

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Glorify God, Grow in Faith, Give in Love



July 21, 2013

Welcome

We are so glad you are here today. Please join us again at least two other times so you can get a real feel of what St. Paul is all about. We are temporarily holding worship in our Christian Life Enrichment Center (CLEC) while our sanctuary undergoes renovations. Join us on August 18 for our grand reveal. Until then come to the CLEC Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for traditional worship and 10:30 a.m. for contemporary worship.

First time here?

If this is your first time at St. Paul or you have questions, please visit our **Connecting Point in the lobby**. It's a place where you can get information, ask questions and meet others. Our hosts would love to help you!

What can we do for you?

As our guest or regular attendee, please fill out a registration pad, or click on this QR code with your smart phone and let us know what we can do for you and to register your attendance.



Glorify God

9:00 Sanctuary Worship

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude		Judi Hurst, Pianist
Welcome		David McKee, Director of Music Ministry
Greeting	<i>Oh How He Loves You and Me</i>	
*Opening Hymns	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>	No. 529
	<i>Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	No. 127
Special Music	<i>Sunday School Spectacular</i>	Sanctuary Choir

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Song of Praise	<i>Learning to Lean</i>	
Sermon	“Anchors for the Soul”	The Rev. Barbara Brokhoff, Pastor Emeritus
	Hebrews 6:17-19	No. 895
Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer		
Offering	<i>Freedom</i>	Solo: Terry Garvin
Prayer of Thanksgiving		

SENDING FORTH

Special Music	<i>There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood</i>	No. 622
*Benediction		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Grace, Love and Fellowship</i>	
*Postlude		

*Please stand, if you are able. An usher or greeter would be happy to help you with large print hymnals or hearing assistance.

10:30 Fountain Worship

Christian Life Enrichment Center (CLEC)

“Anchors for the Soul”

The Rev. Barbara Brokhoff, Pastor Emeritus
Hebrews 6:17-19

*If you need assistance, please let a greeter or usher know and they would be happy to help.

Live Streaming

Can't make it on Sunday morning? Want your friends to watch? Log onto stpaulumc.sermon.tv/live at 9:00 or 10:30 a.m. to watch worship from your smart phone, tablet or computer.

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Flowers

Today's flowers are from:

- * Reed Rue in memory of his Dad, Ken Rue, on his birthday.

If you would like to order flowers to honor a loved one or celebrate an event, please call Flower Coordinator, Kathleen Della Rosa at ballstate80@yahoo.com or 459-2768 and give her your desired date and inscription. The cost of the flowers is \$40 per bouquet.

Missed a Message?

If you have missed a message, or want to share one you have heard, visit our You Tube channel (stpaulumclargo1) or our website (stpaulumc.org). Recent sermons are posted and able for you to view when it is convenient. You may also purchase a DVD of the 11:00 Sanctuary message for \$5 by contacting the church office.

Simple Way to Give

Take the hassle out of giving by setting up a recurring contribution today. It's convenient, easy and secure. You don't have to write out checks or prepare that giving envelope weekly.



Another option is to scan this QR code with your smart phone. This will take you to a mobile version of our giving site where you can securely and conveniently give.



Chuck Knows Church, Do You?

Amen. Some of us may remember when it used to be said at the end of every hymn, so why isn't Amen said anymore? Find out this week by visiting www.chuckknowschurch.com.

Chuck Knows Church is a fun, informative, and free weekly web series about the objects, symbols and terms used in church.

Prayer Request Boxes

Drop your written prayer request in the boxes located in the Sanctuary lobby, altar or at the Fountain altar. The prayers are collected each week and delivered to the Upper Room of Prayer to be prayed over individually.

Prayer Requests Online

Submit your prayer online at stpaulumc.org. Click on "Grow in Faith", then "Prayer". You may choose to make your prayer private.

Prayer Phone Line

Call 727-559-PRAY around the clock to leave a recorded prayer need.

Stay and Pray the First Sunday

Stay after worship on the first Sunday of every month for a special time of prayer. A prayer team is waiting for you in the Chapel following Sanctuary worship or at the altar following the Fountain.

