



THE LAST SEVEN DAYS

JOIN US SATURDAY
IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER

 **ST-PAUL**
United Methodist Church

April 12, 2015

Welcome from Pastor Bob

Welcome to St. Paul United Methodist Church! Whether you're a long-time member or a first time guest, I'm grateful you chose to worship with us!

This is the final week of our series, "The Last Seven Days" of Jesus's earthly life. Our next series is "Beyond Your Past." Is your future caged up in your past? Instead of being dragged down and immobilized by the weight of guilt, pain, or a lingering sense of failure, what freedom can we find in laying those burdens down?

Look through this bulletin, or visit our website, for more information on our ministries, classes, and all the many ways we are living into our mission to Glorify God, Grow in Faith, and Give in Love.

The Lord is doing amazing things here at St. Paul, and I'm excited that you are a part of it.


Bob Martin, Senior Pastor



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GLORIFY GOD

9:00 Traditional Worship

Prelude *As I Went Down to the River to Pray* Bells of St. Paul
I Need Thee Every Hour

Welcome

*Greet *Oh How He Loves You And Me*

*Hymns *I Love You With The Love Of The Lord*
The Bond Of Love
The Servant Song

Apostle's Creed No. 881

Prayer Lord's Prayer No. 895

Offertory *Feed My Lambs* Sanctuary Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving David McKee, Traditional Worship Leader

Transitional Chorus *Bind Us Together*

Sermon "Redeemed and Called With Purpose

Pastor Bob Martin
John 21: 15-17

Directed Prayer

*Closing Hymn *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* No. 557

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Please stand, if you are able.

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

10:30 Contemporary Worship Snapshot

A typical contemporary worship at St. Paul lasts about an hour. Our worship is filled with current Christian music from our praise band. You are invited to sing along with the words on the screens, or simply enjoy the music. You'll notice every week there's a time in our service to give financially. While this is something we're called to do in scripture, it's also just our way of saying, "We love our church and we want to support it!" However, our guests should feel zero pressure to give today.



ABOUT
60 MIN.



PASSIONATE
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NO
PRESSURE

Know someone who would like to worship with us, but is unable to join us in the sanctuary? Invite them to worship with us live online every Sunday at 9 or 10:30 a.m. Just visit stpaulumc.org and click "Watch."

VISITING US TODAY?

If you're visiting us today, first of all, welcome! We're glad you're here. We hope you find St. Paul a welcoming place to worship, and that you feel God's love. To find out more about us we invite you to:



VISIT OUR CONNECTION CENTER
If you have questions or would like to talk to someone about St. Paul and what we offer, visit the Connection Center to the side of the lobby. We would love to speak with you!



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WEBSITE
stpaulumc.org



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MAILING LIST



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FACEBOOK:
[StPaulUMCLargo](https://www.facebook.com/StPaulUMCLargo)

GLORIFY GOD

Online Giving

If you need a convenient way to make recurring contributions or you plan to make an additional gift, we encourage you to check out our electronic giving options. To set up a recurring giving schedule, visit our website stpaulumc.org and click the Giving button, or use this QR code.



Flowers

Today's flowers are given by:

- Marguerite Buchanan, in celebration of the 33rd wedding anniversary of Steve and Cindy Buchanan
- Mr. and Mrs. Horton Townes, in honor of their 17th wedding anniversary
- Sandy and Dennis Parks, in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary

If you would like to give flowers to the Glory of God in honor of a loved one or special event, call the church office at 584-8165 with your desired date and inscription, visit the Giving page on our website, or e-mail church@stpaulumc.org. Bouquets are \$40. Flowers can be picked up after the second worship or at the church office during the week.

Congratulations!

Jerry and Phyllis Spaulding celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary last Sunday, April 5.

Correction

The March 29 bulletin listed that Kay Lashbrook gave **flowers in celebration of husband, Harry's birthday.** This should have read, "**her husband, Larry's birthday.**"

Watch Us Live

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

To Make a Prayer Request

- * Drop your prayer request in the offering plate.
- * Call our prayer line at 727-559-PRAY around the clock to leave a prayer need.

