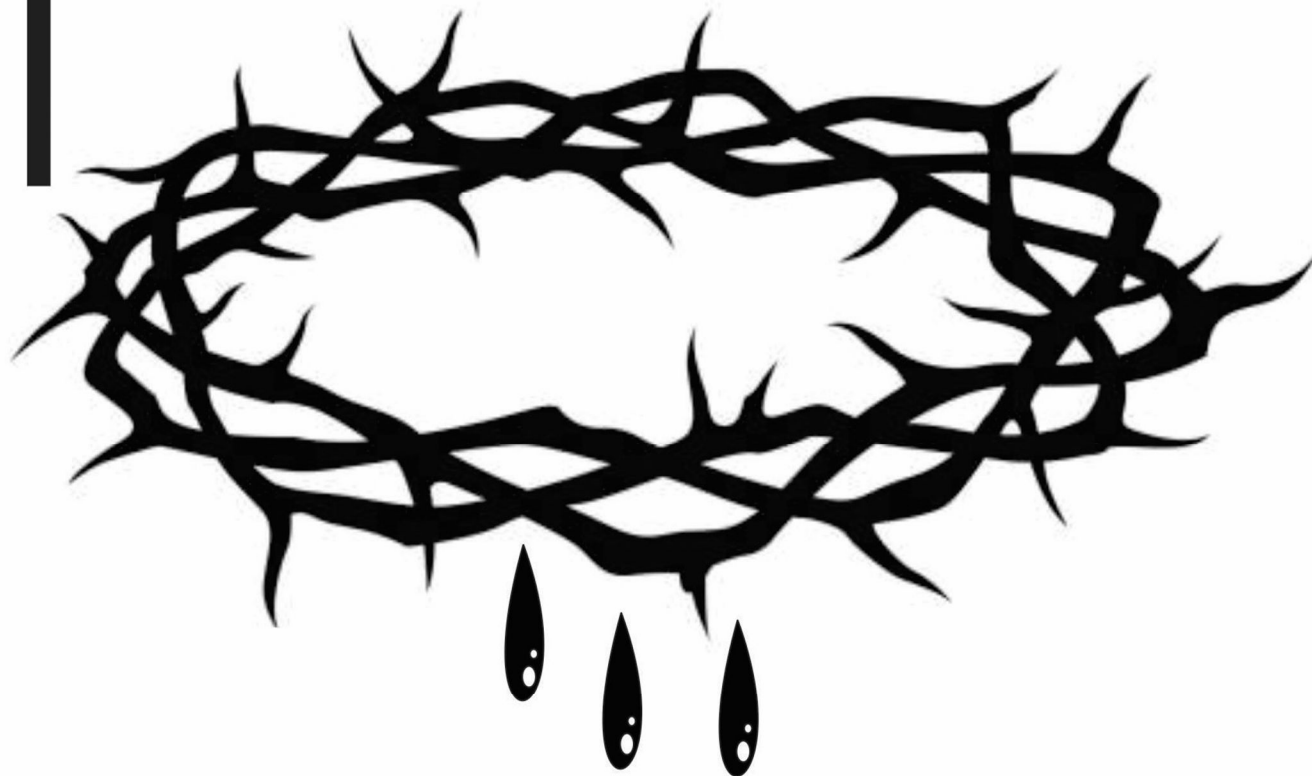


Ashamed of Jesus?



Second Sunday in Lent
February 24 & 25, 2024



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Channel 14 - Comcast: Monday at 6:00 p.m. & Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. & Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Channel 3 - Nuvera: Mondays at 6:00 p.m. & Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. & Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

Prayer before worship: Almighty God, we are assailed by many trials and temptations. In our sinful weakness it is easy for us to shrink away from standing on the truth of your Word and to give in to the most popular views and practices of the day. But we pray that you would give us the strength, courage, and zeal never to bow to any teaching or practice that would undermine your saving Word. Teach us boldly to confess that Jesus alone is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and that there is no other way to God and heaven but him. Give us the strength gladly to bear our crosses. Grant us a heart of wisdom to know how best to be witnesses for you, and lead others to heaven through faith in your perfect life and innocent death in our place. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

