

ST. PAUL'S NEWS

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED

Ralph Morbeck (LindenGrove New Berlin), Mason Concepcion (Children's), Ronald Braund and JoAnn Huff (Hales Corners Care Center), and Sherwin Beyer (The Woods).

BAPTISMS

Silas Inigo Thomas Hummel, son of Joshua and Victoria (nee Bonack) Hummel, born February 26, 2024, will be baptized in a private ceremony on Sunday, March 17, 2024.

A recent member of our *Following the Promise* class, Jessica Rozek, will be baptized in a private ceremony on Sunday, March 17, 2024.

May God bless both Silas and Jessica in their baptismal faiths.

ATTENDANCE

The following attended last week's services: 285 at 3:30 pm and 75 at 6:30 pm at Midweek Lent. 183 on Saturday, 84 on Sunday 8:00 am, 372 on Sunday 9:30 am, 304 at The Bridge, and 75 at The Bridge MKE.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

You can find a list of the homebound members at the welcome center so you can remember them during this Easter season.

REMOVE CROSSES AND WREATHS FROM CEMETERY

All crosses and wreaths need to be removed from the cemetery by the end of March. All remaining adornments will be placed behind the old church.

EASTER EGG HUNT – MARCH 23

St. Paul's is looking to bring our community's young children and families to our campus for them to learn about our ministries and help parents build strong, Christ-centered families. With that in mind, we will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23, at 10:00 am. You can register by scanning the QR code. If you would like to serve on the planning team, volunteer team, or donate money, please contact Jodi Rynders at office@stpmuskego.org



SCHOOL MUSICAL – MARY POPPINS, JR.

The spring production of "Mary Poppins, Jr." will be presented by St. Paul's 6th-8th graders on Thursday, March 21, at 3:30 pm (doors open at 3:10 pm), and March 22 and 23 at 7:00 pm, in the Centennial Gym (doors open at 6:30 pm). Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$8 for adults and \$5 for K-12 students. Ages 4 and under are free. Tickets purchased are valid all weekend.

FULL ARMOR OF GOD BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to join The Full Armor of God Bible Study (formerly Sunrise Bible Study) every Thursday, 9:00 – 10:00 am, at Dave Timm's house (16035 Maple Ridge Road, New Berlin, WI 53151). For more information, you can contact Dave at 414-588-3840.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Even though military operations in Gaza continue, life has returned to normal in the rest of Israel. The trip to the Holy Land that was originally scheduled for this spring has been postponed until March 2025. Registration forms are at the Welcome Center. Ask Pastor Pete for more information.

GET INVOLVED!

GIVE TO YOUR LOCAL FOOD DRIVE!

The St. Paul's School Student Council is working with outreach to host a food drive in order to benefit the Muskego Food Pantry the weekend of Palm Sunday. Food may be dropped off in the lobbies during church hours. In addition, the student council is happy to take your donations at the main church canopy at these times:

Saturday, March 23, 9:30 – 10:15 am (before the Easter Egg Hunt)

Sunday, March 24, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

The most needed items are:

Strawberry and raspberry jelly
Rice sides
Pasta sides
Potato sides

Juice
Canned fruit
Hamburger Helper

Thank you for showing Jesus' love to our community by providing much needed food.

VOLUNTEER WITH LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH CENTER

Volunteers are needed to make and serve Friday Night Dinners each week at Lighthouse Youth Centers. The first Friday at The Bridge MKE is already taken! To sign up, scan the QR code. Questions? Email Abbie Helwig at abbie.helwig@lighthouseyouthcenter.com.



JOIN THE COMMUNION PREP AND ALTAR TEAMS

The St. Paul's Communion Prep and Altar Teams (formally Altar Guild) are looking for 3-5 new members. This behind-the-scenes ministry plays an important role in our worship services by preparing Communion, changing altar paraments, and maintaining altar elements. If interested in helping, contact Heidi Schuh at hschuh@stpmuskego.org.

MEN'S SOFTBALL AT ST. PAUL'S

St. Paul's will once again field a team to play in the WELS Softball League Tuesday nights in late April through early August. Games are played at 6:30, 7:30, and 8:30 pm. The team is open to all male members confirmation age and older. If interested in playing this year, contact Mike Westendorf at mwestendorf@stpmuskego.org or 414-507-8250.

CAREER FAIR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY – APRIL 11

Kingdom Prep Lutheran High School is hosting their 4th Annual Internship and Career Fair on April 11. Following the fair, students will have the chance to apply for various positions. Kingdom Prep is seeking volunteers from 1:30 to 4:00 pm who would be willing to help students craft strong applications. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please share your interest by emailing internship@kplhs.org.

WELS YOUTH RALLY – JUNE 25-28

This year, the WELS Youth Rally will be held June 25-28 in Fort Collins, Colorado, at Colorado State University. This rally is for high school students and 8th graders who will be entering high school this year. Join with teens from across the country at the foot of the Rocky Mountains to explore the many messages God delivers "From the Mountaintops" of Scripture. If interested, contact Family Minister Paul Schuessler at pschuessler@stpmuskego.org or visit welsyouthrally.net for more information.

