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## UNDEFEATED

### BY THE DEVIL

February 29 and March 1, 2020

*Satan is insistent on destroying us. He knows and understands our every weakness better than we know ourselves. His chief, ultimate and most successful weapon is the lie. As Jesus makes clear, God's Word of truth is the only weapon that can bring us through undefeated.*

#### PRESERVICE HYMN SING

#### BELLS AND WELCOME

#### HYMN 122, vv. 1-4

**Sing, My Tongue the Glorious Battle**

#### BAPTISM (*Sunday, 9:15 am*)

*Colton Robert Yoerin*

*Son of Eric and Magdalen (nee McAuly) Yoerin, born February 7, 2020*

M In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

M Sisters and brothers in Christ, we live in a world that is held in bondage to sin and death. We have experienced the truth of it in our own lives. The tempter is always misleading us—and our sinful natures are only too ready to give in.

C **Today, however, we celebrate the victory of our Lord Jesus over the tempter.**

M Because Jesus won the victory, we are able to come before God in faith and freedom, acknowledging our sin and trusting that through Jesus Christ our Lord we, too, enjoy victory over the tempter and all he stands for.

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 As our Substitute and Savior, our Lord Jesus said a determined 'No' to self and a dedicated 'Yes' to his Father's saving will. He won the victory over the tempter and moved steadfastly to the cross as God's atoning sacrifice for our sins. In Jesus' name, then, I assure you: your sins are forgiven!

C **Amen.**

M In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

SONG OF PRAISE 122, v. 5

**Sing, My Tongue the Glorious Battle**

**Unto God be praise and glory;  
To the Father and the Son,  
To th' eternal Spirit honor  
Now and evermore be done --  
Praise and glory in the highest  
While the timeless ages run.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

M Let us pray.

Almighty God, the darkness deepens. The ancient foe exploits means new and old to trick us with his dread deceits and empty promises. Guard us this Lent, O God.

C **Reach out to help us with your strong right hand.**

M Defend us against all that threatens our life in Christ.

C **Guide us with your Scripture Word. Keep us steadfast in your will.**

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



FIRST LESSON

**Romans 5:12-19**, Bible page 1130

*Just as death entered the world through one man's disobedience, life was restored through Christ's life of absolute, unquestioning obedience.*

ANTHEM (*Sunday 9:15am*)

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 3

*Arise, O LORD! Deliver me!*

*Refrain*

From the Lord comes de - liv - er - ance,  
there - fore we will not fear.

*Psalm Tone*

O LORD, how many are my foes!  
How many rise up against me!  
Many are saying of me,  
"God will not deliver him."

But you are a shield around me, O LORD;  
you bestow glory on me and lift up my head.  
To the LORD I cry aloud,  
and he answers me from his holy hill.

*Refrain*

I lie down and sleep;  
I wake again, because the LORD sustains me.  
I will not fear the tens of thousands  
drawn up against me on ev'ry side.

Arise, O LORD!  
Deliver me, O my God!  
From the LORD comes deliverance.  
May your blessing be on your people.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*

GOSPEL

**Matthew 4:1-11**, Bible page 967

*Jesus tested in the wilderness.*

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY 200

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

SERMON

**Genesis 3:1-15**, Bible page 3

## 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

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M** Lord of the Church, we thank you for the treasure of the gospel. By your Spirit, keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

**C** **Strengthen our determination to do what pleases you, no matter what the danger or the cost.**

**M** Let us pray for those who carry a cross in the name of Christ and face ridicule and persecution for the sake of the kingdom: missionaries and chaplains, young people who stand up for what is right in the face of pressure to do what is wrong, and all who pay a high price for their faith and their values as Christians.

**C** **By your Spirit, O Lord, grant them patience and endurance.**

**M** Let us pray for those who carry heavy burdens in life: the sick and the chronically ill, the depressed and the lonely, and especially the families and co-workers of those who died at Molson Coors this past week.