Hear Our Prayer

Please pray for the people listed below with immediate needs:

Abbey	Julie Schoneveld
Alan	Justason Family
Amy	Kamalinie Mahendran
Austin DeRosa	Kat F.
Baby Edie	Kenneth A.
Baby Jace	Kevin and Vicki
Barb and Jody	Kim Morris
Barbara Baug	Kitty
Bill	Kristi B.
Brian	Larry Daniels
Bud Haskell	Leslie N.
Callen	Lillian
Carol W.	Margaret
Carolyn Goodwin	Marie Nichols
Cathy	Mark LaPolla
Chris Dugan	Michele Robben
Chris Lynam	Moe
Christy	Myra
David	Naomi
Do, Dave and Polly	Patrick McMillan
Doris Mahony	Paul
Dr. Jim Gills	Philip Baumgarten
Edward Lee Neal	Rachel
Elise Punt	Rollin Brannan
Harriett	Rose and Frank
Harry and Bev	Ruth Barr
Herb and Dee	Shelley
Jackson	Steve Harvey
Jan Johnson	Steven Pruitt
Jane Huter	Susan & Brent Harmon
Janet Terrell	Todd
Janice	Todd Smyzer
Jeremiah Whited	Trish Paulk
Jim Lucky	Tyler Gray
Joe Morrison	Wendy Copeland
John B.	
John Fady	
Josiah Morrison	
Julie Retsinger	

GROW IN FAITH

Construction Update – April 12

Weekly, I will be providing a summary of what has been planned on the construction project. Because we have to submit the bulletin to the printer a week ahead, there may be times where changes are made to the schedule after the bulletin submission, but the reports will be as accurate as possible. The following is what has taken place this week:

We took out the six large trees that were causing potential damage to our facilities and had the stumps ground. It effectively opened up the sightlines to the Church. The remaining trees in the parking lot were **demossed only as high as the tree company's lift would take the workers.** Once we are done with the roof and gutters, we will have a company demoss the trees along Highland. They are currently covered in moss, and they could also use a good cleaning.

The loan from the United Methodist Foundation was processed and approved on March 25. We are now able to start drawing down funds from the loan to pay for materials that need to be ordered. The permit for the HVAC repairs to our facilities was issued by the City of Largo in three weeks, much faster than anticipated! We were charged a nominal fee of \$10,511, which is also less than we had anticipated. This puts the pro-

ject in high gear and we are hoping to finish the project sooner than anticipated, barring any complications. The roofer will apply for the roofing permit separately. We originally thought the project could take up to seven months, but we are now hoping to be finished by the end of June in order to take advantage of increased electrical savings during the summer with the installation of our new equipment.

Starting this week (April 13), welding for the support steel for the new HVAC units will be done in the second **floor ceilings of the Children's Building.** **New stands** for condensing units are being installed and new curbs for the HVAC systems are being installed in the roof. We will begin to cut new holes in the roof for the new HVAC units and vents. This has been a busy week of planning, with supplies being delivered to be used this week. We are in the final stages of choosing a firm to refurbish the steeples, and are anticipating that work will be done on site in the next few weeks.

Watch for updates on our progress weekly. Please keep this project covered with your prayers.

Thank you,
Arch Johnston
Executive Director of Church Administration

WHAT TIME DOES
WORSHIP START?
Where do we take
our kids? WHAT ARE
SOURCE GROUPS?
How can I get involved?
WHERE CAN I GET COFFEE?

CONNECTION
CENTER

Visit the Connection Center!

What used to be the Family Room off the side of the sanctuary lobby is now our Connection Center! Whether you're a first time guest trying to find your way around campus, or you've been coming to St. Paul for a while and would like to get more involved with our ministries, this center is the place to start. You can pick up literature and resources like our Growth Guide, get your questions answered, and connect with St. Paul! You are also still welcome watch our services on the television in this room if you need to leave the sanctuary during worship for any reason.



