

“Why do you look for the living
among the dead? He is not here;

HE HAS RISEN!”

Luke 24:5-6

9:00 Traditional Worship

Prelude		Judi Hurst, Pianist
*Call to Worship		
Leader: HE IS RISEN!		
People: HE IS RISEN INDEED!		
*Processional	<i>Christ The Lord Is Risen Today</i>	No. 302
Welcome		David McKee, Traditional Worship Leader
*Greet		
*Hymn	<i>Easter People, Raise Your Voices</i>	No. 304
Children's Moment		Pastor Bob Martin
*Affirmation of Faith	Apostles' Creed	No. 881
Prayer with Lord's Prayer		No. 895
Offertory	<i>I Will Arise</i>	Sanctuary Choir
*Doxology	<i>Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow</i>	No. 94
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Special Music	<i>Joy in the Morning</i>	
	PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD	
Sermon	"Is the Resurrection Fact or Fiction?" 1 Corinthians 15:1-5	Pastor Bob Martin
*Hymn	<i>He Lives</i>	No. 310
*Benediction		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Grace, Love and Fellowship</i>	
*Postlude		

*Please stand, if you are able.

If you need assistance, please let a greeter or usher know and they would be happy to help.
Baby changing tables are located in the family room and in both men and women's restrooms.

Crucifer: Sarah Bird
Acolytes: Robbie Kaiser, Rae Daniels
Brass Ensemble:
Benjamin Shockey (Trumpet)
Dave Fortuna (Trumpet)
Chris Walters (Trombone)
Hilda Egri (Trombone)

10:30 Contemporary Worship

"Is the Resurrection Fact or Fiction?"

Pastor Bob Martin

1 Corinthians 15:1-5



Glorify God



Welcome from Pastor Bob

The two innate needs we as people crave are to love and to be loved. St. Paul United Methodist Church is a place where you can meet these two needs. We are a multi-generational church that seeks to grow deeper in our faith journey and connect with the healing and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I want to take a moment to thank you for choosing to worship with us on this special morning and hope you will come to know and experience the love of God from our church family. Our Lord is doing amazing things here at St. Paul and I want to invite you to be a part of what He has in store. I welcome you and your family to begin your journey with us. Happy Easter! To God Be the Glory!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor B2".

Bob Martin
Senior Pastor

First time here?

We are so glad you have joined us on this Holy day of celebration! We hope that you experience the life changing message of Jesus Christ, and that you will visit us again.

We offer two services on Sundays; a Traditional Worship at 9:00 a.m. and a 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship. We offer ministry for all ages so please read this bulletin and visit us online at stpaulumc.org to see how we Glorify God, Grow in Faith and Give in Love.

What can we do for you?

Whether you are a guest, regular attendee, or member, let us know you are here by filling out the information in a registration folder or click on this QR code with your smart phone and let us know what we can do for you. We are also on Facebook (facebook.com/StPaulUMCLargo) and Twitter (twitter.com/StPaulUMCLargo) where you can keep up with all of our ministries.



Hear Our Prayer

Prayer requests may be made by calling our prayer line at 559-PRAY (7729), filling out a prayer request in any worship service from the prayer pew cards or altar cards and placing in the offering plate, or filling out a prayer request online at stpaulumc.org.

Watch Our Services Live

If you're unable to make it to church, or you know family and friends who are far away but would like to attend St. Paul, join our online family! Both our 9 a.m. and our 10:30 a.m. worship services stream live on the Internet. Just visit www.stpaulumc.org and click on the **WATCH** link. Then click on the **"Play" triangle** and you're a part of our congregation!

Giving Made Easy

If you need a convenient way to make regular offerings, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving options. Visit stpaulumc.org or contact the church office for more information.



Another option is to scan the above 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.

Grow in Faith

Children Infant-5th grade. Sherri Plate,

Children's Ministry Director, Sherri.p@stpaulumc.org

Children's Ministry offers support and provides an environment where your child can discover the how and why through interactive Bible lessons relevant to a child's life. Your child will have fun, connect with others, and develop friendships that may last for a lifetime.

Easter Sunday Check In: Check-in will be in the sanctuary lobby as families arrive on Easter Sunday. Children will go to church with their family in the sanctuary to hear a special **Children's Message from Pastor Bob**. After the **Children's Message** they can either return to their seats or go to **Bldg. C** for an Easter celebration.

Sunday Morning Lil' Kidz Care

Lil' Kidz Care is available every Sunday for infants to 4-year-olds, at 8:45 a.m. in **Building B**.