**C** **Grant them peace, O Lord, and in your mercy, be their guardian and friend, their comfort and hope.**

**M** Let us pray for those who care for others: pastors and counselors; physicians and nurses; social workers and caring friends; all who feed the hungry, comfort the hurting, and stand beside the dying.

**C** **Strengthen them in their work, O Lord, and do not let them become weary in doing good.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

M Help us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Keep us faithful even to the point of death, that we may receive the crown of life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
C Amen.

#### 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 HYMN 472

Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

#### CLOSING PRAYER

M O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on 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 on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



#### WELS CONNECTION

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREACHER *Pastor Peter Panitzke*

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

TODAY'S MUSIC (*Sunday 9:15 am*) **Lift Up Your Eyes**, by *Tammy Cinzio*

(*Sunday*) **Of the Father's Love Begotten**, arr. by *Todd Marchand*

**Be Thou My Vision**, arr. by *Todd Marchand*

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of March 2, 2020

|              |  |  |
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| <b>MON</b>   | 10:00 am   | Walking Group (Trinity Gym)  |
|              | 6:30 pm  | Strings Rehearsal  |
| <b>TUE</b>   | 9:00 am  | Ladies Bible Study (Grace Room)  |
|              | 9:30 am  | Ministry Growth Team Meeting   |
|              | 10:00 am   | Walking Group (Trinity Gym)  |
|              | 10:30 am   | Ministerial Team Meeting   |
|              | 6:00 pm  | <i>DivorceCare</i> (School Classroom #8)                                 |
|              | 6:30 pm  | Handbells Rehearsal (Church Balcony)                                     |
|              | 6:30 pm  | Volleyball League (Trinity Gym)  |
|              | 7:00 pm  | <i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (Faith Room)                    |
| 7:45 pm      | Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Church Balcony) |  |
| <b>WED</b>   | 9:30 am  | <i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)   |
|              | 12:00 pm   | Ladies Afternoon Fellowship (Grace Room)                                 |
|              | 3:30 pm  | Lenten Worship Service   |
|              | 4:30 pm  | Soup Supper hosted by the Cancer Support Group                           |
|              | 4:30 pm  | Public School Confirmation Instruction Classes                           |
|              | 7:00 pm  | Lenten Worship Service   |
|              | 7:00 pm  | High School Boys Basketball  |
|              | 8:00 pm  | Brass Ensemble   |
| <b>THURS</b> |  | No Lutheran School – Metro Teachers' Conference                          |
|              | 6:30 am  | Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room)   |
|              | 10:00 am   | Walking Club (Trinity Gym)   |
|              | 7:00 pm  | The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice                                |
| <b>FRI</b>   |  | No Lutheran School – Metro Teachers' Conference                          |
|              | 7:00 pm  | Card Players' Group – Sheepshead (Faith Room)                            |
| <b>SAT</b>   | 8:00 am  | Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)                                 |
|              | 5:00 pm  | Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion                          |
| <b>SUN</b>   | 2:00 am  | <b>Daylight Savings Time Begins</b> ( <i>Set clocks ahead one hour</i> ) |
|              | 7:45 am  | Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion                          |
|              | 8:00 am  | <i>Following the Promise</i> Bible Study (School Classroom #8)           |
|              | 8:00 am  | Easter Festival Choir Rehearsal (Faith Room)                             |
|              | 9:15 am  | Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion                          |
|              | 9:15 am  | Grace Room Bible Study   |
|              | 9:15 am  | Kids Club  |
|              | 9:45 am  | The Bridge Communion   |
|              | 10:15 am   | The Bridge   |
|              | 10:45 am   | Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion                         |

# THE LENTEN SEASON IS HERE

The season of Lent is a time to admit our defeat over sin in our lives. However, it is also a time to claim that we are truly undefeated forever through Jesus' blood shed for us on the cross. His defeat over death, his resurrection three days later on Easter morning, is the assurance for all people that Jesus' "undefeated" status is ours to claim as our own.

