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# ASCENSION SUNDAY

# THE JOURNEY THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE The Journey that Gives Meaning to Life

June 1, 2, and 5, 2019

Why do you mow your lawn? Why do you prepare a meal? Why do you go to work? Why do you complete an assignment? The Journey to the Empty Tomb gives meaning to every activity.

PRESERVICE HYMN-SING

**BELLS AND WELCOME** 

HYMN 171, VV. 1-4

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

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

Remy Marie Bushman

Daughter of Ashley Bushman and Travis Jackson, born March 25, 2019

- M The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C And also with you.

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- M On the day of Christ's ascension the angels said to the disciples, "Why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11)
- C O Lord, we long for your returning when you will take us to be with you forever.
- M Beloved in the Lord, let us prepare our hearts for the day of Christ's return with true repentance and confession of our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of Jesus, our risen and ascended Lord, to grant us forgiveness.
- C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C Amen.

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

#### SONG OF PRAISE HYMN 169

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Bread of heaven, Here on earth our food, our stay; Alleluia! Here the sinful Flee to you from day to day. Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea Where the songs of all the sinless Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! Not as orphans Are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us; Faith believes, nor questions how. Though the cloud from sight received him When the forty days were o'er, Shall our hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

# M Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, King of glory, on this day we celebrate your ascension far above the heavens where at God's right hand you rule the nations. Leave us not alone, we pray, but grant us the Spirit of truth that at your command and by your power we may be your witnesses in all the world; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON

**Exodus 14:21-31,** Bible page 70

The children of Israel found themselves trapped at the edge of the Red Sea. God's miraculous deliverance became known to all the surrounding nations. It was a powerful testimony that the God of Israel was the one true God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 110





The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet."

The LORD will extend your mighty scepter from Zion; you will rule in the midst of your enemies.

The LORD has sworn and will not <u>change</u> his mind:
"You are a priest forever, in the order of Mel<u>chi</u>zedek."
The LORD is at <u>your</u> right hand;
he will crush kings on the day <u>of</u> his wrath.

### Refrain

He will judge the nations, heaping <u>up</u> the dead and crushing the rulers of the <u>whole</u> earth. He will drink from a brook be<u>side</u> the way; therefore he will lift <u>up</u> his head.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son and to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>. as it was in the beg<u>inning</u>, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

**SECOND LESSON** 

**Acts 1:11-11,** Bible page 1090 *The ascension of our Lord* 

HYMN OF THE DAY 341

**Crown Him with Many Crowns** 

**SERMON** 

**Luke 24:44-53**, Bible page 1061

Pastor Peter Panitzke

CONFESSION OF FAITH 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** 

# INSTALLATION OF NEW MINISTRY BOARD MEMBERS AND EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION (Sunday 7:45 am)

Creed Darling and Josh Fink *At Large* Steve Wranovsky *Secretary* Brian Tonn *Outgoing* 

#### 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 HYMN 174**

See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph

#### CLOSING PRAYER

M Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one 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.



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PRESIDING MINISTER (Sunday) Pastor David Kuehl

## AWAKE AND ALIVE INVITATION VIDEO

**ORGANIST** Carol Nelson

**UNDER THE CANOPY** Thank you to St. Paul's Cancer Support Group for hosting the Sunday Under the Canopy. Stop by for coffee, juice, and a treat as you leave. Any of the hosts will be happy to answer any questions you have about the group.



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 June 3, 2019

MON	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
TUE	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 1:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Ministerial Growth Team Meeting Ladies' Bible Study (Faith Room) Ministerial Team Meeting and Lutheran School Faculty Meetings Walking Club (Trinity Gym) Blood Drive (Grace Room) Handbell Rehearsal (Church Balcony) Following the Promise Bible Study (Faith Room)
WED	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
THURS	6:30 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room) Walking Club (Trinity Gym) The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice
SAT	8:00 am 5:00 pm	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room) Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
SUN	7:45 am 8:30 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:45 am 10:15 am 10:45 am 5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Following the Promise Bible Study Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Grace Room Bible Study The Bridge Communion The Bridge Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion Awake and Alive (Trinity Café and Gym)

## **SUMMER HOURS FOR THE CHURCH OFFICE**

The church administration office, located in the school building, will be open 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, until school resumes on August 21. The office will be closed July 4 and 5. As always, if you ever need to reach a pastor or someone on our staff you may use the contact information below.