Sunday Morning Lil' Kidz Class

We have a great preschool class for 3 to 4 year-olds at 10:30 in the Red Door Room of **Bldg C**. This month our theme is "My Friend, Your Friend."

Sunday Morning Small Group at 9:00

Children in **kindergarten through fifth grade** participate in **Building C**, Small Group Room—Second Floor. This month's theme is "Be Our Guest."

Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30

Children in **kindergarten through 5th grade** are invited to the **Children's Worship Center in Building C** (Second Floor) for **Children's Worship**.

Praise Practice

The children gather on Sunday mornings to sing, practice music, and have fun from 10:10-10:30 a.m. in Room 206/208 on the 2nd Floor of **Bldg. C**.



Son Kissed Preschool

Children are not only taken care of at our preschool, they are loved and **cherished as God's children**. The preschool is full and part time, year-round for one-year-olds through pre-kindergarten. We now accept School Readiness funding. If you or your child meets the criteria, you may be eligible for child care services at reduced or no cost. For more information call the school at 585-8596.



Parent's Morning Out

Parent's Morning Out on Tuesday and Thursday is a great time for you to get errands done or take time for yourself, without your child(ren). Care is \$10 per child, per day from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Reserve your spot by contacting the **Children's Ministry Office at 727-584-8165, ext. 238**.

Grow in Faith



Join us for a summer of fun, friends and faith!

CAMPXP
eXperience  eXplore
eXpress

Ages: K-5th Grade
Camp Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- June 9-13: Power UP!**
- June 16-20: Passport: An International EXPloration**
- June 23-27: Shipwrecked**
- June 30-July 3: Build it UP!**
- July 7-11: In a Holidayze**
- July 14-18: Super University - GO!**
- July 21-25: Kids Got Talent**
- July 28-August 1: What's Your Story?**
- August 4 -8: Vacation Bible School (3 Years - 5th Grade)**

REGISTER NOW



Scan the QR code or visit our website for details.
www.stpaulumc.org



Youth 6th-12th Grade

*Alison Van Duyne, Youth Ministry Director,
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We're a youth group striving to love Jesus and love others. This year we've been focusing on sharing our faith and service. All are welcome to join us!

Sunday Night Youth Group

Join the middle and high school youth at 5:30 p.m. in the Mariposa Café. Worship and a lesson follow in the Youth Room. Our next lesson series, Flipped, starts on April 27 as we discover how an encounter with Jesus has the power to flip our lives.



Student Leadership Group on Wednesday



At 6:30 on Wed., students in middle and high school meet in the Christian Life Enrichment Center Youth Room for a student leadership study. This group focuses on how to put our gifts to use in our homes, schools, community and our world.

Summer Xplosion

Youth Week will be on the first week of summer, June 8-13. Each day we'll get together for an event and on 3 out of the 5 days we'll have worship as well. This is the perfect way to ignite our faith for the summer.



Like us on facebook to keep track of all our fun events: [lighthouseyouthministry](https://www.facebook.com/lighthouseyouthministry)

Grow in Faith

Adult Sunday Morning Class

Everyone is invited to *Grow in Faith* at one of our four Sunday school classes for adults of any age. All classes are located on the Sanctuary side of the campus and host a gathering time at 10:15 a.m. Please see the map above for locations. Greeters are located around the campus to direct you to the proper room until permanent signs are placed.

- Inspirations-Old Robing Room in **Bldg. B**
- Friendship-Choir Room in **Bldg. C**
- Crusaders-Purple Door Classroom in **Bldg. C**

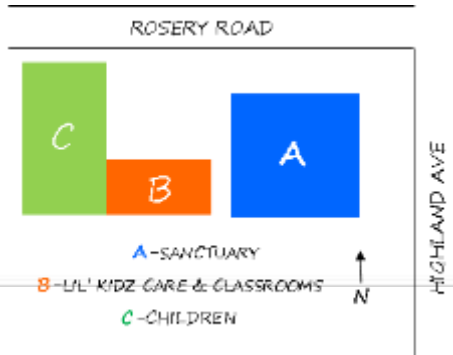
Just Older Youth on Tuesdays



Join us for "JOY" on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Christian Life Enrichment Center. This is a wonderful time for fellowship, singing and bible study, as well as a chance to enjoy lunch together! JOY's next meeting will be April 29.

Women's Wonderstruck Study

"Wonderstruck" meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in room 201 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. All women are invited to join the study, designed to help us rediscover the wonder of God in our daily lives. Each week is facilitated by a different woman active in ministry at St. Paul. Childcare is provided.