**UNDEFEATED**  
OUR JOURNEY TO THE EMPTY TOMB



Join us during these 40 days of spiritual preparation.

Walk with Jesus through his final hours at our Wednesday services, 3:30 and 7:00 pm. Hear the "Passion History" - compilations of the four Gospels on the sufferings of Christ - between the night of the Last Supper and his death.

Come, remind yourself of all that our Savior suffered so that we might declare "undefeated."

## Undefeated Wednesday Series

|          |                                    |                  |
|----------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| March 4  | Undefeated in the Upper Room       | Matthew 26:20-30 |
| March 11 | Undefeated in the Garden           | Matthew 26:36-46 |
| March 18 | Undefeated by Spiritual Blindness  | Matthew 26:69-75 |
| March 25 | Undefeated by Judicial Dysfunction | Matthew 27:11-31 |
| April 1  | Undefeated by the Cross            | Matthew 27:32-55 |

## Undefeated Weekend Series

|          |                                   |                 |
|----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| March 8  | Undefeated by Skepticism          | Genesis 12:1-8  |
| March 15 | Undefeated by Spiritual Blindness | Isaiah 42:14-21 |
| March 22 | Undefeated by Dysfunction         | Genesis 37:1-11 |
| March 29 | Undefeated by Death               | Ezekiel 37:1-14 |

## WEDNESDAY'S SOUP SUPPER

Wednesday's soup supper will be hosted by St. Paul's Cancer Support Group. If you are a cancer survivor, are currently battling cancer, or have friends or family members fighting the fight, consider attending the next St. Paul's Cancer Support Group gathering. There are also many excellent resources and devotionals for encouragement related to the cancer journey in our church library. Please contact Karen Schram at (414) 529-5544 or Judy Schmidt at [gjschmidt@wi.rr.com](mailto:gjschmidt@wi.rr.com) for more information.

A host is needed for one soup supper yet; March 18. For more information contact Tammy Miller at [tmiller@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:tmiller@stpaulmuskego.org) or 414-422-0320, ext. 111.

## EASTER FESTIVAL CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

Vocal talents and instrumentalists! We need you for our Easter Sunday Festival Orchestra and Choir! Contact Heidi Schuh, worship volunteer coordinator, at [hschuh@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:hschuh@stpaulmuskego.org) or (414) 422-0320, ext. 115, or just show up to rehearsal Sunday mornings and Tuesday evenings. See the calendar on page 6.

# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

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

## HOSPITALIZED

Marlene Sobczak is at Waukesha Memorial. Stephanie Brandt, Carol Gosseck, and Mary Schauwitzer have returned home.

## ATTENDANCE

967 were in attendance at last week's worship services. 509 attended Ash Wednesday 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.

## FOLLOWING THE PROMISE – NOW ON SUNDAYS TOO

Invite someone to join you for the next *Following the Promise* class where you will be sure to grow in your understanding of the truths of God's Word and his promises for you and all people. The class meets **Tuesdays at 7:00 pm** in the Faith Room and now **Sundays at 8:00 am** in school classroom #8. Text Pastor Nate at (414) 426-8236 or mark the back of your Connection Card to let us know of your interest.

## NEXT GRACE ROOM SERIES: PAUL'S LETTER TO THE COLOSSIANS

Join frequent Grace Room presenter, Dan Kolosovsky, as he leads participants through the New Testament book, Colossians, under the theme, *Lord Over All Who Brings Full Forgiveness to All*, Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am, March 8 - April 5.

## LADIES AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP – WEDNESDAY

The next Ladies Afternoon Fellowship is Wednesday, March 4, at noon in the Grace Room. Enjoy camaraderie with your fellow sisters in Christ as guest speaker, Pastor Phil Merton, speaks on the mission work being done through our church body's prison ministry supported through your generous offerings.

