WHAT IF.





Welcome to St. Paul United Methodist Church! Whether you're a first time visitor or a long time attendee, I'm glad you're worshiping with us today! I'm really excited about the "What **If..." series we're beginning this week. Over the next four weeks** we'll be thinking about what we can accomplish with God's help in terms of our strategic initiatives and our mission to Glorify God, Grow in Faith and Give in Love. Each week we'll ask ourselves a "What If..." question that I hope will have us thinking boldly about the future of St. Paul and our ministries. We do great things for the Lord here, but "what if" we did more? What kind of impact would we have if we took on these "what ifs" that push us even farther in our service of the Lord?

Take a look through this bulletin for ways you can get involved at St. Paul. I also invite you to visit our website at stpaulumc.org or stop by the Connection Center at the side of the sanctuary lobby if you'd like to speak to anyone about St. Paul and our ministries.

Thank you for being part of the Lord's work here at St. Paul. With God's help there is nothing we can't do!

Bob Martin, Senior Pastor

Glorify God • Grow in Faith • Give in Love



| Prelude Welcome *Greet | DITIONAL WORSHIP a We Will Rise Again Aaron Case Oh How He Loves You And Me | | |
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| *Call to Worship Leader: We are gathered here to proclaim a vision. People: A vision of a world formed by God and transformed by Jesus' love. Leader: We are disciples who are called to embody lives of grace, People: Sharing the good news of the gospel in our words and our ac- tions. | | | |
| | ne Holy Spirit open our hearts that we ma ives, His church, and our world. | ay live into God's | |
| | to God! Amen. | | |
| *Hymns | O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing | No. 57 | |
| *Apostles' Cre | I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord | No. 540 No. 881 | |
| Prayer with Lo | | No. 895 | |
| | A Grateful Heart | Sanctuary Choir | |
| | Praise God, From Whom | No. 94 | |
| *Prayer of Tha | | | |
| | Hymn Take My Life and Let It Be | No. 399 | |
| Message | "What If You Glorify God?" Psalm 100 | Pastor Bob Martin | |
| ••• | er Forth in Thy Name | No. 438 | |
| *Benediction *Postlude | Until Then | | |
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*Please stand, if you are able.

If you need assistance, let an usher know. Baby changing tables are located in both men and women's restrooms.

This Sunday's 9 AM Greeters: Birdie Warner & Linda Shaw

VISITING US TODAY?

If you're visiting us today, welcome! We hope you find St. Paul a comfortable 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.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.stpaulumc.org

JOIN OUR MAILING LIST SIGN UP ON THE CONNECT CARD



FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK StPaulUMCLargo

Making a Prayer Request

If you have a prayer request, write it on the Connect Card, tear off, and drop at the Connection Center or in the offering plate. You can also call our prayer line at any time: 559-PRAY (7729).

Hear Our Prayer

Please pray for the people listed below with immediate prayer needs:

Al Misuraca Allison Hall Amanda Swan Ashley W., Tammy B. Audrey and Michelle Barker family Betty Juniet & family Bishop Family Bob Hartel Bob Larch **Bobby DeSantis** Bobby Quinton Bonnie Wismer Brad Jones Brooke Errett Bruce Smith Caitlynn Timberlake Cameo, Kyle & James Carolyn Goodwin Chad Cliff Armbruster Courage to share Christ with 20,000 Darlene Rusch Dave David, Nicole & baby Deb Tanner Eileen Cobini Elaine DeYoung's son Elizabeth Gonzales Faye Suarez Gary, Declan Gilbert Quinn Greg, Meg, Jackson and baby Hazel Austin Help us help the poor Huff Family Jace Michael Jack Fady Jackson Jeffrey children Jenny Walter Jerry Stewart Jim Lucky Joan Hermann John John Fady Josh DeLoach Joyce Julia Kale'a Grady Ka'ren Herrell, Don Naja

Kat Farhangi Kathy Seitz Kenneth A. Kevin, Heather and Malachi Kit Johnston Kristi Burslem Lani Leslie, Joann Libby Burke Linda Lori, Andy, David Louis Smith Luis Lorenzo Lynn Mackey Mahandran family Margie Stillwell Maria Hayes' children Mark LaPolla Mary Matthew Eckley Maureen Peterson Meghann Timberlake Mike Bradley Mitchell/Morris families Nancy Fady Penny Peter H Ralph Moon Rich Stemboroski Rick Robin Samantha, Shirley & Rita Sandra Sarah Sherry Shirley Hamrick Stephanie Stephanie & Steve Tanner Steve Harvey Thomas Peach Tom Russell Trevor Birt Trov Hartel Val Barg Vickie & George Vonda Lovel and daughter Wayne Boyd Zackary Kueker

10:30 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

A typical contemporary worship at St. Paul lasts about an hour. 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 there is a time in our worship to give financially. This is how we support the ministries and missions of our church. We hope you experience the love of God with us today!



