

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

For the week of May 13, 2019

MON	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Walking Club (Trinity Gym) Woodwind Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
TUE	9:30 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 12:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Ministry Growth Team Meeting Ladies Bible Study (Grace Room) Walking Club (Trinity Gym) Ministerial Team Meeting Organization of Wisconsin Lutheran Seniors—OWLS (Grace Room) Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony) <i>Following the Promise Bible Study (Faith Room)</i>
WED	9:30 am 4:30 pm 7:00 pm	<i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room) Public School Confirmation Instruction Classes Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
THURS	6:30 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room) Walking Club (Trinity Gym) The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice Annual Voters' Meeting (Grace Room)
FRI	9:30 am 5:00 pm	Pre-K Closing Program (Centennial Gym) Polzin/Christopherson Rehearsal in Mukwonago
SAT	8:00 am 3:30 pm 5:00 pm	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room) Tyler Polzin/Savannah Christopherson Wedding in Mukwonago Traditional Worship Service
SUN	7:45 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:45 am 10:15 am 10:45 am	Traditional Worship Service Traditional Worship Service Grace Room Bible Study Kids Club and Boost Youth Ministries Closing Program The Bridge Holy Communion The Bridge Contemporary Worship Service

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CONTINUE THE JOURNEY!

- A Journey that Exposes You for What You Are (John 13:31-35) — May 19
- A Journey with a Faithful Guide — Memorial Day (John 14:23-29) — May 26
- A Journey that Gives Meaning to Life (Luke 24:44-53) — June 2



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. A silent pager system allows child care providers to alert you to any need your child has. A worship host will be happy to assist you with directions if needed.

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

Lois Guhr is at The View at Pine Ridge in Oconomowoc, Gary Ives at the VA Hospital, and Audrey Wefel at Waukesha Memorial. Lee Austad, James Beyer, and Nancy Rindfleisch have returned home, and Dorothy Wardin is in home hospice care.

ATTENDANCE

1553 attended last week's worship services.

CONFIRMANDS

This year's 49 youth confirmands will be communing this weekend for the first time with their families. God bless these young adults in receiving the true body and blood of their Savior as a reminder of the free and sure forgiveness that is theirs through faith in Christ Jesus.

ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING – THURSDAY, MAY 16 AT 7:00 PM

The five open forums preparing for our Annual Voters' Meeting were well attended. The ministry plan and resolutions that were presented were very well received. Participants also offered several great suggestions to strengthen our ministry, and several people asked to get involved in new ways.

On May 16, the voters' assembly will be asked to approve the Ministry Plan for 2019-2020 and five resolutions regarding Gift Trust Fund and Legacy Fund grants. Elections to the Ministry Board will also be held.

Pick up a copy of *The Messenger* at the Welcome Center to familiarize yourself with our staff, our ministry plans, the resolutions, and the nominees.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW YOUR SAVIOR 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 Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Faith Room. Contact Pastor Nate at nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org or mark the back of your Connection Card to register or for further information.

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MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE CALL DAY

Martin Luther College prepares young men and women to serve as teachers and staff ministers and prepares young men to enter the seminary. On Saturday, May 18, the teacher and staff minister graduates will be assigned to their first call into the ministry. One of those who hopes to receive a teaching call is St. Paul's member Morgan Shevey. Please keep her and all who are awaiting calls in your prayers.

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE GRADUATION

Many in the St. Paul's family serve at Wisconsin Lutheran College, attend WLC or have graduated from WLC, including six St. Paul's staff members. WLC exists to raise up servant leaders to serve as Christ's ambassadors in their homes, their places of employment, and in their churches. We join the WLC family in asking for God's blessings on all those who will graduate on Saturday, May 18.

FOUR END OF YEAR EVENTS AT OUR SCHOOL

- **Pre-K Closing Program** Friday, May 17, at 9:30 am in the Centennial Gym. We have been blessed to serve 92 students this year in our five classrooms. Come and hear these kids sing their hearts out.
- **Kindergarten Closing Program** Friday, May 24, at 1:00 pm in the main church. 25 kindergartners will put on an adorable skit and receive their diplomas.
- **SPJO Day** Wednesday, May 29, 8:00 – 3:00 pm, on the school grounds. Our kindergarten through 8th grade classes team up for the St. Paul's Junior Olympics (SPJO) activity day. Eighth grade captains pick teams from across all grade levels. Each team is designated by color and that color is worn as the kids compete by grade level throughout the day. Each child earns points individually and at the end of the day team totals are tallied up. The team color that scored the most points throughout the day is revealed the next morning at our school's closing service. SPJO day is many students' favorite day of the year! Come and see what the fun is all about!
- **8th Grade Graduation** On Thursday, May 30, at 6:30 pm, 30 eighth grade students will receive their grade school diploma at our 8th grade graduation service held in the main church. The entire school body attends and a reception follows in the Centennial Gym.