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HANDBELLS - 6:30 pm & 11 am ***Contemplation on Passion Chorale*** Tucker

OPENING HYMN ***My Song Is Love Unknown*** *See last page*

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FIRST LESSON **Job 1:13–22**

¹³One day when Job's sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother's house, ¹⁴a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys were grazing nearby, ¹⁵and the Sabeans attacked and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

¹⁶While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, "The fire of God fell from the heavens and burned up the sheep and the servants, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

¹⁷While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three raiding parties and swept down on your camels and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

¹⁸While he was still speaking, yet another messenger came and said, "Your sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother's house, ¹⁹when suddenly a mighty wind swept in from the desert and struck the four corners of the house. It collapsed on them and they are dead, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

²⁰At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship ²¹and said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; may the name of the LORD be praised."

²²In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM of the DAY ***O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*** ***Psalm 22***

8 and 9:30 am *Choir sings the odd verses; Congregation sings the even verses, refrains and Gloria Patri*

SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:1–11

¹Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

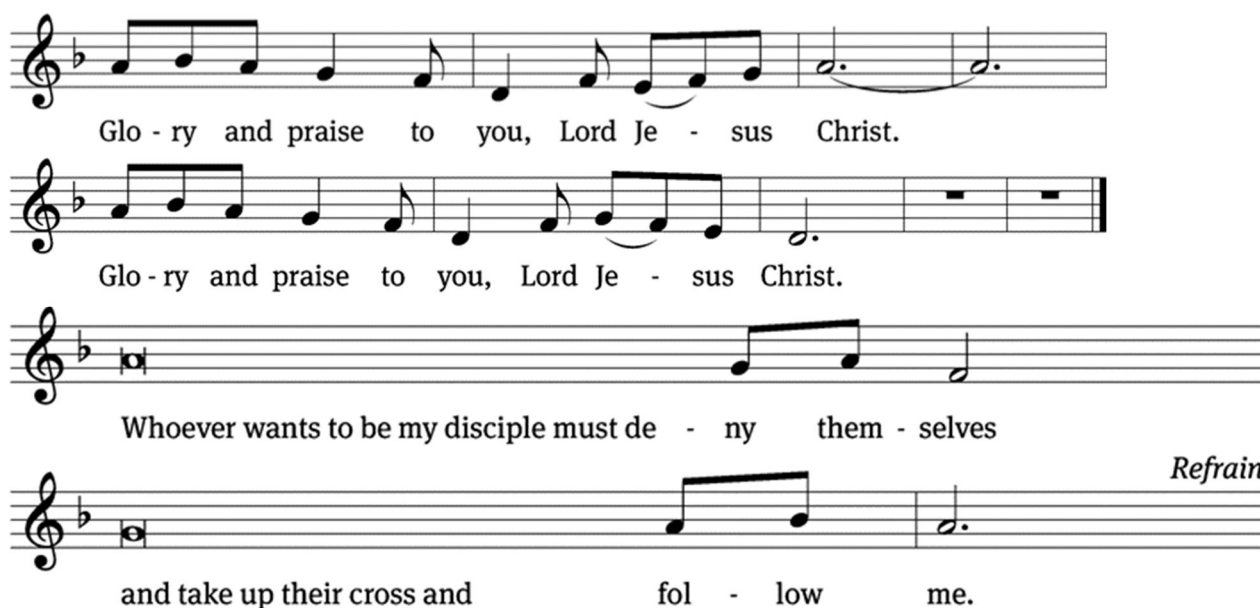
⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Glo - ry and praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

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Whoever wants to be my disciple must de - ny them - selves

and take up their cross and fol - low me. *Refrain*

GOSPEL

Mark 8:31–38

³¹He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³²He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. “Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

