

October 23, 2016

Welcome from Pastor Bob

Welcome to St. Paul United Methodist Church! Whether you're a first time visitor or a long time attendee, I'm glad you're worshipping with us today! We are finishing our "Heroes" series today with a message about Joshua, who teaches us that we must lead boldly. This is a lesson that will also apply to our next series, "What If..." I am so excited about this upcoming series, which is an opportunity for us to celebrate what we've accomplished this year but also to envision the even greater impact that we can have in the future.

Take a look through this bulletin for other ways you can get involved in our mission to Glorify God, Grow in Faith, and Give in Love. 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

GLORIFY GOD

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP at 9 AM

- Prelude *Swallows in Flight* Aaron Cassette, Accompanist
 Welcome Pastor Pam Dubov
 *Greet *Oh How He Loves You And Me*
 *Call to Worship
 Leader: The Lord will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in him.
 People: **Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal.**
 Leader: The path of the righteous is level; the Upright One makes the way of the righteous smooth.
 People: **We will look to the Lord and his strength. We will seek his face always.**
 *Hymns *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah* No. 127
O Church of God United No. 547
 *Apostles' Creed No. 881
 Prayer with Lord's Prayer No. 895
 Offertory *How Deep the Father's Love For Us* Sanctuary Choir
 *Doxology *Praise God, From Whom...* No. 94
 *Prayer of Thanksgiving
 *Transitional Hymn *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* No. 117
- Message "Heroes: Joshua" Pastor Bob Martin
 Joshua 3:1-17
- Directed Prayer
 *Closing Hymn *Rejoice the Lord is King* No. 715
 *Benediction
 *Postlude *Alive in Christ Jesus*

*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: The Clemows

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:

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| Agnes Davis | Joshua |
| Al Misureca | Julie & Lillyann |
| Allison and Elise Hall | Kat Farhangi |
| Amanda | Kale'a Grady |
| Amanda Swan and Chad | Karen & Jordan Goodin |
| Ashley W. | Kathy Seitz |
| Audrey and Michelle Talbert | Kenneth A. Kent Powers |
| Avinash Gobal | Kevin & Heather |
| Betty Hertlein | Kim Morris |
| Betty Juniet & family | Kristi Burslem |
| Bishop family | Lisa Cunningham |
| Bob Hartel | Loraine Portier |
| Bob Larch | Lori, Andy, David, Leslie, May, Joann |
| Bobby Quinton | Louicille McDonald |
| Bonnie Wismer | Lynn Timberlake |
| Brad Jones | Mackenzie, Bryon Malachi |
| Bryanna & family | Mark LaPolla |
| Carolyn Goodwin | Matthew Eckley |
| Cindy Hunter Davis | Maura Slingo |
| Cliff Armbruster | Meghann Timberlake |
| Darlene Rusch | Mel and the boys |
| Dave | Mike Bradley |
| David, Nicole & baby | Morris family |
| Dennis Whipple | Perdue Family |
| Don & Darlene | Rachel Turnage |
| Don Maja | Rich Stemboroski |
| Doris | Robin |
| Duane Wells | Samantha |
| Evelyn Sukosd | Sandy Pelusio |
| Family healing | Sandy Smith |
| Faye Suarez | Shirley |
| George and Vickie Spencer | Schniepp's Transition to living in FL |
| Gilbert Quinn | Stephanie |
| God's guidance for employment | Steve Harvey |
| Grandson, Garrett | Tammy B |
| Greg, Meg & Jackson & baby | Tanner Family |
| Hazel & Jack Austin | Terry Hardt |
| Jace Michael | Thomas Peach |
| Jack Govan | Tina H. |
| Jackson | Todd Smyzer |
| Jane Huter | Tom & Glenda Tom |
| Jenny Walter | Russell |
| Jessica | Trevor Birt |
| Jim | Troy Hartel |
| Jim Lucky | Val Barg |
| John Fady | Wayne Boyd |
| Jonathan | Whitney Bishop |
| Josh DeLoach | 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!



ABOUT
60 MIN.



PASSIONATE
MUSIC



NO
PRESSURE

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:

♥ Jewel Ahrens in loving memory of her husband, Pete

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.



Congratulations!

Blessings and congratulations to Helen Lackey on the birth of her first great-grandchild, a baby girl. Little Mary was born in New York City on October 12, weighing 8 lbs 3 oz.

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: October 23, 2016 9 AM 10:30 AM

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

I am a:

- 1st Time Guest 2nd Time Guest
 Regular Attendee Member(s)
 Winter Resident
 Please update my information.