Join Pastor Bob for
Coffee Next Sunday
Next Sunday | 11:45 a.m.
Connection Center
If you're new to St. Paul,
are interested in be-

coming a member, or would just like to know more about St. Paul and our ministries, Pastor Bob invites you to join him for coffee this Sunday at 11:45 a.m. in the Connection Center (located off the side of the sanctuary lobby.) If you'd like to attend, please let us know you're coming by e-mailing church@stpaulumc.org.

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Adult Studies

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

Adults of any age are invited to join one of our Sunday school classes. All classes gather at 10:15 a.m.

Inspirations - South Fellowship Hall in **Bldg C**

Friendship - Choir Room in **Bldg C**

Crusaders - Purple Door Classroom in **Bldg C**

Bereans - Room 201 (Community Room) in the **CLEC**

JOY (Just Older Youth)

Older adults are invited to the Christian Life Enrichment Center on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m., for fellowship, lessons, and prayer. This Tuesday, April 14, Pastor Bob will teach. You are invited to bring a lunch and eat together! For more information contact Senior Director of Ministry, Bobby Van Duyne at 584-8165 or by e-mail at bobby.v@stpaulumc.org.

Walk to Emmaus Weekends this Fall

There will be two Walk To Emmaus weekends this October- one for men and one for women. Want to know more about God's grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship and strengthen your relationship with Jesus? This may be the experience you have been looking for! For more information, speak with Keith Stanton.

GROWTHguide

Sign Up For Our Growth Guide

Our Growth Guide offers daily scripture readings and reflection based on Pastor Bob's message. You can use this tool to help draw you deeper into your faith journey and reflect on the topics raised each week during worship. To receive the Growth Guide by e-mail, write a note in one of the red pads in your seat or pew, or fill out the online form on www.stpaulumc.org.

Covenant Bible Study Resumes This Week in New Location

Led by Pastor Bob and Pam Dubov, Covenant will begin their third and final section, **Trusting the Covenant**, this Wednesday, April 15. This section looks at the crises that sometimes call Covenant life into question, and how we are restored to trust in God when troubling things happen. Class moves to a new location in room 201 (Community Room) of the Christian Life Enrichment Center.



Men's Retreat: Iron Sharpens Iron

All men are invited to join the group from St. Paul is attending the **Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference** on May 16 in Lakeland and we would like you to join us! This one-day conference is for all men, ages 13 or older. We'll car pool from St. Paul in the morning, eat lunch at the conference together, and return after the conference ends at 5 p.m. Cost is \$52, which includes the conference and lunch. There are 16 different seminars so there will be something for every one. Pick up a conference brochure in the Connection Center or at the church office. You can sign up in the courtyard between worship times or online by visiting our website, stpaulumc.org, and clicking on the Iron Sharpens Iron link.



Free Estate Planning Seminar

Tuesday, April 14 | 7 p.m. | Room 201 - CLEC
Estate planning can be a confusing prospect. Should you transfer your assets into a trust? What should you know about Florida Law when Estate Planning? If you have questions like these, you won't want to miss the UMW Hannah Circle's free estate planning seminar presented by Attorney Joseph H. Pinnen Jr. Join us this Tuesday at 7 p.m. and get solid advice from someone who knows the law! Refreshments will be served.

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

Sunday Morning Lil' Kidz Care

Lil' Kidz Care is available every Sunday for infants to 4-year-olds, at 8:45 a.m. in Bldg B Lil Kidz Rooms. You will sign in and be given a pick-up card that you will need to pick-up your child.

Sunday Morning Lil' Kidz Class

Our preschool class for 3 to 4 year-olds meets at 10:30 a.m. in the Red Door Room of Bldg C.

Sunday Mornings for K- 5

Sunday Morning Small Group at 9:00 a.m.

Meets in either the computer lab in Room 203 or the Small Group Room in 207 of Bldg C.

Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Meets in the Children's Worship Center, Rooms 206/208 of Bldg C.

Wednesday Nights

6:30 p.m. | NEW LOCATION: South Fellowship Hall

Our Wednesday Night offerings for kids are meeting in a new location in the South Fellowship Hall.

