



**DRUID  
CAMPUS  
WORK  
DAY**

**THIS SATURDAY  
9 AM - NOON**  
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September 23, 2018

### Welcome from Pastor Bob

Whether you're a first time visitor or a long time part of our St. Paul family, I'm glad you've joined us today as we start a new series, "All In." St. Paul UMC has had an amazing history over the **last 50 years, and God isn't done with us yet!** Over the next few weeks we're taking about our role and purpose as God's Church. Are you "all in" for the next leg of our journey as a Church?

Be sure to check pages 7 and 8 for ways you can Give in Love through serving or through donating items needed by one of our ministries. I invite you to be part of our Trunk or Treat at the Patch Bash on Oct. 12! Patti and I had a car in the Trunk or Treat last year, and it was a lot of fun spending time with the kids and welcoming lots of families from our neighborhood. I also invite you to join us this Saturday for our Druid Campus Work Day. We're meeting at 9 a.m. to clean the space and move Open Arms' supplies into their new pantry!

To keep up with what's going on at St. Paul, take this bulletin home, visit our website - [stpaulumc.org](http://stpaulumc.org), or follow our Facebook: StPaulUMCLargo. You can also download our new app for Apple or Android! I'm so glad you're part of the work we're doing for the Lord here at St. Paul!

Bob Martin, Senior Pastor



Glorify God ♥ Grow in Faith ♥ Give in Love



## WORSHIP at 9 AM

Prelude	<i>In God Alone</i>	Aaron Cassette, Accompanist
Introit	<i>Come and Let Us Sweetly Join</i>	No. 699
Welcome		Dr. Robert Williams, Worship Leader
*Greet	<i>Oh How He Loves You and Me</i>	
*Hymns	<i>Jesus Calls Us</i>	No. 398
	<i>Lord I Want to Be a Christian</i>	No. 402
*Apostles' Creed		No. 881
*Prayer with Lord's Prayer		Pastor Pam Dubov
Offertory	<i>The King of Love, My Shepherd Is</i>	Sanctuary Choir
*Doxology	<i>Praise God, From Whom...</i>	No. 94
Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Transitional Song	<i>Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love</i>	No. 566
Scripture Reading:	<b>Joshua 24: 1-18</b>	
Message	"It Began Long Ago"	Pastor Bob Martin
Directed Prayer		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Close to Thee</i>	No. 407
*Benediction		
*Postlude	<i>Peace I Leave With You</i>	

\*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: Mike and Cindy Constantinou

10:30 AM Greeters: Ed and Carol Cook

### 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. One of our pastors will be there after each service and would be happy to speak with you!



VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [www.stpaulumc.org](http://www.stpaulumc.org)



JOIN OUR MAILING LIST  
SIGN UP ON THE CONNECT CARD



#### FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK

StPaulUMCLargo  
OR INSTAGRAM

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## DOWNLOAD THE APP



St. Paul has its own app available for free on both Android and Apple platforms. Just search St. Paul UMC Largo in your preferred app store and download it to your phone or tablet!

Visit our website [stpaulumc.org](http://stpaulumc.org) for more information about how to use the new app!

### 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. One of our pastors will be there after each service.

## smallgroups

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 fill out the Connect Card on page 4 or contact Senior Director of Ministry Bobby Van Duyne at 727-584-8165 x233 or [bobby.v@stpaulumcg.org](mailto:bobby.v@stpaulumcg.org).

Turn to page 9 for the Prayer List.



## 10:30 AM WORSHIP

A typical 10:30 a.m. 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

It's easier than ever to give online, make payments or set up one time or recurring contributions. Visit [stpaulumc.org](http://stpaulumc.org) and click the Give link at the top of the page or use this QR code. Our new Giving page is more user friendly than ever!



You can pay by ACH (e-check) or by credit/debit card. We ask that you check the box when making a credit card payment to add 3% to your payment or gift and offset the fee we are charged for each online payment. There is no fee for ACH payments.

