

# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

For the week of May 21, 2018

<b>MON</b>	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	<i>Through the Bible in a Year</i> (Grace Room)
<b>TUE</b>	9:30 am	Ladies Bible Study (Grace Room)
	10:00 am	Pastoral Circuit Meeting at Star of Bethlehem, New Berlin
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise Bible Study</i> (Faith Room)
<b>WED</b>	9:30 am	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)
	1:00 pm	<i>Through the Bible in a Year</i> (Grace Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
<b>THURS</b>	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>	8:30 am	Lutheran School Closing Chapel (Main Church)
	6:30 pm	Lutheran School Graduation Service (Main Church)
<b>SAT</b>	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	6:30 pm	Brown/Cook Wedding Rehearsal
<b>SUN</b>	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:45 am	The Bridge Holy Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion
	1:30 pm	Lindsay Brown and Zachary Cook Wedding Ceremony

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## HEAR AND SEE THE MESSAGE ONLINE!



- **Watch Live:** Attend church remotely on Sundays at The Bridge at 10:15 am. Live streaming is available at [www.thebridgemuskego.org](http://www.thebridgemuskego.org), Facebook at *The Bridge at St. Paul's*, and You Tube at *The Bridge Church Muskego*. All past live replays are also available on each platform.
  - **Sermon Videos and Podcasts:** Sunday sermons are available at [www.stpaulmuskego.org](http://www.stpaulmuskego.org) and [www.thebridgemuskego.org](http://www.thebridgemuskego.org). They are usually available Sunday evening for that same Sunday's message.
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## **BAPTISM**

Kaylee Jean Papa, born April 25, 2018, was baptized on April 26, 2018. Her baptism was publicly celebrated in a ratification ceremony at the Saturday worship service on May 12, 2018. We rejoice in God's blessings given to Kaylee.

## **FUNERAL**

William Michael Horn, born August 26, 1950, entered eternal life with his Savior on May 13, 2018. A Christian funeral was held on May 18, 2018. May the loved ones of Bill find comfort in the promises of the Savior today and always.

## **HOSPITALIZED**

Richard Sobczak and Betty Teisel are rehabbing at Tudor Oaks. Kathleen Johnson and Joanne Moths have been discharged from the hospital.

## **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.

## **SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY**

If you have small children (4 years old and younger), you might appreciate being able to focus during the service 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. The nursery closes 10 minutes after the service. Please pick your child up promptly.

## **ATTENDANCE**

1271 attended last week's worship services.

## **THANK YOU**

A special thank you to Fred and Gerri Rahm for donating the new poles for the flags in the sanctuary honoring God and our country.

## **DOUGHNUTS AFTER SUNDAY SERVICES**

A member of St. Paul's has provided fresh doughnuts for everyone this week after all Sunday services. This special treat is to celebrate all the blessings that come to us through God's Word and our faithful study of it.

## **DIVINE CALLS**

Mike Westendorf, who serves St. Paul's as our contemporary music coordinator in a part-time roll, is holding a full-time call to be worship leader at our sister congregation Crosswalk in Phoenix, Arizona. Miss Bethany Scharf, a 2018 graduate of Wisconsin Lutheran College, is holding the call to teach 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in our school. Please keep both Mike and Bethany in your prayers.

## **40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF MINISTRY**

Star of Bethlehem will be celebrating 40 years of public ministry for Pastor John Gawrisch on Sunday, June 3, at the 9:30 am service. You are invited to join in giving thanks to the Lord for the service rendered to God's people through this humble servant.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2018

The entire St. Paul's family says, "Congratulations and God's blessings!" to the 8th and 12th grade graduates in the Class of 2018 who are members and friends of the congregation. May the Lord move all of you to follow the same advice that Paul gave to the young Timothy: "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity." (1 Timothy 4:12)

## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATES

GRADUATE	JUNIOR HIGH GRADUATING FROM	HIGH SCHOOL ENTERING FOR 2017-18
Adam Balcerak	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Kyle Bettinger	Bay Lane	Muskego
Caleb Bremer	St. Paul's	Nebraska Lutheran
Matthew Draeger	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Mikala Ellis	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Marcus Fitzsimmons	St. Paul's	Luther Preparatory – Watertown, WI
Samantha Galian	Eisenhower	Eisenhower
Ethan Glaze	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Sean Gray	Bay Lane	Muskego
Jaedyn Henneberry	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Kali Hudock	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Kalie Kasch	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Dylan Krause	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Lauren Krieger	Forest Park	Franklin
Mason Meitner	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Megan Mueller	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Layla Nowak	Park View	Mukwonago
Nikki Pearson	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Julie Quartuccio	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Seth Ristow	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Josh Schenkel	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Grace Schneider	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Megan Schneider	St. Paul's	Muskego
Savannah Sievert	St. Paul's	Wisconsin Lutheran
Riley Stehmeier	St. Paul's	Mukwonago
Cole Vahovick	Lane Intermediate	Nathan Hale