Hear Our Prayer

Please pray for those people listed below with immediate needs:

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| Mercy Amakwaah & baby | Linley |
| Angela | Mary |
| Baby Bella | Margie Miller |
| Ben Baad | Ginger Milner |
| Don Brash | Jim & Cindy Pitts |
| Bruce | Ruth Pratt |
| Marguerite Buchanan | Ron, Holly, Christie |
| Mike & Audrey Clark | Caral & Chrissy Samalie |
| Debbie | Sandy |
| Joseph & Suzie Evanson | Schaffer family |
| Pat Harris | Larry Smith |
| Suzy Lazenby | Betty Thomaidis |
| Leslee | Mike Troutner |

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Grow in Faith

Pews for Sale! Pews for Sale!



Own a piece of St. Paul history! With the Sanctuary renovation, we are removing the first five rows of pews in the middle of the Sanctuary to replace them with chairs that can better accommodate people who have physical needs.

This will allow us to move chairs to allow

people in wheelchairs to enjoy the service from the front, and it will also allow people who need handles on chairs to get up and down easier to access to worship. We have 10 pews that we will be selling on a **first come, first serve basis. They are 19'4" and have endless possibilities for uses. These will be sold on a "cash, you carry" basis. Make us an offer. For questions call Director of Church Administration Arch Johnston at 584-8165, ext. 245.**

Watch us LIVE at 11:00

Never be without St. Paul by watching us while you are away! Starting TODAY we are streaming both our 9:00 traditional worship and 10:30 contemporary worship at stpaulumc.sermon.tv/live. Just log onto that page and click the triangle and live worship will play. If you tune in a little early just be sure to refresh to catch the live stream.

Help Us Be Debt Free

The church has worked to eliminate the debt by 51% since 2010. Help get closer to reducing the debt **altogether by being part of the Gideon's Army.**

For as little as \$1917 a unit, paid over two years, with an army of 300, we could be debt free. We invite you to give as much as you can, or you may pledge to sponsor a unit. All that is given by you will go toward attacking the principal of our debt.

Pledge cards are available in the kiosks of each lobby or you can set up your payment online under the "Glorify God" tab.

Invitation for ALL Women

All ladies are invited to the United Methodist Women District gathering on Saturday, August 17, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. This carnival themed event is a great way to meet ladies from other Methodist Churches and see a wonderful program.

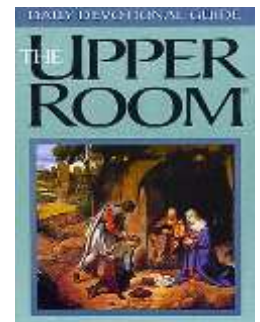
Director of the Handicapable Ministry, Horton Townes will explain how other churches can incorporate a Handicapable program in their own congregations. Plan now to join this time of free fun! Watch here for more info.

Rachel Lydia Meets Again

Rachel-Lydia will not meet this month. The next meeting is Thursday, August 8 during our annual luncheon out, at 11:30 a.m. at Roosterfish Grill at 776 Missouri Avenue in Largo. Reservations are already made for our group. The next Rachel-Lydia meeting is September 12 at 10:30 a.m. in the Carpenter Room 101 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center.

Need a Devotional?

The daily devotional, "The Upper Room", is available in the church office in regular and large size print. Suggested donations are \$1.00 for regular print and \$2.00 for the large print. The Upper Room has a daily scripture reading, short devotional, thought for the day and prayer. It is suggested that it be used in conjunction with your Bible. The devotionals are for a two month period and there is a supply of July and August devotionals now available in the office. A great way to start each day.



Adult Sunday School

Everyone is invited to Grow in Faith at one of our three Sunday school classes at 9:30 a.m. for adults of any age. The two classes with room numbers are in the CLEC-Christian Life Enrichment Center.