Worship Arts Class—Kids and youth learn to worship God in different ways such as music, singing, and more.

KidServe—Kids participate in kid-friendly service projects and are empowered to organize and lead service projects, campaigns or service based events.

Parent's Morning Out

If you need some time to yourself, Parent's Morning Out is an affordable, safe, and fun place for your kids. PMO is available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per day, per child. Reserve a spot by calling the Children's Ministry at 584-8165 x238. PMO will meet in the Christian Life Enrichment Center nursery from April 13 through end of May due to the construction in the Children's Ministry Center.



This year Camp XP will explore messages of faith and enjoy fun activities based on favorite animated movies and characters! Each themed week is based on a different animated movie like *Despicable Me* or *Toy Story*, giving kids a fun and familiar starting point on which to build lessons of faith.

Camp runs from June 8 to August 14.

Ages: K-5th Grade.

Costs: You pay only for the weeks your child(ren) attend. Cost is \$95 per week. A \$50 one-time, non-refundable registration fee is also due on registration.

Registration Is Open Now
STPAULUMC.ORG

Visit our website for more information on camp and Vacation Bible School. We have limited spots available this year, so be sure to get your registration in as soon as possible.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

August 3 - 7 | 6:15-8:30 p.m.

Minion Factory:

Who(m) do you serve?

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Youth 6th-12th Grade, Alison Van Duyne,
Youth Ministry Director, alison.v@stpaulumc.org

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP



TONIGHT: UNPAID DEBT

Bottom Line: Before you pay back, remember you were paid for. Revenge is sweet, isn't it? Few things feel better than getting back at someone who treated you badly. Maybe you've heard you're supposed to forgive and forget, but there is just something in all of us that loves to pay others back. **Of course the sweetness of the moment doesn't last.** If we pay someone back, they will want to do the same to us. **That's the thing about revenge, it doesn't put an end to the situation—it escalates it.** But what other options do you have? **If you've been hurt or attacked or humiliated, you can't just stand by and do nothing.** Once again, Jesus uses the art of storytelling to address this very idea. As He introduces us to two guys, both with a debt to pay, we **find that forgiveness isn't about doing nothing.** It's about using your time and energy to do the only thing that can make the situation better.

Join the middle and high school youth on Sunday nights from 5:30–8 p.m. for **group games, exciting crowd breakers, passionate worship, biblical teaching, and a chance to connect with others through Source Groups.** The group meets in the Mariposa Café at 5:30 p.m., then branches out to the Youth Room, the Gym or the Fellowship Hall depending on plans for the night. Dinner is \$4.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

6:30 p.m. | Youth Room

Youth are invited to join us for this midweek Bible Study where you can hang out, eat, and get into God's Word.



XPerience Sunday

This Sunday students have the chance to experience worship at the next level. 5th graders are invited to join our middle schoolers, 8th graders can attend the high school group, and our high school seniors are invited to attend IGNITE, our Sunday college and young adult group.

Attention Graduates!

If you're graduating this year we want to honor you on Graduation Sunday, May 31. Please send a photo, your name, the school you're graduating from and future plans to rebecca.c@stpaulumc.org so we can include you in our bulletin and worship celebration. If you will be attending worship on May 31, please let us know which service (9 or 10:30 a.m.) you will attend. The deadline to send in your information is May 20.

Young Adults (Ages 18-35)

IGNITE

Join our IGNITE group for young adults (ages 18-35) at 7 p.m. in room 202 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. They're currently following a daily New Testament reading plan. You can jump in at any time. Visit their facebook, [ignitestpaul](https://www.facebook.com/ignitestpaul), for more of the reading schedule. Contact Felix at c24go1@aol.com or "Like" the IGNITE Facebook to stay up to date.



Young Adult Community Group



Join our Young Adult Community Group at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays in the Mariposa Café (CLEC). Meet new people, build relationships, get into interesting discussions, and grow closer to Christ. Drop ins are welcome.