Online Giving

One way to prioritize your giving is to set up recurring contributions online. It's convenient and easy to set up on our website! You can also use our online giving page to make one time



gifts or additional gifts, and pay for things like worship flowers, class study materials and more. Visit our website, **stpaulumc.org** and click the Giving button, or use this QR code.

Flowers

Today's sanctuary flowers were given by:

- Karen Winchell and Kathleen & Bert Lincoln in honor of their mother, Edith Mazzoli on her 100th birthday
- John and Jean Arms in celebration of their 31st wedding anniversary
- Bob & Betty Smith in honor of their 63rd wedding anniversary
- Larry and Kay Lashbrook in honor of their children and grandchildren

Do you have an event or person you would like to honor with flowers? You can give a flower bouquet to the Glory of God. Call the church office at 584-8165, visit the Giving page on our website, or e-mail church@stpaulumc.org. Bouquets are \$40. Be sure to include your inscription with your order. Flowers can be donated to hospitals and the homebound, or picked up after 10:30 a.m. worship on Sunday or at the church office during the week.

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Use this card to record your attendance and share your prayer requests, needs and interests. Tear off and return it in the offering plate, the basket in the lobby, or the Connection Center. You do not need to fill out the entire card, only the parts that apply to you!

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| How can we pray for | you? | | |

For Military Prayer List

Do NOT publish in bulletin.

Include on prayer chain.

I would like to connect with a Stephen Minister.

Don't forget to fill out the other side!

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I am interested in:

Rededicating my life to Jesus

- ☐ Being baptized
- Becoming a member
- ☐ Joining a Source Group
- Serving at the church How:
- Serving in the community How:
- Learning more about St. Paul ministries

Specifically:

Other:

I need a name tag for:

(Name tags can be picked up in the Connection Center to the side of the lobby two weeks after your request is placed.)

I would like to volunteer to help with:

Golf Tournament

- □ Help with Set-Up (Gift Baskets etc.)
 □ Help on Nov 5. (Greeting, Registration, etc.)
 - 10:30 AM Ushers
 - 10:30 AM Greeters
 - □ 10:30 AM Communion Stewards
 - Communion Preparation
 - Homeless Feeding: One Sunday per month
- 🗖 Open Arms Thanksgiving Nov. 21

I will attend:

- Surviving the Holidays Dec. 4 Cost of Survival Guide Booklet-\$5
- Discover St. Paul-Nov. 20

Remember to fill out the other side with your name and contact info!

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NEXTSTEPS

Want to know more about St. Paul, meet new people, or get more involved? TAKE THE NEXT STEP!



CONNECTION CENTER

Our Connection Center is located in the room to the side of the sanctuary. Stop by if you have any questions, need information, or would like to speak to someone about St. Paul.

DISCOVER ST. PAUL

Discover St. Paul is an informal lunch focused on who we are as a church, our mission, core values, a tour of the facilities, and a chance to meet some of our staff and new people who are also interested in the church. Our next lunch is Nov. 20





STARTING POINT CLASS

This four week class covers basics of our faith. For anyone who is new to attending church or is coming back to church.

ONGOING GROUPS

- Age level groups (ex. JOY, IGNITE)
- Source Groups (Small groups of twelve or less)
- Sunday School

SHORT TERM GROUPS

- Topical classes covering things like
- іке
 - ⇒ Finance
 - $\Rightarrow Parenting \\\Rightarrow Caretaking$
- Topical and seasonal Bible studies and

VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.STPAULUMC.ORG

for more information about our ministries.



Adult Studies

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

Adults of any age are invited to join one of our Sunday school classes:

9:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

Room 202 in **Bidg C** (Children's building). Currently studying Adam Hamilton's "Half Truths."

10:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

Inspirations - Purple Door Classroom (101) in Bldg C Crusaders - Conference Room 1 in Bldg B Friendship - Room 201 (Community Room) in CLEC Bereans - Room 101 (Carpenter's Room) in CLEC

JOY (Just Older Youth)

Older adults are invited to join us at 10:30 a.m. each Tuesday in the Christian Life Enrichment Center for worship, study and fellowship. This Tuesday, November 1, The Reverend Jeanette Burton will teach. Bring a lunch and eat together. The church provides drinks. For information contact Senior Director of Ministry, Bobby Van Duyne at 584-8165 x233.