**So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.**

↪ Isaiah 41:10

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## 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATES

GRADUATE	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING FROM	PLANS FOR FALL OF 2017-18
Mark Behrens	Muskego	Milwaukee Area Technical College
Lauren Best	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Madison
Madeline Bettinger	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point
Matthew Beyer	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Madison
Alexander Bremer	Wisconsin Lutheran	Waukesha County Technical College
Alexander DeLay	Muskego	Waukesha County Technical College
Matthew Drobka	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Waukesha
Holly Frey	Muskego	Waukesha County Technical College
Liana Gedemer	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
Megan Gelhaus	Muskego	Undecided
Evan Guerten	Greendale	Milwaukee Area Technical College
Tyler Gunther	Muskego	Entering Workforce – Diesel Technician
Zachary Hintze	Nathan Hale	Electrician Apprenticeship
Jacob Hirtz	Muskego	Carroll University – Waukesha
Isaac Koentopp	Greendale	Undecided
Gabrielle Kolesari	Muskego	Undecided
Cody Krause	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
Nicholas Krause	Wisconsin Lutheran	Electrician Apprenticeship
Luke Longhenry	Muskego	Undecided
Meghan Ludke	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Notre Dame – Notre Dame, IN
Katherine Lunow	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
Brandon Mars	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Logan Pawlinski	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Waukesha
Ethan Pearson	Wisconsin Lutheran	Entering Workforce
Madelyn Pertle	New Berlin Eisenhower	Carroll University – Waukesha
Noah Petraske	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
Gabrielle Renk	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
Zachary Schmitz	Muskego	Waukesha County Technical College
Monet Swessel	Muskego	Entering Workforce
Jacob Warren	Muskego	Entering Air Force
Stephen Wieting	Muskego	Carpenter Apprenticeship
Nathaniel Wranovsky	Wisconsin Lutheran	Martin Luther College – New Ulm, MN

**CLASS OF  
2018**

*May God Bless and  
Be with You Always!*

# PUERTO RICO MISSION PARTNER

## Thanks Be To God!

On September 20, 2017, Hurricane Maria slammed into Puerto Rico dumping two feet of rain and bringing winds of 150 miles per hour resulting in incredible devastation. St. Paul's member Diane Ludwig (nee Colon-Rodriguez) is related to many people in Barranquitas (population 31,000) in the center of Puerto Rico and brought the need for relief assistance to our attention at St. Paul's.

God's people at St. Paul's responded with incredible generosity, giving \$9,124.79 for hurricane relief. For a month we sent Diane's family a daily food-and-supplies shipment to share with others in their neighborhood. Electric power remained out for months, so we sent 50 solar lights that charge during the day to provide light at night. Power was finally restored in early May.

The largest single gift was given to help Miguel and Marisela Padilla Gonzalez and their daughter Mikaela rebuild their home that had been completely destroyed.

We received the following thank you letter from them last week:

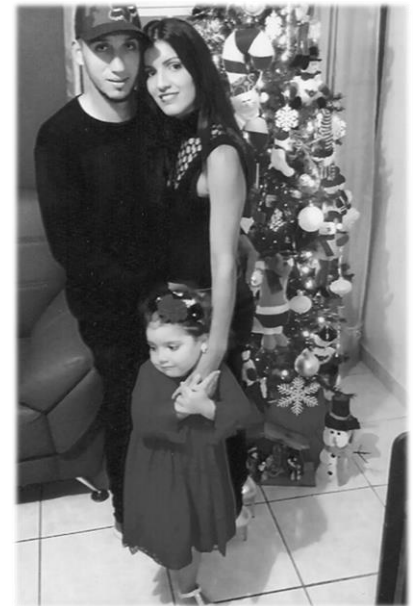
May 12, 2018

From the Padilla Gonzalez Family,

We want to thank you for the help given to our family for the reconstruction of our home. Your help made the difference when we believed that everything was lost. Your church family appeared without knowing who we are and without thinking twice to give us help. We are eternally grateful. May God continue to bless and multiply you in health, life, and blessings for what you did for our family. We are sending some photos of our new home thanks to your support and seed money.