GIVE IN LOVE



New Prayer Shawl Ministry Project

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has taken on a new project, making baby blankets, caps and booties to be distributed free by "The Baby Place" to all the babies born at All Children's Hospital. There are many ways you can participate in this new branch of the Prayer Shawl Ministry. You can attend meetings on Thursday nights at 5:30 p.m. in room 243 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center (Arts & Crafts Room) or you can bring your finished baby items to the church office. Whether you can help with making the items or not, we encourage you to keep these little ones and their new families in prayer. Join us as we show these children His love in a small way.

Pack-a-Sack

This program provides nutritious snacks for chronically hungry children who might not have adequate food over the weekends. St. Paul is currently providing food sacks for children at Belcher and Ponce De Leon Elementary Schools. If you would like to help with this program, your \$20 will provide eligible students nutritious weekend snacks for one month. Write Pack-A-Sack in the check memo line and send to the church office or put in the offering plate. Contact Deb Byrnes at 797-2017 for more information.

Looking for Your Name Badge?

If you requested a badge, you can find it in Connection Center to the side of the sanctuary lobby.

Need a badge? Contact the church office at church@stpaulumc.org to request one. Please be sure to include your full name as you would like it printed on the badge!



Volunteers Needed to Help with the Spring Hootenanny this Saturday.

We're opening our doors this Saturday, April 18 from 5-7 p.m. for a great afternoon of fun for all generations. Events will include a cookout, country dance, pony rides, pie and watermelon eating contests and games such as corn hole, 3 legged races and much more. We still need volunteers to help with set-up, clean up and during the event! If you can help please contact Senior Director of Ministry, Bobby Van Duyne, by e-mailing bobby.v@stpaulumc.org or calling 58408165 x233.



Open Arms Donations

Open Arms serves over 2,000 families per month (about 40% of these are children!) You can help us serve these families by donating food, clothes, toilet paper, diapers and other necessities. Drop off donations in the blue shopping cart in the sanctuary lobby, or bring your donations by the church office Mon.-Thurs. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Rachel-Lydia Receives Donation From Online Viewer

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The Rachel-Lydia group of the United Methodist Women received a donation for their 2015 pediatric medical mission from one of our live stream viewers. The viewer heard the Rachel-Lydia inspirational booklet mentioned during the live broadcast and wanted to Give in Love to Rachel-Lydia's project to provide medical equipment and educational aids to the patients at Sabal Palms Children's Center. Thank you for your gift! We're so glad this mission inspired you!

We welcome our online congregation to Give in Love through donations, to Grow in Faith by signing up for a weekly e-mail of our Growth Guide, and to be a part of what we are doing for the Lord here at St. Paul!

Coming this Week

Sunday, April 12

Courtyard Coffee	8:30 AM
Lil' Kidz Nursery	8:45 AM
Traditional Worship	9:00 AM
Lil' Kidz Small Group	9:00 AM
Bereans	10:15 AM
Crusaders	10:15 AM
Friendship	10:15 AM
Inspirations	10:15 AM
Homeless Feeding	3:30 PM
Youth Group	5:30 PM
IGNITE	

Monday, April 13

Bells of St. Paul	5:30 PM
Max Lucado Study	6:30 PM
Boy Scouts	7:00 PM

Tuesday, April 14

Sonrise Men's Study	6:30 AM
Parent's Morning Out	9:00 AM
JOY	10:30 AM
Estate Planning Seminar	6:00 PM
Recovery by Faith	6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 15

Handicapable Ministry	6:15 PM
Amplify: Youth	6:30 PM
Worship Arts Class	6:30 PM
Covenant	6:30 PM
Young Adult Community	6:30 PM

Thursday, April 16

Men's Bible Study	7:00 AM
Parent's Morning Out	9:00 AM
Prayer Shawl	5:30 PM
Choir Practice	7:00 PM

