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EASTER FESTIVAL WORSHIP

March 30 and 31, 2024

Hallelujah! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Today we celebrate that the good news of Jesus' resurrection.

This news brings light into the darkness of this world and into the darkness in our hearts.



WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S – CONNECTION CARD

Thank you for joining us in worship. Please complete a Connection Card, sharing any questions or prayer requests you might have. You can fill out the card online and find other resources by scanning the QR Code.

CHILDCARE DURING ALL OUR SUNDAY SERVICES in east wing of the church. There is also a "Mother's Room" to your right as you leave the sanctuary. Parents can hear the service there while quieting your children.

SUNDAY KIDS CLUB 9:30 – 10:30 am at the school for 3 years old through 5th grade. Kids Club will not meet Easter weekend. Register online at stpaulmuskego.org/kidsclub.

RESTROOMS are to the left as you leave the sanctuary. There are also handicapped/family restrooms to the right as you leave the sanctuary.

ACCESSIBILITY A hearing loop system and large-print worship folders are available.

QUESTIONS OR NEED ASSISTANCE? Visit the Welcome Center in the lobby where a greeter will be happy to assist you.

BELLS

Please stand and face the processional cross. Continue to face the cross as it slowly processes down the aisle during the responsive readings.

The Light has Come into the Darkness of this World (John 1:1-4)

M In the beginning was the Word,
C **and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.**
M Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.
C **In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.**
M The light shines in the darkness,
C **and the darkness has not overcome it.**

The Light has Come into the Darkness of Our Hearts (1 John 1:1-3)

- M The Apostle John testifies: That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched — this we proclaim concerning the Word of life.
- C **The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us.**
- M We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us.
- C **And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.**

The Light Shall Come Again (Revelation 19:6-8)

- M The Apostle John heard what seemed to be the roar of a large crowd or the roar of many waters or the sound of loud rumblings of thunder, saying:
- C **“Alleluia! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.**
- M Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory,
because the wedding of the Lamb has come.”
- M His bride has made herself ready, and she was given bright, clean, fine linen to wear.
- C **In fact, the fine linen is the “not guilty” verdicts pronounced on us, his saints.**

M Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Congregation may be seated at Sunday morning services.

EASTER ANTHEM (*Sunday*)

Easter Song

*Words and Music by A. Herring
Arr. and Orchestrated by C. Kirkland
St. Paul's Adult Choir*

Congregation remains standing on Saturday for the singing of the first hymn.

HYMN RED 156, vv. 1-3 (*Saturday*)

Awake, My Heart, With Gladness

**Awake, my heart, with gladness! See what today is done;
Now, after gloom and sadness, Comes forth the glorious sun.
My Savior there was laid Where our bed must be made
When to the realms of light Our spirit wings its flight.**

**The Foe in triumph shouted When Christ lay in the tomb.
But low, he now is routed; His boast is turned to gloom.
For Christ again is free; In glorious victory
He who is strong to save Has triumphed o'er the grave.**

**This is a sight that gladdens--What peace it does impart!
Now nothing ever saddens The joy within my heart.
No gloom shall ever shake, No foe shall ever take
The hope which God's own Son In love for me has won.**

THE LIGHT OVERCOMES THE DISCIPLES' DARKNESS OF DOUBT

We begin our service here, in the darkness of doubt. What happened to the body of Jesus? The women didn't know at first. Peter and John didn't know. There was doubt at the empty tomb. Why? Because they did not understand the Scriptures.

FIRST LESSON

John 20:1-9, Bible page 926

HYMN RESPONSE RED 152, vv. 1, 2, 5, 7

v. 1 I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living Head!

v.2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
He lives eternally to save.
He lives all-glorious in the sky;
He lives exalted there on high.

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

v.5 He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears.
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives, all blessings to impart.

v.7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death.
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.

THE LIGHT OVERCOMES OUR DARKNESS OF DOUBT

What comfort it is to know that Jesus lives. But what if you aren't sure. What if you have doubts about the reality of this event? The Apostle Paul wanted to remove that doubt by reminding us of the witnesses.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:1-8, Bible page 1154

HYMN RESPONSE RED 153, vv. 1-3

Alleluia! Jesus lives! He is now the living one;
From the gloomy house of death Forth the conqueror has gone,
Bright forerunner to the skies
Of his people, yet to rise.