# **YOUR MINISTERIAL STAFF** Office (414) 422-0320

Pastor Jeffrey Bonack	Ext. 119	jbonack@stpaulmuskego.org	Worship
Mr. Randy Fink	Ext. 120	rfink@stpaulmuskego.org	Church Administrator
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Pastor Peter Panitzke	Ext. 122	ppanitzke@stpaulmuskego.org	Ministerial Team Leader
Pastor Nate Strobel	Ext. 293	nstrobel@stpaulmuskego.org	Resident Missionary
Mrs. Sally Wallner	Ext. 294	swallner@stpaulmuskego.org	Community Outreach Coordinator

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2019**

The entire St. Paul's family says, "Congratulations and God's blessings!" to the 8th and 12th grade graduates in the Class of 2019 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." ~ I Timothy 4:12

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

8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduate	School Graduating From	High School Entering Fall of 2019
Evan Artlip	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Brady Becker	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Amanda Berry	Pilgrim Park – Elm Grove	Michigan Lutheran Seminary
Anna Bonack	St. Paul's Lutheran	Waterford Union
Kyle Byley	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Emma Eilertson	St. Paul's Lutheran	Mukwonago
Abigail Esmeier	St. Paul's Lutheran	Mukwonago
Molly Fitzsimmons	St. Paul's Lutheran	Luther Prep – Watertown
Jack Goelz	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Rowan Gray	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Samuel Grimes	Yorkville	Union Grove
Noah Gruetzmacher	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Ethan Haag	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Abigail Hockers	Muskego Lakes	Muskego
Leah Hudock	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Ellie Johnson	Lake Denoon	Wisconsin Lutheran
Joshua Johnson	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Sophia Kennedy	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Grace King	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Chloe Klopf	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Hannah Klopf	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Zachary Koch	Forest Park – Franklin	Franklin
Brady Kremkau	Eisenhower – New Berlin	Eisenhower – New Berlin
Wolfgang Krill	Muskego Lakes	Muskego
Joshua Kwiatkowski	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Amber Larson	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Logan Lawonn	Lake Denoon	Muskego
Eli Lepke	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Mason Mazziotti	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Katie Meyer	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Ryan Miller	Park View – Mukwonago	Mukwonago
Kierstan Proite	Muskego Lakes	Muskego
Abigail Prosser	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Jude Radish	Eisenhower – New Berlin	Eisenhower – New Berlin
lan Rintelman	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Isabella SanFelippo	St. Paul's Lutheran	Burlington
Katelynn Schneider	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego

8th Grade Graduate	<b>School Graduating From</b>	High School Entering Fall of 2019
Melanie Schwartz	Whitnall – Greenfield	Whitnall
Isabelle Steidl	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Weston Sundholm	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Melanie Tonn	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Elizabeth Veley	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Maddie Watry	Park View – Mukwonago	Mukwonago
Tresna Wehking	Eisenhower – New Berlin	Eisenhower – New Berlin
Thomas Westendorf	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran
Serenity Witzlsteiner	St. Paul's Lutheran	Muskego
Lucy Younk	St. Paul's Lutheran	Waterford Union
Ryleigh Zeller	St. Paul's Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran

