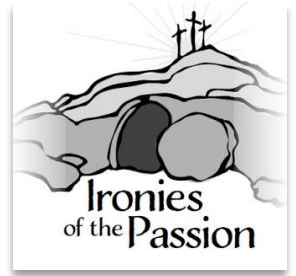
Respectfully submitted in His service,

Mr. Jeffrey W. Wetzel

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WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES—3:30 AND 7:00 PM

Join us as we continue to walk with Jesus through the critical hours leading up to his suffering and death. We are looking at statements full of irony that were said during the passion, comments that surprise us because of who said them or that they have a meaning so different than what the speaker intended. Enjoy hearing from a guest preacher each of the remaining Wednesdays of Lent.



ENJOY A SOUP SUPPER BETWEEN SERVICES

Come enjoy a warm meal and camaraderie with your friends between our Wednesday Lenten services, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, in the Grace Room. A free will offering is gathered at the soup supper to help defray the cost of the food and to support the ministry of the hosting group. The St. Paul's Quilting Fellowship will be hosting this Wednesday's soup supper.

QUILTING FELLOWSHIP TO HOST WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER

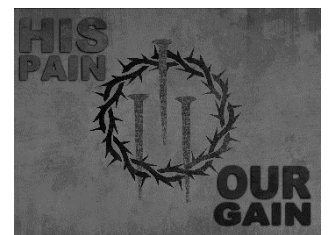
St Paul's Quilting Fellowship has been serving the congregation for eleven years with the mission to provide quilts to those in need of comfort and hope. Over 450 quilts have been given to the homebound of the congregation, babies and moms of WELS Lutherans for Life, the VA Hospital, St Paul's Alzheimer's group, The Muskego Taxi service, the Muskego Woman's Club, and many cancer patients and survivors. Our two special outreach projects this past year include making "Little Dresses for Africa" which were delivered by the Wisconsin Lutheran College junior nursing students to schools in Lusaka, Zambia. In addition, twenty of our barbie doll quilts were donated during the Christmas season by the Wisconsin Woodworker's Guild who made the barbie doll sized beds.

Any donations given at Wednesday's soup supper will be used toward quilting materials for the mission to continue. In addition, quilts will be on display and for sale with a \$30 donation. The Quilting Fellowship meets the first Thursday of the month year-round. New members are always welcome. For more information contact Group Coordinator Annette Navarre at (262) 922-0009 or singnavarre@gmail.com.

SUNDAYS OF LENT – HIS PAIN OUR GAIN

"Christ for us." That is the summary of the Christian message and the focus of our Sunday Lenten series. Everything he did, everything he suffered, was for our benefit. During the Lenten season, our goal is to find rest for our souls in this simple truth: Christ for Us.

March 17	His Compassion	April 7	His Justice
March 24	His Submission	April 14	His Joy
March 31	His Honesty		



EASTER FOR KIDS – SATURDAY, APRIL 13

St. Paul's annual Easter For Kids will be Saturday, April 13, 9:00-11:45 am, at the school. This event is for children ages 3-12. The morning will feature singing, games, crafts, a puppet show, the Easter story, and more. Register on the back of your Connection Card or at www.stpaulmuskego.org. If you'd like to help, contact Dr. Joel Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org or mark the Connection Card.

EASTER FESTIVAL CHOIR

The Easter festival choir rehearsals start Sunday, March 10. All are welcome! Please join us at 8:00 am in the Faith Room and Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in the church. Contact Michele Eiche at meiche4@wi.rr.com.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT FOR THE UNBORN

The Ladies Afternoon Fellowship thanks you for the generous support that you showed for the unborn through the baby shower fundraiser last month. Each week we had overflowing donations of baby supplies to send on to the moms and dads who use the services of Lutherans for Life. Thank you also for the generous financial donations that will be used to provide ultrasounds through Lutherans for Life.

JOIN OUR EVENT STAFF

We are currently hiring a part-time employee to join our event staff team. Hours vary, usually short shifts of three hours or less. Signup for the events that work for your schedule. Duties include welcoming guests to the community events on our campus, overseeing events, and assisting with questions as needed. For more information contact Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner at swallner@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 294.