DIVINE CALLS

Mr. Kurt Steffen, our 8th grade homeroom teacher, vice-principal, and 6th-8th grade math and physical education teacher, has received a divine call to Bethlehem Lutheran School in Menomonee Falls. The call is to be the 6th grade homeroom teacher and vice-principal.

Mr. Jeff Wetzel, our 5th grade teacher and 3rd - 5th grade instructional team leader, has received a divine call from First Lutheran School in La Crosse to serve as their next principal and 7th-8th grade teacher.

Our Spanish teacher, Mrs. Kristen Miller, has returned her two calls to serve at Mt. Calvary-Grace Lutheran School in La Crosse and St. Paul's in Menomonie. We are thankful to have Mrs. Miller continuing to serve our school as Spanish teacher for kindergarten through 8th grade.

Please keep Mr. Steffen and Mr. Wetzel in your prayers as they deliberate God's will for the future of these ministries. They would appreciate your counsel.

FREE WILL OFFERING FOR OUR TEACHERS LEAVING US

Mrs. Theresa Kierkoff and Mrs. Jessica Vanderhyde will be stepping down as teachers in our school to dedicate more time at home to their young children. As is our custom at St. Paul's we will be giving the congregation the opportunity to express their thankfulness and appreciation for these teachers through a free will offering. The weekend of May 19 we will gather an offering for Mrs. Kierkoff; the weekend of May 26 for Mrs. Vanderyhde. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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WHAT ACTUALLY GOES INTO PUTTING A SERMON TOGETHER?

The new Sunday morning Grace Room mini-series will help you appreciate how weekly sermons are put together. It will also encourage you to not just receive the sermon but really consume it. Join Pastor Wayne Shevey, Campus Pastor at Wisconsin Lutheran College, for *What Do I Really Hear? A Practical Overview of What Goes into Crafting a Sermon and the Benefits of Being an Active Listener*, Sundays May 5 and 12, 9:15-10:15 am in the Grace Room.

MAY / JUNE GRACE ROOM SERIES: A CASE FOR FAITH

Why does God permit evil? Why do some prayers seem to go unanswered? Why has God allowed the church to engage in brutality and hypocrisy? Tough questions demand convincing answers. Using video segments by journalist, Lee Strobel, as he journeys across the country challenging philosophers, theologians, and ordinary believers to defend their faith, St. Paul's member and leader, Mr. Jim Haag, will challenge Grace Room participants to discover what Jim's small group did when they went through the book *A Case for Faith* together. This Bible study will meet Sundays, May 19-June 23, in the Grace Room at 9:15 am.

JOSHUA: WINNING THE WORRY BATTLE

Have you ever tried to fight worry with faith and felt you were losing the battle? Have comments like "God's got this!" or "Just pray about it!" only left you feeling more burdened? This Bible study series, inspired by the Book of Joshua, reviews three tools a person can develop to *Fight in Faith*: 1) embracing God's promises, 2) courage and commitment under pressure and 3) practicing radical obedience while waiting for God to deliver your victory. Join the Tuesday Ladies Bible Study group at 9:30 am, in the Faith Room, starting May 14.

EXPLORE THE HOLY LAND

Pastor Pete will be leading a ten-day trip to the Holy Land the summer of 2020, with a three-day extension to Jordan. Dates are June 16-25. Start checking your calendars! The tour will likely fill quickly. Our apologies that the brochures were not available last week as publicized. They are available in the Welcome Center now.

2019/2020 CONFIRMATION CLASS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

Families with children who do not attend St. Paul's Lutheran School, who are not currently in the Wednesday afternoon Confirmation classes and who want their children to be confirmed at St. Paul's, should contact Dr. Nelson as soon as possible at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 145. Confirmation at St. Paul's is a three-year program for public school students, beginning in grade 6. We are in the process of putting together the student lists for 2019-2020 and want to make sure we have all eligible students included. Watch for more information about the 2019-2020 classes coming soon.

JOIN US ONLINE

If you can't join us in person, join us online! A video archive of sermons is available at www.stpaulmuskego.org/worship/sermons.

The Bridge, our casual contemporary service, is livestreamed every Sunday at 10:15 am on each of the following platforms. You can find an archive of past messages on each site, with the full-service replay on YouTube.