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

12th Grade Graduate	School Graduating From	Plans for Fall of 2019
Emma Arrowood	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Waukesha
Grace Beyer	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Minnesota – Minneapolis
Alexis Blundon	Franklin	North Central College – Naperville, IL
Julien Bonack	Waterford Union	Undecided
Morgan Dunn	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh
lan Eppen	Franklin	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
Elizabeth Fink	Muskego	Minnesota State University – Mankato
Lauren Flater	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – La Crosse
Kaitlin Foley	Muskego	St. Norbert College – De Pere
Nathan Grimes	Union Grove	University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point
Ethan Hall	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh
William Kamper	Veritas – Milwaukee	Entering Workforce
Jerryd Kolesari	Muskego	Unknown
Michael Lynn	Wauwatosa West	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
Elisa Marggraf	Luther Prep – Watertown	Milwaukee School of Engineering
Daniel Marlowe	Wisconsin Lutheran	Entering Workforce
Aaron Miller	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Wisconsin – Madison
Samantha Pearson	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Madison
Joey Remschak	Whitnall – Greenfield	Michigan Technological Univ. – Houghton, MI
Kyle Ristow	Wisconsin Lutheran	Undecided
Mikayla Rivera	Muskego	Waukesha County Technical College
Alexandra Rynders	Muskego	Carthage College – Kenosha
Nicole Schmidt	Muskego	University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh
Shannon Schwartz	Muskego	Waukesha County Technical College
Marisa Shevey	Luther Prep – Watertown	Wisconsin Lutheran College – Milwaukee
Carissa Sundholm	Wisconsin Lutheran	University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh
Abby Westendorf	Wisconsin Lutheran	Wisconsin Lutheran College – Milwaukee
Jake Zeller	Wisconsin Lutheran	Steamfitters Local 601 Apprenticeship

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.

# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

#### **BAPTISM**

Izaiah Howard Cook, born April 26, 2019, son of Zachariah and Lindsay (nee Brown) Cook will be baptized at the 10:45 am service on Sunday, June 2. May God bless Izaiah in his faith his whole life long.

#### **W**EDDING

JT Hulbert and Brett Elver were married on Saturday, June 1, 2019. May God bless JT and Brett in their life-long commitment to each other together with Christ.

#### **FUNERAL**

Irene Guderyon, born June 14, 1922, was taken home to heaven on May 30, 2019. Her arrangements are scheduled for Saturday, June 8, at St. Paul's. The visitation is at noon with service at 1:00 p.m. May our Savior, the source of all comfort and hope, be with the loved ones of Irene.

## **PRAYERS REQUESTED**

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

#### **HOSPITALIZED**

Lois Guhr is in hospice care at The View at Pine Ridge in Oconomowoc and Dorothy Wardin is in home hospice care. Gary Ives is at the VA Hospital and Audrey Wefel at Virginia Rehab and Health Center.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

903 attended last week's worship services.

#### CALLED WORKERS —THANK YOU!

It is with great joy and thanksgiving that we celebrate the following anniversaries of our called workers:

Dr. Joel Nelson - 40 years in the ministry

Mr. Randy Fink - 20 years in the ministry

To honor their years of service, a card box will be available in the narthex on June 9 and June 16. Thank you in advance for your notes of appreciation and encouragement.

We also ask that you join us in thanking Mrs. Sara Goelz, Mrs. Katherine Horn, Mrs. Theresa Kirchoff and Mrs. Jessica Vanderhyde for their years of service at St. Paul's. May God bless them in their future endeavors.

#### Mr. IEFF WETZEL CALL DELIBERATION

Mr. Wetzel, our 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade instructional team leader, is deliberating a divine call he received from First Lutheran Church and School in La Crosse to serve as their next principal and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. Please keep Mr. Wetzel in your prayers as he deliberates where he could best serve the Lord at this time in his ministry.

#### **UNDER THE CANOPY HOSTS**

Under the Canopy is a time to gather for coffee, juice, and treats under the canopy of church after Sunday services during the summer months, June 16, June 23, July 7, and July 21 are available to host. Contact Tammy Miller at (414) 422-0320 ext. III for more information and to reserve your date.

#### St. Paul's Child Care Center Infant Opening

Our Child Care Center has an opening in the infant room. If you are pregnant and need child care arrangements, contact Child Care Director Kim Neubauer at kneubauer@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 200, for a tour and answers to all your questions.