Jesus lives! Let all rejoice; Praise him, ransomed ones of earth.
Praise him in a nobler song, Cherubim of heav'nly birth.
Praise the Victor-King, whose sway
Sin and death and hell obey.

Jesus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and frequent sigh?
He who died our Brother here Lives our Brother still on high,
Lives forever to bestow
Blessings on his Church below.

Alleluia! Jesus Lives

THE LIGHT OVERCOMES THE DARKNESS OF DESPAIR

Why is it so important to know that Jesus rose from the dead?

It is the seal and guarantee that our sins are forgiven.

THIRD LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:14-20, Bible page 1154

M "Jesus was delivered over to death for our sins
C **and was raised to life for our justification"** (Romans 4:25).

M Satan wants us to think that no one else has sinned so grievously as we have. In this way, he can trap us in the darkness of despair. The reality is that we are alike.

C **"There is no one righteous, not even one... there is no one who does good, not even one... All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God"** (Romans 3).

M We are not alone in this struggle with Satan. Christ has risen and is at the right hand of God, interceding for us. Therefore, let us confess our sins to God and to each other and claim the victory over sin and despair that Jesus won for us at the cross and the empty tomb.

C **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed,
by what I have done and by what I have left undone.
Therefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.**

A moment of silence for reflection and personal confession.

M God Almighty has had mercy on you and has given his only Son as the atoning sacrifice for your sins. It is my privilege to remind you that Jesus was raised to life for your justification. You are forgiven. Since we have been justified through faith,

C **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ**

M Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

C **In all things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. Amen. Alleluia!**

HYMN RED 141, vv. 1, 2, 4

**At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from his pierced side. Alleluia!**

**At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie.
You have conquered in the fight;
You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!**

**Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!**

THE LIGHT OVERCOMES THE DARKNESS OF DEATH

It is at the empty tomb that the darkness of death is overcome.

FOURTH LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:20-23, 35-44, Bible page 1154

M Our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,
C **who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.**

HYMN RED 145, vv. 1-3

Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!
Death no longer can appall me.
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave Christ will recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence;
This shall be my confidence.

Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won

Jesus lives! To him the throne
High o'er heav'n and earth is given.
I shall go where he is gone,
Live and reign with him in heaven.
God is faithful; doubtings, hence!
This shall be my confidence.

Jesus lives! For me he died;
Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide,
Praise to him and glory giving.
All I need God will dispense;
This shall be my confidence.

OUR CONFESSION OF LIGHT'S VICTORY OVER DARKNESS

from 1 Corinthians 15

M We confess that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

C **We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.**

M For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

C **For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.**

M When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true:

C **"Death has been swallowed up in victory."**

M "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

C **Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

M Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord,

C **because we know that our labor in the Lord is not in vain.**

ANTHEM (Saturday)

In Christ Alone
Mike Westendorf

ANTHEM (Sunday)

The Strife Is O'er
G. P. Da Palestrina, Arr. A. B. Sherman (ASCAP)
Adult Handbell Choir

LET THE LIGHT OVERCOME DOUBT, DESPAIR, AND DEATH

Rest in the Light of Jesus' Resurrection – doubt addressed, sin removed, death defeated. Consider your response to this good news. Complete the Connection Card and share your response to the Easter gospel. For example:

- *I want to join Pastor Pete in his Daily Devotions.*
- *I want to join Pastor Nate in the Following the Promise Bible study to learn more.*
- *I want to join a small group or a support group to be encouraged and to encourage others.*
- *I want to invite _____ to come and hear this good news.*
- *I want to respond generously to share this good news with others. You may place your offering in the offering box in the church entrance or give online using our St. Paul's Muskego app or go to StPaulMuskego.org/giving-online.*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

M Almighty and merciful God, increase our faith that the message of the empty tomb may fill our lives and make us glad each day. In moments of doubt, call believers through the voice of our Good Shepherd.

C **In the hopelessness of despair, turn our hearts to the Way, the Truth, and the Life.**

M Wipe away the tears of those who mourn.

C **Give us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of your Son Jesus.**

M King of kings and Lord of lords, destroy all power and authority that stands against you, whether seen or unseen.

C **Triumph over our enemies and empower the Church to persevere in its mission to bring every person in our area of influence closer to Christ.**

Special prayers and intercessions may be added here.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer.