St. John's, Wauwatosa, WI

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sun	8, 9:30 & 11 am	Worship
	9:30 am	Sunday School and Bible Class: Book of 1st John
	5:30 pm	Youth Group Event
Wed	11 am, 4 & 6:30 pm	Midweek Lenten Services
	4:45 - 6:15 pm	Fellowship Supper
	5 pm	Handbells
Thu	7:15 pm	Choir
	10:30 am	Bible Class: The I AM Statements of Jesus
	7 pm	Bible Class: Hard Sayings of Jesus
Fri	7 am	Early Bird Bible Class: Paul's Letters to the Thessalonians
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Class: Book of Esther
Sat	6:30 pm	Worship

† Upcoming Services †

Midweek Lent Services: 11 am, 4 & 6:30 pm

Saturday: 6:30 pm

Sunday: 8, 9:30 & 11 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 3	8, 9:30 & 11 am	Worship
	9:30 am	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 am	MVL Pork Chop Dinner
	1:30 pm	MVL Concert
Mar 4	6:30 pm	Elders Meeting
Mar 5	4 pm	Oak Hills Living Center Service
	7 pm	Women of St. John's Meeting
Mar 6	11 am, 4 & 6:30 pm	Midweek Lenten Services
	4:45 - 6:15 pm	Fellowship Supper
	5 pm	Handbells
	7:15 pm	Choir
Mar 7	10:30 am	Bible Class: The I AM Statements of Jesus
	7 pm	Bible Class: Hard Sayings of Jesus
Mar 8	7 am	Early Bird Bible Class: Paul's Letters to the Thessalonians
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Class: Book of Esther
Mar 9	6:30 pm	Worship
Mar 10	8, 9:30 & 11 am	Worship
	9:30 am	Sunday School and Bible Class
Mar 11	6 pm	Evangelism Meeting
	7 pm	Education Meeting
Mar 12	6 pm	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
Mar 13	11 am, 4 & 6:30 pm	Midweek Lenten Services
	4:45 - 6:15 pm	Fellowship Supper
	5 pm	Handbells
	7:15 pm	Choir

Go to www.stjohnsnewulm.com/calendar for more events

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance for the past weekend was 558 with 435 attending Communion.

Fruits of faith given:

\$14,348	Home Operations ~	<i>Needed to Date: \$123,383 / Received to Date: \$139,616</i>	
\$1,327	MVL	\$100	St. Paul's School
\$1,037	Missions	\$75	St. Paul's School Building Fund
\$692	Building Fund	\$50	K-12 Education Assistance
\$600	Ministerial Student Scholarship Fund	\$31	LWMS
\$262	Food & Fellowship		

Youth Group ~ For youth in grades 6 - 12, escape rooms have been planned for this Sunday, February 25th starting at 5:30 pm. Contact Mike Wiechmann at michael.wiechmann@gmail.com with questions.

ATTENTION YOUTH! Mission Trip & Youth Rally ~ If you are 8th grade and older and are interested in participating in a Mission Trip or the WELS Youth Rally this summer, please scan the QR code. Contact St. Paul's Staff Minister, Kris Kuschel, with any questions at kkuschel@splnewulm.org.



Women of St. John's ~ Our March meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5 at 7 pm in the church basement. We will have a Lent by Candlelight. Please join us as we gather to focus our eyes on Jesus.

Cards of Caring ~ will meet Saturday, March 9th from 9 am until noon to make Birthday and Eater cards. These cards are sent to our homebound and thinking-of-you members and to our three Befriend a Mission families. We welcome those from 7th grade and older including MLC students. We meet at 403 N. Minnesota St. This is an opportunity for fellowship and service to the Lord. Contact Lois Willems at 507-676-1230.

Ushers and Greeters Wanted ~ Ushers serve on the front line of evangelism for our guests attending St. John's. We seek to ensure all worshippers feel welcome and safe during our services. Ushers are needed for Saturday evening services, with some openings on Sunday morning crews. No experience is necessary. Male members and young men in confirmation class are encouraged to inquire.