I came today because:

- I drove by I visited the website
 I've been here before I received a mailing
 I was invited by _____
 Other: _____

I want to join your e-mail list:

- Weekly Pastor's E-Note Growth Guide
 This Week at St. Paul Newsletter
 Youth Children
 Other: _____

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

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.)
- I want to be a sponsor—\$100

- 10:30 AM Ushers
- 10:30 AM Greeters
- 10:30 AM Communion Stewards
- Communion Preparation

- Homeless Feeding: One Sunday per month

Martha Ministry

- Jan/July
- May/August

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

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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

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.



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
 - ⇒ Finance
 - ⇒ Parenting
 - ⇒ Caretaking
- Topical and seasonal Bible studies and

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

WWW.STPAULUMC.ORG

for more information about our ministries.

GROW IN FAITH

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 **Bldg 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, October 25, Rich Clemow 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.

Church Conference

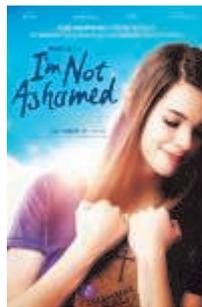
Wednesday, October 26 | 7:45 PM

Youth Room (CLEC)

Join us this Wednesday, October 26 in the Youth Room for our Church Conference! The Youth Room is on the second floor of the CLEC, across from the Prayer Room. This will be a time to celebrate our ministries and elect leaders as recommended by the Nominations and Lay Leadership Team. All active members of St. Paul are encouraged to attend. Childcare will be available.



IGNITE: Adults Ages 18-35



IGNITE has a movie night tonight. They will be watching "I'm Not Ashamed" at the Regal Park Place 16 at Parkside Mall. The movie is based on the journals of Rachel Scott, the first victim of the 1999 Columbine High School massacre in Columbine, Colorado. They may get dinner before the evening show. Contact IGNITE leader, Felix Koutsourais at c24go1@aol.com for more information on where to meet. You can also visit their facebook for updates.



Share Your Story

If you have a story about what St. Paul has meant to you, ways this church has touched you and your family, or ways you have seen the church making a difference in the community, we want to hear from you. Contact us on facebook or send an e-mail to church@stpaulumc.org. We want to celebrate all that St. Paul is doing and share your stories!





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



Student Ministry

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

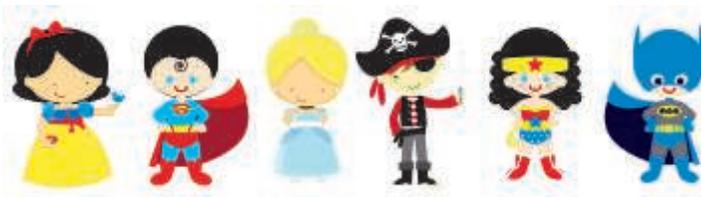
 SPUMCLighthouse



TONIGHT: Fall Fest

5:30 PM | Next to Pumpkin Patch

Students are invited to join us in the yard next to the pumpkin patch for hot dogs and chips, roasting marshmallows, a hayride, games, a costume contest, and pumpkin carving contest. Cost is \$3.



Next Sunday: Fall Party

On October 30 Children's Ministry will have a Fall Party during their Sunday morning time. Costumes are welcome!



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.



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. Snacks provided.

Confirmation: Parents' Meeting

Connection Center

Our next Confirmation Sunday will be Sunday, April 23, 2017. Anyone from 6th grade through high school is welcome to be part of our Confirmation Class starting in January. The class is 12 weeks and covers many aspects of our faith. If you're interested in more information, we will have a Parents' Meeting after the 10:30 a.m. worship some time during November. Keep an eye on the bulletin for a date to be announced.





CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

**GOLF TOURNAMENT: NOV 5
8a.m. Start Time
Bardmoor Golf and Tennis Club**

The golf tournament is almost here and we are looking for more Hole Sponsors.

We have sponsorships available for Hole and Putting Green. Cost is \$100, which helps support the ministries of St. Paul. Sponsors also receive:

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

If you know of a business that might want to sponsor a hole, we have letters in the Connection Center or the church office to help you approach them about sponsoring. Families or individuals can also sponsor a hole in honor of 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. Sponsor sign-up forms are available in the sanctuary lobby or in the church office.

OTHER WAYS TO HELP

- **Participate in the Tournament:** Golf, cart and lunch is \$100 per player.
- **Help the Day of the Tournament.** We'll need help signing people in, directing people through the course and more. Sign up on the Connect Card!



Submit Your Ministry Schedule for 2017!

If you lead a St. Paul ministry, please 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 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 submit your schedule by e-mailing julia.j@stpaulumc.org, dropping it off at the church office or calling 584-8165 x203.