Every fifth Sunday IGNITE serves the homeless in Clearwater. Join them by the church office at 3:30 p.m. today if you'd like to serve with them. Contact IGNITE leader, Felix Koutsourais at c24go1@aol.com for more information. You can also visit their facebook for updates.



SURVIVING HOLIDAYS

Sunday, December 4 | 2 to 4 p.m. |Room 201 (CLEC) When you're grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our Surviving the Holidays seminar helps participants discover:

- How to deal with emotions
- What to do about traditions
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to find hope for the future

Join us for this encouraging seminar. Refreshments and childcare provided. Cost of the Survival Guide booklet is \$5. It includes over 30 daily devotions with insights from GriefShare experts, powerful Scriptures and prayers, as well as tips to manage the holiday season during this difficult time.

If you plan to attend, register by calling the church office at 584-8165 or filling out the Connect Card.





Children Infant– 5th Grade, Kaitie Johnson, Director of Children's Ministry, Kaitie.j@stpaulumc.org

Sunday Morning: Lil' Kidz Care

Lil' Kidz Care is available every Sunday for infants to 4year-olds, at 8:45 a.m. in the nursery building (Bldg B) next to the sanctuary. Sign in and be given a pick-up card that you will need to pick-up your child.

Sunday Morning: Preschool & K-5

Kids ages 3-5 and K-5th grade are invited to join us in the Children's Ministry Center in Bldg C at both 9 and 10:30 a.m. for Children's Worship and age-appropriate lessons.



This Sunday: Fall Party Today the Children's Ministry are having a Fall Party during their Sunday morning time. Come have fun!



Worship Arts on Wednesdays

Children in K-5th grade are invited to join us on Wednesday nights. Each week kids will have the opportunity to sing, and worship God in creative ways. Kids are currently working on a Thanksgiving song.

Drop off begins at 6 p.m. in the Mariposa Café (Christian Life Enrichment Center). We'll have snacks and then move to Room 201 (Community Room) of the CLEC. Pick-up is at 7:30 p.m. in Room 201.



Student Ministry

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



Sunday Night Youth Group

There's nothing wrong with feeling a little red-faced every once in a while, but when that feeling of shame carries over to how we see ourselves, how we treat others, and even what we think about God, it can be really harmful. As we explore what the Bible says about our best and worst moments, we may discover that the best thing we can do with one of the worst feelings is to shame...less.



Bottom Line: Listen to the One who loves you. When we think about the mistakes we've made or the ways in which we've let people down, we begin to feel overpowered by shame. And sometimes one of the places we feel that the most is at church. It's hard enough to feel like we've let people down, but the thought of letting God down can be even worse. The good news is, that's not at all how God intended for us to feel when we make mistakes. In fact, it's not even how *He* feels about us. This week we'll look at a familiar passage of Scripture that shows us exactly the way God feels about us—no matter our mistakes. And we'll see that we have the choice to stop listening to shame and start listening to God's love.

At 5:30, students are invited to join us in the Mariposa Cafe for dinner. Dinner is \$3. Students must preregister for dinner by the Wednesday before by filling out the online form at stpaulumc.org. The group then branches out to the Youth Room, the gym or the Fellowship Hall for group games, exciting crowd breakers, passionate worship, biblical teaching, and a chance to connect with others through Source Groups. Time together ends at 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday Nights

6–7:30 p.m. | Youth Room

Students are invited to a Wednesday Bible study to get into God's Word. Students will hang out, play in the gym and have a Bible study in the Youth Room.



Save the Date DECEMBER 2 In the Ludance Willey Fellowship Hall 6:30 PM TICKETS: \$25

> DINNER LIVE MANGER SCENE CAROLING

PROGRAM BY: Largo HS Madrigal Singers Directed by Kody Wallace

Candlelight Christmas

Join us on December 2 for this year's Candlelight Christmas dinner. This year we have a live nativity beginning at 6:10 pm in the lobby of the Christian Life Enrichment Center and caroling before dinner. Doors to the fellowship hall open at 6:30 p.m. Our program will be performed by the Largo High School Madrigal Singers, directed by our own Traditional Worship Leader, Kody Wallace.