### Flowers

If you would like to honor an event or a special person with flowers, you can give a flower bouquet to the Glory of God. Call the church office at 584-8165 or e-mail us at [church@stpaulumc.org](mailto:church@stpaulumc.org) to make an order and share your inscription. Bouquets are \$40. You can pick up the flowers after the second worship or donate them to members who are in the hospital.

### One Year Memorial Anniversary

The family of Harry Aldrich remembers him on the one year anniversary of his passing:

Our hearts are full of love, your children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Missing you dearly.

## 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: September 23, 2018 9 AM 10:30 AM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  Home  
 Cell

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please update my information.

### I am a:

- 1st Time Guest  2nd Time Guest  
 Regular Attendee  Member(s)  
 Winter Resident: Here from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

### 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.)

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I would like to help with:

- Church Auction
- Golf Tournament
  - Jump Start  Adult  HS Tutor  HS Mentor
  - Pack-a-Sack  Volunteer  Leader
- Trunk or Treat (Oct. 12)
- Patch Bash Set-Up or Clean-Up (Oct. 12)

If you want to help with the Arts and Crafts Show, you can sign up in the Connection Center or on the online form on our website: [stpaulumc.org](http://stpaulumc.org)

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

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# CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

## OCT. 27 - 1 PM

### Bardmoor Golf & Tennis Club

Register Now to Play Golf in the Tournament

Come and enjoy a fun day of golf with us! Golf and cart is \$100 per player, and proceeds this year are supporting the Open Arms Ministry and the Carpenter's Shop. Pick up a registration form for foursomes in the Connection Center or fill out the registration form online. If you don't have a full foursome, we'll place you with other golfers. Everyone is welcome!

Hole Sponsors

We need as many hole sponsors as we can get to raise funds for our St. Paul ministries. There are three levels of sponsorship, each with their own benefits.

**BRONZE LEVEL: \$100**

Custom Hole Sign | Listing in Event Brochure

**SILVER LEVEL: \$500**

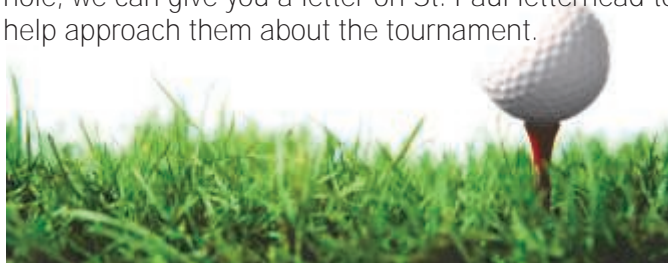
Custom Hole Sign | Listing in Event brochure  
Foursome for day of Event

**GOLD LEVEL: \$1,000**

Five Custom Hole Signs  
Preferred Listing in Event Brochure  
Foursome for day of Event

**ANGEL SPONSOR: ANY AMOUNT**

This is a great way for businesses to advertise, and support what our Open Arms Ministry and Carpenter's Shop are doing in the community. Individuals or families are also invited to sponsor in honor of a person or an event. Grab a form in the Connection Center to be a hole sponsor, or register online. If you know of a business or a person that might want to sponsor a hole, we can give you a letter on St. Paul letterhead to help approach them about the tournament.



# 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**

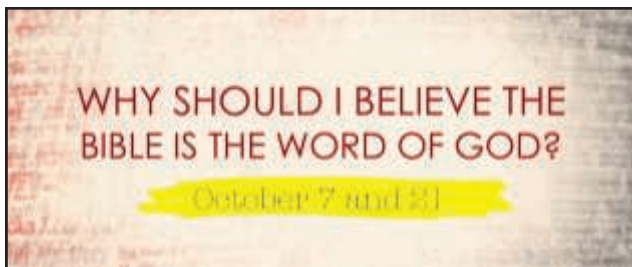
**Bereans** - Conference Room 2 in **Bldg B**

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



### TNT (Twenties 'N' Thirties)

Join us tonight at 7 p.m. in room 202 of the CLEC. as we begin a new study: *Ambassadors of the Gospel*, which focuses on how to share the gospel with the analytical people and "thinkers" in your life.

