



May 21, 2017

Welcome from Pastor Bob

Whether you're a first time visitor or a member of our St. Paul family, I'm glad you've joined this Sunday! Today we're celebrating our graduates and all their wonderful accomplishments as they move to the next stage of their lives.

Our current series is called, "Doing Life Together." Over the next few weeks we'll hear what the Bible tells us about creating Christian community and what we can learn from the model the early church provides. I hope that the messages will inspire you to think about joining one of our small groups, if you aren't part of one already. If you are looking for this kind of connection, visit the table in the courtyard between worship times or fill out the Connect Card on page 3 and 4.

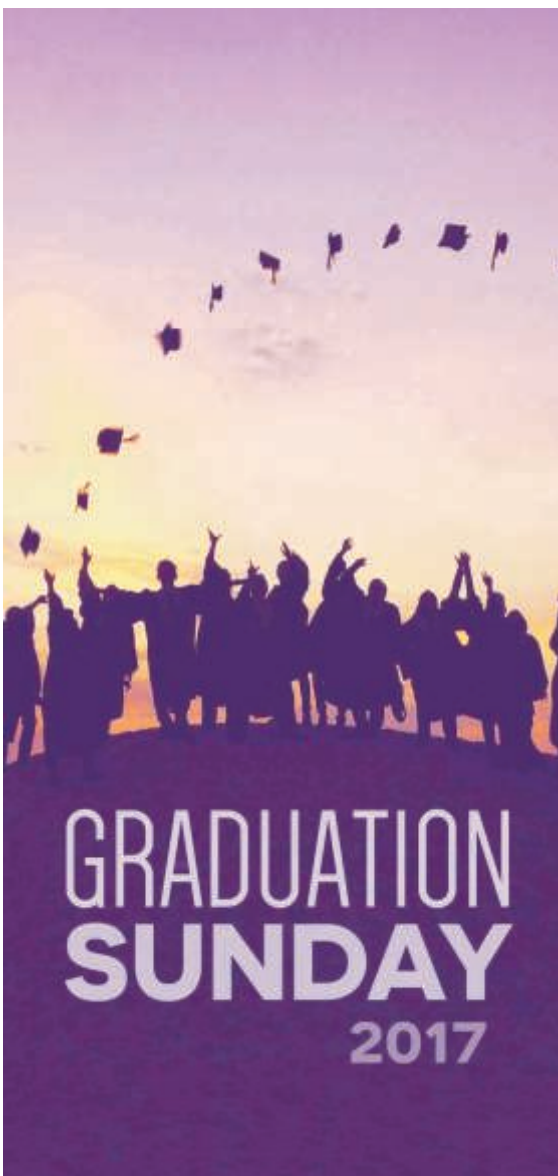
You can find out more about our upcoming events in this bulletin or on our website: www.stpaulumc.org

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



Bob Martin, Senior Pastor

Glorify God ♥ Grow in Faith ♥ Give in Love





GLORIFY GOD

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP at 9 AM

Prelude Aaron Cassette, Accompanist
Welcome Pastor Bob Martin

Recognition of Graduates

*Greet *Oh How He Loves You And Me*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Though the way seems long and the road rough

People: Yet will we trust the One who leads us.

Leader: Though the direction is unknown and we don't know the outcome

People: Yet will we place our lives in Christ's loving care.

Leader: It is Christ who brings us out to green pastures and restores our souls.

People: It is Christ who gives us hope and peace. Praise be to Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymns *We Gather Together* No. 131
Holy Spirit, Truth Divine No. 465

*Apostle's Creed No. 881

Baptisms of Maleea, Daniel and Marley Robinson

Prayer with Lord's Prayer No. 895

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-10

Offertory *Song of Celebration* Sanctuary Choir

*Doxology *Praise God, From Whom...* No. 94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Transitional Hymn *Where Charity and Love Prevail* No. 549

Message "Truth in Numbers" Pastor Pam Dubov

Directed Prayer

*Hymn *All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord* No. 554

*Benediction

*Postlude

*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.

9 AM Greeters: Christine and Steve Brower

10:30 AM Greeters: Ed and Carol Cook, Cindy Durant

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.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.stpaulumc.org



JOIN OUR MAILING LIST
SIGN UP ON THE CONNECT CARD



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Making a Prayer Request

Write your prayer request on the Connect Card and drop at the Connection Center or in the offering plate. You can call our prayer line at any time: 559-PRAY (7729).

