



For the week of January 13, 2020

MON	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	6:30 pm	Strings Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Woodwind Rehearsal
TUE	9:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Faith Room)
	9:30 am	Ministry Growth Team Meeting
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	10:30 am	Ministerial Team Meeting
	12:00 pm	Organization of Wisconsin Lutheran Seniors—OWLS (Grace Room)
	6:30 pm	Handbells Rehearsal (Church Balcony)
	6:30 pm	Volleyball League (Trinity Gym)
WED	9:00 am	Mommy & Me (Faith Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School 6-8 Grade Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	7:00 pm	High School Boy Basketball League (Trinity Gym)
	8:00 pm	Brass Ensemble Rehearsal
THURS	6:30 am	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room)
	8:15 am	Lutheran School Chapel Service (Main Church)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	7:00 pm	Card Players' Group—Players' Choice (Faith Room)
	7:00 pm	The Bridge and Contemporary Band Practice
SAT	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room)
	5:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
SUN	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 am	Kid's Club
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:45 am	The Bridge Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service	

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

JOINING JESUS ON HIS MISSION

Continue the journey as we join Jesus on his mission to reach the lost. This message series is based on the book, *Joining Jesus on His Mission – How to Be an Every Day Missionary*, by Greg Fink.



January 19

Seeing What Is Already Happening

John 1:29–42a

Where are mercy and grace needed? Having joy in being curious about others and their lives is key. When we get to know others better, we have opportunities to show love, joy, truth, and patience during times of need – using the gifts of the mercy and grace God has given us. We make God's compassion tangible as Jesus works through us to deliver his gifts.

January 26

A Mission Trip to Our Own Neighborhood

Matthew 5:13–20

A lot of what it takes to be an everyday missionary is just being near to people, listening, developing friendships, and making open spaces of time a priority so there is room in your life to build relationships. Ask yourself, “Who are these people that God has put in my life? What is Jesus already up to in their lives? How can I join in?”



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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PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: Carol Beyer, David Burkowitz, Steve Drobka, Carol Gosseck, Janelle Gray, Lois Guhr, Connie Hikade, Josh Nagel, Carol Smith, Jeanne Steinbrecher, and Dick and Jane Sternberg.

HOSPITALIZED

Gary Ives is at the VA Hospital. Jan Kuske is rehabbing at Linden Grove New Berlin. Roman Rynders has been discharged from the hospital.

ATTENDANCE

984 were in attendance at last week's services.

SUNDAY MORNING NURSERY

We have a staffed nursery during the 9:15 and 10:45 am services in the east wing of the church. A silent pager system allows childcare providers to alert you of any need your child has. Our ushers will be happy to direct you if needed.

GET INTO THE WORD IN 2020

If you are interested in a new Bible reading plan for 2020, 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 have any questions about what you read for the day you are encouraged to contact him at ppanitzke@stpaulmuskego.org.

FOLLOWING THE PROMISE BIBLE STUDY

As our church family is *Joining Jesus on his Mission*, can you help St. Paul's reach out to our community to share the love of Jesus? Can St. Paul's help you reach out into your personal community to share the love of Jesus with your "people"? The next *Following the Promise* class begins February 11 at 7:00 pm and will run for 12 weeks. We will probably have the class in the Faith Room, but we may take it offsite in an effort to go with Jesus into our community. Please text Pastor Nate at 414.426.8236 or mark the back of your Connection Card to let us know of your interest to assist in taking Jesus to our world. Thanks, friends!

MINISTERING TO MILLENNIALS: THE GRACE ROOM SERIES

Join our St. Paul's pastors, 9:15-10:15 am the Sundays of January, as they lead discussion based on a video series produced by our church body to explore what we can do to retain and gain members of this generation. The discussion will also help you in your personal witness ministry.

A STUDY ON THE BOOK OF JOB

The "patience of Job" is proverbial, but a closer look at Job's story shows he was not always patient. The book of Job does not provide easy, bumper-sticker answers to the questions of suffering for believers. Instead, readers grow in understanding God's ways as they go along with Job through his struggles. Join Rev. Dr. Mark Braun of Wisconsin Lutheran College for this Grace Room Bible study series, February 2-March 1, 9:15 am.