## SHOW STRENGTH—RUN FOR THE WEAK AT THE LIFE-A-THON

Support the ministry of WELS Lutherans for Life on Saturday, May 9, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Lutherans for Life exists to provide real help and hope for moms through the power of the gospel in making the decision for life. The day's events include a kids obstacle race and a 5K Walk/Run. There is also an option to go virtual and register and walk/run on your own. For more information go to [www.Life-A-Thon.org](http://www.Life-A-Thon.org) or call (414) 727-8176.

## HOPE AND HEALING IN THE HURT OF DIVORCE

*DivorceCare* has started a new 13-week session on Tuesdays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm, in school classroom 8. Contact Kristen Miller at [kmiller@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:kmiller@stpaulmuskego.org), or (414) 422-0320, ext. 130 for more information. Come when you can, each week can stand alone in its content.



# SUPPORTING MINISTRY

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE A SPECIAL GIFT?

Your regular, generous offerings to our Mission and Ministry Fund provide for the on-going ministry needs of our congregation. But often there is a desire to give a special gift. Here are some suggestions:

- **Mortgage Fund** The mortgage on our 2010 addition is paid by special gifts to the Mortgage Fund. In the last year, with the focus on A Cool Million, we have had to dip into reserves to make our mortgage payments. Please keep this in mind for your giving plans.
- **St. Paul's Tuition Assistance** There are families with financial need who do not qualify for the Parental Choice programs. For these families we strive to provide generous tuition assistance. We do not want finances to hinder any family from benefiting from our school. Please consider a special gift to Lutheran Elementary School Tuition Assistance (LESTA).
- **Cool Million** We have received over \$860,000. Your generous gifts have provided for new lighting in the altar area of the church, new HVAC in our school, paving of the school playground, new windows and ceiling treatment in the Centennial Gym and new roofs on both the Centennial Gym and sanctuary. The next project is installing permanent sound/lighting in the Trinity Gym for The Bridge and other purposes. If we receive the full \$1 million, we will also be able to improve the sound and lighting system in the Centennial Gym.
- **Martin Luther College Tuition Assistance Grant** will provide tuition assistance for our members and members of Garden Homes Lutheran Church who are attending Martin Luther College to prepare for full-time ministry. These gifts will be matched by the college, up to \$1000 per student. The deadline is June 1, 2020. Our goal would be \$4,000 or more. Mark your gift "Wish List – MLC Tuition Assistance."

## MULTIPLE WAYS TO GIVE

You can give to any of these funds by marking on your offering envelope clearly the purpose for which you want to donate. You can also make a one-time or recurring gift to any of these funds online at [StPaulMuskego.org/give](http://StPaulMuskego.org/give). You can also give to the Mission and Ministry Fund by texting a dollar amount (example \$50) to 414-316-6733. Follow the prompts to choose to give a one-time or recurring gift.

## THIRTEEN 22—LEAVE A LEGACY

"A good person leaves an inheritance for their children's children" (Proverbs 13:22). Do you have your estate plans in place? St. Paul's has contracted with SFC Estate Coaching to help our members complete or update their estate plans. There are only two coaching times available, one on Tuesday, March 3 and one on Tuesday, March 10. Go to [StPaulMuskego.org/Estate-Planning](http://StPaulMuskego.org/Estate-Planning) to learn more and to schedule a coaching visit. The Thirteen 22 Society hopes to contract with SFC Estate Coaching for more coaching times soon. Watch the worship folder for details.

# YOUTH NEWS

## HELP WITH EASTER FOR KIDS 2020!

St. Paul's Easter For Kids 2020 is happening Saturday, April 4, 9:00-11:45 am, at the school for ages 3-12. This year's event celebrates Jesus victory over sin, death, and hell for all people featuring a Gospel Magic Show, crafts, singing, games using real parachutes, snacks, and an Easter story video. Register on the back of your Connection Card. If you'd like to help, contact Dr. Joel Nelson at [jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org). Last year 112 children attended and were served by 32 adult and teen volunteers.

