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BEGINS MEETING
ON AUGUST 24

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August 13, 2017

Welcome from Pastor Bob

Whether you're a first time visitor or a long time member of our St. Paul family, I'm glad you've joined us this Sunday. We are currently in the middle of a series that looks at how God enables us to "Grow" through difficult aspects of life. None of us can avoid suffering and pain, but we do have a choice in how we react to our life circumstances. I hope that whatever you are facing, you will find inspiration over the next few weeks.

If you're new to St. Paul, or you just want some help in getting connected to our missions and ministries, I hope you will join us in the Connection Center after 10:30 a.m. worship today. I look forward to getting to know you a bit better!

The Back to School Jubilee was a big success and I can't express how wonderful it is each year to see the kids receive not just what they need for school, but the love that they need as well. Visit our Facebook for more from the event: StPaulUMCLargo. For more upcoming events, read through this bulletin or visit our website: stpaulumc.org. Thank you all for being part of all we are accomplishing for the Lord!



Bob Martin, Senior Pastor

Glorify God ♥ Grow in Faith ♥ Give in Love

GLORIFY GOD

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP at 9 AM

Prelude *Be Still* Aaron Cassette, Accompanist

Welcome Pastor Bob Martin

*Greet *Oh How He Loves You And Me*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome to this house of the Lord!

People: We are glad to be here this morning.

Leader: This is a time to offer our praise to God.

People: With joy we thank God for all the blessings that have been poured on us.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who showers us with mercy.

People: Give praise to God who offers us rest and peace. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

*Apostle's Creed No. 881

Prayer with Lord's Prayer No. 895

Scripture Reading: James 65:7-11, Psalm 40:1-3

Offertory *Fairest Lord Jesus* Sanctuary Choir

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Transitional Hymn *Be Still My Soul* No. 534

Message "Grow Through Patience" Pastor Pam Dubov

Directed Prayer

*Closing Hymn

*Benediction

*Postlude *Rise, O Jerusalem*

*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: Beverly and George Haynes

10:30 AM Greeters: Dawn Green and Deb Byrnes



Dr. Williams with son Blake, wife Dawn, granddaughter Brooklyn and daughter Nairobi

Welcome Our New Worship Leader

Today is an exciting day as we welcome our new 9 a.m. worship leader, Dr. Robert Weston Williams on his first Sunday at St. Paul. Dr. Williams is a native of Newberry, SC. He has many years of experience as a worship leader and an educator. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Music from Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, AL. At the University of South Carolina he earned his Master of Music degree in Vocal Performance and Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Choral Conducting. Dr. Williams recently moved to Florida from Fayetteville, NC where he served on the music faculty at Fayetteville State University for twenty-three years and served as Director of Music at MacPherson Presbyterian Church for the past seven years. In addition to his position at St. Paul he is Director of Choral Activities at St. Petersburg College.

We are blessed to have the very talented Dr. Williams join our staff and lead worship! Say hello after worship today and make him feel welcome.



Discover St. Paul Coffee Today

If you're new to St. Paul, thinking about joining, or just want to get connected with our missions and ministry, we invite you to join us for coffee after 10:30 a.m. worship today. Meet in the Connection Center at 11:45 a.m. for beverages and snacks, and the chance to get to know our pastors and St. Paul a little better. This is a great opportunity to connect and ask any questions you may have. See you there!

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



FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK
StPaulUMCLargo

Looking for the prayer list? Turn to page 9.

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.



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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 are provided by:

- ♥ Bill & Martha Trainor, in celebration of their 75th wedding anniversary!
- ♥ Evelyn Spears and Family, in loving memory of Kent Spears, Husband, Father and Grandfather

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.

Join us in the Courtyard Between Services

Between worship times our praise band does a sound check in the sanctuary. If you arrive early to our 10:30 a.m. worship, we invite you to join us in the courtyard for refreshments and fellowship instead of entering the sanctuary right away. You are welcome to sit in on the sound check if you choose, but be aware that it can be loud.

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: August 13, 2017 9 AM 10:30 AM

Name: _____
First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ ☐ Home ☐ Cell

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
☐ Weekly St. Paul Newsletter ☐ Children
☐ Students
 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.
☐ Do NOT 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 Small Group
- ☐ Serving at the church

How: _____

- ☐ Serving in the community

How: _____

- ☐ Learning more about St. Paul ministries

Specifically: _____

- ☐ Taking a Spiritual Gifts Assessment

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:

- ☐ Serving the Homeless on Sundays
- ☐ Middle School After School Program
(starting this fall)
- ☐ Driving the Church Bus
- ☐ Faith Community Nursing
- ☐ Hosting Memorial Services
- ☐ Communion Preparation
- ☐ Connection Center Host
- ☐ Lunch Pals Mentoring

I will attend:

- ☐ GriefShare: Begins August 24

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 coffee with the pastor to give you a chance to ask any questions you may have and discover more about who we are as a church, our mission, and core values. Our next Discover St. Paul coffee is TODAY at 11:45 a.m. in the Connection Center.