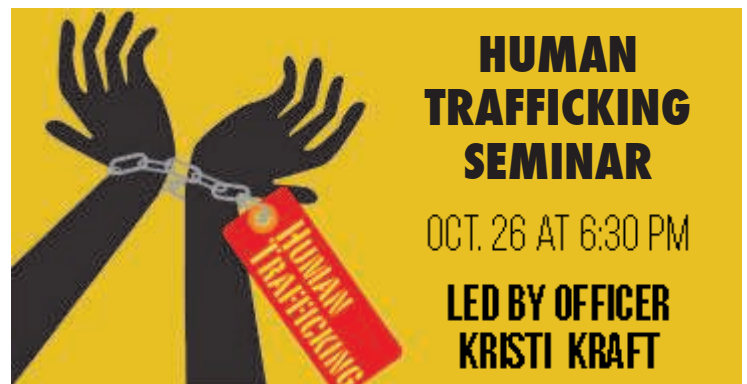


On Oct. 7 and 21, theologian Krista Bontrager, of the blog [theologymom.com](http://theologymom.com) will lead a two part study for TNT through live video conference. As Christians, **we're asking people to believe a lot of extra-ordinary claims.** Claims about God, who Jesus is, how we can get to heaven, that there even IS a heaven, and more. All of these assertions are predicated on one critical belief: that the Bible is a supernatural revelation from God. How do we know the Bible is the Word of God? Let's talk about it! Each session will include time for Q&A. Follow TNT on Facebook for info on upcoming studies, events, and more: [f StPaulTNT](https://www.facebook.com/StPaulTNT)



UNIQUE, HANDMADE ITEMS FROM  
THE BEST OF LOCAL CRAFTSPEOPLE

\$1 admission supports the missions  
of the United Methodist Women



Human trafficking is a serious problem worldwide, but also right here in our community. Did you know Florida is ranked third in the US for human trafficking? What can we do to help stop it? 15 year veteran of the Largo Police Department, Officer Kristi Kraft, has received a Letter of Commendation for her work on Human Trafficking cases and been Federally Credentialed by the US Marshalls through the Clearwater Human Trafficking Task Force. She has the first hand experience investigating human trafficking to help us understand what human trafficking is and what we can do to stop it. Join us in the LuAnne Willey Fellowship Hall on Friday, Oct. 26 to find out how you can be part of the solution to this serious problem in our community and beyond.





**Children** Infant- 5th Grade, Kaitie Zimmerman,  
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.

### Sunday Morning: 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.



### Our Current Study: More or Less

This week kids are learning from biblical lessons that contentment means deciding to be okay with what you have. *"Then he said to them, 'Watch out! Be on your guard against wanting to have more and more things. Life is not made up of how much a person has.'" - Luke 12:15 NIV*

### Worship Arts on Wednesdays

Kids ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us at 6 p.m. in the Student Room, room 209, of the Christian Life Enrichment Center on Wednesdays. Kids worship in creative ways that include arts and music, fun games and more. Pick up is at 7:30 p.m. in the gym. Parents are invited to hang out with other parents in the Parent's Lounge in the Mariposa Cafe.



Free Patch Bash: Oct. 12  
6 to 8 PM

Join us in the Pumpkin Patch on October 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. for the Patch Bash! We'll have Trunk or Treat and more fun, free fall activities for the whole

family. Invite your friends and neighbors!