Do you have a love for others, enjoy socializing, and are looking for a simple way to serve at St. John's? Consider serving as a greeter! Greeters ensure guests and members feel welcome and serve as guides and sources of information. Our greeter program is open to any member and youth in confirmation class. Contact Brad Price for more information at Deacon@stjohnsnewulm.com

2023 Annual Report ~ can be found in your mailbox.

2024 Pictorial Directory ~ The Pew Copies of the 2024 Pictorial Directory are now in the pews. The old copies were well worn and used often--Awesome! Please use the Pew Copies to get to know each other by name. If members would like either a small (8x5) or a large (8x11) copy of the 2024 pictorial directory, please fill out the Directory Request Card, found in either narthex, include your printed name, check size desired, and place card in the J/C Dretske Mailbox or in the church office. For a great option, get an electronic version that is always up-to-date. Go to <http://instantchurchdirectory.com> to download the phone app: Instant Church Directory. It is easy to use, just follow online directions.

Sanctuary Screens ~ Those advancing slides have been doing a great job with very rarely a glitch. We ask for your patience as we get the jitters out and make this transition to screens for worship. We still need volunteers to advance the slides during services. To sign up use the link bit.ly/SJSlideAdvance or scan the QR code. Thank you!



NEW Bible Class Offered ~ Join us in person or online at bit.ly/SJBibleClass Fridays at 7 am. The *Early Bird Bible Class* will include a light breakfast and the Word. There will be a freewill offering to help offset the cost of food.

2024 Contribution Envelopes ~ The 2024 offering envelopes can be found or in alphabetical order on the table in the new narthex. Thank you!

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week Devotions from MLC ~ Digital formats of *The Savior We Need* devotions are being offered beginning March 22. An online flipbook will also be available. Subscribe to the daily devotions at mlc-wels.edu/publications/seasonal-devotions/.

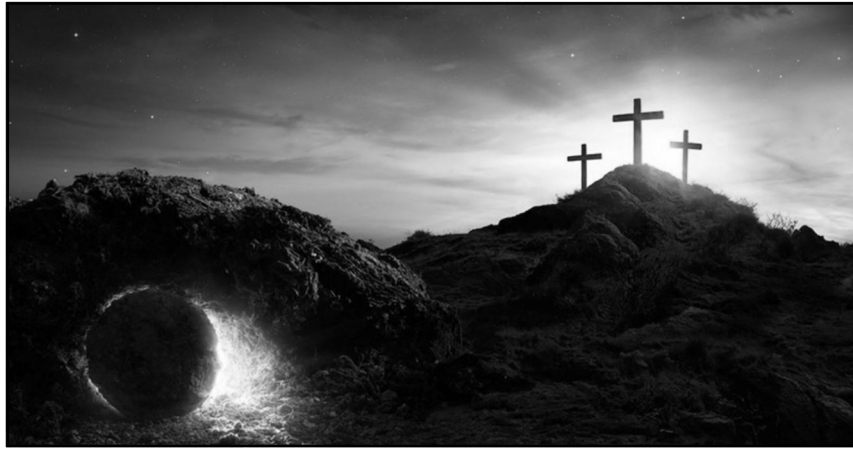
Kindergarten Round-Up at St. Paul's School ~ You and your future kindergartener are invited to attend Kindergarten "Round-Up" on Tuesday, February 27 or Thursday, February 29 beginning at 5:30 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran School. Please sign up and choose a session by going to signup.com/go/JGwECtf. Contact the school office with any questions, 507-354-2329.

MVL Pork Chop Meal and Concert ~ Join us for our annual Booster Club pork chop meal at MVL on March 3rd, from 10:30 am to 1 pm. Indulge in savory pork chops, baked potatoes, sweet corn, and delectable desserts. Afterwards, stick around for our Winter Concert at 1:30 pm, featuring our talented band and Chargaliers. Mark your calendars and join us for a day of great food and wonderful music!

