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HOSPITALIZED

Lois Guhr (hospice care at Care-Age in Brookfield), Teresa Krahn (Froedtert), Brittany Michaels (Duke Hospital in Durham, North Carolina), and Dorrette Probst (home hospice care).

ATTENDANCE

The following attended last weekend's services: 71 on Saturday, 62 on Sunday 7:45 am, 75 on Sunday 9:15 am, 132 at The Bridge, 24 on Sunday 10:45 am, and 27 on Wednesday. 94 attended on New Year's Eve.

GET INTO THE WORD IN 2021

If you are interested in a new Bible reading plan for 2021, there are copies of a reading plan available at the Welcome Center that will take you through the entire Bible in one year. Pastor Pete Panitzke reads the same Bible readings for his own spiritual growth each day as well. If you aren't receiving his daily email with summaries of the readings for the day, please call the church office at (414) 422-0320 to have your email added. If you have any questions about what you read for the day, you are encouraged to contact Pastor Pete at ppanitzke@stpaulmuskego.org.

FOLLOWING THE PROMISE BIBLE CLASS BEGINS JANUARY 12

For twelve *Tuesdays* in a row (with the option to miss a class and catch up on YouTube) this *online-only* class is offered 7:00-8:15 pm and covers the main teachings of the Bible. Review or discover the *heart* of your Creator in the work of his Son *Jesus*. Jesus entered the world to save us from sin and bring us safely home to heaven. He lived perfectly in our place, died the death we deserve, and rose from the dead proving that *heaven is ours* through faith in him. A path to membership if you like or just touching base with the God of the Bible to hear what he has to say!

DIVORCECARE

If you have been part of DivorceCare in the past, come and share how God has brought healing into your life. If you have experienced or are experiencing the pain of divorce, please come and find hope and healing in Jesus. *DivorcCare* meets Tuesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 in the school building, Room #8. For more information visit divorcecare.org or contact Kristen Miller at kmiller@stpmuskego.org or 414-422-0320, ext. 130.

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONFIRMATION IN FALL

Families with children entering Grade 6 in public schools this fall, are invited to contact Dr. Nelson at (414) 422-0320, ext. 145, or jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org to get signed up for Confirmation Instruction 2021-2022 or to obtain information. St. Paul's Confirmation Instruction is a 3 year/3 level program.

TEXT TO GIVE UPDATE

We have a new 'Text to Give' process. Send a text message "stpmuskego" to: **77977**. Within a few minutes you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click the link and enter your information. For future giving, send a text message "stpmuskego" to: **77977**, and it will take you to your already set-up profile.

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EDUCATION WRAPPED IN FAITH

Have you considered a Christian education for your child? Registration for the 2020-2021 school year has begun for our 3K through grade 8 Lutheran school.

St. Paul's participates in the Milwaukee and Wisconsin Parental School Choice programs. Income eligibility is listed below. Our congregation also provides over \$600,000 in tuition assistance each year. Don't let financial concerns keep you from exploring this opportunity to help your child grow in faith.

Schedule a tour with our Principal Seth Fitzsimmons at (414) 422-0320, ext. 118, or sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org as soon as possible or attend the open house on January 31.

LUTHERAN PREK AND ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE JANUARY 31

January and February are the months where many families are interested in learning more about a school for their child. Whether this is for 3K, 4K, Kindergarten or transferring into 1st – 8th grade, all are welcome. Do you know someone like this? If so, invite them to our open house on Sunday, January 31, 1:00-3:00 pm. I would love to talk to them about our schools. For COVID precautions, a sign-up for a time slot will be posted to the school website (www.stpmuskego.org) soon. We will have 3 families per 20 minutes. You may also contact me at sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 118, to set up a visit.

2021-2022 Income Limits for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
2	\$37,928	N/A
3	\$47,784	\$54,784
4	\$57,640	\$64,640
5	\$67,496	\$74,496
6	\$77,352	\$84,352

***Add \$9,856 for each additional family member

2021-2022 Income Limits for the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
2	\$51,720	N/A
3	\$65,160	\$72,160
4	\$78,600	\$85,600
5	\$92,040	\$99,040
6	\$105,480	\$112,480

***Add \$13,440 for each additional family member

ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE CENTER IS HIRING

Our Child Care Center is looking to hire a teacher's aide, Monday – Friday, 12:30 – 6:00 pm. These days could be split by 2 people with one working Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and another working Tuesday and Thursday. Some benefits are included. Please contact Tammy Dockter at (414) 422-0320, ext. 200 or dockterta@stpmuskego.org to indicate interest.

ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE CENTER INFANT AND TODDLER OPENINGS

Our Child Care Center currently has openings in both the infant and toddler rooms. Please contact Tammy Dockter to schedule a tour and for more information at (414) 422-0320, ext. 200 or dockterta@stpmuskego.org.

GIFT TREE 2020 – A VICTORY STORY

GIVING TREE UPDATE FROM YOUR OUTREACH TEAM

The generosity of our congregation and the Muskego community this Christmas was overwhelming. Over 700 gifts were collected to help 80 different people in Muskego. In addition to that, numerous other gifts were given to Northside Ministries and distributed to families in the inner city. We were also able to provide Christmas meals for those who asked.

This gift drive introduced St. Paul's church family to dozens of non-members in the community who joined in our efforts through Facebook. The people who gave and the people who received might never have had a reason to connect to St. Paul's otherwise. Thank you for helping make all of this happen.



Below are examples of some of the people you helped and what they had to say in response.

- “Everyone loved their gifts. Thank You for everything you do to keep our residents happy.” – *Angie, Muskego Health Care Center*
- “Thank you so very much for the clothes you purchased for my daughter! It will never be forgotten. God bless you!” – *Tricia, Single Muskego mom battling cancer and has a 14 yr. old*
- “I don’t know how to thank you also much. It’s everything I wanted and only God knew. How amazing is that?” – *Jeanne, member in need*
- “Thank you so much I loved everything ❤️” – *Odalys, Mom of 2 yr. old girl needing winter coat/boots*
- “Your support and kindness are wonderful examples of mercy to your “neighbors” reflecting that of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10. Your gifts help us to reach them with the precious message of salvation through Jesus by providing some food and clothing after Bible studies.” – *Deaconess Leila Watson, Northside Ministries, inner city*

OUR MESSAGE SERIES

THE INTENTIONAL LIFE

Join us, beginning January 10, for a new message series *The Intentional Life*.

In the days of the old sailing ships, the greatest danger sailors faced was not piracy or storms at sea, but simply being “becalmed” hundreds of miles from land.

The word “becalmed” sounds peaceful, but with no wind, a sailing ship could drift aimlessly for days or weeks until the sailors perished from lack of food and water.

In our lives, our most dangerous enemy may be not some sudden temptation, demonic assault, or even the personal “storms” of life, but the danger of simply drifting. The author of the Book of Hebrews warned, “We must pay the most careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away” (Hebrews 2:1).

Are you drifting?

As we begin the new year, we pray that the Holy Spirit (in both Hebrew and Greek the word for “spirit” and “wind” is the same) fill the sails of our lives so that we live with purpose and intention.



Join us as we seek *The Intentional Life of Love*.

January 17	Love in Action	Galatians 6:2
January 24	Love among Friends	I Thessalonians 5:11
January 31	Love within Families	Joshua 25:15
February 7	Love Generously	Matthew 6:21
February 14	Love to God's Glory	I Corinthians 10:31

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MARRIAGE MENTORING

Marriage mentoring supports Christ centered marriages through discipleship and fellowship. We do this by pairing *experienced* married couples with *newly* married couples. We are seeking couples who have been married for at least ten years and who would enjoy hosting a newly married couple. The program will begin soon. Couples will be asked to commit for five months, just once a month, and materials will be provided! Please reach out to Meta Rosenberg at mtkolander@gmail.com or (920) 284-0658 if you and your spouse are interested in being mentors.

GOD'S GUYS SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

God's Guys is a St. Paul's Saturday morning men's Bible study group. Bring a friend and join the group in the Faith Room for breakfast at 8:00 am, with Bible study beginning at 8:30 am. For more information contact Bruce Marggraf at (262) 679-4725.

ONLINE STUDY OF REVELATION

Want to study Revelation with Pastor Pete? He will lead a study of online on Thursday evenings beginning January 14 and continuing every other Thursday. Register your interest on the connection card or email him at ppanirzke@stpaulmuskego.org.