Inspirations-Rm. 101, Friendship-Rm. 201

Crusaders-Children's Ministry Center, Rm. 100

Grow in Faith

Children *infant-5th grade, Sherri Plate, Children's Ministry Director, sherri.p@stpaulumc.org*



Sign up today for Vacation Bible School

Kingdom Rock is the week of August 5 from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. VBS is for children 3-years-old through rising 6th grade. The week is free, however there is a \$15 charge for early care (starting at 7:30a) and a \$60 charge for after care (until 5:30p). This is a great opportunity for parents who work to still be able to send their children to VBS! Sign up online at stpaulumc.org under "Grow in Faith" and "Children".

Son Kissed Preschool Openings

Our Son Kissed Preschool has openings for the 2013-2014 school year. Visit us online at www.stpaulumc.org under "Grow in Faith" to choose the brochure that fits your grandchild or child's age, or you can always call the preschool at 727-585-8596 for more information.

Parent's Morning Out

Starting August 1, Parent's Morning Out will cost \$10 per day of attendance, per child from 8:30-12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays. Take advantage of the early bird or later gator deal or just drop in when it is best for you and your child.

Parent's Morning Out is a great time for you to get errands done or take time for yourself, without your child(ren). Reserve your spot by contacting the Children's Ministry Office at 727-584-8165, ext. 238.



Sunday Morning Fun

Lil' Kidz Care is available every Sunday for infants to 4-year-olds, at 9:00 a.m. in the Christian Life Enrichment Center. You will sign in and be given a badge to ensure your child's safety.

Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to the Mariposa Café for Small Group Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. and/or to the Youth Room at 10:30 a.m. for Children's Worship.

Sunday Morning Starting August 18

Lil' Kidz Care will be available every Sunday for infants to 4-year-olds, at 9:00 a.m. in the Children's Ministry Center Lil Kidz Rooms. You will sign in and be given a badge to ensure your child's safety.

Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to the South Fellowship Hall of the Children's Ministry Center for Small Group Bible Study at 9:00 a.m. and/or to the same location at 10:30 a.m. for Children's Worship.



Grow in Faith



Youth *5th-12th Grade, Alison Van Duyne, Youth Ministry Director, alison.v@stpaulumc.org*

Sunday Night Youth Group



Tonight's Topics: Sunk

The apostle Peter was known for doing some big things—good big things, and other things not so praiseworthy. But what Peter got right was the ability to step out—**literally and figuratively. Accepting Jesus'** invitation to step out of the boat and walk on the water, Peter did what no other disciple did. But when he took his eyes off Jesus, he lost focus and started to sink. How did Peter react? How would we react? What happens when fear starts to take over? Do we walk away or are we able to recover?

We'll talk about this tonight at youth starting with dinner for \$4 at 5:30 p.m. in the Mariposa Café. Youth worship and activities follow in the Youth Room of the Christian Life Enrichment Center.



Young Adults *Felix Koutsourais, Ignite Ministry Leader, c24go1@aol.com*

Fruit of the Spirit? What are they and why do we want them? Join us tonight at 7:00 p.m. in room 207 of the southwest campus for the start of this new study. To stay up to date on all of our happenings, like our page on Facebook.

Remix this Wednesday

Join us this Wednesday, July 24 for some jumping fun at Airheads Trampoline Arena from 6-9 p.m. Cost is \$11 for a slice of pizza, drink and jumping. Remember to wear socks and fill out the release form at airheadsusa.com/AirHeads_Waiver_Pinellas.pdf



Youth Week in August

Save the dates now! Youth Week is August 11-16. It's a fun-filled time with fun events each day/night of the week before school starts. More details will come soon!



Save the Date

Another date to save...Saturday, September 7 students **are headed to Walt Disney World's Night of Joy. Cost is \$55.** Artists scheduled are Newsboys, TobyMac, Francesca Battistelli, Building 429 and many more. Watch here for details.

New Worship Times

Our new worship times have begun and that means more time for you to serve at St. Paul. We are live streaming the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship **services, so join the team. There's camera operators, technical director, sound, lighting and worship software positions to fill. No experience is necessary and it's fun! Contact laurel.f@stpaulumc.org to let her know you are interested!**

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Give in Love

Bible in a Year

Ever wanted to read the entire Bible? Join the Bible in a Year class to reach your goal! The class meets Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. **Class has already started, but it's not too late to join the group.** Other evening classes will begin again after Labor Day.



