



For the week of September 2, 2019

MON		Labor Day
TUE	9:00 am	Ladies Bible Study (Faith Room)
	9:30 am	Ministerial Growth Team Meeting
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
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	7:00 pm	<i>Following the Promise</i> (Faith Room)
WED	12:00 pm	Ladies Afternoon Fellowship (Grace Room)
	4:30 pm	Public School 6-8 Grade Confirmation Instruction Classes
	7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
THURS	6:30 am	Sunrise Bible Study (Faith Room)
	9:00 am	Quilting Fellowship (Faith Room)
	10:00 am	Walking Club (Trinity Gym)
	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 with Holy Communion
SUN	7:45 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Grace Room Bible Study
	9:45 am	The Bridge Communion
	10:15 am	The Bridge
	10:45 am	Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion

JOIN US ONLINE

If you can't join us in person, join us online! A video archive of sermons is available at www.stpaulmukego.org/worship/sermons.

The Bridge, our casual contemporary service, is livestreamed every Sunday at 10:15 am on each of the following platforms. You can find an archive of past messages on each site, with the full-service HD replay on YouTube.



www.thebridgemuskego.org



@ The Bridge Church Muskego



@ The Bridge at St. Paul's

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following individuals in their time of need: Carol Beyer, David Burkowitz, Carol Gosseck, Connie Hikade, Josh Nagel, 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, Dorothy Hahn is at St. Luke's, Jessica Vanderhyde is at Waukesha Memorial, and Diane Wedell is rehabbing at Lake Country Landing in Oconomowoc. Tom O'Laughlin has been discharged from the hospital.

ATTENDANCE

882 attended worship services last week.

TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO FOLLOW THE PROMISE

A new session of *Following the Promise* begins in September with the following options:

- Sundays, beginning September 15, 8:30-9:30 am, 15 weeks
- Tuesdays, beginning September 24, 7:00-8:15 pm, 12 weeks

This class is for members and non-members to revisit God's saving plan for the world in his Son, Jesus. Wide-open discussion will challenge you to rethink deeply the promises of our God. Non-members are welcome to use this class as a path to membership at the end, or just as a chance to connect with the God of the Bible. Tuesday classes meet in the Faith Room at church, Sunday classes in Room 8 in the school. Register on the back of your Connection Card. It will be a joy!

FIND FINANCIAL PEACE THIS FALL

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will be offered on our campus Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm, September 11 to mid-November, with childcare provided. This proven program will show you how to master budgeting, save for emergencies, pay off debt, plan and invest for the future, and live and give like no one else. Mark the back of your Connection Card to register or contact Course Instructor Kevin McSwain directly at k.mcswain@ymail.com.

MOMMY AND ME BEGINS SEPTEMBER 18

Do you have children newborn – age 5? Consider joining St. Paul's social, spiritual, and service oriented group - *Mommy & Me*. The group meets Wednesday mornings, 9:30-11:00, in the Faith Room beginning September 18. Contact Samantha Lindner for additional details at sam.lindner2323@gmail.com or (989) 284-2854.

NEW SEASON OF GRACE ROOM BIBLE STUDIES TO BEGIN

A diverse line-up of Bible studies has been scheduled for the Grace Room on Sunday mornings, 9:15-10:15 am. Check the church website under 'Grow' to learn more about the courses and their presenters.



September 1, explore the weekly Group Work discussion guide that is in the worship folder each week and how it can be used to the fullest.

September 8, the 2019-2020 Grace Room series of Bible studies begins with *Relationships in the Shadow of the Cross*, a four-week study exploring skills effectively communicate across the sexes, based on the principles God lays down for us in the scriptures. Course presenters are Rev. James Becker and his wife, Denise, who taught a widely appreciated senior elective for 20 years at Wisconsin Lutheran High School —*From Friendship to Marriage*—that explored healthy, happy, and faith-filled relationships. The Beckers also lead workshops and Bible studies throughout our church body on men and women issues.

FAMILY CHURCH 2.0

CREATING A SAFE PLACE

Join us, beginning the weekend of September 8, as we take up The Family Church again with the theme: “Creating a Safe Place.”

- September 8** **The Safe Place: God’s Design**
- September 15** **Our Safe Place: Powered by Hope**
- September 22** **Called to Create God’s Safe Place**
- September 29** **Inviting Others into the Safe Place**



If you would like to review or share any of the video testimonials or messages from last year’s series, you can find everything at StPaulMuskego.org/Family-Church/.

BUILDING MARGIN

The weekend of September 29, as part of our RAWKs Fund Seed Packet Distribution, we will be giving away a number of copies of *The Gospel Comes with a House Key*. Author Rosaria Butterfield challenges us to build margin into our lives so that we can love others – both inside the family of God and outside the family of God.

- Build margin into your time. Make time to be part of a life group to grow in your relationship with Jesus and with others.
- Build margin into your finances. We will again give away RAWKs Fund Seed Packets to encourage you as an individual, a family, and a small group to set aside a portion of your offering to do Random Acts of Worship Kindness (RAWKs).

JOIN A SAFE PLACE – BE A PART OF A LIFE GROUP

New Life Groups will be formed at GroupLink on Tuesday, September 24, at 6:30 pm. We’ll explain what a small group is like, provide snacks to enjoy, and starter questions so that you can get to know others present at GroupLink. By the end of the evening, you’ll have found a group of people with whom you feel comfortable. At the close of GroupLink, the new groups will have a short Life Group meeting to plan the next time that they will get together. Use the Connection Card to let us know if you will be able to attend.

CREATE A SAFE PLACE – BE A LIFE GROUP HOST

Hosting isn’t rocket science! It is as simple as 1, 2, 3, 4.