Hear Our Prayer

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

Allison Hall	Kenneth A.
Amanda Swan	Kevin
Anita	Kim Morris
Audrey Talbert	Kitty, Patti, Sarah, BJ
Bill Neville	Kristi Burslem
Bob & Troy Hartel	Kristie Cicenias
Bobby Quinton	Landon
Bonnie Wismer	Leen T
Brad Jones	Leo & Children
Brian	Libby Burke
C & C	Lillyann
Caitlynn Timberlake	Linda Weaver Hank
Care Takers	Liz Deimling
Carol Quinton	Margie Stillwell
Caroline Zimmerman	Mark LaPolla
Carolyn Goodwin	Martha Dedwick
Chad M	Mary Barrett
Charlotte Smith	Meghan Timberlake
Children, Woman and Youth	Michael, Bob, Ray and Dorts
Cindy Smith	Moms
Cliff Armbruster	My Family
Dale Metler	Peter H
Dana, Jodie, Robin, Kathy & Matt	Praise God
Dave	Praise for my children
David Barrett	Rich Stemboroski
Debbie J	Ron
Dee & Dick Mayfield	Ron & Judy Getz
Don Koth	Ryan Casey
Doris Weiner	Shirley Hamrick
Elaine McCarthy	Shirley Register
Evelyn Bradley	Steve Harvey
Frank Register	Sue & Jeff Welch
Gilbert Quinn	Tammy Barker
Hailey	Theda O'Neal
Jace Michael	Todd Smyzer
Jackson	Tom & Glenda
Jan Dale	Neville
Jan Snow	Tom C
Jane Huter	Tommy
Jenny Walter	Travis
Jim Lucky	Trevor Birt
Jodi & Ariel	William "Bill" Young
John Dibble	Windell T White
John Fady	Zackary Kueker
Jonathon	
Josh DeLoach	
Karen Goodwin	
Kat Farhangi	

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!



ABOUT
60 MIN.



PASSIONATE
MUSIC



NO
PRESSURE

Giving

It's easy to give online! You can make a one time gift or set up a convenient recurring contribution on our website. You can also use our online giving page to pay for things like worship flowers, class study materials and more. Visit stpaulumc.org and click the Giving button, or use this QR code.



Flowers

Today's flowers were given by:

- ♥ Jewel Ahrns, in celebration of my son, Peter Nauseda's, birthday!
- ♥ Pastor Bob, in celebration of Pastor Bob and Patti's 32nd Wedding Anniversary.
- ♥ Don & Joann Koth, in celebration of our 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Congratulations!

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.

Deaths

Please pray for the families and friends of the people listed below, who recently passed on to life eternal:

Daisy Myers
Ed Shaw

St. Paul United Methodist Church CONNECT CARD

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!

Date: May 21, 2017 9 AM 10:30 AM

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

I am a:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1st Time Guest | <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd Time Guest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Attendee | <input type="checkbox"/> Member(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Resident | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Please update my information. | |

I came today because:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> I drove by | <input type="checkbox"/> I visited the website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I've been here before | <input type="checkbox"/> I received a mailing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was invited by _____ | |
| Other: _____ | |

I want to join your e-mail list:

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly Pastor's E-Note | <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Guide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly St. Paul Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Children |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Students | |
| Other: _____ | |

Be sure to put your e-mail address at the top of the card!

How can we pray for you?

- | |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> For Military Prayer List |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do NOT publish in bulletin. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Include on prayer chain. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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
- 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 help with:

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday Usher
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday Greeter
- Livestreaming at 9 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday Hospitality/Refreshments
- Church Auction Chairperson
 Other Help
- Connection Center Host
 8:30–9:05 a.m. 10-10:35 a.m.
 11:30-11:45 a.m.



I am interested in joining a Small Group

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

Don't forget to fill out the other side!

NEXT STEPS

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 COFFEE

Discover St. Paul is an informal coffee time with the pastor to give you a chance to ask any questions you may have about St. Paul and discover more about who we are as a church, our mission, and core values. The next one will be June 11 at 11:45 a.m. in the Connection



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
- At 9:15 and 10:15 a.m.