THE NEW LOOK OF FORWARD IN CHRIST

Pick up a free copy of *Forward in Christ* at the Welcome Center while supplies last. Enjoy the new look and consider subscribing to receive a copy each month. For more information go to forwardinchrist.net.

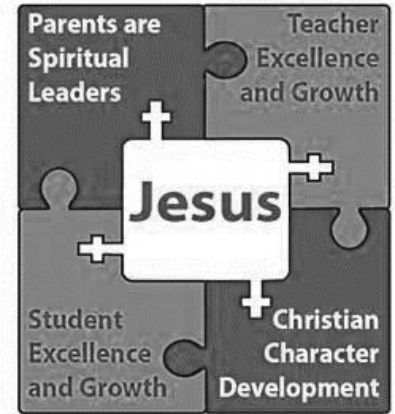
ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL NEWS

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 26.



SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE—JANUARY 26

It's just two weeks until our **Pre-K through 8th Grade School Open House** on Sunday, January 26, 1:00 – 3:00 pm! Meet our teachers, visit the classrooms, and learn about our school. If you are not able to attend the open house, you can always contact Principal Seth Fitzsimmons at sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 118, to set up a one-on-one visit.

SCHOOL CHOICE INFORMATION

If you or someone you know might qualify for the Milwaukee or Wisconsin Parental Choice Programs, please contact School Administrator Seth Fitzsimmons for more information at sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 118. We would love to have your family take a tour of our school! (The 2020-21 income limits for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) will be published later this month, below are 2019-20 limits.)

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
3	\$45,716	\$52,716
4	\$55,220	\$62,220
5	\$64,724	\$71,724
6	\$74,228	\$81,228
***Add \$9,504 for each additional family member		

Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP)

Family Size	Single Parent Income Limit	Married Parents Income Limit
3	\$62,340	\$69,340
4	\$75,300	\$82,300
5	\$88,260	\$95,260
6	\$101,220	\$108,220
***Add \$12,960 for each additional family member		

FIFTH GRADE TEACHER CALL

With the notification that Mr. Paul Kanzenbach declined the call to teach 5th grade in our Lutheran school, the School Ministry Action Team, together with the Ministry Board, will extend another call for a fifth grade teacher on January 16.

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

SHOP CLASS – VOLUNTEER ASSISTANTS NEEDED

Our Lutheran school will be offering a few short-length, once-a-week, shop class electives beginning fall of 2020 for our middle school students. Principal Fitzsimmons is looking for volunteers to assist the lead instructor. Ideal candidates may be retirees with skills in basic tools, woodworking, small engine repair, or any of the trades. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, please contact Principal Fitzsimmons at sfitzsimmons@stpaulmuskego.org or indicate interest on your Connection Card.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR CHILD CARE CENTER LUNCH PREP

A few volunteers are needed on an emergency basis to help make lunches for the children at our Child Care Center. Hours needed are 11:00 am - 12:15 pm. Your volunteer assistance would be requested if one of the regularly scheduled volunteers is ill or can't make it for the day. Please contact Child Care Center Director Kim Neubauer at (414) 422-0320, ext. 200, or kneubauer@stpaulmuskego.org.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE CENTER

St. Paul's Child Care Center is hiring a Teacher's Aide/Closer in the Infant Room, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. Contact Child Care Center Director Kim Neubauer at kneubauer@stpaulmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 200, for a job description and to apply.

ST. PAUL'S CLEAN TEAM STAFF OPENING

Help create an optimal environment for student learning and worship. Apply to be on St. Paul's Clean Team. This paid position involves 4-8 hours on weeknights with some occasional fill-in hours on weekends. Responsibilities include cleaning the school, church, and fill-in cleaning at the child care center. Contact Church Administrator Randy Fink at rfink@stpmuskego.org or (414) 422-0320, ext. 120, to apply.

PROVIDE A SOUP SUPPER BETWEEN LENTEN SERVICES

Our Wednesday soup suppers will be back for Lent. Volunteers are needed to provide a warm meal the Wednesdays of March 4 – April 1, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, in the Grace Room. A free will offering is gathered at the soup supper to help defray the cost of the food and to support the ministry of the hosting group. Contact Tammy Miller at 414.422.0320, ext. 111, or tmiller@stpaulmuskego.org to volunteer or ask questions.