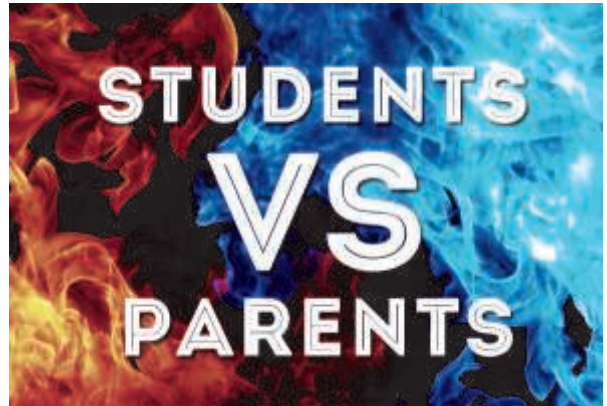


## Student Ministry

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

Facebook icon SPUMCLighthouse

Sunday Night



### NEXT SUNDAY: PARENTS VS. STUDENTS

Join us for a free dinner with both students and parents! Compete against your student in dodgeball or volleyball, or cheer them on from the sidelines. Join us for worship and end the evening with a parents meeting about the upcoming year.

If you attend, you'll receive two coupons for free Sunday night dinners for each of your students. RSVP through Facebook, email Alison at alison.v@stpaulumc.org, or text her at 727-430-2360.



### Pumpkin Patch

Our annual Pumpkin Patch fundraiser allows students to earn \$6/hour for working shifts at the patch. The money can be applied toward retreats,

mission trips, or other Student Ministry events. We also need adult volunteers during each shift.

Pumpkin Unload is Saturday, Oct. 6 at 11 a.m. We're hoping for 60-70 volunteers so bring your friends and family to help us unload the truck! Pizza will be provided. Dress to get dirty!



## Parent's Lounge

Led by Bobby Van Duyn | Mariposa Cafe

The Parent's Lounge is a casual environment, where parents can hang out, build relationships, and gather support and resources to help them navigate the challenges of raising their children. Each week we

discuss a new parenting topic so you can miss a week or two and jump right back in. Coffee and deserts provided.

Children in preschool and K-5 are invited to join us in Worship Arts in the Student Room while their parents are in the Parent's Lounge.

## Join the Parent's Lounge Group on Facebook

If you're a parent and you have a Facebook account, we invite you to join our Parent's Lounge Facebook group. This is a place to share your parenting struggles and triumphs, interesting videos or articles, and receive support. You don't need to attend the Wednesday Night Parent's Lounge group to be part of the Facebook group. Join us: [www.facebook.com/groups/StPaulParentsLounge](http://www.facebook.com/groups/StPaulParentsLounge)

## Prayer Shawl Potluck for Betty Myers

This Tuesday, Sept. 25, Prayer Shawl is hosting a farewell potluck and celebration of Betty Myers. All of Betty's friends are invited to join us in the Lu-Anne Willey Fellowship Hall at 10 a.m. Program starts at 10:30 a.m. and the meal begins around 11:30 a.m. Bring your favorite dish to share and come give Betty a great send-off.



## Be Part of our Patch Bash Trunk or Treat

We are looking for people to participate in our Trunk or Treat at this year's Patch Bash: Friday, Oct. 12 from 6-8 p.m. We'd like to double the ten cars we had last year! "Trunkers" decorate their car's trunk, tailgate or hatchback and provide candy to kids who go from car to car collecting treats. We provide the candy, you just need to provide the decorated car and a friendly face to greet the children and families as you hand out candy. Sign up on the Connect Card or contact Children's Ministry Director, Kaitie Zimmerman, at [kaitie.z@stpaulumc.org](mailto:kaitie.z@stpaulumc.org) or 584-8165 x238.

## Church Auction

This year's Church Auction to raise funds for our budget will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17. We're looking for people to serve on the committee and for an Auction Chair. If you are interested in helping us plan and organize the auction, contact Executive Director of Church Administration, Arch Johnston, at [arch.j@stpaulumc.org](mailto:arch.j@stpaulumc.org) or fill out the Connect Card.

## Open Arms Clothing Donations

Open Arms is currently focusing on distributing clothing for children, young families and single moms. We are grateful to take these types of gently used clothing donations, but if you have other types of clothing to donate, we suggest that you take them to Goodwill or one of the other local thrift shops or clothing ministries in our area where they can do the most good.