M O Lord of life, you have done mighty things for us! We pray through him who is the Beginning and the End, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **To him be the glory now and forever. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

M The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

M The Light has shown into our darkness.
C **The darkness of doubt is overcome by the faithful testimony of many witnesses.**

M The darkness of despair is overcome by the announcement of forgiveness in Christ.
C **The darkness of death is overcome by Jesus, the firstfruits of we who shall rise from the dead.**

M Therefore, let us take this Light out into the world.
C **Let this Light overcome the darkness of the world and bring many to life now and forever.**
Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN RED 579, v. 1

Lift High The Cross

Refrain

**Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore his sacred name.**

Refrain

ST. PAUL'S MINISTERIAL STAFF *Office 414-422-0320*

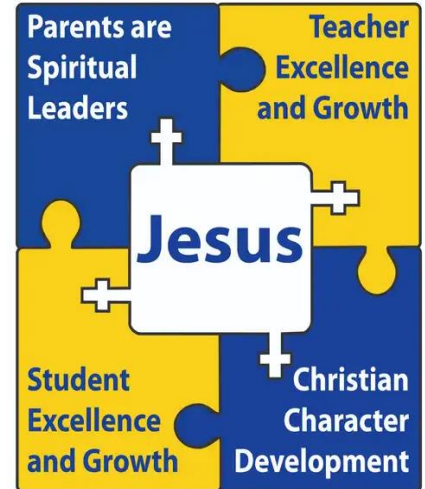
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ST. PAUL'S YOUTH MINISTRIES

HELPING PARENTS BUILD STRONG CHRISTIAN FAMILIES

St. Paul's offers the following ministries to help parents fulfill their role as the primary spiritual leaders or pastors of their families.

- **St. Paul's Child Care Center** providing year-round care for children six weeks to three years old. Contact Director Tammy Dockter at 414-422-0320, ext. 200 or dockterta@stpmuskego.org.
- **St. Paul's PreK Program** provides a structured Christian education for our 3K and 4K children. With half day and full day options, parents have the flexibility in choosing an enrollment plan that works best for them. Contact Principal Seth Fitzsimmons at sfitzsimmons@stpmuskego.org with any questions or to set up a tour.
- **St. Paul's Lutheran Elementary School** exists to help families in our congregation and community by educating and preparing our students for a lifetime of service to Christ and for sharing our Savior with all people through a high quality, Christ-centered education. Contact Principal Fitzsimmons at sfitzsimmons@stpmuskego.org to schedule a tour.
- **St. Paul's Summer Care and Before/After School Care:** Children and parents need not be a part of the St. Paul's family to benefit from this program. Contact the school office at 414-422-0320 for information.
- **Sunday Kids Club** for children 3K – 5th grade. Parents may drop their children off at 9:30 am and attend the 9:30 am worship service or attend a Bible study at 9:30 and worship as a family at either the 8:00 am or 10:30 am service. Walk-ins welcome any Sunday, but we are better prepared if you pre-register at StPaulMuskego.org/Kids-Club/.
- **Confirmation Instruction for Children in Public Schools:** Preparation for youth confirmation is a 3-year program that usually begins in Grade 6. If you have a student in middle school or heading into middle school, contact Family Minister, Paul Schuessler, at pschuessler@stpmuskego.org for more information..
- **Wisconsin Lutheran High School:** St. Paul's supports this area Lutheran High School, and every year approximately 35 of our students are in attendance.



FAMILY MINISTRY

Scan the QR codes for more information and to register. They are in order:

- Parent Date Night, Saturday, April 13, 5:30 – 8:45 pm
- Parenting Workshop on Technology within a Christ-Centered Home, Sunday, April 21, 12:30 – 2:30 pm – Lunch and childcare are optional
- WELS International Youth Rally, June 25-28



Parent Date Night



Parent Tech Workshop



Youth Rally

ST. PAUL'S CARE MINISTRIES

ST. PAUL'S – CARING FOR GOD'S REDEEMED PEOPLE

Our pastors are experienced in sharing God's healing Word in every situation. They are willing to offer assistance through a scheduled conversation. Contact the church office (414-422-0320) if you wish to schedule a time to meet.

