



ACT II
COMMISSIONED
April 8, 2018

Jesus' Act I ended on Good Friday. After the Sabbath intermission, his Act II began on Easter morning with a new life. Every day we celebrate the end of our Act I and are commissioned to live a new life... our Act II.

Welcome

Opening Praise

Because He Lives

Baptism

*Ariannah Berlynn Ammon
Daughter of Nicole Kain and Allen Ammon, born January 29, 2018*

Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

Communion Greeting/Blessing

Communion Distribution

See communion note on page 2.

Distribution Song

**I Will Rise
Alleluiah! Jesus Lives**

First Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:12-22, Bible page 1154
Our faith is not futile for Christ has indeed been raised from the dead.

Gospel

John 20:19-31, Bible page 1088
After his resurrection, Jesus appears to Thomas.

Offering

Message Song

Christ Is Risen

Message

Acts 1:1-11, Bible page 1090
Pastor Peter Panitzke

Prayer

Commissioning

M Jesus gave many convincing proofs that he is alive.

C **I commit myself to growing in my knowledge of these proofs in preparation for my ministry.**

M Jesus has promised: "You shall be my witnesses."

C **I trust his promise and ask Jesus to open my eyes to the opportunities he gives.**

M Jesus will come back again.

C **With urgency I recommit to our mission: By every possible means we bring every person within our area of influence closer to Christ.**

Blessing

Sending Song

Build Your Kingdom Here

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. 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.



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.