SHORT TERM GROUPS

- Topical classes covering things like
 - ⇒ Finance
 - ⇒ Parenting
 - ⇒ Caretaking
- Topical and seasonal Bible studies and

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
WWW.STPAULUMC.ORG

for more information about our ministries.

GROW IN FAITH

smallgroups

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 class

Room 202 in **Bldg C**

10:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

Inspirations - Purple Door Classroom (101) in **Bldg C**

Bereans - Conference Room 2 in **Bldg B**

Friendship—Room 201 (Community Room) - **CLEC**

JOY (Just Older Youth)

Older adults are invited to join us at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays for worship, study and fellowship in the Lu-Anne Willey Fellowship Hall (CLEC). This Tuesday, May 23, Pastor Pam will teach. Bring a lunch and eat together after worship. Beverages provided by the church. For more information, contact Senior Director of Ministry, Bobby Van Duyne at 584-8165 or email bobby.v@stpaulumc.org.

Soaring Eagles

Saturdays 8:00 a.m. | Room 201 (CLEC)

Men are invited to Saturday morning fellowship, prayer and devotions at 8 a.m.



Small Groups at St. Paul are formed by up to twelve people who meet to support each other in their faith journey and to "do life together." The groups meet regularly to:

- **Grow** in their personal relationship with God.
- **Connect** with other believers through worship, study, prayer, praise and service.
- **Support** each person in their faith walk.
- **Be the hands and feet of Jesus** by serving within their group, church and community.
- **Enjoy fun and fellowship together.**

If you would like to be part of a Small Group and forge a bond with other believers, visit the table in the courtyard between worship times today, contact Senior Director of Ministry Bobby Van Duyne by e-mailing bobby.v@stpaulumc.org or fill out the Con-



IGNITE: Young Adults & Young Professionals

Join IGNITE at 7 p.m. tonight in room 202 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. They are continuing their study, "Explore the Resurrection," which looks at historical support for the truth of the resurrection. Follow IGNITE on Facebook for info on current and upcoming studies, events, and cancellations. To receive scheduling notes by text, email youngadults.stpaulumc@gmail.com with the phone number where you would like to receive texts.



Largo High Chamber Choir Concert

At 6 p.m. tonight the Largo Chamber Singers, directed by our own Kody Wallace, will present two masterworks in the St. Paul Sanctuary. **Franz Joseph Haydn's** *Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo* and **Bob Chilcott's** *Little Jazz Mass* are both settings of the traditional Latin mass, but both have very different flavors. We hope you can join us for this meeting of Western Classical music and great American Jazz! The concert is free, and a love offering will be taken to support the Largo High School Choir Program. Come and support these talented young singers and enjoy an evening of beautiful music.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Our strategic initiatives are goals we can't meet without God's help and the guiding purpose for our church over the next 5 years



STRATEGIC INITIATIVE #1

INTRODUCE JESUS TO 20,000 PERSONS IN A 5 MILES RADIUS OF OUR CHURCH, SO THAT THEY EXPERIENCE AND SHARE HIM.



STRATEGIC INITIATIVE #2

FOLLOW JESUS' LEAD TO REACH OUT TO THOSE EXPERIENCING POVERTY AND STRIVE TO REVERSE ITS EFFECTS ON OUR COMMUNITY.

Watch or Listen to Past Messages

Our past messages are available as both video and audio. If you want to listen to a message while driving or working out, you can get our past messages free on iTunes. Download the messages you missed, or the ones you want to hear again and listen anywhere you listen to music! Visit stpaulumc.org and click the podcast link, or go to the iTunes store and search for St. Paul UMC.



Student Ministry

6th-12th Grade

Alison Van Duyne, Student Ministry Director, alison.v@stpaulumc.org

 SPUMCLighthouse



Sunday Youth Group

TONIGHT: SENIOR CELEBRATION

Join us tonight as we send off our graduating seniors to the next exciting stage of their lives. Parents, family and friends are invited to join us in the Student Room at 6 p.m. as we celebrate our seniors.



STUDENT SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Summer Xplosion: June 4-9

Kick off the summer with a week of exciting events like a Lock In, Photo Scavenger Hunt, Messy Olympics, and more.