When the need extends beyond a spiritual conversation, members of St. Paul's and anyone in the community can access counseling care and services at the Community Counseling and Care Center here on the St. Paul's campus. Clinical services are provided on site by Christian Family Solutions (CFS), a well-respected agency that specializes in counseling care and mental health treatment services. Pastor Jeffrey Bonack and Amanda Franzen are the professional counselors serving in our center. In addition to outpatient counseling, CFS provides higher levels of care to address more acute mental health conditions.



Counseling is often covered by insurance. St. Paul's also participates in the MAP program where we purchase blocks of counseling time that can be made available to those who otherwise cannot afford professional counseling. If you desire more information, contact any of our pastors, or contact Pastor Bonack at jbbonack@stpaulmuskego.org or 414-422-0320, ext. 119.

SUPPORT GROUPS

The Ministry of the Community Counseling and Care Center includes organizing support groups where people can gather to support one another and learn from each other. Find more information about these groups at StPaulMuskego.org/counseling-and-care-center/ or contact the coordinator directly.

- DivorceCare – Monday at 6:00 pm in Faith Room - Darik Mischke at 414-308-0575
- Cancer Support Group – Second Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the Hope Room - Phyllis Anderson at 414-213-7014 or Judy Schmidt at gjschmidt@wi.rr.com
- Alzheimer's Support Group – Third Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Hope Room - Dave Timm at 414-588-3840
- Anxiety and Depression Support Group – Second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Hope Room - Megan Stumpf at 920-841-2906

CARING FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

- Please pray for the following: Ralph Morbeck (St. Luke's), Dora Jahnke (Heritage Square), Terry Risch (Crossroads Care Center), and Ronald Braund and JoAnn Huff (Hales Corners Care Center). Sherwin Beyer and Karen (nee Johnson) Schulz were discharged from the hospital.
- A list of our homebound members has been placed at the Welcome Center for you to remember the homebound of our congregation during the Easter season by a card or phone call. If you know someone who is no longer able to come to church, please inform one of the pastors so that one of our homebound visitation team can bring the Lord's Supper to them.
- The Meal Train provides meals to people recuperating from childbirth, surgery, or sickness. If you know someone who would benefit from this ministry or would like to participate, please indicate this on the Connection Card.

READY TO SAVE LIVES? DONATE BLOOD

- Red Cross Blood Drive: Wednesday, April 17, 1:00 – 6:00 pm, in the Grace Room. Sign up at redcrossblood.org.
- The Muskego Woman's Club/Versiti Blood Center: Wednesday, April 24, 1:30 – 6:30 pm. Sign up by contacting Luann Lang at 414-916-9650.

ST. PAUL'S MINISTRIES FOR ADULTS

At St. Paul's we believe in the importance of Christians of all ages connecting to one another so that we can encourage and support each other. We offer the following ministries where faith and friendships can grow.

BIBLE STUDIES

- **Following the Promise Membership Bible Class**

Pastor Nate Strobel is beginning a new session of *Following the Promise* on Tuesday, April 9, 7:00 – 8:15 pm. Track the promises of the Savior from the Garden of Eden to your own heart and life. Childcare is available upon request. You may attend in person or online. For information, mark the back of your Connection Card or contact Pastor Nate at 414-426-8236.

- **Sunday Grace Room Bible Study – 9:30 to 10:15 am**

Mr. Mark Ricke, will lead the study: "I Am, You Are: A Look at the I Am Statements of our Lord and Their Impact on My Life." This study begins April 7. No pre-registration is necessary. All are welcome.

- **Online Bible Study**

Join our Campus Planter Dave Panitzke for an online Bible study on the life and ministry of Moses. You can join the video chats Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm beginning April 10, or you can watch the videos on your own time and participate in the online community. To register, use the QR code or email dave@thebridgemke.org.



SMALL GROUPS/BIBLE STUDIES

These are smaller Bible Study Groups that meet on campus every week. New participants are always welcome. Request more information on your connection card.

- Mommy and Me – Wednesdays at 9:45 am in the Grace Room
- Thursday Ladies Bible Study – Thursdays at 9:30 am in the Hope Room
- Full Armor of God Bible Study – Thursdays at 9:00 am off campus
- Temple Love Fitness Bible Study – Thursdays at 5:45 – 7:00 pm in the Grace Room
- God's Guys Breakfast Bible Study – Saturdays at 8:00 am in the Grace Room

IN-HOME SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

There are more than a dozen small group Bible studies that meet in peoples' homes. If you would like to participate in a small group, indicate your interest on the Connection Card or contact Family Minister Paul Schuessler.

