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**EASTER SUNDAY**  
**THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD**  
April 21, 2019

**PRESERVICE**

**Risen Lord, Handbells**  
**Easter Overture, Orchestra**

**BELLS AND WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Ring the Easter Bells with Gladness**  
*Festival Choir, Orchestra, Handbells, Organ*

*Choir*

Ring the Easter bells,  
Jesus Christ is risen!  
Ring the Easter bells,  
Jesus Christ is risen!

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Rise and sing, "Alleluia!"

*Congregation*

**Ring the Easter bells with gladness,  
set the alleluias free.  
Dry each tear and end all sadness,  
Christ has won the victory.**

**Fill the earth with joyful music,  
let each voice be true and strong.  
Ring the Easter bells with gladness,  
raise a resurrection song.**

*Choir*

Ring the Easter bells in worship,  
for the sacrifice was made.  
Dedicate your life through service,  
give to Him your loyal praise.

Let your song resound with purpose,  
sharing peace above all strife, all strife.  
Bringing faith to ev'ry nation,  
ringing hope and joy and life.

*Congregation*

**Ring the Easter bells forever,  
Jesus is the living Word.  
He has risen as our Savior,  
King of kings and Lord of lords.**

**Rising with a shout of triumph,  
Christ has won the victory.  
Ring the Easter bells forever,  
set the alleluias free.**

*Choir*

Ring the Easter bells,  
ring the Easter bells,  
ring the Easter bells,  
Jesus Christ is risen! Alleluia!

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

C **Amen.**

M This is the day that the LORD has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it** (*Psalms 118:24*).

M The stone the builders rejected

C **has become the cornerstone** (*Psalms 118:22*).

M Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

M Grace and peace to you from him who is, who was, and who is to come, from our Lord, Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

C **To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen!** (*Revelation 1:4-6*)

M Let us pray.

Almighty God and Father, through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, you have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Psalm 16:5-11, Bible page 542**

*The Son of God spoke through King David to foretell that he would rise from the dead. Jesus' body would not see decay.*

**ANTHEM**

**Crown Him (Majesty)**

*Festival Choir, Brass, Woodwinds, Piano*

**EPISTLE READING**

**1 Corinthians 15:1-11**, Bible page 1154

*The reality of the resurrection is proclaimed by numerous witnesses.*

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**Easter Proclamation**

*Festival Choir, Keyboard, Strings*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**Luke 24:1-12**, Bible page 1060

*Jesus has risen!*

M This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

**HYMN**

**Easter Morning Medley**

*Congregation, Festival Choir, Brass, Woodwinds, Piano*

*Congregation*

**Christ the Lord is ris'n today,**

**Alleluia!**

**Sons of men and angels say:**

**Alleluia!**

**Raise your joys and triumphs high,**

**Alleluia!**

**Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply,**

**Alleluia!**

*Choir*

Low in the grave He lay,

Jesus, my Savior;

waiting the coming day,

Jesus, my Lord.

Death cannot keep his prey,

Jesus, my Savior;

He tore the bars away,

Jesus, my Lord.

Up from the grave He arose

with a mighty triumph o'er His foes;

He arose the victor from the dark domain,

and He lives forever with His saints to reign.

He arose, He arose,  
Hallelujah! Christ arose!

*Congregation*

**Soar we now where Christ has led,  
Alleluia!  
Foll'wing our exalted Head,  
Alleluia!**

**Made like Him, like Him we rise,  
Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies,  
Alleluia!**

*Choir*

Alleluia! Alleluia!

SERMON

Luke 24:1-12, Bible page 1060

*Pastor Peter Panitzke*

EASTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

M For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time.

**C Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.**

M We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed--in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

**C For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.**

M When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true:

**C "Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

OFFERING


OFFERTORY

**Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, Organ / Piano Duet**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M Heavenly Father, God of grace, you have brought us into a new and living hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

C **Christ is risen!**


 **I know that my Redeemer lives;  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever-living Head!**

M We marvel at the love you showed by your willingness to sacrifice your Son to pay for our sins; we bow down in adoration at your mighty power, which raised him from the dead.

