



# 2019-2020 Kick-Off News

## Digging Into the Heart of God

This year, Kids Club students and staff will enjoy the third series in the four-part *Dig In* curriculum. In 2017-18, we used, “Digging into the Life of Jesus.” Last year, we enjoyed, “Digging into the Bible in One Year.” For 2019-20, we will experience, “Digging into the Heart of God.” Weekly Bible lessons will showcase God’s attributes and characteristics: God is faithful, God is wise, God is welcoming, etc. In 2020-21, we will complete the *Dig In* series with, “Epic Teachings of the Bible.”

Both students and staff really get into these lessons and the Large Group/Small Group format we use to present them. In Large Group, all students come together in the Centennial Gym to hear the week’s Bible lesson which includes music, singing, video, and demonstrations. After Large Group, students return to their individual classrooms for Small Group – a series of activities that reinforce the Large Group lesson in engaging ways.



This year, Kids Club will also use three Modified Large Group (MLG) Sundays to “switch-up” the weekly routine. On MLG Sundays, students of all ages come to the gym for a short introduction to the lesson. After the introduction, the students are divided into equal numbered, mixed-age groups (ages 4-12 together). These groups then rotate through four activity stations that relate to the main lesson. MLG Sundays are very fun and a real highpoint of the Kids Club calendar.

2019-2020 should be another exciting and fulfilling year of growing together as children, teens, adults, and families around God’s Word.

# Sunday Morning KIDS CLUB Staff

# 2019-2020

Program	Teaching Teams <i>(Italics below = teens)</i>	Room
Kids Club 3K	Mikala Ellis, Vicki Gabrus, Autumn Metzger, Kim Redmond, Sarah Scheblein	108
Kids Club 4K	Savannah Polzin, Nicole Jodat, Layla Nowak, Kate Sutton, Teagan Vahovick	7
Kids Club 5K	Stacey Futh, Kimmy Remschak, Natalie Schmit, Alexis Shannon, Amanda Veley	14
Kids Club Gr. 1	Jeff Everts, Isabella Garofani, Annie Hintze, Sue Kuehl, Cole Vahovick	3
Kids Club Gr. 2	David Friesner, Stacey Futh, Lauren Van Landeghem, Lisa Van Landeghem, Kennedy Vahovick	2
Kids Club Gr. 3-4	Kara Darling, Charmaine Greanya, Amy Grimes, Samuel Grimes, Preston Vahovick	12
Kids Club Gr. 5-6	Kurt Steffen, Brian Tonn, Joel Weaver	9
Kids Club Support Staff	Karen Metzger – Materials Procurement Adam Scheblein – Tech Support Nicole Glodowski, Taryn Volbrecht, Jeff Wetzel – Substitute Teachers	

## Continue the Discussion

Again this year, a weekly recap of the Sunday morning Kids Club Large Group lesson and discussion will be posted on a special, “Kids Club Weekly Resources” page on the church website. The weekly recap will also include updates about attendance, mission offering collections, and other need-to-know information.

From the church website home page, click on the “Grow” tab then “Sunday Morning Youth Ministry” then “Kids Club Weekly Resources.” Using the provided links, you will be able to download the weekly recap with its discussion questions and also all videos used in the Large Group lesson. Watching and discussing with your child the videos and related material in the recap will help you all to grow in your understanding and love for God’s Word. It will also give you another opportunity to connect with each other in spiritual and relational ways. The recap and link below will also be emailed to all Kids Club families by Monday.

[stpaulmuskego.org/grow/sunday-morning-youth-ministry/kids-club-weekly-resources/](http://stpaulmuskego.org/grow/sunday-morning-youth-ministry/kids-club-weekly-resources/)



## MISSION OUTREACH IN VIETNAM

It all started when Zang Lou, a leader in the Hmong Fellowship Church (HFC) in Vietnam, viewed an online sermon by Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) Pastor, Bounkeo Lor, in 2011. The clear message of pure grace through Jesus Christ was something he had never heard before, and he wanted to learn more. Zang Lou invited Pastor Lor to come to Vietnam to train the HFC in the truth of the gospel. Since 2012, Lor has made over 24 different trips to Hanoi, Vietnam.

The HFC was a church body of 55,000 members when Zang Lou first reached out to WELS. In the years WELS has provided training, the HFC has grown from 55,000 to over 100,000 members and formed many new churches. The Vietnamese government has now invited WELS to build a theological training facility in the capital city of Hanoi.