Youth and Adult Source Groups

You may see or hear the term Source Group but what does it mean? A Source Group is a small group of up to twelve people whose purpose is to grow closer to God, each other and the Word through fellowship and fun in a group of up to twelve people. Sound good? Contact our Senior Director of Ministry, Bobby Van Duyne at Bobby.v@stpaulumc.org to join one today.

JOY (Just Older Youth) on Tuesdays

Our older adults are invited every Tuesday morning at 10:30 to the Christian Life Enrichment Center for fellowship, lessons, and prayer.

A lunch may be ordered ahead of time for \$6 or you may bring your lunch. Contact 584-8165 ext. 233 to order your lunch or sign up. Horton Townes will lead the lesson on July 23.

Feed the Homeless

We serve around 100 people every Sunday in Clearwater. Servers are always needed to help load the truck, set up, serve and clean up. We leave from the church at 3:30 p.m. near the office entrance of **the Christian Life Enrichment Center. It's a great way for you to Give in Love or even better, sign up your Source Group to take a Sunday.** Contact Michele Wolfe at m.wolfe10@verizon.net.

Toilet Paper Drive

We all use it and need it and probably don't even think about it...toilet paper. Help stock the shelves at Open Arms Resource Center with this necessity. Rolls are given to every family who leaves the center. Bring your donations on Sunday and place them in the blue shopping carts.

Ways to Help During Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be here before you know it and there are all kinds of ways you can help! You can sign up to help during the week of August 5 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. VBS is completely run by volunteers so every hand is needed. Choose the area where you would like to help by logging onto stpaulumc.org, click on **"Grow in Faith"** and **"Children"**.

Do you work or have other commitments that prevent you from being here for VBS? You can still help by donating items needed for camp. Donations can be dropped off in the Mariposa Café Sunday mornings July 21, July 28, and August 4 or in the church office July 22 -August 1 from 10a-3p.

- Apple juice
- Goldfish
- Baby wipes
- Animal crackers
- Graham crackers
- Jumbo marshmallows
- Mini marshmallows
- Cups
- Paper plates
- Styrofoam plates
- Styrofoam bowls
- Paper towels
- Plastic bowls
- Plastic utensils
- Glue dots
- Pool noodles
- Hoola hoops
- Jump ropes
- 2 white plastic shower curtains
- Large car wash sponges
- 4 Large buckets
- Resealable plastic sandwich bags
- Empty 12 oz water bottles
- Boxes of small paper clips
- Napkins
- 12-16 oz clear plastic cups
- Rubber bands
- Cake ice cream cones
- Yellow sprinkles
- Sliced wheat bread
- Strawberry jelly
- Mini bagels
- Croutons
- Raisins
- Pretzel sticks
- M&Ms
- Skittles
- Small bars of soap (preferably unscented)
- Crepe paper rolls
- Aluminum foil rolls
- Red, orange, and yellow tissue paper sheets



Good News

“Light in a messenger’s eyes brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones.”

Proverbs 15:30

Renovations Underway

The Sanctuary, Parlor, Chapel and South Fellowship Hall are closed and renovations have begun! Be in prayer during this time for the workers, volunteers, staff and church as they all work diligently to honor God and His Kingdom.

Camp Quest Arts Week

Four weeks of camp have already gone by and the kids are having a blast! From sword demonstrations to family fun nights, we have been reaching out to the community and sharing the love of Christ. This week, the focus of Camp Quest is the Arts. Please be in prayer for the Children’s Ministry during this life shaping time!

Spiritual Dance Team Stirs the Hearts of the Handicapable

Wednesday evening, July 10, Yvette Carter provided a double-coupon blessing for the large crowd at Handicapable. The Ministry was blessed with two spiritual dances by Yvette and her very talented dance team. Our group loves music and were they ever into the spiritual drama being provided by the dances. In addition, Yvette warmed our hearts with her personal testimony of answering God’s call for her to come to St. Paul UMC and become involved with the Open Arms Ministry. It is truly amazing all the financial, food, clothing, toiletries and spiritual support Open Arms provides thousands of God’s people in the immediate area. Keep up the great work Yvette and all who volunteer with our Open Arms Ministry!