JOIN THE BRIDGE NURSERY TEAM

Do you love kids and find joy in the thought of improving the worship experience for our guests to The Bridge? We are currently hiring a part-time childcare provider for The Bridge nursery. Hours are 10:00 – 11:30 am, two Sundays per month. For more information contact Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner at swallner@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 294.

JOIN THE PARKING TEAM MINISTRY

Be the first person to make that positive impression to guests on our campus. To volunteer or to find out more, mark the back of your Connection Card or contact Community Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner at swallner@stpaulmuskego.org.



VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENTS FOR COMPETITIVE PLAY

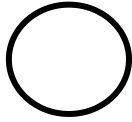
St. Paul's will be hosting two volleyball tournaments in the next couple of months. A men's volleyball tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 6, beginning at 9:00 am, and a women's tournament for Saturday, May 4, beginning at 9:00 am. The tournaments are intended for competitive teams. Details and registration forms are available for the men's tournament at the Welcome Center or at www.stpaulmuskego.org. Details and forms for the women's tournament will be available soon. Contact Cindy Proeber at cindy.proeber@accuratedesign.com with questions.

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 and Sunday mornings. 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. 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.

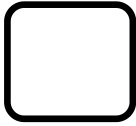


GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

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

1. Start your time together by sharing the past week's highs and lows. What are your hopes for the month ahead?
2. This week's message is about temptation. We define temptations as "the desire to do something, especially something wrong or unwise." How would you describe a life without temptations?
3. Re-read the message text (Luke 4:1-13) and discuss how each of these three temptations still exists in our world today. How do they look or sound in your personal life or in society at large?
4. Pastor Nate reminds us of the old adage that says "the Devil is in the details." Can you recall any other temptations of historic figures in scripture where the details, darkness, and lies proved to be too much for anyone other than Jesus?
5. Read Hebrews 4:15. Has there ever been a time in your life (or someone you know) that these words gave comfort and strength where there had previously been none?
6. Pastor Nate closed up his message with two steps that God encourages us to fight temptation with: 1) Take up the sword (of the Spirit) and 2) Trust the plan. Which one of these two is typically more challenging for you?
7. Break into groups of 2-3 and wrap up your time together in prayer about the daily temptations in your life.



NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

JOB #1 – JESUS CAME TO DESTROY THE DEVIL’S WORK

Luke 4:1-13, Bible page 1029

The _____ is in the details, isn't he?

1. Jesus Waded Into the Details!

- A. The _____ of Our Sinful Condition.
- B. The _____ and _____ - _____ of the Devil

APPLICATION Why did Jesus submit himself to these rounds of temptation and suffering?

- 1. To save us, Jesus had to follow God's _____ perfectly for us. This was a demonstration of his intent and his persistence!
- 2. To be able to speak personally and credibly to our suffering, Jesus suffered the _____ the devil and the sinful world can bring at us!

2. Jesus Teaches Us How to Fight!

- A. "Pick up the _____ of the _____, which is the Word of God."
- B. "And Trust the _____ of the _____ in all things."

APPLICATION When facing temptation or evil, are we ever tempted to deviate from God's plan?

CONCLUSION The Sword of the Spirit is meant for the _____ of our lives, and in our most vulnerable moments the Spirit will place his _____ on our lips.

Next Steps

- **Look Back:** Read Genesis 3:1-8. Talk about the "Six D-words of Temptation" that the devil used to bring mankind under the curse of sin--Disguise, Doubt, Disagree, Deceit, Desire, Destruction. Comment on the devil's way of operating in our lives today.
- **Think Ahead:** Read Revelation 12:7-12. The devil's name means "accuser." What "blade" of the Spirit has Jesus placed into your hands according to verse 11? Why is this a comforting thought?
- **Sharing to Learn:** As you are comfortable, share moments in your life when the devil tempted you to doubt God's love or God's plan. What words of Scripture did God give you for the fight?