Teen Valley Ranch: June 25 - July 1

Our students spend a week at Teen Valley Ranch in North Carolina where they have a chance to do fun activities like zip lines, tubing, and horseback riding as well as daily worship and time with God.

Tuesday Nights

Join us on Tuesday nights all summer long for events like swimming, movie nights, baseball games, fun team challenges, and more.

Wednesday Serve

Eat lunch with us at noon, and then serve by leading the kids in our K-5 camp in games, service projects and activities until 5 p.m.



Son Kissed Preschool VPK Graduation

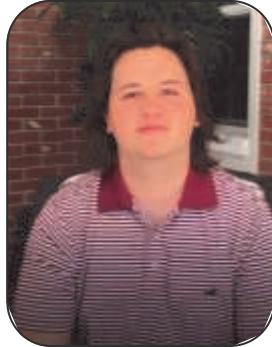
Our VPK class of 2017 is graduating this Friday, May 26! They'll share songs and receive their diplomas during a ceremony in the sanctuary at 7 p.m. After the ceremony, families are invited to join us in the Children's Ministry Center for a reception as we celebrate this important milestone!



GRADUATION
— SUNDAY —
WE HONOR YOU



CAITLYN CONWAY
Clearwater High School
Future Plans:
SPC



JORDAN HALE
Osceola Fundamental High
Future Plans:
University of Alabama
Pre-law & Criminal Justice



MARY HUGHES
Clearwater High School
Future Plans: SPC to
finish AA Degree then
pursuing her Bachelor's



PARKER JOHNSON
Largo High School
Excel Program
Future Plans: SPC then
Stetson - Family Law



KAITLYN PELZEL
Largo High School & SPC
AA degree
Future Plans: SPC
Elementary Education



ERIC PITTS
USF - August 2016
B.S. Environmental Science
and Policy
U.S. Coast Guard - April 2017
Aids to Navigation -
Stationed in Dulac, LA



RACHEL POHL
Clearwater High School
Future Plans:
University of Florida



MATTHEW REPKE
Clearwater High School -
Cambridge Diploma
Future Plans:
University of Florida



DYLAN TRIBBIE
University of Florida
Bachelor of Science
Business Administration
Degree in Information
Systems

Congratulations

We are so proud of all our graduates!



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

Sunday Morning: Lil' Kidz Care

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

This Sunday: Preschool & K-5

Preschool and K-5 are invited to attend their own worship and lessons in the Children's Ministry Center in Bldg C at both 9 and 10:30 a.m.



GEAR UP FOR A SUMMER OF FAITH & FUN!

- GAMES & SPORTS**
- CRAFTS**
- FIELD TRIPS**
- MUSIC**
- DRESS UP FRIDAYS**

MAY 30-AUGUST 4
AGES: K-5

CAMP HOURS: 7 AM-6 PM
LUNCH & SNACKS INCLUDED
COST: \$80-\$100/WEEK

Pay only for the weeks your child attends

REGISTER NOW
STPAULUMC.ORG



Worship Arts Party This Wednesday

This Wednesday is the last day of Worship Arts before we take our summer break. Meet at 6:30 p.m. in room 201 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center for a special party as we celebrate a great year of Worship Arts! Pick-up is at 7:30 p.m. in the gym. Parents are invited to stay for the Intentional Parenting Class.



Coming this Week

Sunday, May 21

Courtyard Coffee	8:30 AM
Lil' Kidz Nursery	8:30 AM
Traditional Worship	9:00 AM
Children's Worship	9:00 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bereans	10:15 AM
Friendship	10:15 AM
Inspirations	10:15 AM
Contemporary Worship	10:30 AM
Children's Worship	10:30 AM
Homeless Meal	3:30 PM
Student Senior Celebration	6:00 PM
Largo Chamber Concert	6:00 PM
IGNITE	7:00 PM

Monday, May 22

Girl Scouts	6:30 PM
Boy Scouts	7:00 PM

Tuesday, May 23

Sonrise Men's Study	6:30 AM
Toy Making	8:00 AM
JOY (Just Older Youth)	10:30 AM
GriefShare	1:00 PM

Wednesday, May 24

Toy Making	8:00 AM
UMW: Dorcas	9:00 AM
Handicapable	6:15 PM
The Girl's Still Got It	6:30 PM
Parenting Class	6:30 PM
Colossians Study	6:30 PM
Children: Worship Arts	6:30 PM
Volleyball	7:45 PM

