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HIS PAIN OUR GAIN

HIS SUBMISSION

March 23 and 24, 2019

Jesus was as human as we are. Imagine the anxiety he experienced in the garden knowing what he was about to face. We see it in the sweat mixed with blood dripping from his face. We hear it in the words he speaks, "Father, take this cup from me." Yet what follows is the miracle of love's determination: "Not my will, Father, but yours be done."

BELLS AND WELCOME

HYMN 336

Come unto Me, Ye Weary

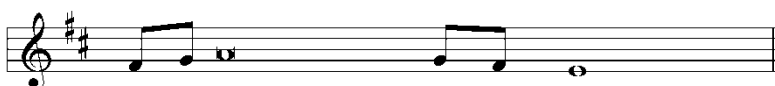
BAPTISM (Sunday 9:15 am)

Evelyn Leigh McCulley

*Born March 8, 2019, daughter of William and Kayla (nee Preston) McCulley
(Evelyn will be baptized by her great grandfather, Pastor Herbert Lichtenberg.)*



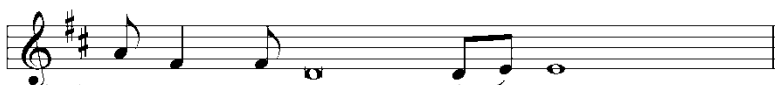
M: O Lord, o - pen my lips.



C And my mouth shall de-clare your praise.



L Hasten to save me, O God.



C O Lord, come quickly to help me.



L Give glory to God, our light and our life.



C Come, oh, come, let us wor - ship.

1
C: Come, oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,
2
let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;
3
come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,
Repeat for use with canon
come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.
Verses
L: 1. You are a great and a won - drous God,
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,
cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.
You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,
to Refrain
you made the seas and the dry land.
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

M Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we confess that we deserve to be punished for our evil deeds.

C **Yet your Son, Jesus, willingly submitted himself to the cross to bear that punishment for us.**

M Thank you for graciously cleansing us from all our sin.

C **Fill us with your love, teaching us to live a life that always looks to put the needs of others before our own.**

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

C **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 40:1-3, 6-8, 11-17, Bible, page 559

In this messianic psalm we hear the inner thoughts of our Savior. He knows what he will suffer, but he willingly and humbly submits to his heavenly Father's will.

ANTHEM (*Sunday 7:45 am*)

It Is Done, Lutheran School Grades K and 1

PSALM OF THE DAY (*Saturday and Sunday 9:15 am*)

Psalm 130, Hymnal page 114

The psalmist rejoices in God's forgiveness and declares his determination to put all his hope in the Lord.

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:21-32, Bible, page 1176

Husbands and wives are called to follow Jesus and submit to each other.

HYMN OF THE DAY 100

A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

SERMON

Luke 22:39-46, Bible page 1057

Pastor Nate Strobel

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (*Sunday*)

Violin Duet

Dan Bruskiewitz and Katlyn Kelly

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.

CLOSING PRAYER

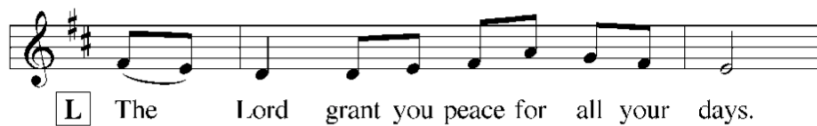
M Lord Jesus, in you and in you alone we find deliverance.

C **We are not our own. We were bought at a price. Help us to look to you and to your Word to find strength to love each other as you have loved us.**

M You are the Lord forevermore.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESIDING MINISTER (Sunday) Pastor David Kuehl

PIANIST Susan Gedemer



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 25, 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)
	9:30 am	Ministerial Growth Team Meeting
	10:00 am	Walking Group (Trinity Gym)
	10:30 am	Ministerial Team Meeting
	6:00 pm	<i>DivorceCare</i> Ministry (School Classroom 9)
	6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room)
	7:30 pm	Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
WED	9:30 am	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)
	3:30 pm	Lenten Worship Service
	4:30 pm	Soup Supper hosted by St. Paul's Child Care Center (Grace Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Lenten Worship Service
	8:00 pm	Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
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
SAT	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
SUN	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	8:00 am	Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Faith Room)
	8:30 am	<i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room)
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:15 am	Kids Club and Boost Youth Ministries
	9:45 am	The Bridge Holy Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion

SUNDAY MORNING MARCH/APRIL GRACE ROOM SERIES

Join former WELS Pastor Dan Kolosovsky as he leads a study of the reliability and trustworthiness of the Bible based on 2 Peter, Sundays at 9:15 am.

SUNDAY MORNING YOUTH MINISTRIES

Our upbeat, interactive, and fun 3K to grade 8 ministries begin at 9:15 on Sunday mornings in the school. Enter the school through the Trinity Cafe. Clearly marked signage will direct you to your child's check-in and room location.

SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY

We have a staffed nursery every Sunday during the 9:15 and 10:45 am services in the east wing of the church equipped with a silent pager system to alert parents if any need arises. A worship host will be happy to direct you to the nursery if needed.

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

FLOWERS

The flowers beautifying the church today were given by Mark Iczkowski in memory of his wife, Marilyn.

BAPTISM

Kash Russel Minor, born April 19, 2018, is the son of Jason and Sara Minor and will be baptized after the contemporary service on March 24. God be praised for the gift of faith given to Kash through the power of God's Word together with the water of baptism.

FUNERAL

Arthur Johnson, born February 4, 1939, entered eternal life with his Savior on Monday, March 18, 2019. Art was the husband of St. Paul's member, Sherry Johnson. Pastor Strobel had the privilege of ministering to Art during the last year of his life and conducted his Christian funeral on Saturday, March 23, 2019. May the God of all comfort and hope be with the family and loved ones of Art.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: Carol Beyer, David Burkowitz, Carol Gosseck, Connie Hikade, Bruce Marggraf, Mary Schauwitzer, Carol Smith, Jeanne Steinbrecher, and Dick and Jane Sternberg.

HOSPITALIZED

Bernie Elger is at Linden Grove New Berlin, Lois Guhr at The View at Pine Ridge in Oconomowoc, Randall Martin at St. Luke's, Theresa Raduege at Autumn Leaves in Franklin, and Marlene Sobczak at Linden Grove Mukwonago.

ATTENDANCE

1242 attended last weekend's worship services. 362 attended midweek Lenten services.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW JESUS BETTER

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 Tuesdays at 7:00 pm or Sundays at 8:30 am. Register on the back of your Connection Card or at nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org.

CLOTHED IN CHRIST IN BAPTISM

What a blessing that we have had seven baptisms at St. Paul's in the last three weeks! Have you or your children been baptized? Do you have questions about baptism? Our Resident Missionary Pastor Nate Strobel would be happy to meet with you for a one-hour personal visit and study on baptism. Schedule this visit by marking the back of your Connection Card or by contacting Pastor Nate directly at nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org.

MALAWI MISSION PARTNER COMMUNIQUE

Pastor John Holtz, a son of our congregation, has sent his March newsletter. He speaks of the horrible flooding that has hit Malawi and the faith that has shown through during these tough times. Pick up a copy at the Welcome Center. For over a decade, gifts from individuals at St. Paul's have provided a large portion of Pastor Holtz' support. We thank you for your generosity!

CLASS OF 2019 – LET US KNOW YOUR PLANS

Are you graduating from grade school or high school this spring? St. Paul's would like to celebrate you. Contact Dr. Joel Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org to let him know your plans for fall 2019 — name of high school or college, branch of military, or area of work.

CHURCH CEMETERY WREATHS AND ARRANGEMENTS

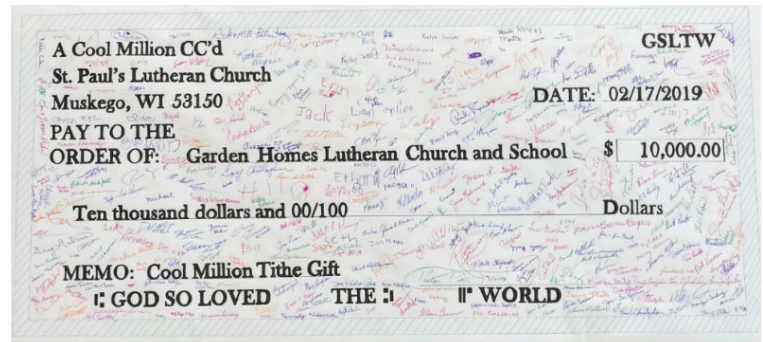
It is that time of year to remove all Christmas wreaths and arrangements from the cemetery. After March 30, they will be placed behind the historic church. Please contact Dan Navarrete at (414) 422-0541 with questions.

THE COOL MILLION

WE CAN (ALMOST) SIGN THE CHECK! THANK YOU!

St. Paul's President Mike Grimes and Pastor Panitzke will be worshipping at Garden Homes Lutheran Church on Sunday, March 31, to present the fifth of our \$10,000 Cool Million tithe gifts.

Our current total is \$492,223. We need just \$7,777 so that we can sign a real \$10,000 tithe check!



A COOL MILLION THANK YOU



Earlier this year, our Malawi Mission Partner John Holtz told us in his monthly communique of an opportunity for a new mission field in Uganda. He and the synod administration agreed that our fourth Cool Million Tithe Gift for mission work would support this Uganda exploratory work. We received the following letter of thanks from Rev. Larry Schlomer, the administrator for our synod's world mission efforts:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St Paul's Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your incredibly generous gift of \$10,000 in support of African Field Special Projects, Uganda Outreach! We are grateful for this gift above and beyond your congregational mission offering. What a blessing it is for us to share the love of Jesus to as many people as possible around the world.