Handicapable Ministry

St. Paul's Handicapable Ministry has been serving God's "Special People" for more than sixteen years. We welcome any person over 16 years old with cognitive or physical disabilities to join our ministry. We seek to encourage every person to discover their confidence and security in God's love revealed in Jesus. Our year round program provides weekly worship services and numerous social activities ranging from parties, to talent night, to seeing major league baseball games. For more information please contact: Director of Handicapable Ministry, Horton Townes, at 727-584-8165 (ext. 206) or by email Horton.t@stpaulumc.org



IGNITE

Young Adult Ministry

Ignite, our young adult ministry meets weekly on Sunday evening at 7 p.m. in room 202 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center for sharing and discussion.

They're currently studying the book, "Not a Fan." The Ignite Ministry is also a serving ministry, the group supports the church with community events, as well as cooking and serving the homeless in Clearwater each fifth Sunday. Their next meeting will be April 27. If you're interested, contact Felix Koutsourais at c24go1@aol.com



Grow in Faith

Soaring Eagles on Saturday

Join our men's group meets on Saturdays at 8:00 a.m. in the South Fellowship Hall for a time of prayer, devotion and fellowship. All men are invited. Women are invited to join the men for breakfast at 7:30 a.m. on the last Sunday of the month.

Women of St. Paul

The Women of St. Paul stay connected through activities like Bible studies, prayer breakfasts, movie nights, a yearly shopping trip, Christian women's events, and women's retreats and seminars. Contact our office and leave a message for Sherry Shields if you'd like to know more about our events for women.

Join us for **Girls' Night Out** on May 2 at 7 p.m. in the South Fellowship Hall (Bldg C). We will be watching the movie *Silver Linings Playbook*. \$5 donations will be taken at the door.

GROWTHguide

Our Growth Guide is weekly supplement to the sermon includes **additional study, scripture, and challenge points** to help you continue your spiritual journey and Grow in Faith all week long. To receive the Growth Guide by e-mail, sign up on our website stpaulumc.org, or write down your e-mail on one of the red registration pads, along with a note that you would like to be added to the Growth Guide e-mail list.



United
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Women
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United Methodist Women

Looking to Grow in Faith, Give in Love and meet new friends? Join one of our UMW groups.

Rachel-Lydia—Meets every second Thurs. at 10:30 a.m. This group's mission projects include ditty bags for migrant works and homeless, pediatric medical supplies and equipment, educational aids for Pinellas County's homebound teachers, and handicapped children.

Hannah—Meets every second Tuesday. Each meeting begins with 15 minutes of refreshments, followed by devotion, prayer and a short program. This group's mission is to help the Open Arms Resource Center, Son Kissed Preschool, and the Pregnancy Center of Pinellas Co.

Dorcas—Meets every second and fourth Wednesday. This group helps local and overseas missions by creating lap robes, adult bibs, baby and children's clothing and much more. You don't have to be a seamstress to join.

Call 727-584-8165 for more information. New faces are always welcome!

DISCOVER
ST. PAUL

Discover St. Paul and all it has to offer at the next informational class starting in June. You will meet others, learn about the church and Methodism, our ministries and so much more! Be sure to let us know you are coming so we can have enough materials. Class will begin June 22. Location will be decided depending upon the number of people in the class. To sign up call 584-8165 ext. 203 or email church@stpaulumc.org.



SOURCE GROUPS

Source Groups are a small group of up to twelve people whose purposes are:

- To grow in their personal relationship with God.
- To connect with other believers by building a healthy Source Group community through worship, study, prayer, praise and service.
- To support each person in their faith walk.
- To be the hands and feet of Jesus by serving within their group, church and community.
- To enjoy fun and fellowship together.

As Christians, our goal should always be to grow closer to Christ, to strive to know Him better and to be a more mature Christian. One of the best ways to do that is in a covenant relationship within a small group, with people who will walk with you as you press on (Phil.3:14) to become **all that God has envisioned. Won't you join us on the journey?**

For more information, please contact Senior Director of Ministry Bobby Van Duyne at bobby.v@stpaulumc.org

Our Next Sermon Series



Love & Marriage

One out of two marriages fails. What does it take to really have a highly effective marriage? It is possible but takes a lot of work and a deeper understanding of what is most important to one another. The Bible has a lot to say about marriage and how husbands and wives are to respect, honor and love one another. This sermon series starts next week and will open your mind to a new way to find a better marriage.