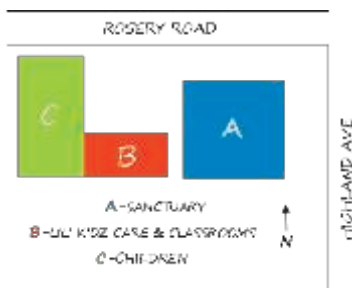
Friday, April 17

Church Office Closed

Girl Scouts	5:30 PM
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Saturday, April 18

Soaring Eagles	8:00 AM
Spring Hootenanny	5:00 PM



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Tom Angel, a long-time member of the church along with his wife Sharon, has been led by his servant heart to volunteer both inside and outside the church. Inside the church, Tom is a member of the sanctuary choir and Bells of St. Paul. He has served on Staff-Parish, played the piano for JOY and other ministries, and just last month played inspirational music for the Stephen Ministry's program *New Beginnings...Joy Comes in the Morning*.



Tom Angel

Tom, a pharmacist by trade, also volunteers at Clearwater Free Clinic and at Ponce de Leon Elementary School. Next time you see him give him a great big hello and let him know how much all of us appreciate all he does to bring glory and honor to the Lord and His church!



Our Next Sermon Series

Is your future caged up in your past? Instead of being dragged down and immobilized by the weight of guilt, pain, or a lingering sense of failure, what freedom could we find in laying those burdens down?

Apr 19: Breaking the Labels That Bind | Apr 26: Forgiving Those Who Hurt You
May 3: Apologizing To Those You Hurt | May 10: Getting Past Your Personal Failures

GOOD NEWS



Powerful Worship on Palm Sunday

Our Palm Sunday worship was a true blessing for all. Our sanctuary choir, under the direction of Traditional Worship Leader, David McKee, led the 9 a.m. worship with the musical rendition *Beloved Mystery*. The beautiful songs, coupled with dynamic narration by Anne James and Gerritt Powers, mesmerized the attending congregation and brought them to their feet for the two

finales: *How Great Thou Art* and *The Church Triumphant*.

Our 10:30 a.m. worship began with the children waving palm fronds just as the people did when Jesus made His triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Children from our worship arts class also helped lead worship with scripture readings and music. Thanks to all the children and youth who participated!

Youth singers: Emma Wolfe, Payton Daniele, and Lindsey Belcher

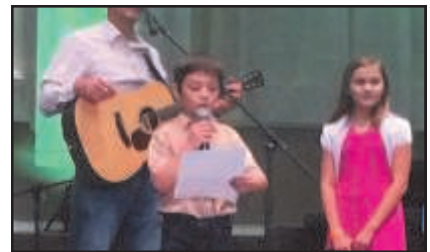
Worship Arts Praise Band: Noah Van Duyne - guitar, Austin Smith - tambourine, Mason Corbett - drums, Dylan Keough - bongo drums, Rhianna Keough (youth) - keyboard

Scripture Reading: Dylan Keough

Welcome: Taylor Smith

Waved palms: Mason and Audrey Corbett, Noah and Joshua VanDuyne, Taylor and Austin Smith, Brody, Austin and Shamus Ince, Mary and Amanda Moldt, Abby Robinson, Kylie Cervoni, Dominic Fortuna, Andy Cole, Chloe Conway, Kaelyn Sutherland

Thanks to Scotty McElravy and Kaila Powell from our youth group as well, for helping on Wednesday nights.



Stephen Ministry Hosts Successful Program

Last month the Stephen Ministry presented a successful program on *New Beginnings - Joy Comes in the Morning* in our South Fellowship Hall. The program reached out to members and friends who have suffered grief, loss or are otherwise having a hard time. It was inspired by the Bible study *Fight Back with Joy* by Margaret Feinberg, which says that the way to recover our joy is to focus on God and hold on to His fierce love for us. The power of His love lifts us out of the darkness and the grace of Jesus gives us restoration and hope. The truth is: God loves us, God is present with us and God is for us. What a

wonder it is to be able to say, "*Joyful are We*" and really feel it! Thanks goes out to all who attended and all who helped with the event. A big thank you to Wanda Barker and Shaun Powers for sharing their testimonies and to Tom Angel for providing the music.



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