Together, with the help of your gifts, we will be reaching out to more people in foreign countries who need to be fed the good news of the gospel message. What a privilege it is to feed the hungry with God's grace and to give the water of life to thirsty souls! Thank you for your gift, and please pray for open doors and open hearts to hear the message.

Serving Him together with you and all believers,

Larry M. Schlomer

Administrator, Board for World Missions

A COOL VAN – A COOL MILLION GIFT

St. Paul's member Dan Thiel sent us this picture of the van that our Cool Million tithe helped purchase for Costa Maya Ministries in Mexico. In the picture at right you see them picking up children along the beach to bring to the church to have a healthy meal and learn about their Savior.



A COOL SCHOOL – ONE OF MANY 2019 COOL MILLION PROJECTS

We are in the process of signing contracts for summer work:

- Completion of the HVAC work in the school (so the entire school will be air conditioned and have a reliable heating system).
- Refinishing the Centennial Gym ceiling and installing new lights.
- Reroofing the Centennial Gym and the church.

To accomplish these tasks, we need an additional \$325,000 in gifts by the end of the summer, which would bring us to \$825,000 in Cool Million gifts. Thanks in advance for every gift given in response to God's great compassion toward us in Christ. Mark your gift "Cool Million" or give online at StPaulMuskego.org/give.

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

DONATE YOUR SOLES FOR JESUS

Soles for Jesus is a Milwaukee based organization that is dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus by distributing shoes to the under-served people in sub-Saharan Africa. 452,000 shoes have been sent all over Africa since 2010, setting individuals one step ahead on the path to a better quality of life.

One in two people live in extreme poverty in sub-Saharan Africa. HIV has devastated the region, and in wake of this epidemic there are millions of orphans struggling to exist on their own. The number of orphans in Africa that need the basic necessity of shoes is astounding – over 20 million. Shoes lower the risk of injury and infection and are a gift that lasts for years, not only as a reminder of God's love but also as catalyst to a better quality of life.



This will be the third year our school will be holding a shoe drive. This year we will also have a donation drop off location here at church. Just bring your new or gently used shoes through April 7 to the church lobby during worship times. (Please - no boots, heels, or flip flops) For more information about *Soles for Jesus* visit www.solesforjesus.org. Thank you for your continued partnership in sharing the unconditional love of Jesus!

OPENINGS ON THE ST. PAUL'S STAFF

JOIN OUR CLEAN TEAM

We are looking to fill a second shift part-time flex position to cover 8-16 hours of weekly work. Our staffing model has the flexibility of working anywhere from a 3-hour shift to a 5-hour shift. The work schedule is flexible with some shifts starting later into the evening hours to accommodate those with busy day-time schedules. If interested in learning more, please contact Church Administrator Randy Fink at rfink@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 120.

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.

ASK AN ATTORNEY – SPONSORED BY CHRISTIAN FAMILY SOLUTIONS

What are the financial implications of nursing home care? What are the best assets to give to the work of the Lord? Is there a limit to how much I can gift to my children? What is probate, and should I worry about it? You are invited to a free seminar where you can ask these or your own questions of Attorney David Nommensen on Wednesday, April 3, 11:00 am, at Stoney Creek Adult Community. Please RSVP to Maureen at mserlich@wlcfs.org or (262) 345-3550. Bring your questions or you may submit them before the seminar to info@wlcfs.org or (262) 345-5542.

LENT AT ST. PAUL'S

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 spoken during Jesus' passion, comments that surprise us because of who said them or that they have a meaning so different than what the speaker intended. We will be blessed with a guest preacher each Wednesday.



SUPPORT ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE CENTER

Wednesday's soup supper will be hosted by our child care center. Homemade chicken vegetable soup and a taco bar will be served. Free will offerings will be used to buy a Bye Bye Buggy stroller that seats four children and is known for its ergonomic maneuverability. A sand and water table, twister cars, and floor mats for the infant room will also be purchased as funds allow. Enjoy camaraderie, a warm meal, and a great cause Wednesday, March 27, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, in the Grace Room.



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 31	His Honesty
April 7	His Justice
April 14	His Joy



EASTER FLOWERS

Sign-up sheets are available in the lobby if you would like to purchase one or more of the flowers that will beautify the altar on Easter Sunday. The flowers will be beautify the church 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, placed in a provided envelope marked, "Easter Flowers," and placed in the lock box provided.