Thursday, May 25

Men's Bible Study	7:00 AM
Toy Making	8:00 AM
Prayer Shawl	5:00 PM
Handbells Rehearsal	5:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
AA Meeting	7:00 PM

Friday, May 26

Church Office Closed

Preschool Graduation	7:00 PM
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Saturday, May 27

Soaring Eagles	8:00 AM
Basketball	8:00 AM

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If you have an event to schedule,
contact us at 584-8165 or e-mail
kerry.k@stpaulumc.org



GIVE IN LOVE

Church Auction Chairperson Needed

We are looking for someone to lead this year's church auction, which will be held in October. Have you ever worked on an auction? Do you like working with an energetic group of people? Are you organized? If so, we need you! If you would like to lead the church auction, or help in another way, please contact Arch Johnston at the church office at arch.j@stpaulumc.org, call 584-8165 x245, or fill out the Connect Card.

Hospitality Help

We're looking for team members to help with refreshments in the courtyard on Sundays. Can you help with making coffee or cleaning up after the refreshments are served? Fill out the Connect Card and we will contact you with more details about when and how you can help.

Make Toys with the Carpenter's Shop Ministry

If you would like to help make toys that first responders will give to children in traumatic situations, we invite you to The Carpenter's Shop behind the Open Arms Resource Center on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to noon.

Connection Center Hosts

Before and after worship, our Connection Center is where our members and guests come to get questions answered or to find out more about St. Paul. We need friendly folks who enjoy connecting with others to help by being available in the Connection Center. Take a look at the Connect Card on page 4 and let us know which time you would like to help.

Donate Items for Summer Camp

Summer camp is almost here! Can you donate any of these items to help us provide a safe, fun summer for K-5 kids in our community? If you'd like to donate, drop items off in the blue shopping cart on Sundays or at the church office during the week.

Snacks: goldfish crackers, powdered lemonade, veggie straws, pretzels
Art Supplies: markers, crayons, color paper, iron fuse beads (ex. Perler beads)
Other: sandwich size ziplock bags, plastic or paper cups, coffee filters

Employment Opportunity

We are looking for a full time Assistant Director for Son Kissed Preschool who is passionate about early childhood education. Hours are weekdays 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. It is preferred that applicants have completed their 45 hours and will have up to date CDA or FCCPC, CPR trainings and First Aid. We are seeking someone who has positive communication skills; with strengths in spoken & written communication.

Visit the employment section of our website for the full list of requirements:
www.stpaulumc.org

GOOD NEWS



Handicapable Reaches out to the Community and Welcomes 300 to Adult Day Training Event

On Wednesday, May 10, the Handicapable Ministry took part in the church's strategic initiative to reach 20,000 people by hosting its first Adult Day Training (ADT) gathering in the LuAnne Willey Fellowship Hall. Eight ADT organizations took part, with a total of 300 members attending! Everyone had a wonderful time sharing fellowship and making new friends, eating pizza, and dancing.



Handicapable Director, Horton Townes, with AFIRE ADT, which promoted the event.

In addition to allowing 300 of our Special Needs friends from the Pinellas area to have fun together, the event introduced the new HUG website. The website developed by Robin Lally, whose brother Rick Farr is a member of our Handicapable Ministry, allows each ADT group to post its activities for free, so the Pinellas County Special Needs community can keep up with events in the area. Handicapable will use HUG as one of our tools to reach out to the wider Special Needs community.



Robin Lally with brother, Rick Farr



Our Next Sermon Series: Where's God?

Next week we begin a new Sunday sermon series called "Where's God?" There are times when we feel so close to God, but also times when he feels distant from us. We have trouble understanding his plan for us, or it feels like he's not paying attention. We wonder why he is letting bad things happen. What are we to make of it when it seems like God doesn't hear our prayers? What do we do when we can't hear his voice or feel his guiding hand? For the next three weeks we will ask some of the questions that challenge many people of faith.



Anna Price brought seven friends with her to Sunday night Student Ministry. Way to go, Anna! That's probably a record! We can all follow your example and invite a friend or seven to worship with us.

GRADUATION SUNDAY



BE SURE TO VISIT PAGE 7 FOR THIS YEAR'S GRADUATES!

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



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