## EDUCATION WRAPPED IN FAITH

Registration is open for the 2020-21 school year for our 3K to 8<sup>th</sup> grade Lutheran school. Principal Seth Fitzsimmons would love to give you a tour of our school facilities and answer any questions you may have. Multiple avenues of financial assistance are available including the Milwaukee and Wisconsin School Choice programs. Mr. Fitzsimmons can be reached at (414) 422-0320, ext. 118, or [sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org).

## CLASS OF 2020 STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Each spring, St. Paul's celebrates our teen members graduating from junior or senior high school. A list of our 2020 graduates along with their post-graduation plans are included in the worship folder at the end of May. **Junior High Graduates:** Where were you planning on attending school next year? **Senior High Graduates:** Where are you graduating from and what are your post-graduation plans? (ie. college, military branch, work force, or undecided) Please share this information with Dr. Nelson as soon as you can at [jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org) or call (414) 422-0320, ext. 145. Thank you and may the Lord bless the final months of your final years of junior or senior high school!

## WELS YOUTH RALLY REGISTRATION

St. Paul's teens interested in attending the WELS International Youth Rally in Knoxville, Tennessee, June 23-26, have until Sunday, March 8, to obtain the needed registration forms from Dr. Nelson and submit their \$50 deposit. Once committed, teens will be sent a link to complete their online registration, pay the complete registration fee, and secure their place. If you did not attend the February 23 information meeting, contact Dr. Nelson to get up to speed.

## 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.



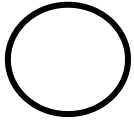
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## GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

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

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1. Talk about the shooting that happened at Molson Coors. How has that impacted your faith? How do you think it has impacted those directly involved? Begin with a prayer of healing for those who mourn.
2. Read Revelation 12.
  - a. What words or phrases are noteworthy to you?
  - b. What are the terms used to describe the devil?
  - c. How is the devil overcome? (v. 11)
  - d. A portion of verse 10 is quoted in our communion liturgy. How is the salvation and power and kingdom of our God revealed in the Lord's Supper? (Hint – remember your answer above from verse 11 and the promises connected with the Lord's Supper.)
  - e. Do you leave the Lord's Supper knowing you are Undefeated? Why or why not?
  - f. The woman in this vision is God's Church. What is frightening and comforting in verses 11-17?
  - g. There is much that we may not understand about Revelation, but we always know who wins in the end. Read Revelation 22:1-5. Who will reign undefeated forever?
3. Read Luther's Morning and Evening Prayers. Why do you think that he references the devil in each of these prayers? They are printed here so that you might continue to use them daily until you have them memorized. Close by praying one of the prayers together.

### MORNING PRAYER

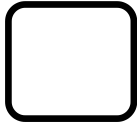
In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen

### EVENING PRAYER

In the name of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have graciously kept me this day. Forgive me all my sins, and graciously keep me this night. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.



# NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

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## Undefeated by Satan

### Genesis 3:1-15, Bible page 3

#### 1. It is always all about you! The Lie that daily defeats us.

- a. The lie that blinds us to the love of the LORD God.

The love of God in Genesis 2:

- b. The lie that separates us from the love of the LORD God.

The separation from God in Genesis 3:

#### 2. It is always all about you! The Truth that daily defeats Satan.

- a. The truth that can only be seen in the Offspring of the Woman.

The love of God in Genesis 3:

- b. The truth that binds us to the Offspring of the Woman.

#### 3. Who is the “home team”?

Ephesians 2:2

2 Corinthians 5:6-8

### My Next Steps to an Undefeated Life

- **Admit your Defeat:** Use a confession from the hymnal (page 15 or 154) or a confessional psalm (6, 32, 51, 130) to confess your sins, especially the self-centeredness that you see within yourself.
- **Claim your Victory:** Read the following passage daily until you have it memorized: “The blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin” (1 John 1:7). Pray Luther’s Morning and Evening Prayer (in GroupWork) daily until you have them memorized.
- **Listen to the Truth:** Make Bible reading your daily habit. During Lent read Luke (24 chapters) and then Romans (16 chapters) one chapter a day. Or pick up a copy of a daily Bible reading plan in the Welcome Center.