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.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

April 18	Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion	3:30 and 7:00 pm
April 19	Good Friday	1:00, 3:30, and 7:00 pm
April 20	Easter Vigil *	5:00 pm
April 21	Easter Sunrise *	6:00 am
	Easter Festival	7:45, 9:15, and 10:45 am
	Easter at The Bridge	10:15 am

* The Easter Vigil an Easter Sunrise services will be identical.

DIVINE CALL NEWS

MR. MIKE WESTENDORF ACCEPTS CALL

Mike Westendorf has accepted our call to serve as Resident Musical Artist/Director of Video Production at St. Paul's. God has blessed Mike with the ability to lead contemporary worship as well as the ability to mentor other musicians. It is our prayer that with Mike's full-time call to St. Paul's we will be able to raise up more musicians and worship leaders for contemporary worship. These musicians and leaders will not only bless the ministry on our campus, but also the potential additional Bridge sites in the greater Milwaukee area, and other congregations of our church body who are looking for contemporary musicians for their services.



We will also be tapping into Mike's ability as a story-teller, asking him to spearhead our efforts to use more video to tell God's story through Bible studies and short teaching videos. The production of more testimonials, telling the story of God's work in people's lives to give others hope and confidence in the power of God's Word, is also a goal. Finally, Mike has a desire to help young Christians grow in their faith. Because of that, he will be asked to lead our high school and college-age ministries.

Mike will be transitioning out of his current employment at Innovative Weather this summer. He will begin his new role on our staff in October—after the severe weather season.

DIVINE CALL EXTENDED TO MRS. CHRISTEL STRUTZ

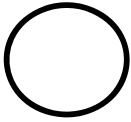
The St. Paul's Ministry Board has extended a call to Mrs. Christel Strutz to teach third grade in our elementary school. Mrs. Strutz currently serves as a third and fourth grade teacher at St. Paul's in Cudahy. Her husband, Randall, is a teacher and head coach of the varsity girls' basketball team at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. Please keep Mrs. Strutz in your prayers as she deliberates this call.

MS. NICOLE GLODOWSKI DELIBERATING DIVINE CALL

Ms. Glodowski, one of our fourth grade teachers, is deliberating a divine call to teach third grade at St. Phillip's Lutheran School in Milwaukee. Ms. Glodowski appreciates any comments or input that you may have for her. Please keep her in your prayers as she prayerfully considers where God would have her use her gifts and talents.

JOIN US ONLINE!   

- **Watch Live:** Sundays at The Bridge at 10:15 am @ www.thebridgemuskego.org, Facebook @ The Bridge at St. Paul's, and You Tube @ The Bridge Church Muskego.
 - **Sermon Videos and MP3s:** An archive of sermons is available at www.stpaulmuskego.org as well as on each platform above.
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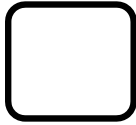


GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

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

1. Begin your time together sharing highs and lows of your past week. Where have you seen God answering prayers in your life?
2. Pastor Nate began his message with the question: *Does life ever feel like God is asking you to jump out of an airplane?* Does this ring true for you? Why or why not?
3. Read Ephesians 2:10. What comfort does this verse offer us when the challenges in our daily walk begin to feel overwhelming or hopeless?
4. Read Jesus' words to his Father in Luke 22:42. Have you ever felt like praying this prayer? Talk about that experience.
5. Which of Pastor Nate's two encouragements seem less daunting to you as you consider applying them to your life today:
 - Plan for it! *Be proactive in DOING God's will and in ADDRESSING God and his will.*
 - Embrace it! *Step forward in FAITH and into ACTION.*
6. As our celebration of Easter quickly approaches, consider whom among your friends and family doesn't have a church home and could possibly join you for an Easter service. Close your time together in prayer that God blesses your invitations.



NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

THE WILL OF GOD IS ALWAYS BEST

Luke 22:39-46, Bible page 1057

Does life ever feel like God is asking you to jump out of an _____?

1. Plan For It

A. Be Proactive In _____ God's Will

We are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10

B. Be Proactive In _____ God and His Will

"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me." Luke 22:42

Application God does not always call us to do the "_____". He often calls us to do what is _____ and _____ for the blessing of others.

2. Embrace It

A. Step Forward in _____

Strengthened...and being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly...and rose from prayer. Luke 22: 43-44

B. Step Forward to _____

"Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation." Luke 22:46

Application As believers in Jesus, what is our _____ in being alive?

Conclusion I don't know about you, but I keep rethinking MY bucket list!

Submission to the Will of God — Next Steps

- **In the Realm of Eternity:** Read Psalm 130. In this song for the believer's journey up to Jerusalem, draw out the truths about our submission to God for salvation.
- **Serving in Marriage:** Read Ephesians 5:21-32. How does Jesus' submission to his Father in Gethsemane prepare husbands and wives to serve each other in marriage?
- **From the Perspective of our God:** Read Psalm 46:1. How does God's service to us inform our submitting to him?