C **We praise you for sending the true Life and Light into the world.**

M Lord Jesus, God of grace, you have filled our hearts with resurrection joy by your victory over sin, death, and the grave.

C **You have conquered the darkness and given us comfort and hope.**


 **He lives triumphant from the grave;  
He lives eternally to save.  
He lives all-glorious in the sky;  
He lives exalted there on high.**

M With the Church of every age, we offer you unending praise, for you have crushed Satan's head and have removed our guilt.

C **You are risen!**

M Dear Savior, we who are weary and burdened come to you for rest, knowing that because of your perfect redemption there is now no condemnation for us.

C **You are risen indeed!**

 **He lives to silence all my fears;  
He lives to wipe away my tears.  
He lives to calm my troubled heart;  
He lives, all blessings to impart.**

M Take away our doubts and fears, and daily renew in us the joy of our salvation.

C **Alleluia!**

M Holy Spirit, God of grace, you have called us by the gospel and brought us to saving faith in our risen Lord.

C **We glorify you for opening our eyes to see the light of life.**

M Keep us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.


C **As we journey through life, make us yearn for the day when you will give eternal life to us and all believers in Christ.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

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

*Silent prayer.*

M Work through us as we proclaim the saving message of the crucified and risen Jesus near and far, so that many others may hear your call, obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, and join us before the throne of our God and of the Lamb.

 He lives, all glory to his name!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
"I know that my Redeemer lives!"

#### THE 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

#### In Christ Alone

*Congregation, Festival Choir, Orchestra, Organ*

*Congregation*

**In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid,  
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

*Choir*

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

*Congregation*

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!**

*Choir*

No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

#### THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE

M Alleluia. Christ has risen, just as he said. He has risen from the dead.  
C **O, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!**  
M This is the day that the Lord has made;  
C **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

#### BLESSING

M Assured of the victory Jesus has won for us by the power of his resurrection, we go with joy into the world to share the good news that Jesus died and is alive again.

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + grant you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

#### POSTLUDE **Jesus Christ Is Risen Today**, *Brass Ensemble*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRESIDING MINISTER** *Pastor David Kuehl*

**PIANISTS** *Jon Eiche and Susan Gedemer*

**ORGANIST** *Darik Mischke*

**HANDBELLS DIRECTOR** *David Lemke*

**BRASS ENSEMBLE DIRECTOR** *Jill Mitchell*

**CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR** *Michele Eiche*

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of April 22, 2019

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| <b>MON</b>   | 10:00 am | Walking Club (Trinity Gym)                              |
| <b>TUE</b>   | 10:00 am | Walking Club (Trinity Gym)                              |
| <b>WED</b>   | 9:00 am  | <i>Mommy and Me</i> (Faith Room)                        |
| <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>   | 5:30 pm  | McLain/Kuhn Wedding Rehearsal                           |
| <b>SAT</b>   | 8:00 am  | Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)                |
|              | 2:00 pm  | Amy McLain and Mike Kuhn Wedding Ceremony (Main Church) |
|              | 5:00 pm  | Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion         |
|              | 6:00 pm  | Open Forum (Faith Room)                                 |
| <b>SUN</b>   | 7:45 am  | Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion         |
|              | 8:30 am  | Following the Promise Bible Study (School Classroom 9)  |
|              | 9:00 am  | Open Forum (Faith Room)                                 |
|              | 9:15 am  | Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion         |
|              | 9:15 am  | Grace Room Bible Study                                  |
|              | 9:15 am  | Kids Club and Boost Youth Ministries                    |
|              | 9:45 am  | The Bridge Communion                                    |
|              | 10:00 am | Open Forum (Grace Room)                                 |
|              | 10:15 am | The Bridge  |
|              | 10:45 am | Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion        |
|              | 12:00 pm | Open Forum (Faith Room)                                 |



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.