AWAKE AND ALIVE – 18- TO 25-YEAR-OLDS

Awake and Alive 2024 Summer One Day – Sunday, June 9 at 5:00 pm at The Bridge MKE, 3203 S 76th Street. Look for more information at AwakeAlive.com.

SENIOR MINISTRIES

- **Organization of WELS Seniors (OWLS)**

The OWLS, men and women over 55, meet on the second Wednesday of the month for lunch and a presentation. If interested, bring a bag lunch, and notify Charlene Pingel at 262-490-2579.

- **Ladies Afternoon Fellowship (LAF)**

This group meets on the first Wednesday of the month at noon for a bag lunch, devotion, presentation, and fellowship. Indicate your interest on the Connection Card.

- **Walking Club** meets Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 9:40 am to walk in the Trinity Gym and enjoy time together. All are welcome.

SPORTS: MEN'S SOFTBALL

St. Paul's will 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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

For the week of April 1, 2024




MON	9:40 am 6:00 pm	No school this week – Spring Break Walking Group (Trinity Gym) DivorceCare Support Group (Faith Room)
TUE	9:40 am 4:30 pm	Walking Group (Trinity Gym) Public School Confirmation Class
WED	9:45am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mommy and Me (Mother’s Room) Ladies Afternoon Fellowship (Grace Room) Cancer Support Group (Hope Room)
THUR	9:00 am 9:00 am 9:30 am 9:40 am 5:45 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Full Armor of God Bible Study (Off Campus) Quilting Fellowship (Grace Room) Thursday Ladies Bible Study (Hope Room) Walking Group (Trinity Gym) TempleLoveFitness Bible Study (Grace Room) TempleLoveFitness Pilates Class (Grace Room) Traditional Worship Service
FRI	6:30 pm	Card Players Group (Trinity Café)
SAT	8:00 am 5:00 pm	God’s Guys Breakfast Bible Study (Grace Room) Traditional Worship Service
SUN	8:00 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am	Traditional Worship Service Kid’s Club Grace Room Bible Study Traditional Worship Service The Bridge and The Bridge MKE Communion The Bridge and The Bridge MKE

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.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

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-  • St. Paul’s Muskego
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The Bridge

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-  • @thebridgemuskego

ST. PAUL'S PREPARES FOR THE FUTURE

THE CROSS MATTERS. THE MISSION MATTERS.

Last fall God's people here at St. Paul's and The Bridge committed \$8 million in gifts over two years to provide:



- \$4 million for two years of on-going ministry here and at our second site at The Bridge MKE, 3203 S. 76th Street in Milwaukee.
- \$1 million for our mission efforts over the next two years, providing half a million to our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod to train the next generation of church workers and to support mission work in our country and in over 40 other nations, a quarter million to support the mission of Wisconsin Lutheran High School, and a quarter million to support our mission partners and provide for facilities improvements at The Bridge MKE.
- \$3 million as a downpayment on a \$10 million facilities expansion on our Muskego campus.

PROGRESS REPORT

The Building Team has been meeting with our architects and engineers, improving, and finalizing the plans for both the church and school additions.

The church addition will include:

- a new 400-seat auditorium that will provide a permanent location for The Bridge, our contemporary service. This auditorium will be a multi-use facility available for church, school and community events throughout the week.
- a large gathering space that will link our current sanctuary and this new auditorium, providing space for us to linger before and after services and mingle with people from both worship locations.
- two additional classrooms. These two classrooms plus the three childcare classrooms will be used by our Sunday morning Kids Club, allowing families to worship and join in Bible study in the same building.



The school addition will provide:

- four additional classrooms – vitally important as we anticipate every classroom will be in use next year as we add a third 4K classroom and split 5K into two classrooms.
- additional bathrooms.
- one of the new rooms will be dedicated to industrial and fine arts.

The plans also include a 20% increase in the number of parking spaces on our campus.

TIMELINE

Groundbreaking is scheduled for September 22. Our goal is to complete the school addition in time for its use for the 2025-2026 school year. The church addition will likely be done in late fall 2025.

SUPPORTING BECAUSE IT MATTERS

If you would like to support our ongoing and future ministries, you may place your offering into the offering receptacle in the church lobby or make a one-time or recurring gift at StPaulMuskego.org/giving-online/.