This is an incredible, unprecedented opportunity. WELS is currently the only protestant church with official government permission to work with the Hmong in Vietnam. The Lord is opening a door to reach the more than two million Hmong people who live in Vietnam and the surrounding countries.

This year, the weekly offerings children bring to Kids Club will go to the WELS Vietnam outreach effort.



# 2019-2020 St. Paul's KIDS CLUB Calendar

9:15-10:15 a.m. GRADES 4K-6<sup>th</sup>

(3K uses different lessons. See next page.)

#	Sunday	Lesson Title/Event Description
1	September 8, 2019	<b>God Surrounds Elisha with an Army</b> (God is everywhere...so we look for him around us.)
2	September 15, 2019	<b>God Is Faithful to Nehemiah</b> (God is faithful...so we are faithful.)
3	September 22, 2019	<b>God Is Our Creator</b> (God is our Creator...so we live out our purpose.)
4	September 29, 2019	<b>God Helps Daniel Act Wisely</b> (God is wise...so we make wise choices.)
5	October 6, 2019	<b>God Delights in His People</b> (God is joyful...so we are joyful.)
6	October 13, 2019	<b>God Hears Zechariah's Prayer</b> (God hears our prayers...so we trust his timing.)
7	October 20, 2019	<b>Jesus Heals an Official's Son</b> (Jesus is amazing...so we believe in him.)
8	October 27, 2019	<b>Jesus Teaches Us to Live Differently</b> (Jesus is different...so we live differently.)
9	November 3, 2019	<b>Jesus Calls Matthew to Be His Friend</b> (Jesus Is Our Friend...so we are good friends to others.) <b>MLG</b>
10	November 10, 2019	<b>Jesus Heals a Deformed Hand on the Sabbath</b> (Jesus is bold...so we are bold.)
11	November 17, 2019	<b>Jesus Brings a Widow's Son Back to Life</b> (Jesus is compassionate...so we are, too.)
12	November 24, 2019	<b>The Parable of the Lost Treasure and Pearl</b> (God is a treasure...so we value him.)
13	December 1, 2019	<b>Jesus Heal Jairus' Daughter</b> (Jesus is dependable...so we are dependable.)
14	December 8, 2019	<b>God Cares for Birds</b> (God cares about the details...so we care for others no matter who they are.)
★	December 14, 2019	CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS 9:00-11:45 AM (Kids sing at Bridge on Dec. 15)
15	December 15, 2019	<b>Jesus Heals a Deaf Man</b> (Jesus is wonderful...so we expect good things from him.)
16	<b>December 22, 2019</b>	<b>Jesus Is Born in a Stable</b> (Jesus is humble...so we show humility.)
	<b>December 29, 2019</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS BREAK – NO CLASSES</b>
17	January 5, 2020	<b>Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman on the Sabbath</b> (Jesus is loving...so we are loving.)
18	January 12, 2020	<b>Jesus Is the Good Shepherd</b> (Jesus knows us...so we get to know him.) <b>MLG</b>
19	January 19, 2020	<b>The Parable of the Great Feast</b> (Jesus includes everyone...so we include others.)
20	January 26, 2020	<b>Jesus Clears the Temple</b> (Jesus stands up for God...so we stand up for God.)
21	February 2, 2020	<b>Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet</b> (Jesus is servant-hearted...so we serve others.)
22	February 9, 2020	<b>Jesus Shows Us the Way</b> (Jesus brings hope...so we are hopeful.)
23	February 16, 2020	<b>Jesus Is the Vine and Branches</b> (Jesus is the vine...so we grow in his love.)
24	February 23, 2020	<b>Jesus Commits to God's Will</b> (Jesus does hard things...so we are willing to do hard things.)
25	March 1, 2020	<b>Jesus Forgives His Enemies</b> (Jesus forgives when it's hard...so we forgive when it's hard.)
26	March 8, 2020	<b>Jesus Passes on His Power</b> (Jesus is powerful...and he gives us power.)
27	March 15, 2020	<b>Peter's Vision of Animals</b> (God is welcoming...so we are welcoming.) <b>MLG</b>
28	March 22, 2020	<b>Peter Escapes Prison</b> (God is surprising...so we watch for his surprises.)
29	March 29, 2020	<b>People Think Paul Is a God</b> (God is the only God...and we are not.)
★	April 4, 2020	EASTER FOR KIDS 9:00-11:45 AM (Kids sing at the Bridge on Apr. 5)
30	<b>April 5, 2020</b>	<b>Jesus Has Victory Over Death</b> (God wins...so we have victory over sin and death.)
	<b>April 12, 2020</b>	<b>EASTER BREAK – NO CLASSES</b>
31	April 19, 2020	<b>Paul Brings Eutychus Back to Life</b> (God is miraculous...and he works through us.)
32	April 26, 2020	<b>Paul Encourages Others During a Shipwreck</b> (God is encouraging...so we encourage others.)
33	May 3, 2020	<b>God Protects Paul from a Snakebite</b> (God is our protector...so we don't worry.)
34	May 10, 2020	<b>God's Armor Gives Us Strength</b> (God is strong...and we are strong in him.)
35	May 17, 2020	<b>Jesus Is Selfless</b> (Jesus is selfless...so we are selfless.)
36	May 24, 2020	<b>Forever in Heaven</b> (Jesus is forever...so we can live forever.)
<b>Youth in grades 7-8 who still enjoy coming to the Sunday morning youth ministry hour will be allowed to serve as teachers' aides in classrooms needing assistance.</b>		