Join our Good News Team and send us photos and information of how you experience God at St. Paul. If you have good news to share, send it to church@stpaulumc.org and be sure to include a photo.

Worship Schedule

Sunday, July 21

Lil' Kidz Nursery	9:00 AM
Fountain Worship	9:30 AM
Sanctuary Worship	9:30 AM
Sunday School	9:30 AM
Sanctuary Worship	11:00 AM
Homeless Feeding	3:30 PM
Ignite	7:00 PM

Monday, July 22

Summer Camp	8:30 AM
Adult Basketball	7:00 PM

Tuesday, July 23

Sonrise Men's Study	6:30 AM
Summer Camp	8:30 AM
Parent's Morning Out	9:00 AM
Joy Fellowship	10:30 AM
Adult Basketball	8:30 PM

Wednesday, July 24

Summer Camp	8:30 AM
Volleyball	5:00 PM
Youth Remix	6:00 PM
Handicapable Ministry	6:15 PM
Bible in a Year	6:30 PM
Trustees Team	7:30 PM
Adult Volleyball	7:45 PM

Thursday, July 25

Men's Bible Study	7:00 AM
Summer Camp	8:30 AM
Parent's Morning Out	9:00 AM
Prayer Shawl	5:30 PM
Intercessory Prayer	7:00 PM

Friday, July 26

Church Office Closed

Summer Camp	8:30 AM
Handicapable Concert	6:30 PM
Adult Basketball	7:30 PM

Saturday, July 27

No Activities Scheduled

July 28

9:00 Traditional Worship: The Rev. David Landers (Ret.)
10:30 Fountain Worship: The Rev. David Landers (Ret.)

August 4 & 11

9:00 Traditional Worship: The Rev. Bob Martin
10:30 Fountain Worship: The Rev. Bob Martin

August 18

ALL worship is in the newly renovated Sanctuary!

9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
10:30 a.m. Fountain Worship in the Sanctuary!

New Series Starts August 11



There are many beliefs about religion and the aspects of faith. Not everything you hear about the Christian faith is correct and it is also noted that everything that you hear cannot be wrong. **So, how do you know what is "true" or what is "false?"** It's time to bust a few myths!

Prayers Can't Change Anything
You Don't Have to Belong to a Church
All Christians Are Generous
Heaven Isn't Real
A Saved Person is Free to Sin
Christians Are Allowed to Judge
Bad Things Don't Happen to Christians

Stay Informed

We realize any change can be confusing, that's why we want to keep you informed every step of the way. Please include your email on the registration pads or email church@stpaulumc.org to receive our weekly emails and church communication.

Pastor Bob's Message

How often do you pray? Is prayer that one thing of great importance for you?

I often wonder if my prayer life is as solid as it should be. **No, it's not that I don't pray; I do. It's just that I wonder how with so much busyness in my life I can slow down long enough to sit quietly and wait upon the Lord.**

I am grateful despite my inept ability to see how critical prayer is for me, God loves me just the way I am, but too much to let me stay that way. I also wonder if God truly knows everything, why is there a need for prayer?

Near the end of the fourth century, Saint Augustine became bishop of Hippo in Africa and a prominent leader and theologian of his day.

When asked to comment on the need for prayer if **God already knows what we need, he wrote, "The very effort involved in prayer calms and purifies our heart, and makes it roomier for receiving the divine gifts that are poured into us spiritually...God is always ready to give us light...But we are not always ready to receive....So prayer brings about a turning of the heart to God, who is ever ready to give, if we**



will but take what God has given. And in the very act of **turning, there is effected a cleansing of the inner eye."**

What is it that has you wondering whether or not you should pray? Yes, God may already know the answer and there is a definite chance the answer for which He knows may not be what you wish to hear. But perhaps that is not what is of importance. Maybe the important thing to know is your prayer brings about a turning of the heart to God. What can be more important than that?

St. Paul's Strategic Initiatives for 2013

- Focus on community outreach and missions primarily in the Tampa Bay area.
- Build stronger ties to God and each other through Christian fellowship, studies, and small groups.

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