WELS WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – JULY 28-30

Join hundreds of other WELS women at the Ingleside Hotel in Pewaukee for the 2024 Conference *Empowered to Proclaim*. Learn more and register at WELSwmconference.net/#.

CALL NEWS



REV. MATTHEW EWART CALLED TO BE PASTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP

St. Paul's voters' assembly has called Pastor Matt Ewart to serve as our Pastor of Discipleship. This call begins the process of succession planning as both Pastors Kuehl and Panitzke approach their retirement in the years ahead. Because of the number of pastoral vacancies in the synod we may need to call a dozen or more times for this position to be filled. If Pastor Ewart accepts the call, we will enjoy more than a year of overlap between the time of his arrival and Pastor Kuehl's retirement.

Pastor Ewart is 43 years old, a 2006 graduate of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. He is married to Amy. They have three children (15, 14, 12). He began his ministry at Living Hope Lutheran in Commerce City, Colorado. He then served for five years at Emmanuel Lutheran in Tempe, Arizona. For the last ten years he has served as an associate pastor with Pastor Ben Blumer at NorthCross Lutheran Church in Lakeville, Minnesota. NorthCross is a large, rapidly growing congregation of over 1,000. Matt is the Spiritual Growth Pastor and is charged with leading and inspiring everyone at NorthCross to grow in their relationship with Jesus by engaging with the gospel and in community with each other.

MR. SCOTT GEORGSON ACCEPTS CALL

Scott Georgson has accepted the call to be our Director of Instructional Technology. We are extremely thankful to God for leading him to this decision.



4K TEACHER CALL

This week, the Ministry Board approved the School Ministry Action Team's recommendation to call Lori Andrews to serve as one of our 4K teachers. Lori lives in Slinger, Wisconsin, and has served as an administrative assistant and teacher's assistant at both Salem Lutheran in Milwaukee and Peace Lutheran in Hartford. She is currently attending Concordia University to receive her master's degree in early childhood and elementary education along with her Wisconsin Teaching Liscence.

To the Saints Elect at St. Paul's,

This past Monday evening I was privileged to receive the divine call extended to me by your congregation to serve as your 4K Teacher. I am humbled to hold this divine call now before me. Please keep my family in your prayers these coming weeks as I pray and deliberate the path that God has set before me.

*God's blessings,
Lori Andrews*



MORE CALL NEWS

- Our 8th grade teacher, Kurt Steffen, has declined his call to St. Croix Lutheran Academy. We pray God's continued blessing over his ministry and leadership here at St. Paul's.
- St. Paul's Ministry Board has called Kimberly Ehlke to serve as one of our 2nd grade teachers with Sarah Tonn. Kimberly currently teaches 3rd grade at Trinity Lutheran School in Caledonia, Wisconsin.

We ask that you please keep all these called workers in your thoughts and prayers.

ESTATE PLANNING AND PASTORAL SUCCESSION

God put into the hearts of generous donors of the past to include St. Paul's ministry in their estate plans. As a result, our Gift Trust Fund and Legacy Fund will cover the expense of a possible pastoral "overlap" as we prepare for pastoral succession. What needs will St. Paul's ministry have in the future? We don't know... but God does. Your estate planning will be part of God's answer to prayer for St. Paul's in the future. If you don't have an estate plan, or haven't updated your estate plan recently, contact our Estate Coach Tom Slye for help at no cost to you or your estate. Visit StPaulMuskego.org/estate-planning/.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of March 18, 2024

MON	9:40 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Walking Group (Trinity Gym) DivorceCare Support Group (Faith Room) Adult Choir Rehearsal (Main Church)
TUE	9:40 am 4:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Walking Group (Trinity Gym) Public School Confirmation Classes Adult Handell Practice (Main Church) Alzheimer's Support Group (Hope Room) Following the Promise (Grace Room) Woodwind Ensemble Rehearsal (Church Basement)
WED	9:45 am 9:45 am 3:30 pm 6:30 pm	Reading Buddies (Trinity Café) Mommy and Me (Mother's Room) Midweek Lenten Worship Midweek Lenten Worship
THUR	9:00 am 9:30 am 9:40 am 5:45 pm 6:30 pm	Full Armor of God Bible Study (Off Campus) Thursday Ladies Bible Study (Hope Room) Walking Group (Trinity Gym) TempleLoveFitness Bible Study (Grace Room) TempleLoveFitness Pilates Class (Grace Room)
FRI	8:15 am	School Chapel (Main Church)
SAT	8:00 am 9:45 am 10:00 am 5:00 pm	God's Guys Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room) Brass Ensemble Rehearsal (School Room #10) Easter Egg Hunt (Entire Campus) Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
SUN	8:00 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion Grace Room Bible Study Kids Club The Bridge and The Bridge MKE Communion The Bridge and The Bridge MKE

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

- Maundy Thursday, March 28, with Holy Communion 1:00, 3:30, and 6:30 pm
- Good Friday Tenebrae, March 29, 1:00, 3:30, and 6:30 pm
- Holy Saturday, March 30, 5:00 pm
- Easter Traditional, March 31, 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am
- Easter Bridge, March 31, 9:00 and 10:45 am



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.