Tickets go on sale next Sunday, November 6 in the courtyard between services. If you would like to decorate and/or hostess a table please visit the ticket table to sign up and get pertinent information. This year dishes from the church will be available so hostesses will only need to bring centerpieces and silverware.



District Superintendent Installation The Installation service for our new District Superintendent the Rev. Dr. Candace Lewis is Sunday, November 13 at 3 p.m. Join us at Palm Harbor United Methodist Church, 1551 Belcher Rd, to celebrate the appointment of our new District Superintendent.



THIS SATURDAY, NOV 5 Bardmoor Golf and Tennis Club

Tournament Sign-In starts 7 a.m.

8a.m. Start Time (Shotgun Start–Scramble Format)

Lunch at Noon

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TOMORROW, OCTOBER 31

The golf tournament is this Saturday, so be sure to get your registrations in by the end of the day tomorrow if you are planning to golf!

Golf, cart and lunch are \$100 per player. If you don't have a full foursome, we can match you with other players. You can turn in your registration form at the church office or register online by visiting stpaulumc.org.

Hole Sponsorships are \$100 and include:

- A sign on the course
- A listing in the event brochure

Businesses can use this opportunity to advertise, or families or individuals can honor a person or a special event. If you'd like to support St. Paul's ministries with a donation in any amount, we have Angel Sponsorships that allow you to designate a donation of any size.

Registration forms are available in the sanctuary lobby or in the church office. You can also sign-up online. Be sure to get all registrations in by tomorrow, October 31.



Open Arms Needs Toilet Paper In addition to food and clothes, Open Arms distributes personal necessities like diapers and toilet paper that are not covered by food stamps and other assistance. We are currently in need of toilet paper. The next time you're at the store, think about buying an extra pack of toilet paper for someone in need. You can leave your donations in the blue shopping cart in the sanctuary lobby on Sunday or the church office during the week.

Help on Sunday Mornings

If you are here Sunday morning why not get plugged in to helping make worship happen? We are looking for ushers and communion servers at 10:30. Ushers hand out bulletins, help people to their seats, collect the offering, answer questions and represent the joy of St. Paul UMC. Communion servers come forward at communion time and distribute the elements to the congregation. Instructions for all positions is provided. No experience is necessary.

If you are willing to be part of the team on a rotational basis contact Laurel Fortuna, Senior Director of Music & Worship Arts at laurel.f@stpaulumc.org or call 584-8165 ext. 208 or fill out the Connect Card.



Open Arms Thanksgiving

Our Open Arms ministry is giving away Thanksgiving dinners with turkeys and all the fixings to 350 families again this year. If you would like to donate non-

perishable food, we are looking for Thanksgiving food items such as mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, etc. You can drop off food items in the blue cart in the sanctuary lobby, or at the church office. If you'd like to give a monetary donation toward the purchase of turkeys, place your donation in the offering plate and make sure it's labeled, "Thanksgiving Turkeys."

We also need volunteers to help escort the families and guide them through receiving their food on November 21. If you would like to help with this, fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin.



We are still accepting special donations for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) so we can join with all United Methodist churches to provide relief to the victims of Hurricane Matthew both nationally here in the USA and internationally in harder hit areas such as Haiti.

If you would like to give toward disaster relief, please make your check out to St Paul with a designation in the memo section for UMCOR relief and whether you would like your donation to be used to aid those in the USA or Internationally. Use one of the designations below so we can make sure your donation is going where you want to give:

- Write "UMCOR USA" in the memo line: If you would like your donation to help those affected by Hurricane Matthew in the U.S.
- Write UMCOR INTERNATIONAL in the memo line: If you would like your donation to help those affected by Hurricane Matthew outside the U.S. (Haiti, Bahamas, etc.)

You can also give online at www.stpaulumc.org, just be sure to select one of the UMCOR options on our Giving page.

Give Homeless &

Homeless Feeding Ministry

We have lots of cooks, but are in need of volunteer servers who will serve the homeless one weekend a month from 3:30 to 6 p.m. on Sundays. Tasks involve lifting large pans of food, visiting with our guests and helping to clean up. If you can help, please fill out the Connect Card on page 4.