With love,

Miguel, Marisela, Mikaela



# COSTA MAYA MISSION PARTNER

**Dan Thiel Presents Tuesday, May 22,  
at 7:00 pm**

Dan Thiel, a former teacher here at St. Paul's, is currently serving in a long-term volunteer role in Costa Maya on the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico. He will meet with those who would like to learn more about helping this mission and the possibility of going on a mission trip there. Come to the church library (adjacent to the Grace Room) on Tuesday to find out more!



## **Planning Mission Trips**

One of the benefits of our partnership with Costa Maya Ministries is the possibility of relatively low-cost mission trips to the area resulting in opportunities for many at St. Paul's to experience life in a third-world mission setting. The key skills required are a friendly smile, an adventurous spirit, and a desire to share the love of Christ through words and actions. Here a group joined together to serve the community, cleaning up a beach.



## **Mission Support from A Cool Million**

The first \$10,000 of our tithes from our Cool Million offering effort was sent off this week to Costa Maya Ministries on the Yucatan Peninsula. Our gift will help them purchase their first building. The original idea was to purchase the building they are renting. However, it appears that God may be closing that door and opening another. They may be able to build on land just across the street that is owned by a member. We ask that God's hand guide them in the direction they should go.



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## GET 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 on Sundays, 8:30-9:30 am, in school classroom 9, and on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Faith Room. Contact Pastor Nate at [nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org) or mark the back of your Connection Card to register or for further information.

## NEW GRACE ROOM BIBLE STUDY

*The Hard Life of Jacob* is being studied on Sundays at 9:15 am in the Grace Room. Life can be hard - ups and downs, twists and turns, a mixture of failures and successes. The patriarch Jacob's life is a prime example of a hard life. This class will explore the life of Jacob and discover three life lessons to put into practice. This study is being led by the directors of The Lighthouse Youth Centers in Milwaukee, Pastor Jim Buske, Chuqee Fletcher, and Mark Gunderson.

## UNDER THE CANOPY HOSTS

Available dates for this summer's Under the Canopy are June 3, June 17, July 1, July 15, July 22, and August 19. This is a great opportunity to share information about your organization with the congregation while meeting new people. Please contact David Weise at (262) 271-3093 or [dweise@aol.com](mailto:dweise@aol.com) for more information and to reserve your date.

## JAMMIN' ON JANESVILLE COMMUNITY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY – JUNE 1

St. Paul's will set up a booth for this year's Jammin' on Janesville on Friday, June 1, 5:00 – 9:00 pm. Our booth will include carnival games and candy for the kids, as well as information about our church and schools for the adults. We are accepting donated bags of Smarties, Tootsie Rolls and lollipops in the lobby next Sunday, May 27. Also, a few volunteers are still needed to help with set up, running games, passing out candy, and being a smiling face to communicate with visitors. To sign up:

- Mark the back of your Connection Card and Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner will call you.
- Sign up through the Needs List on My St. Paul's. (Click Entire Church under My Groups in the right-hand column, then click Needs, and the Jammin' on Janesville Needs List will pop up.)

All proceeds from the event go to the Muskego Police Department's D.A.R.E. program.



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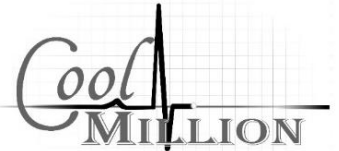
## YOUR TRUE PURPOSE MESSAGE SERIES

God wants you to love others as you love yourself! So God must want me to love myself, very much! Today we talked about forgiving others. But for many of us that starts with forgiving ourselves. The problem is we so often go looking for our identity in the approval of others instead of in God's unconditional approval in Christ. When you embrace your true status and identity in Christ, then you can truly embrace the value of your current position in life today. Love your neighbor *as yourself* is the topic for next week based on Matthew 22:39b.



## A COOL MILLION FOR A COOL SCHOOL AND SO MUCH MORE!

We are happy to report that we have received \$603,000 in gifts and plans for giving from 195 individuals or families as part of A Cool Million effort. \$179,375 in gifts have already been received. This generosity has allowed us to replace the lighting in the altar area of the church. We have also signed contracts to install a new heating and cooling system in the school, to repave the playground parking lot, and to replace the Centennial Gym windows.



If you haven't already returned a plan-for-giving, pick up an information packet in the lobby and return it as soon as possible.