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ORGANIZATION OF WISCONSIN LUTHERAN SENIORS MEETS TUESDAY

Seniors 55 and older, join the OWLS in the Grace Room on Tuesday, January 14, at 12:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy soul time with music by Kathie Albrect. For more information contact OWLS Director Char Pingel at (262) 490-2579.

CARD PLAYERS' GROUP—PLAYERS' CHOICE THIS THURSDAY

This card players' choice. Both evenings begin at 7:00 in the Faith Room. Enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship, bring a snack to share, and your own beverage. RSVP by calling the church office at (414) 422-0320, ext. 128, or joining the Card Players Group on My St. Paul's.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

If you are a cancer survivor, are currently battling cancer, or have friends or family members fighting the fight, consider attending the next St. Paul's Cancer Support Group on Sunday, January 12, at 10:30 am in the church library. Please contact Karen Schram at (414) 529-5544 or Judy Schmidt at gjschmidt@wi.rr.com for more information on other opportunities for support as well.

THE CHURCH LIBRARY IS HERE TO HELP

The beginning of the year is a good time to start on a Bible reading plan. When questions crop up, you might find NPH's Bible Discovery books helpful. Now on display in your library, some of the topics covered include:

- Understanding Scripture with the approach of letting Scripture interpret Scripture.
- A basic understanding of how God communicates through pictures, symbols, and parables.
- Time between the testaments.
- Learning how God's guidance of world events in the OT correlates with his plan of redemption.
- Answers to questions about the Bible, based on findings of the science of archaeology.

SEARCH OUR CHURCH LIBRARY ELECTRONICALLY

Searching through our church library's 3,500 resources can now be done electronically. The old card catalog has been replaced with a computerized database. Simple directions are available in the library. Finding what we have available for your needs is now as easy as clicking a mouse. Check it out!

MINISTRY PARTNER NEWS

GARDEN HOMES LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH CENTER SAYS THANK YOU!

The students and staff at the Lighthouse Youth Center in Milwaukee say a big thank you for your recent gifts of much needed supplies. You are a great blessing to this ministry! Thank you for your generosity!



2020 YOUTH RALLY

St. Paul's teens, now is the time to make plans to attend the 2020 WELS Youth Rally! It's happening June 23-26 in Knoxville, Tennessee. For more information about gathering a group together to attend, contact Dr. Joel Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org.

VOLUNTEER WITH LUTHERANS FOR LIFE IN THE NEW YEAR

As you consider your future and what you may resolve to change in your life, think about what you can do to help save a life. You can make a difference by volunteering at Lutherans for Life's pregnancy medical clinic in Milwaukee for the next year. There are a number of areas to help. Call Rachel at 414-727-8176 or e-mail Contact@ALife2.com for more information.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY JANUARY SPOTLIGHT

Each month the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society highlights a missionary they support. January takes a look at Mark Rieke, former friendly counselor to South Asia. Mark is a classmate of Pastors Kuehl and Panitzke. When he was on the mission field, he watched our online messages for his own family worship. His ministry in India came to an end because the government would not renew his visa. As Mark looks back on his ministry he does so with 3 points in mind.

1) **The caste system really hinders the spread of the gospel.**

It's rare for a Hindu of any caste to speak to a Christian. It's practically unheard of for an upper caste individual to do so. God's Word, of course, can accomplish great things. But it faces an enormous challenge among well over a billion people who live in South Asia. Something to keep praying about.

2) **It isn't easy to train a pastor in another culture.**

When you think of training a pastor, you first think of some sort of school where students study the Bible and its teachings; where they learn ways to share those teachings with others through sermons, classes, and conversations. Certainly, that is the foundation of a pastoral training program. But in our church body, future pastors also benefit greatly from having a host of role models; other, often older, pastors who know how to touch people's hearts with a sermon, men who display the love of Christ in word and action. But such role models often aren't available in many of our mission fields. In classes you can describe practical situations and ask students, "What would you do?" But it's not the same. Something more to pray about.

3) **The Lutheran liturgy is really, really important.**

In our world mission fields, many congregations are served by dedicated laymen, because a dedicated pastor is not always available. Using a simplified Lutheran liturgy, translated into the local language, I can be sure that each and every Sunday the Christians at that congregation are confessing their sins and receiving God's forgiveness. I can be certain that the gospel is being preached in truth and purity.