Coming this Week

Sunday, October 30

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| Courtyard Coffee | 8:30 AM | |
| Lil' Kidz Nursery | 8:30 AM | |
| Traditional Worship | 9:00 AM | |
| Children's Worship | 9:00 AM | |
| Half Truths Study | 9:15 AM | |
| Bereans | 10:15 AM | |
| Crusaders | 10:15 AM | |
| Friendship | 10:15 AM | |
| Inspirations | 10:15 AM | |
| Contemporary Worship | 10:30 AM | |
| Children's Worship | 10:30 AM | |
| IGNITE: Homeless | 3:30 PM | |
| Student Worship | 5:30 PM | |
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| Monday, October 31 | | |
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| Girl Scouts | 6:30 PM | |
| Boy Scouts | 7:00 PM | |

| Tuesday, November 1 | | |
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| Sonrise Men's Study | 6:30 AM | |
| JOY (Just Older Youth) | 10:30 AM | |

| Wednesday, November 2 | | |
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| Students' Amplify | 6:00 PM | |
| GriefShare | 6:00 PM | |
| Handicapable | 6:15 PM | |
| Fellowship Time | 6:00 PM | |
| Children's Worship Arts | 6:30 PM | |
| Love to Stay | 6:30 PM | |
| Losing Your Religion | 6:30 PM | |
| Volleyball | 7:45 PM | |

Thursday, November 3

| Men's Bible Study | 7:00 AM |
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| Prayer Shawl | 5:30 PM |
| Handbells Rehearsal | 5:30 PM |
| Intercessory Prayer | 6:00 PM |
| Choir Rehearsal | 7:00 PM |
| AA Meeting | 7:00 PM |
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Friday, November 4Church Office ClosedHandi Craft Night7:00 PM

Saturday, November 5 Golf Tournament 8:00 AM

Due to space not all events are listed here. Visit www.stpaulumc.org for our full calendar.

E-mail church@stpaulumc.org or

VOLUNTEER SPOTLCH

Todd Smyzer & Betty Simpson Todd Smyzer and Betty Simpson, both long-time members of St. Paul UMC and the St. Paul Handicapable Ministry, have been actively involved in serving the church in numerous ways throughout the years.

Two ways they served the church recently were by volunteering at our recent church auction and serving as greeters at the 9 a.m. worship service on October 9. Church greeters are usually the first people church members, visitors



Betty Simpson and Todd Smyzer Greeting on Sunday morning

and friends see when they approach the doors of the sanctuary. Making a good first impression is an important part of how we try to make sure that everyone who attends St. Paul feels welcomed and touched by the love of Christ.

Todd and Betty also help in several areas with the Handicapable Ministry. Both have been involved with Special Olympics for years and have represented the Handicapable Ministry in sports such as bowling, track and field, and golf. In addition to the Handicapable Ministry they also attend and participate in JOY Ministry activities. Todd and Betty, thank you for being servants of the Lord and bringing joy into so many hearts and lives!



Submit Your Ministry Schedule for 2017!

If you lead a St. Paul ministry, be sure to submit your meeting dates for 2017 as we are already starting to reserve rooms for next year. Meetings are not automatically scheduled for the next year, so even if you have recurring meetings or have been meeting for submit your ministry's schedule. There are many ministry's schedule.

years, you still need to submit your ministry's schedule. There are many ministries at our church, and we rent our facilities as well, so please help us keep our calendar accurate and ensure that your ministry will have the meeting space it needs.

Submit your ministry's meeting dates, preferred room, and if you are on a regular schedule, any dates your ministry will not meet due to vacation, etc. to Administrative Assistant, Julia Jones, in the church office. You can e-mail this information to church@stpaulumc.org, drop it off at the church office or call 584-8165 x203.

GOOD



Son Kissed Hosts Successful Patch Bash Our Son Kissed Preschool's Patch Bash was a blast this year! Most of our preschool families were in attendance and many new families from our area also joined us. The cool weather meant families were able to enjoy a true fall night filled with fun activities like face painting, hay rides, a bounce house, games, crafts and yummy goodies. Over 40 families registered for a chance to win our family game night baskets. Congratulations to the Seitz and Stoughtenger families for winning the baskets! Thank you to our Student Ministry, which helped out, and everyone who took part and made the Patch Bash a wonderful event!



Visit our Facebook for more pictures: StPaulUMCLargo



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Strategic Initiatives are goals we can't meet without God's help, and the guiding purpose for our church for the next five years.

Infroduce Jesus to 20,000 persons in a 5 miles radius of our church, so that they experience and share Him.

FOLLOW JESUS' Lead to reach OUT to those experiencing POVERTY and Strive to reverse its effects on OUT COMMUNITY.

The Reverend Bob Martin, Senior Pastor The Reverend Pam Dubov, Minister of Outreach and Missions



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