# St. Paul's News

#### MAKE WEEKLY WORSHIP A PART OF YOUR SUMMER PLANS!

Our worship times will remain the same during the summer. If you are gone over the weekend, join us for worship the following Wednesday at 7:00 pm. The Bridge is also live on Sundays at 10:15 am at TheBridgeMuskego.org. Watch or listen to the weekend message within 24 hours of the service at StPaulMuskego.org.



#### United

A four-week series beginning June 9. We will tackle the issue of division within the Christian Church. Why is division present? Are we causing division? Must there be division?

#### Grace Wins

A 10-week series, studying the first half of Paul's letter to the Romans. When we see our sin and failure, sometimes it is hard to believe that "Grace wins every time."

## JAMMIN' ON JANESVILLE COMMUNITY OUTREACH - JUNE 7

We are excited to be a light to our community at Jammin' on Janesville on June 7, 5:00 - 9:00 pm. Our booth will be located between Firestone Tire & Auto and Serendipity Redesign. One of The Bridge bands will be performing nearby, with a game and smiling faces to tell about our church and school to the community. Stop by and say hello!

All revenue from game ticket sales at our booth will be given to the Muskego Senior Taxi whose mission is to work with our community to provide reliable transportation for seniors and those with intellectual or physical disabilities. The Muskego Senior Taxi is very thankful for our support. They have let us know of the following volunteer need as well: an office assistant 3 hours per week on Monday and Friday evenings. For more information contact Kayla or Amy at (262) 679-4754.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

The Muskego Woman's Club together with the Blood Center of Wisconsin will be holding a blood drive on Tuesday, June 4, in the Grace Room, 1:30 – 6:30 pm. Appointments are strongly recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. Schedule your appointment with Luann at (414) 916-9650 or with the BCW at I-800-BEAHERO and ask for the Muskego Community drive held at St. Paul's.

#### **A MISSION CENTERED VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Our church body operates two thrift stores in the area that have contributed over \$4,000,000.00 since their inception to organizations, including Wisconsin Lutheran High School, The Point of Grace Student Center, Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries, Wisconsin Lutheran College, and Wisconsin Lutheran Christian Family Services. The stores currently have openings for new volunteers. No experience is necessary and you set your own hours. For more information, please contact one of the stores, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm, Tuesday through Saturday. The north store is located at 8401 W Lisbon Ave. (414-463-2595) and the south store at 5005 W Howard Ave. (414-327-2529).

## SAVE THE DATE: HEALTHY MARRIAGE AT GRACE DOWNTON

Save the dates for a 2-day marriage retreat at the beautiful Grace Center in downtown Milwaukee on September 20 and 21. Pick up a flyer at the Welcome Center in the lobby or visit https://wels.net/event/healthy-marriage-milwaukee-wisconsin for more information. If you would like to attend, but need financial assistance, please contact Pastor Pete at ppanitzke@stpaulmuskego.org.



# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

#### A LEADERSHIP SUMMIT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS

On August 8 and 9, The Global Leadership Summit will be telecast live in HD to over 500 locations nationwide. St. Paul's will be one of the live telecast locations this year for the first time. Visit globalleadership.org to see the line-up of speakers already committed. St. Paul's receives a discounted rate of \$89 before June 25; \$119 after June 25. Register at StPaulMuskego.org\GLS with priority code PV2019.



#### A CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Here at St. Paul's, we would like to better walk with all our young adults. Mike Westendorf invites you to contact him at mike@mikewestendorf.com to learn more about how St. Paul's and area organizations within our church body are serving our young people. The following are a few options to consider this summer:

## The Point of Grace - Beginning June 5

The Point of Grace is a campus ministry that serves the college age generation in the Milwaukee metro. Join them every other Wednesday, beginning June 5, for Bible study, songs, prayers, and food, 6:15 - 7:30 pm at the TPOG campus house on the UWM campus. Visit www.tpog.net for more information.