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 discussion

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 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). Bring a lunch and eat together after worship. Beverages are provided by the church. For more information, contact Senior Director of Ministry, Bobby Van Duyne at 584-8165 or email bobby.v@stpaulumc.org.



Register Now for GriefShare

GriefShare is a grief support group to help and encourage those who are suffering from the loss of a spouse, child, family member or friend. The group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and successfully rebuilt their lives. They understand and walk with you on the path through grief toward healing and hope for the future. Join us weekly for video seminars and group discussion. A workbook for journaling and personal study exercises also helps guide you through the process. GriefShare begins on Thursday, August 24 and will meet weekly at 6 p.m. in room 101 of the CLEC. The cost for the workbook is \$18. You can pay in advance or at the first class. To sign up to attend the group, fill out the Connect Card or contact our church office at 727-584-8165.



Prayer Shawl Potluck

Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume meeting after their summer break with a welcome back

potluck dinner on August 17. Join them at 5:30 p.m. in room 243 (Arts and Crafts) in the CLEC, and bring a dish to share! Everyone is invited! If you've wondered what Prayer Shawl is all about, this is a great chance to meet some of the people who belong to this ministry and make some new friends.

After the potluck, Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet every other Thursday at 4:30 p.m. If you'd like to help make Prayer Shawls, hats and scarves for the homeless and for children at Ponce de Leon Elementary, baby blankets and more, you are welcome to join in at any time. They are great teachers as well, so if you are interested in learning how to knit or crochet, this is a fun way to learn while also serving. If you'd like to help this ministry in other ways, you can donate yarn in the round bin in the lobby or put a donation in the offering plate marked "Prayer Shawl."



IGNITE: Young Adults & Young Professionals

The next IGNITE meeting is Sunday, August 20 at 7 p.m. in room 202 of the CLEC. They will begin a new study by J. Warner Wallace. With real-life detective stories and biblical insights, Wallace teaches cold-case investigative disciplines you can apply to Christian faith. *Forensic Faith* is a fresh look at what it means to be a Christian.

Follow IGNITE on Facebook for info on current and upcoming studies, events, and cancellations. If you'd like to receive scheduling notes by text, email youngadults.stpaulumc@gmail.com with the phone number where you would like to receive texts.





St. Paul Fall Family Camping Retreat Nov. 3 -5

Register Online by October 1: stpaulumc.org
Lakewood Retreat—Brooksville, FL

Join us this fall for a camping retreat for all ages and grow closer to God, your family and friends! There will be group activities, devotions, and a worship service Sunday morning. Plus opportunities to have fun with activities and amenities like:

- Canoeing
- Kayaking
- Fishing
- Swimming
- Mini golf
- Hayrides
- Campfires
- Outdoor Sports
- Porch Games
- Nature Trail
- Petting Zoo
- Glide Ride
- Human Foosball
- Shuffleboard
- Disc Golf
- Treehouse

St. Paul will grill up hamburgers and hot dogs on Saturday night and we ask everyone to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Each family/group will then provide their own additional meals throughout the retreat.



Cost

There are multiple lodging options for the camping retreat so that everyone can participate. Rates are for the entire weekend:

- Tent Camping - \$25/Site
- Pop-Up Site - \$36/Site
- RV Site - \$50/Site

There is also a \$20 cost for each person to cover use of the facilities and activities. Children under 4 are free.

Questions?

For more information contact Bobby Van Duyne at 584-8165 x233 or bobby.v@stpaulumc.org

To register visit stpaulumc.org
and fill out the online registration form.
The deadline to sign up is Monday, Oct. 3.

You can pay online on our Giving page, or by cash or check. Be sure to put "Camping Trip" and the name your group is registered under on your payment.



Lay Servant Training

The Gulf Central District is offering a course for Lay Servant Training on September 17 and 24. (Must attend both days for certification.) This course for Lay Servants provides the framework for all leadership in mission and ministry. This course will equip leaders to better lead not only in our church, but in the local community. The following topics will be covered:

Servant Leadership, Spiritual Leadership, Caring Ministries,
Sharing Your Faith and Leading Meetings

If you are interested in this 10 hour, two day seminar to help you develop as a lay servant and leader, visit the Connection Center to pick up a registration brochure. Cost of the training is \$35.