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# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## YOUR INFLUENCE MATTERS

You have influence and the ability to positively impact your community and world. No matter your sphere of influence – in your family, school, work or church – when you commit to grow your leadership, everyone around you wins! On August 8 and 9, join an expected 405,000+ people globally for two days of world-class leadership training.



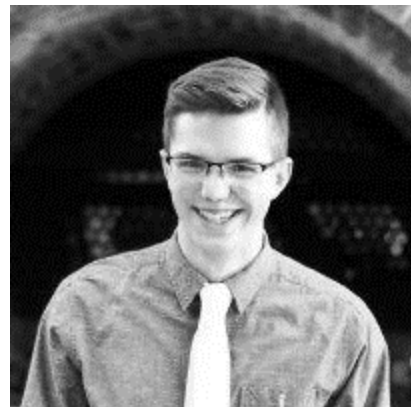
As a Summit 2019 Private View Site, St. Paul's members and friends can receive world-class leadership development at a special discount – up to \$90 off regular rates! Join your friends in our own Trinity Gym to participate in this life changing simulcast.

Register at [StPaulMuskego.org/GLS](http://StPaulMuskego.org/GLS) and pay by credit card using priority code PV2019.

- Early Bird Private View Rate - \$89 (must be received by June 25)
- Regular Private View Rate - \$119

"I have attended The Global Leadership Summit for the past two years. Going to these conferences is shaping me into the type of leader I want to be. As a matter of fact, my college freshman year in speech class I did a persuasive speech to my class on why everyone should make the investment to attend this event. I pray that others will come and see the way it blesses you from all different aspects, regardless of your career or age, as it has most certainly been a blessing to me. I hope to see you there."

~ Adam Westendorf



## BE A MISSION TRIP PARTNER

St. Paul's member, Kara Darling, has been asked to spend three weeks in Malawi, Africa as part of a WELS Kingdom Workers mission trip. "I will be using my knowledge in the area of speech and language pathology. I will provide local volunteers support and education as they work with children with speech and language impairments. I am very excited for this and looking forward to seeing how God will use me through this trip!" The cost of the trip is \$3000. If you would like to partner with Kara and receive real-time email updates on her trip, give a gift of any amount, clearly marked, "Kingdom Worker Mission Trip." Include your email address on the envelope. Thanks in advance for helping share the love of Christ to the people of Malawi!



# ATTEND AN OPEN FORUM

## OPEN FORUMS: WHAT DOES THE FUTURE LOOK LIKE?

Join us at one of the open forums scheduled below to hear our plans to serve our community in the new fiscal year which begins July 1. Using our seven core values, we want to share our vision for the future:

- How we hope to reach a younger audience.
- Plans to start a second worship site to reach more people for Christ.
- Plans for a Christian counseling center on our campus.
- The results of the Parental Choice programs on our ministry.
- God's blessings on the Legacy and Gift Trust Funds.
- The Cool Million results and plans.
- Our financial position and the financial ministry plan for the new year.



Some of this information will be in *The Messenger* that will be emailed out this coming week and handed out at next weekend's services. The open forums will provide more information and an opportunity for questions and discussion. Your feedback in these forums is important. Ministry Board members will be present to hear your questions. The board has scheduled a meeting the week after all the open forums to react to what was heard. All this is part of our preparation for the annual voters' meeting on Thursday, May 16, at 7:00 pm.

Open forum times and locations:

- Saturday, April 27, at 6:00 pm in the Faith Room
- Sunday, April 28, at 9:00 am in the Faith Room
- Sunday, April 28, at 10:00 am in the Grace Room
- Sunday, April 28, at noon in the Faith Room
- Thursday, May 2, at 7:00 pm in the Faith Room

# ST. PAUL'S NEWS

## **EASTER FOR KIDS 2019 SUCCESS**

We were blessed with 112 children, ages 3-12, at last Saturday's Easter for Kids event. Thirty-two volunteers, including 16 teens, helped children through stations of crafts, games, snacks, singing, a Holy Week video, and a live puppet show, "Easter Blessings." Thank you to all who joined in this Easter celebration event!