## 3K Children Work Their Way Through Key Bible Lessons

Below are the Bible lessons our 3K children will explore as part of the 3K Kids Club class. You will notice that 3K uses different lessons than 4K-Grade 6. This is done because the lessons are some of the core ones that lay a solid foundation for our youngest children. These lessons are also used because the 3K staff has been doing them for several years and has developed a fantastic array of craft and other reinforcement projects to go with them. Mrs. Vicky Gabrus has been leading the 3K team for many years and has put together some truly amazing projects for the 3K children to do with the lessons.

*Creation, Adam and Eve,  
God Saves Noah and His Family,  
Joseph, Baby Moses,  
God Calls Moses to Lead His People,  
Moses Leads God people out of Egypt,  
The Ten Commandments, Jericho,  
Samuel, David and Goliath,  
God Sends Mary a Special Message,  
Happy Birthday Jesus Party, Jesus is Born,  
The Three Wise Men (Epiphany),  
God Keeps Jesus Safe from Herod,  
12 Year Old Jesus, John the Baptist,  
Jesus turns Water Into Wine,  
The Disciples (Fishers of Men),  
Jesus Stops the Storm, Zacchaeus,  
Jesus Heals the Paralyzed Man, Jesus feeds 5000*



December 14, 2019

9:00-11:45 a.m. Ages 3K-12



April 4, 2020

## BOOST Class Dropped from Sunday Morning Schedule



Beginning this year, the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade BOOST class will be dropped from the Sunday morning schedule. This is being done for a couple reasons.

Originally, BOOST was started as an additional “layer” of Bible education for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade public school students who are St. Paul’s members and also attending the Wednesday afternoon Confirmation Instruction classes. Attending BOOST was one of the “requirements” for Confirmation of the public school youth. 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students of St. Paul’s Lutheran School were welcome to attend as well, but only one or two ever did. This year, we are instituting some modifications and additions to the Wednesday Confirmation Instruction Program that will lessen the need to offer the additional Bible education experience.

We also found over the years that fewer and fewer students were attending BOOST regularly due to other, Sunday morning conflicts: competitive sports, family trips, shared custody arrangements between divorced parents, etc. These competing realities frequently found BOOST attendance to be less than 1/3 of the eligible students.

Though BOOST will be discontinued, interested 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth can still be a part of Sunday morning Kids Club by serving as teachers’ aides for various classes. This may actually prove to be a great “pipeline” for keeping them as helpers once they enter high school. In 2019-2020, eight high school students will be part of the Kids Club staff.

## Sunday Classes for Adults in Church Grace Room

Parents: consider attending the Bible classes in the Grace Room from 9:15-10:15 a.m. while your children are attending Kids Club. For 2019-2020, these topics will be covered: Relationships in the Shadow of the Cross, The Genius of Godly Generosity, A Tale of Two Synods, Important Arrivals: Jesus and John, Ministering to Millennials, The Book of Job, The Book of Colossians, Esther: Born for Her Time, Challenges and Confessions after Luther’s Death, Being an Ephesians 4:12 Church, and The Explicit Gospel. You can see full descriptions on the church website. Click on “Grow” then “Bible Courses.”

[www.stpaulmuskego.org/grow/bible-courses](http://www.stpaulmuskego.org/grow/bible-courses)