# Awake and Alive - June 9

Awake and Alive is a ministry serving college students, young professionals, and anyone in the 18-25 generation and their leaders. The purpose of Awake and Alive is to inspire hope-filled young adults to live confident and fearless in who they are in Christ and share that hope with their world. The big summer kickoff happens here on the grounds of St. Paul's on Sunday, June 9. Texas Roadhouse will be served, starting at 5:15 pm, with the main session at 6:30 pm. Visit awakealive.com for more information and to register (for free!).

### **EXPLORE THE HOLY LAND WITH PASTOR PETE**

Pastor Pete and his wife, Joni, 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. Brochures with more information are available at the Welcome Center in the lobby.

#### THANK YOU—MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE TUITION ASSISTANCE GRANT

Dear St. Paul's members,

If you don't know me, my name is Nathan. I went to St. Paul's for most of grade school, and then I went to Wisconsin Lutheran High School. I am now attending Martin Luther College to become a pastor. You all supported me as I went through my freshman year at MLC. I'm also excited to say that, because of the strong academics of Wisconsin Lutheran, I am able to graduate from MLC in three years instead of four. You all have taken up to support me in my junior year at MLC, and I'm so humbled and happy that you have. The intensity of squishing a four-year program into three is off the charts, but with your help, I'll be able to achieve my goal and get out into the ministry sooner. With the number of congregations desperately needing pastors, your help will bless another church with another pastor, equally as qualified, sooner. Thank you so much for your support on my journey and God's blessings.

Nathan Wranovsky

#### May / June Grace Room Series: A Case For Faith

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 you to discover what Jim's small group did when they went through the book A Case for Faith together. Join the discussion Sundays through June 23, in the Grace Room at 9:15 am.

#### LIVING WORD SOCCER CAMP

Living Word in Waukesha invites you to their 2019 soccer camp for age 4 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade at River Crossings Park, M-Th, June 17-20. Visit livingwordwaukesha.org/soccercamp for more information and to register.



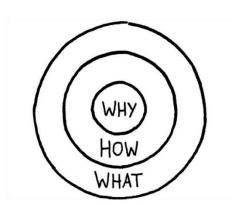
- 1. Share your personal summer plans with the group. Talk about when you might get together as a group for a fun activity.
- 2. This weekend we celebrated that Jesus ascended to the right hand of God with all power and authority given to him. Read Matthew 28:18-20.
  - a. What are some of the challenges you think that the apostles faced as they traveled the world?
  - b. What are some of the challenges the church faces today?
  - b. What are some of the challenges you face as a witness of Jesus' death and resurrection?
  - c. Jesus announced that all authority or power had been given to him. How would that promise of power comfort the apostles and how does it comfort us as we face challenges in our call to be witnesses?
- 3. Read Acts 7:54-60. Stephen faced the ultimate challenge. How did the vision God gave Stephen prepare him for his death? How does it help you?
- 4. Read Paul's prayer in Ephesians 1:15-23. Focusing on verses 20-23, what phrases are important for you to remember as you face the challenges of being a witness of Jesus' death and resurrection to the world?
- 5. For whom do you want the group to pray that "the eyes of your heart may be enlightened" (Ephesians 1:18) because they face significant challenges in their life? After sharing these names, close by praying together Paul's prayer in Ephesians 1:15-23 with these individuals in mind.



# The Journey Gives Meaning to Life Luke 24:44-53

Simon Sinek: Start with "Why?"

- 2. The Why
  - a. Of Jesus' life
  - b. Of my life
- 3. The How
  - a. All nations
  - b. Power from on high
- 4. The What
  - a. Repentance
  - b. Forgiveness



# My Next Steps on the Journey

- Remember "The Why" of your life. Memorize 2 Corinthians 5:14-15. "For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again."
- Remember "The How" of your life. Memorize Matthew 10:20. "It will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you."
- Remember "The What" of your life. Memorize John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
- Remember "The Why" of your life. Increase your influence. Register for the Global Leadership Summit at StPaulMuskego.org/GLS using Priority Code PV2019 before the price increase on June 25.