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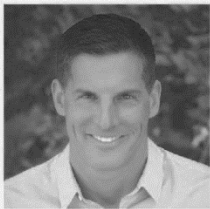


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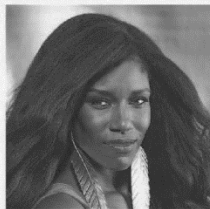
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"It's definitely worth the money,
but it's also worth your time!"

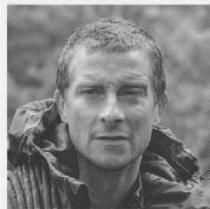
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Craig Groeschel
Co-Founder & Senior
Pastor, Life.Church



Bozoma Saint John
Chief Marketing Officer,
Endeavor



Bear Grylls
Adventurer; Writer;
TV Host



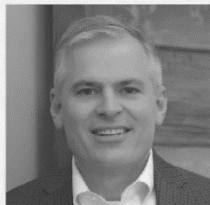
Jo Saxton
Author; Leadership Coach;
Entrepreneur



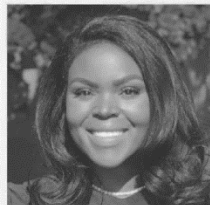
Jason Dorsey
#1 Rated Gen Z &
Millennial Speaker;
Researcher



Danielle Strickland
Pastor; Author;
Justice Advocate



Patrick Lencioni
Best-Selling Author;
Founder & CEO,
The Table Group



Aja Brown
Mayor, City of Compton



Liz Bohannon
Co-Founder & Co-CEO,
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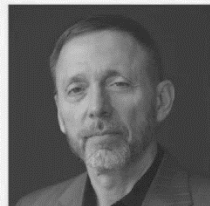
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Social Entrepreneur



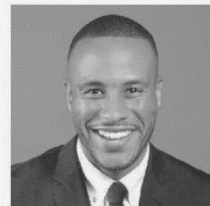
Todd Henry
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Creative; Author;
Leadership Consultant



Jia Jiang
Best-Selling Author;
Blogger; Entrepreneur



Chris Voss
Former FBI Hostage
Negotiator; CEO & Founder,
The Black Swan Group



DeVon Franklin
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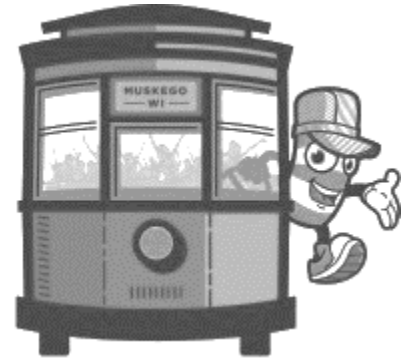
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ST. PAUL'S IN THE COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY – JUNE 7

St. Paul's is gearing up for our next community outreach event – Jammin' on Janesville. Jammin' on Janesville is a street festival held on Janesville Road. From the Muskego Public Library to the Tess Corners Fire Station, booths are set up from various Muskego businesses and organizations, and food, fun, and entertainment are enjoyed by all.

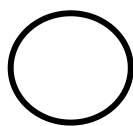
St. Paul's will set up a booth for this year's Jammin' on Janesville on Friday, June 7, 5:00 – 9:00 pm. New this year, we will have one of our Bridge worship bands performing near our booth. We hope to give our community an idea of what The Bridge service is like. A new inflatable game, pictured below, should also be a fun new attraction for the kids. Proceeds from the games are donated to a local non-profit each year. This year they will benefit the Muskego Senior Taxi.



Volunteers are needed to help with booth set up and take down, running the games, passing out candy, sharing information about our church and school, and being a smiling face to our community. To volunteer:

- Mark the back of your Connection Card and Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner will contact you.
- Contact Sally directly at swallner@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 294.

Jammin'
ON JANESVILLE



GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

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

1. Share with the group your most memorable Mother's Day experience.
2. What thoughts come to your mind (comforting or troubling) when you read Isaiah 49:15?
3. **Read John 10:1-6.** Compare the relationship of a shepherd and his sheep with Jesus' relationship with you. What is similar? What is different?
4. **Read John 10:7-10.** What lessons did Jesus want to teach us by calling himself the gate of the sheep?
5. **Read John 10:11-18.** Jesus calls himself the Good Shepherd. What is remarkable in your mind about Jesus' role as your Good Shepherd?
6. **Read John 10:22-30.** Which of the following sentences most comforts you? Each person share why you chose the phrase you did.
 - a. "My sheep listen to my voice."
 - b. "I know them."
 - c. "I give them eternal life."
 - d. "No one will snatch them out of my hand."
 - e. "I and the Father are one."
7. Close by sharing names of individuals for whom you are requesting prayers. List those names below. Then join in praying Psalm 23, the Good Shepherd psalm, with these individuals in mind.