Free Spaghetti Dinners

Join us every second Sunday from 5—6:00 p.m. for a free spaghetti dinner in the Christian Life Enrichment Center. Everyone is invited, so bring your friends and neighbors or anyone you think would enjoy a free meal and the chance to make new friends.

Worship Arts Ministry

Our worship arts ministry is involved in many aspects of our worship. The tech team handles lighting and sound, as well as our live stream worship broadcast. The drama team is involved in worship as well as special events like our recent production of *Bow the Knee* or our Dessert Theater. We have many musical groups at St. Paul as well, from our sanctuary choir, to our Bells of St. Paul handbell choir, to our orchestra. We are always looking for volunteers to join our live streaming team, our choir, our drama team, and our other worship arts teams. If you are interested in being a part of our worship through your musical, acting or technical talents, contact our Senior Director of Worship Arts, Laurel Fortuna for more information by e-mailing laurel.f@stpaulumc.org.



Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry is a group of people who have been trained to provide one-to-one, confidential, Christian care to hurting people in the congregation and the community. Stephen Ministers offer Christian friendship, caring, encouragement and prayer. **Need a Stephen Minister's help, or want to become part of this ministry?** Contact Mary Vaughn, mary.v@stpaulumc.org.

Support Groups

St. Paul is pleased to be able to provide meeting space for ACA (Adult children of Alcoholics), AA (Alcoholics anonymous), Mid-Pinellas Brain Trauma Support Group, and New Attitudes (Narcotics Anonymous). Most groups meet at the Open Arms Resource Center. The Brain Trauma Support Group meets in the Christian Life Enrichment Center. Pick up our Support Groups brochure or visit our website for a schedule of meeting times.

Give in Love

Open Arms Resource Center

St. Paul takes this scripture to heart and believed it means we are to help our brothers and sisters when they are in need. Open Arms offers food and clothing, financial assistance for rent and utilities, and spiritual support. The food and clothing from Open Arms is provided for free through the generosity of the St. Paul family and friends in the community.

How You Can Help?

Donations of dry goods, canned goods, baby items, bread, cleaning supplies, and toiletries. Gently used clothing, blankets, linens, socks, shoes, and jackets. Open Arms holds a Food Drive on the second Saturday of every month from 9 a.m. to Noon.

Volunteers to help sort, fold, stack and package donations. Volunteers are also needed for the drive-thru drop off on the second Saturday of each month.

Shoe Drive

Open Arms is holding a sneaker and shoe drive for the children of Pinellas Elementary School and the families at Open Arms until April 30. Shoes can be dropped off in the blue shopping cart, or at the church office. Shoes of all sizes are needed for boys and girls up to age 15.



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Enjoy devotionals, building friendships and knitting during Prayer Shawl Ministry every Thursday at 5:30 p.m in room 243 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. This group knits hats, scarves, blankets and shawls to give in love. Each item is prayed over. To date, they have given over 1,208 items to those who need the comfort of being enveloped in prayer. They are always welcoming new helpers and can teach you how to knit or crochet!

Need a prayer shawl for yourself or a loved one? You can find them on the second floor of the CLEC, straight down the hall from the elevator.

Sleeping Mat Ministry

The grocery bag you carry home from the store can turn into a very special mat for those less fortunate than you. The mats provide a soft, cushy place to sleep that is lightweight enough to carry around. Donate your plastic grocery bags, cut them (we can show you how) or learn how to make a mat. If you would like to help contact our office for more information.



Good News

Easter Fest Fun!

Saturday, April 12, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the whole eastern block of land behind our Open Arms Ministry building was filled with fun attractions as over five hundred members and friends participated in our Easter Fest celebration. The bounce houses were filled, and there were long lines of children, youth and Handicapable excited to take a jaunt on a Shelton pony or a small horse whose name was Ferrari. Everywhere you looked, faces were painted in colorful designs. When the Easter egg hunts began, children and the Handicapable had the time of their lives rushing from colored egg to colored egg. The youth, who were participating in the 30 Hour Famine, took on jobs all over the event. Many new friends had the opportunity to experience first-hand what a wonderful church we have. So many volunteers helped to make this event possible! Thank you all for a job well done! Because of you we blessed many in our community today and followed **Jesus' command to reach out** to others and share the good news.



Hunting for Eggs



Petting Zoo



Pony Rides



Bounce Houses



Our Youth Volunteers

Visit our facebook for more pictures of this and other events:
<http://www.facebook.com/StPaulUMCLargo>



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