GIVE IN LOVE

Candy Donations Needed

The Spooktacular is a City of Largo event where our Preschool and Children's Ministry are able to introduce our ministries to new families. The booth is free, but we have to provide the candy. If you can donate, please drop off bags of individually wrapped candy in the blue shopping cart on Sunday or at the church office during the week. **The last day to donate is October 27.** Any type of individually wrapped candies are welcome.

Help on Sunday Mornings

Looking for a way to get involved but not sure where to start? 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.

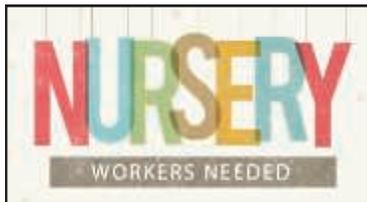
If you are willing to be part of the team on a rotational basis contact Laurel Fortuna, Senior Director of Music & Worship Arts at laurel.f@stpaulumc.org or call 584-8165 ext. 208 or fill out the Connect Card.

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.

Nursery Volunteers

We need nursery volunteers to help take care of the younger children during Sunday worship. If you're interested, contact our Children's Ministry Director, Katie Johnson at 727-584-8165 x238 or katie.j@stpaulumc.org for more information about the requirements of being involved in our Children's Ministry.



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.



Coming this Week

Sunday, October 23

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
Homeless Feeding	3:30 PM
Students: Fall Fest	5:30 PM
IGNITE Movie Night	7:00 PM

Monday, October 24

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

Tuesday, October 25

Sonrise Men's Study	6:30 AM
JOY (Just Older Youth)	10:30 AM

Wednesday, October 26

UMW: Dorcas	9:00 AM
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
Church Conference	7:45 PM
Volleyball	7:45 PM

Thursday, October 27

Men's Bible Study	7:00 AM
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

Friday, October 28

Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 29

Basketball	8:15 AM
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Due to space not all events are listed here. Visit www.stpaulumc.org for our full calendar.



PASTOR APPRECIATION

We love our pastors!



October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

We are blessed to have two wonderful pastors at St. Paul. During this month let's all be intentional about thanking them for all they do, not just on Sunday mornings, but all the ways they lead the life of our church.

Here are a few ways you can support your pastors, not just this month, but all year round!

LISTEN TO THEIR SERMONS

This might seem obvious, but there's few things more discouraging than to look out at a group of people you are preaching to and find that no one is paying attention. When you listen, or even take notes, your actions are saying that you believe what they have to say is valuable and worth your time.

REMEMBER THAT THEY ARE PEOPLE TOO

Always being the leader, the guide, the one with all the answers is not only tiring, but it's also unhealthy. Pastors need friends to laugh with, cry with, and to help counsel them along their own spiritual journey.

VOLUNTEER

One of the biggest misconceptions about the role of a Pastor is that it is their job to do all of the work, and our job to sit and watch. That's not the way it's supposed to work. We all have much we can give and different ways we can help meet the many needs of the church's ministry.

SHARE THE POSITIVES

Most pastors hear at least one complaint every week about something. It might be about their sermon, the lights, or even the color of the carpet. A wonderful way to support them is to simply tell them what you like about the church from time to time. Bonus points if you write it out in a card and leave it in the office for them.

INVITE PEOPLE TO CHURCH

Any pastor would be pleased to see you brought your work buddy, a family member, or a friend to worship with you. The Great Commission wasn't only given to licensed ministers - we're accountable for it as well.

GOOD NEWS



Boy Scouts Provide Handicapable Picnic

On Saturday, October 15, Boy Scout Troop 468 provided a picnic for the St. Paul Handicapable Ministry as they have been doing each year for the last thirteen years!

An overflow crowd of 116 members of the Handicapable Family were on hand at Taylor Park to experience fun, fellowship and great food. While the scouts and their leaders cooked hot dogs and hamburgers, Handicapable members explored the nearby grounds, shared stories and had lots of belly laughs after a surprise visit by "Hot Sauce Chili" (pictured above right) from the hills of West Virginia!



The Handicapable Ministry appreciates the hard work and exemplary efforts of the Boy Scouts in providing their annual picnic. This is one of the highlights of the year for our Handicapable family!

Visit our Facebook for more pictures:
[StPauUMCLargo](#)



Students Take Initiative to Grow in Faith

Some of the teens in our Student Ministry have taken the initiative to meet for a weekly study of God's Word and to Grow in Faith together. It's a wonderful thing for the students to participate in worship and study that our ministry leaders have planned for them, but it's even more amazing when the students are so on fire for the Lord that they are organizing their own studies and wanting even more of the Lord. We are so blessed to have students like these!



FIND OUT MORE NEXT WEEK

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



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