## **DIVINE CALL EXTENDED FOR KINDERGARTEN TEACHER**

St. Paul's Lutheran School will be splitting kindergarten into two classrooms for 2019-2020 due to the large class size. This week St. Paul's Ministry Board extended a one-year call to Miss Emily Davis to serve as a co-teacher of kindergarten together with Mrs. Sue Kuehl. Miss Davis is a member of St. Paul's and is currently teaching 2nd grade at Grace Lutheran School in Menomonee Falls. Miss Davis grew up in Georgia, graduated from Georgia Southern University, taught for three years in Georgia (two years of kindergarten and one year of 1<sup>st</sup> grade), moved to Colorado Springs and taught there for two years (kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade), and then she moved here to Wisconsin in 2017 to live near one of her sisters. Please keep Miss Davis in your prayers as she considers serving the Lord here at St. Paul's.

## **SUMMER CARE AVAILABLE AT ST. PAUL'S**

A summer of adventure, fun, and friendship in a loving Christian environment awaits your child when they enroll in our summer care program at St. Paul's. This program is for children entering 3K, who are potty trained, up through 4th grade. Flexible scheduling is an option. Information and registration forms are available at [www.stpmuskego.org](http://www.stpmuskego.org).

## **THE ST. PAUL'S NURSERY TEAM IS HIRING**

We are currently hiring a part-time childcare provider to cover the 9:15 am Sunday service. Hours are 9:00 – 10:30 am, two Sundays per month. For more information contact Outreach Coordinator Sally Wallner at [swallner@stpaulmuskego.org](mailto:swallner@stpaulmuskego.org) or (414) 218-5197.

## **VICTORY OF THE LAMB – WELCOME THEIR NEW PASTOR!**

All are invited to the installation of Pastor Ben Sadler as the second pastor at Victory of the Lamb, 11120 West Loomis Road in Franklin, on Sunday, April 28, at the 9:00 am and 10:30 am services. Celebrate after the 10:30 am service at the provided luncheon.

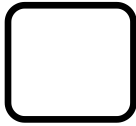
## **TWELVE OILS OF ANCIENT SCRIPTURE**

There is a significant collection of essential oils used throughout the ages to give relief to those in pain. Enjoy light refreshments and learn more in a presentation on Sunday, April 28, noon to 1:30 pm in the Grace Room. Reserve your spot today with Karen at (262) 232-7901 or [spirit.thing.schram@gmail.com](mailto:spirit.thing.schram@gmail.com).

## **SAVE THE DATE: HEALTHY MARRIAGE AT GRACE DOWNTON**

Save the date 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](mailto:ppanitzke@stpaulmuskego.org).





# NoteSheet

Sermon Outline

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

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## A Journey that Will Change Your Life:

### Go, See for Yourself!

Luke 24:1-12, page 1060

#### 1. Go, remember!

- a. Read the New Testament fine print.
  - Luke 9:22
  - Luke 9:44-45
- b. Find the Old Testament golden nuggets.
  - Psalm 16:9-11
  - Isaiah 53:10

#### 2. Go, examine the witnesses!

- a. Luke did. (Luke 1:1-4)
- b. Why Joanna? (Luke 8:2; 24:10)
- c. A cold-case investigation

#### 3. Go, but be warned!

- a. If the tomb isn't empty, you will be c\_\_\_\_\_.
- b. If the tomb is empty, you will be c\_\_\_\_\_.

### My Next Steps on a Life-Changing Journey

- **Fill your backpack:** If you don't have a Bible of your own, stop by the Welcome Center to receive one as our gift. Pick up the Bible reading plan and join Pastor Pete in a "Fellowship of the Empty Tomb."
- **Enjoy an Old Testament Golden Nugget:** Read over and over Psalm 16:9-11 to memorize this promise about Jesus' resurrection that then becomes a promise about your own.
- **Join a "Fellowship of the Empty Tomb":** Mark on the Connection Card interest in the next *Following the Promise* Bible introduction study.