"Lead the Next Generation" - Men of Truth invites you to a one-day men's conference, *Lead the Next Generation*. Pastors Jeremy Mattek and Dan Schmidt will take us through three sessions focused on leading the next generation. Join us to explore a life in service to Christ, identifying youth service gifts and understanding and engaging our youth. Join us on Saturday, March 16 at Martin Luther College. Visit www.MenofTruth.org for more information.

Upcoming Lenten Schedule

Midweek Service Times: 11 am, 4 & 6:30 pm
Midweek Lenten Services: February 28, March 6, 13, 20



Palm Sunday, March 24: 8, 9:30 & 11 am
Maundy Thursday, March 28: 11 am, 4 & 6:30 pm
Good Friday, March 29: Tre Ore Service at St. Paul's: 12 pm
Tenebrae Service: 7 pm
NO Saturday Service, March 30
Easter Sunday, March 31: 7 & 9:30 am
Easter Brunch: 8 - 9 am

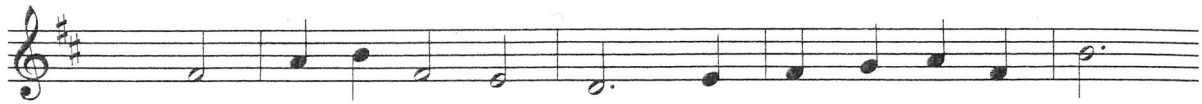
Easter Canvas ~ Join John and Paul Ministries for an Easter canvas in our community on Saturday, March 23! Meet us in the St Paul's Church Fellowship Hall for a complimentary pizza lunch at 12:30 pm, then head out into the community at 1:30 pm to hand out invitations to our Easter services. Please scan the QR code to register or go to johnandpaulministries.com. Questions? Contact Beth Scharf (event coordinator) at scharfbm@mlc-wels.edu. See you then!

About the Cover ~ Jesus Christ left the glories of heaven to live among the creatures he created, sharing our flesh and blood, so that he could live a perfect life in our place and die on the cross to pay the debt for our sin. He did it to save us from eternal punishment in hell. He did it, not because he had to, but because he dearly loves us and did not want anyone to perish, but for everyone to know him as their Lord and Savior. The Bible says that he is not ashamed to call us his friends, brothers, and his children, Is there any reason we should be ashamed of him and not be willing to give him everything we are and have?

Welcome, Visitors! Please scan the QR code to sign our Guest Register.



My Song Is Love Unknown



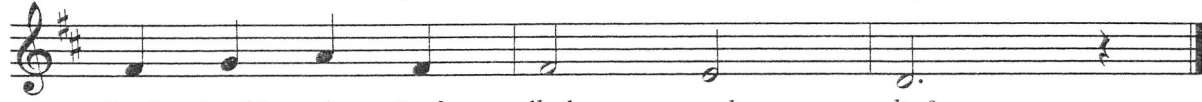
All Voices: 1. My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to me,
 All Women: 3. Some - times they strew his way And his sweet prais-es sing;
 All Men: 5. They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a - way;
 All Voices: 7. Here might I stay and sing, No sto - ry so di - vine!



Love to the love-less shown That they might love - ly be.
 Re - sound-ing all the day Ho - san - nas to — their King.
 A mur - der - er they save, The prince of life — they slay.
 Nev - er was love dear King, Nev - er was grief — like thine.



Oh, who am I That for my sake My
 All Men: Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath, And
 All Women: Yet cheer - ful he To suf - f'ring goes That
 This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I



Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 for his death They thirst and cry.
 he his foes From thence might free.
 all my days Could glad - ly spend!

Choir: 2. He came from his blest throne
 Salvation to bestow;
 But men made strange, and none
 The longed-for Christ would know.
 But, oh, my friend,
 My friend indeed,
 Who at my need
 His life did spend!

Choir: 4. Why, what hath my Lord done?
 What makes this rage and spite?
 He made the lame to run,
 He gave the blind their sight.
 Sweet injuries!
 Yet they at these
 Themselves displease
 And 'gainst him rise.

Choir: 6. In life no house, no home
 My Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb
 But what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heav'n was his home
 But mine the tomb
 Wherein he lay.

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