## DIVORCECARE SUPPORT GROUP

Divorce is painful. It is not what God intended when he instituted marriage, but in this sinful world it does happen, and it hurts. If you have gone through a divorce/separation, then you may be experiencing some of the pain, loss, loneliness, and confusion that come along with it. We at St. Paul's are here to help and support you. You are not alone. "May your unfailing love be with us, LORD, even as we put our hope in you." (Ps. 33:22)

St. Paul's offers DivorceCare, a Christ-centered, 13-week program which includes video segments, group discussion, and personal Bible study. Feel free to join anytime throughout the 13 weeks to find help, discover hope, and experience healing.

DivorceCare is held on Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 pm, in school classroom #8.

## ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE CENTER TEACHER'S AID OPENINGS

Our Child Care Center is looking for three teacher's aide positions:

- Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 11:30 am - 6:00 pm; with the 2 - 2 ½ year-old children.
- Monday through Friday; 7:00 am - 2:00 pm; with the 1-year-old children.
- Monday through Friday; 11:00 am - 6:00 pm; "closer" position.

Please contact Kim Neubauer at [kneubauer@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:kneubauer@stpaulmuskego.org) or (414) 422-0320, ext. 200, to apply.

## WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL JOB OPENINGS

**House Parent** — House parents supervise up to 12 students in WLHS housing and are responsible for creating a respectful culture in your "family," monitoring schedules, holding weekly meetings, planning and executing fun activities, academically supporting students, along with other duties.

**Cheerleading Coaches** — The head varsity and junior varsity cheerleading coach positions are open for next year. Deadline to apply is June 11.

See the bulletin board in the Grace Room for more information about these positions and how to apply.



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## AWAKE AND ALIVE – JUNE 10

Are you 18 to 25 and looking for Christian inspiration and community? Do you want to be a Christian inspiration to your community around you? Join Awake and Alive the evening of Sunday, June 10.

Pastor James Hein, Lead Pastor at St. Marcus Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, will be leading a discussion — “Yes, I’m saved. Now what?”— working the eternal implications of a timeless gospel into a daily life. Attend in person in the Trinity Gym and Café here at St. Paul’s, 5:00 – 9:00 pm, or via the live stream that starts at 6:30 pm. Tickets are free. Registration and more information can be found at [www.awakealive.com](http://www.awakealive.com).



## TEENS UNDER GOD – PICKLEBALL FUN

The next TUG open gym night is Sunday, May 20, from 6:30 til 8:00 pm in the Trinity Gym. Teens – come try out pickleball! The “grand plan” is to use pickleball as an activity to connect with other teen groups of our church body in the Milwaukee area. Bring some friends to help give it a good test. Contact Dr. Joel Nelson at [jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org) or (414) 422-0320, ext. 145, with questions.

## ST. PAUL'S TEENS TO EMBARK ON SUMMER MISSION TRIPS

Ten of our St. Paul’s teens will embark on mission trips this summer in cooperation with Wisconsin Lutheran High School’s *Share the Mission* program: Grace Beyer, Morgan Dunn, and Carissa Sundholm to Africa; AnnElise Glaze to Chicago; Emma Johnson to St. Louis; Jacob Meyer to Texas; Aaron Miller to Atlanta; Sydney Mueller to Detroit; Melissa Tonn to Indiana; Zachary Wranovsky to China. Various outreach projects will be accomplished to help spread the gospel to the people in these areas. Financial support is needed for transportation, living expenses, and supplies. If you would like to support this effort, you may donate to Share the Mission at [www.wlhs.org/page/giving](http://www.wlhs.org/page/giving). Click on “Make an Online Gift to WISCO” to contribute.

## DO YOU LOVE TEENAGERS?

Do you have an interest in the positive development of teenagers? Do you have some experience with the teen age group? Do you have insights/ideas about teens that you’d be willing to share? Have you ever been a teenager yourself? If you can answer “yes” to any of these questions, and would be willing to be part of a brainstorming group to discuss teen ministry at St. Paul’s, contact Dr. Nelson at [jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org) or mark the back of your Connection Card.

## 28TH ANNUAL WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL CHARITY GOLF OUTING

Register now for the Friends of Wisco Annual Charity Golf Outing set for Monday, June 18, at Hawk’s View Golf Club in Lake Geneva. For registration and sponsorship information visit [bidpal.net/wlhsgolf2018](http://bidpal.net/wlhsgolf2018). Register by Friday, May 25, to ensure the correct size shirt.

## ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION GOLF OUTING

Save the date – Saturday, August 11 – for a golf outing to kick off the celebration of our school ministry’s 50th anniversary and the progress of the Cool Million improvements. The event will be held at New Berlin Hills Golf Course with a meal to follow in the Trinity Café and Gym provided by Wegner’s St. Martin’s Inn. All proceeds will go toward A Cool Million. Registration forms and more information are available at the Welcome Center.