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.



Family Fun Night

Your family is invited to join us for an INCREDIBLE family fun night on September 2 at 6 p.m. in the Children's Ministry Center. Our theme is *The Incredibles*. We'll have dinner and experience fun faith-related adventures for the whole family! Cost is \$3 per person or \$10 maximum per family.

Worship Arts Moves to Tuesday Nights

When Worship Arts returns in fall it will be moving from Wednesdays to Tuesday nights. We will continue to meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian Life Enrichment Center. Look for more information soon about what we have planned for our kids on Tuesday nights.



Student Ministry

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

SPUMCLighthouse

Sunday Night Student Ministry



TONIGHT: BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Middle and high schoolers are invited to join us in the Mariposa Cafe for dinner at 5:30 p.m. We're having BBQ chicken, Hawaiian rolls and watermelon. Then we'll play games throughout the church like Nine Square in the Air and Gaga, and dedicate the school year to the Lord through prayer and worship. Dinner is \$3. Time together ends at 8 p.m.

Night of Joy

Our Student Ministry is attending Night of Joy on September 8-10. Both middle school and high school students are welcome to join us in Orlando for two nights of contemporary Christian music concerts and time at Disney World. The cost for the trip is \$140, which includes the concerts, admission to Disney's Wide World of Sports and the Magic Kingdom, and breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. We will stay at St. Luke's UMC in Orlando both nights. Each student should wear their green Student Ministry t-shirt. If you need to buy one the total cost for the trip will be \$150 due on August 20. Each student will need to fill out the consent form on our website: stpaulumc.org

GIVE IN LOVE



Faith Community Nursing Team

Are you interested in helping to promote safety, health, & wellness for our church? Would you like to know more about combining that focus with the intentional care of the Spirit? We are looking for inter-

ested nurses to join our Faith Community Nursing Team. Nurses will be provided with free CEU training, materials, resources, mentors, and liability coverage to learn about developing the optimum level of whole person health - body, mind, & spirit - of our church family.

If you are a nurse who is interested in being part of this team, fill out the Connect Card on page 4.

Funeral/Memorial Hosts and Hostesses

When we hold a funeral or a memorial service at St. Paul, volunteers from our Funeral Ministry Team help to host. Duties include preparing the sanctuary by turning on lights and lighting candles, arranging flowers, placing signs and guestbook, as well as greeting and helping the family in other ways. If you are interested in serving by helping grieving families, please fill out the Connect Card on page 4 and let us know.



Communion Preparation

We are looking for people to help prepare the elements for Communion before they are used in worship. Communion is served once a month and preparation duties include pouring juice into cups, placing bread and wafers on the plates, etc.



Middle School After School Ministry

Our afterschool ministry for middle schoolers has officially been approved by the school board and we are moving ahead with preparations. The ministry will offer afterschool activities, mentoring and help with homework to students from Largo Middle School on Tuesdays each week. High school students will tutor, but we also need adults to supervise, drive the bus, lead activities, prepare food, and more. If you are interested in helping with this new ministry, fill out the Connect Card, and we will contact you.

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 Yarn to Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has given out 1,625 prayer shawls since it began. They also make hats and scarves for the homeless, baby blankets and more. If you aren't able to knit or crochet, you can still take part in the Prayer Shawl Ministry by donating yarn or making a monetary donation marked "Prayer Shawl." You can leave donations of yarn in the circular bin in the lobby.

Drop Your Donations In the Bin in the Lobby

If you have donations for Open Arms, Prayer Shawl or for any other purpose, please drop them off in the circular bin in the lobby.

Coming this Week

Sunday, August 13

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
Discover St. Paul	11:45 AM
Homeless Meal	3:30 PM
Student Ministry	5:30 PM

Monday, August 14

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

Tuesday, August 15

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

Wednesday, August 16

Toy Making	8:00 AM
Handicapable	6:15 PM
Volleyball	7:30 PM

Thursday, August 17

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

Friday, August 18

Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 19

Adult Basketball	5:30 PM
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If you have an event to schedule,
contact us at 584-8165 or e-mail
kerry.k@stpaulumc.org

Making a Prayer Request

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

Hear Our Prayer

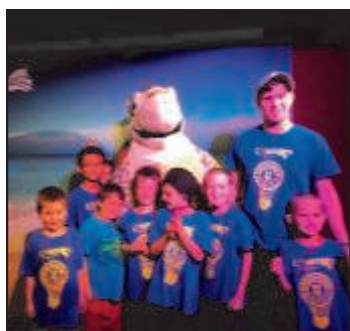
Please pray for the people listed below with immediate prayer needs:

Aaron	Evelyn B.	Parents
Aaron Medlin	Gary Craddick	Pat Greely
Al Misuraca	Gilbert Quinn	Penny McElyea
Allison Hall	Graham Johnston	Peter H.
Andrew Medlin	Heather & Jon	Rachael
Anita	Jace Michael	Ralph Moon
Audrey Talbert	Jackson	Rich Stemboroski
Barb Martin	Jan Dale	Richard Buckley
Barbara Dumbleton	Janice	Rick Doyle
Becky Carter	Jenny Walter	RLT
Betty Smith	Jim Lucky	Roger
Blaze	Jim P.	Ron & Judy Getz
Bob & Troy Hartel	John & Julia	Ron & Wanda Barker
Bob Russo	John Fady	Ruth Aaron
Bob, Troy & Sherry	Josh DeLoach	SA & CO
Hartel	Judy Hedges	Samantha
Bobby Quinton	Judy Lazanis' family	Sandy Parks
Bonnie Wismer	Karen, Jordan, Tom,	Shirley
Brad Jones	Glenda	Shirley Register
Brian Greely	Kat Farhangi	Steve Harvey
Bruce Medlin	Kathleen M.	Sue & Jeff Welch
Caitlynn Timberlake	Kayla McKagan	T.B.
Carl J.	Kenneth A.	Terry B
Carol Quinton	Kerry Thoeni	Todd Smyzer
Caroline Fields	Kevin, Hether, Malachi,	Travis
Carolyn Goodwin	Greg, Meg, Jackson,	Trevor Birt
Chad M.	Conner, Dave, Nicole,	Vin D'angelo
Class of 72 DHS	Calvin	Walker-Huff family
Cliff Armbruster	Kim Morris	Youth, children, women
Dale Metler	Kristi Burslem	Zackary Kueker
Darlene Garland	Lavone VanSwol	
Darlene Mitchell	Libby Burke	Thank you for Answered
Dave	Linda Weaver Hank	Prayers
Dave W.	Lori	
David Barrett	Margie Stillwell	
Dee Mayfield	Mark LaPolla	
Don Naja	Mary Barrett	
Donna Cordes	Meghann Timberlake	
Donna Koller	Melvin	
Dorothy Miller	Mickey Bishop	
Doug & Angela Purton	Mike & Diane Luttmann	
Duane Wells	Nancy Otte	
Elizabeth Thoeni	New school year	
		Deaths
		Please pray for the
		family and friends of
		Bill Marshall
		(Brother in law of Judy
		Lazanis)
		Who recently passed
		on to life eternal.

GOOD NEWS



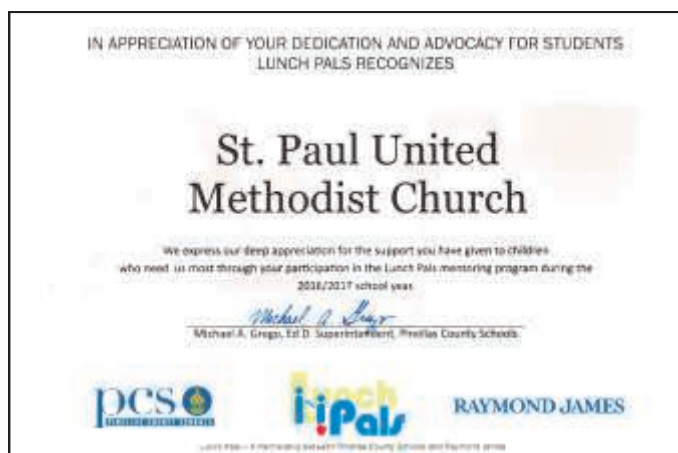
Thanks for Another Successful Year of Camp!
Camp XP finished on August 4 as kids prepared to return to school. It was another successful year of fun games, activities and field trips, special guest visitors, lively worship, service projects and learning about God's love. Thank you to our Children's Ministry Director, Kaitie Johnson, and all our wonderful counselors for sharing your energy and pouring your love and care into our kids all summer long.



Congratulations!



Congratulations to Bill and Martha Trainor on their 75th Anniversary!



St. Paul Offers Mentoring Through Lunch Pals
Lunch Pals is a lunch time mentoring program where students who are facing social, family and/or academic challenges are mentored by caring adults. St. Paul recently received the certificate of appreciation above for becoming part of this program. If you would like to be a lunch time mentor, fill out the Connect Card to receive more information.

Find more camp pictures
on Facebook
[StPaulChildrensMinistry](https://www.facebook.com/StPaulChildrensMinistry)



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



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