

He did not Spare

In the beginning, God gave, and He continues to give. God's character is to give. Our Heavenly Father loves us so much that He holds nothing back from us, either in this world or the one to come. *"He Who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all—how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?"* (Romans 8:32). To give and to keep on giving is the essential nature of God Who is love. As our faith grows and matures, we also become givers who, by God's grace, give freely and generously.

Mobile Giving

Mobile Giving is an easy way to fulfill your need to give to the Lord. Using your smart phone, **text CROSSANDCROWN to 73256 or click on Access ACS on St. Paul's webpage.**

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

We will continue our discussion on *1st Corinthians* in the Fireside Room. Bible 101 will finish the fellowship discussion in the Sanctuary. The Adult Christ Light Bible Study will meet in the Heritage Room. Classes begin at **9:25 am.**

Ministering to Millennials

Starting Sunday, March 3rd, Pastor Nelson will be leading a Sunday morning Bible study on the topic of ministering to the Millennial generation. Learn to better understand the unique way Millennials think about church/religion and evaluate how we are doing in retaining members and reaching potential members in that generation. We will meet in the church at 9:15 for this video-based study. Every generation is encouraged to attend!

Online Women's Bible Study in Lent

We are hosting an online study for women throughout WELS. Printed copies of the study for personal devotions will be available here in the narthex.

Discussion starts March 4. Access the group through our Facebook page or go to facebook.com/groups/WMStudyGSLCR/

Tuesday Morning Bible Class

The Tuesday Morning Bible Class will not meet on March 5th or 12th. Class will resume on March 19th.

Family Visits with Pastor Nelson

Pastor Nelson would love to continue to meet with families from St. Paul's to get to know them better and learn how he can best serve as the Family Pastor. Please consider signing up for a 45-minute visit on the sign-up sheet in the church entryway.

Get Ready for Lent

We begin this season of repentance and reflection on **March 6th** with our observance of Ash Wednesday. Our mid-week Lenten services are at **4:00 & 6:30 p.m.**

Lenten Meals

A light meal is served between our mid-week Lenten services. The meals are a great way for groups to serve the Lord and raise money for their ministries and activities. Please come and support these ministries:

3/6 – *Mary Ruth Circle*

3/13 – *Risen Savior PTF*

3/20 – *Women's Ministry*

3/27 – _____

4/3 – _____

4/10 – *Boys' Basketball*

4/18 (Maundy Thursday) – *Beacon Campus Center*

Jesus Loves Me Learning Center (JLMLC)

This week we are learning about The Good Samaritan and our Bible verse is – Love your neighbor as yourself. We will gain experience with our need for water with "Aqua Charades" in science. Reading Dr. Seuss books for literature will give us opportunities to rhyme and be silly. We will continue reading books by author Marcus Pfister and have a "Beanbag Bonanza" in the gym. We will work on our fine motor skills and do creative art. Our special quilting squares have been quite creative.

Spring activities are almost here and that means some of our high school staff workers will not be able to work. DO YOU have time to play with preschool children from 3:30-5 or 5:30? Call 345-7707 or 507 508 2041 or email directorjlm@stpaulsnorthmankato.com to get more information about an aide position.

Easter for Kids! Now is the time to start prepping for our April 13th event. Look for a sign up in the back of church for all sorts of volunteer opportunities. There is also a box to drop candy (peanut free) by Mar. 20th.

RSLs Kindergarten Roundup

Thursday, March 14th at 6 PM - If you know of anyone that may be interested in attending, please let them know of this opportunity. See bulletin insert for more information.

New 2 You Volunteers Needed

The third Saturday of each month St. Paul's is asked to provide volunteers to help at New 2 You. **We need volunteers for Saturday, March 16th.** There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the office.

2019 Youth Lock-In!

Calling all 4th – 8th graders: Join us, the students from The Beacon Lutheran Campus Ministry, for our 2019 Youth Lock-In. The fun begins **Friday, March 29th** at 9:00pm at the Lake Crystal Rec. Center and concludes Saturday, March 30th 8:00am at the Beacon. There will be swimming, basketball, pizza, late night worship, and much more! Registration forms are available through your church/school office or you can register online at mankatocampusministry.org

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Women's Ministry Conference – July 18-20, 2019

This year's conference will highlight God's design and purpose for the Christian woman in our society today. The conference will be held at Luther Preparatory School in Watertown WI. We would love to have a group from St. Paul's attend! See the brochure in the narthex or visit the website @ wels.net/wmconference Contact Jen Selvey – 507-469-8021 with questions and carpooling options.

Men of Truth Conference

The 4th Annual **Men of Truth** Conference will be held **March 23rd** at the Martin Luther College Auditorium, 8 am – 2 pm. Five featured speakers will explore topics of *Answers to Anxiety*, *What I Wish I Knew in My 20's-50's* and *What Women Look for in a Man of God*. Register for the event at menoftruth.org.

Trinity Lutheran School Carnival

The Trinity Lutheran Church CEA in Nicollet, MN would like to invite your family on **Sat., Mar. 16, 2019 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm** for family fun and games. A silent auction, pie auction and many carnival-like games for all ages will be available during this time.