1. Pick a night for the group and stay consistent.
2. Prepare enough seats for the group (either consistently in your home or rotate locations among the group).
3. Have a firm start and end time.
4. Have snacks (a cold glass of water or more elaborate if you wish).

If you are willing to consider being a host, mark your interest on the Connection Card.

CELEBRATING THE SAFE PLACE

On Saturday, September 28, at 6:30 pm, you are invited to join Mike Westendorf as he releases his new album *Everything for Good*, featuring the Family Church theme song *You Made a Place for Me*. In keeping with the RAWKs fund theme that weekend, Mike will be bundling three copies of his new album together for the price of two: one to keep for yourself, one to invest in a friend, and one to give to a complete stranger! May the love of God flow out from us through such Random Acts of Worship Kindness!

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KIDS CLUB STARTS NEXT SUNDAY

Help your child apply God's Word to their life—join Kids Club. All grade levels meet in the school. Enter through the Trinity Café and you will receive directions for your child's room location. For more information visit our website or contact Dr. Joel Nelson at jnelson@stpaulmuskego.org.

PRE-K BEGINS AFTER LABOR DAY

Our 3K and 4K will begin the week after Labor Day with an anticipated enrollment of 82 with a few open seats still available. We offer a variety of scheduling options – half day or full day, 2-5 days per week, and wrap-around care. Contact Pre-K Director Michele Drska at (414) 422-0320, ext. 144, for further information.



WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Discover your female uniqueness alongside women leaders at the women's leadership conference, *Gifted to Lead: Growing in Your Gifts*, Saturday, October 19, 8:00 am - 12:30 pm at Wisconsin Lutheran College. Hosted by the Christian Women's Leadership Circle at Wisconsin Lutheran College, this half-day conference will explore and encourage women's growth in character, confidence, competence, and commitment. To register, for more information, or to sponsor this event, visit www.christianwomenlead.com/leadership-conference-2019. To ensure you receive all conference materials, register by September 15. Final registration is October 4.

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 – 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.

FRIDAY SUPPER DATES STILL AVAILABLE

Seven St. Paul's groups or families have already signed up to provide a simple supper on a Friday night at the Lighthouse Youth Center connected to Garden Homes Lutheran Church on 24th and Roosevelt in Milwaukee. There are still Fridays available. If you would like to know more about this very simple and helpful service to Lighthouse, or you'd like to sign up for a Friday, contact Dr. Nelson right away.



FALL/WINTER CO-ED 6'S INDOOR VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Introduce a friend to St. Paul's through our volleyball leagues currently forming. We still have space for "B" class teams to sign up. Pick up a registration form at the welcome center in the lobby. Contact League Coordinator Cindy Proeber at (414) 801-2845 or cindy.proeber@accuratediedesign.com with questions.



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HANDBELL REHEARSAL BEGINS SOON

Handbell rehearsal will resume on Tuesday September 10, at 6:30 pm in the church balcony. If you are interested in playing bells, please contact Dave Lemke at (262) 679-9537 or dllemke718@gmail.com.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY BEGINS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

All ladies are invited to join the Tuesday Ladies Bible Study at 9:00 am beginning September 3, in the Faith Room. The first study will look at Joshua and worry. For more information contact Michele Eiche at meiche4@wi.rr.com.

Ladies Bible Study

LADIES AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP RESUMES WEDNESDAY

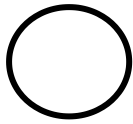
Ladies, join in fellowship and fun on Wednesday, September 4, at noon, in the Grace Room. Pizza, salad, and dessert will be served. A schedule of speakers and activities for the upcoming year will be shared. Contact May at (414) 422-47789 with questions.

DIVORCECARE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10

Going through a divorce or being separated from your spouse is very painful. No one imagines this for their marriage. You are not alone. God is with you, "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. (*Psalm 23:4*)" We are here for you, too. Please join us in discovering hope and healing through God's Word. DivorceCare meets on Tuesdays beginning September 10, 6:00-8:00 pm, in room 8 in the school building. Please contact Eric Pearson at (414) 588-7331 or Kristen Miller (414) 422-0320, ext. 130, for more information.

STONEY CREEK ADULT COMMUNITY EVENTS

On October 16, visit the Norwegian Center in Stoughton. On December 5, travel out to Wisconsin Dells and see the matinee *Christmas at the Palace*. To register, contact Activities Director Anita at (414) 422-4686.



GroupWork

Bible Study Discussion Starters

Life application materials for use in Life Groups, home devotions, and other small groups.

1. **Grace Wins! We Are More than Conquerors.**

Share your highs and lows of the past days. Discuss as a group the challenges of the Holy Spirit in Romans 8 labeling us “more than conquerors.”

2. **Read 2 Corinthians 5:7 and Job 19:25-27.**

Recall Job’s circumstances as he spoke. What makes Job a hero of faith and his words precious to every generation of believers?

3. **It is Well with My Soul.**

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot thou' has taught me to say
It is well it is well with my soul
It is well with my soul

My sin oh the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, o' my soul
It is well with my soul

And Lord haste the day when my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well with my soul
It is well with my soul

If time allows, the following will benefit discussion:

- Review the background to this hymn at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Horatio_Spafford.
- Watch and hear *It is Well with My Soul* performed by Anthem Lights at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jcp6w4zaV7U> or by searching via Google.

Share stories of grief and faith that happen still today.

What and where is the value and the real strength of hymns such as this one?

4. **Have some fun! Share some joy! Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-58.**

What do you look forward to with the “redemption of our bodies?”

What will be the greatest blessing of the “spiritual body?” (v. 49)

5. **Close with prayer.**