## Druid Campus Workday

The construction in the Open Arms area of the Druid Campus is coming to a close this week, so it's time to do a thorough cleaning and move all the Open Arms supplies to the newly completed pantry room. Join us at our Druid campus this Saturday, Sept. 29 at 9 a.m. (2039 Druid Rd) to help clean up, assemble shelving and move Open Arms supplies and food to their proper locations! Many hands make light work, so we hope to finish by noon. Thank you for helping us take this important step for Open Arms!

## Carpenter's Shop

Our Carpenter's shop is looking for painters. No experience necessary! You do not need to sign up in advance, just join us at the Druid campus (2039 Druid Rd. in Clearwater) Tuesday through Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. until noon.





### Help with the Pumpkin Patch

Our Student Ministry is taking the lead in running the patch again this year, but some of the money they raise is also going toward the church's budget and they can use the church's help with unloading pumpkins, as well as taking shifts to run the patch.

Pumpkin Unload is Saturday, Oct. 6 at 11 a.m. Help unload thousands of pumpkins from the semi-truck. Pizza will be provided. We're hoping for 60-70 volunteers. The more people help, the faster the unload goes and the more fun it is, so come and bring a few friends. Wear clothes that can get dirty and bring a reusable water bottle. Some people also bring gardening gloves.

Sign up for a Shift at the Patch. You can sign up to take a shift at the patch on the board in the sanctuary lobby. Our students receive money in their Student Ministry accounts for working shifts, but we need at least one adult during each shift.



### Spooktacular Candy Donations

Each year our preschool and Children's Ministry have a booth at the City of Largo's Spooktacular event, which allows us to introduce our ministries to thousands of new people. The booth is free, but we have to

provide candy to hand out at the event. If you are able to donate bags of individually wrapped candy to supply the booth, drop them in the bin in the sanctuary lobby or at the church office during the week.

### Toilet Paper Needed at Open Arms

In addition to food, the Open Arms Resource Center distributes toilet paper, a necessity that is not covered by food stamps, to the people it serves. They are currently in need of toilet paper donations. You can leave your donation in the bin the sanctuary lobby.

### Pack-a-Sack

Approximately 7,000 children under the age of 18 experience chronic hunger in Pinellas County. These children have free or reduced lunches during the school week, but often go hungry over the weekend. Pack-a-Sack provides bags of food for these children to eat on the weekend. If you'd like to be part of this ministry fill out the Connect Card on page 4. For more information email Pastor Pam: [pam.d@stpaulumc.org](mailto:pam.d@stpaulumc.org)

### Sign Up to Help with Arts & Crafts Show

The Arts and Crafts Show is Saturday, Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event raises funds for outreach and missions of the United Methodist Women. We need people to help on Friday with set-up and during the show on Saturday greeting, selling food, helping vendors, and more. You can see all the jobs and sign up to help on the online form linked on our website or sign up in the Connection Center on Sundays.



### Dorcas Sewing Day for Ryan's Case for Smiles

Our United Methodist Women's Dorcas Circle is offering a wonderful opportunity to bring smiles to children in the hospital through **Ryan's Case for Smiles**. This non-profit organization helps children who are hospitalized deal with the stress of illness. Children receive whimsical pillowcases that give them an emotional boost, while resources and tools help families better understand and cope with the experience.

This Wednesday, September 26 join us in room 212 of the CLEC (Arts and Crafts Room) and learn how to make whimsical pillowcases that make a difference for **sick children. You will need 27" X 44" (3/4 yd.) of 100% cotton, child-friendly fabric plus 9" X 44" (1/4 yd.) of contrasting fabric.** We will also have some kits ready to sew. For those who don't want to sew, we are also looking for volunteers to pin, iron, sort and bag. Come join us for three hours of fellowship and **make a difference in a sick child's recovery!** If you have questions call Bev Haskell at 588-0782.



## Coming this Week

### Sunday, September 23

Courtyard Coffee	8:30 AM
Lil' Kidz Nursery	8:30 AM
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
Worship	10:30 AM
Children's Worship	10:30 AM
Homeless Meal	3:30 PM
Students Vs. Parents	5:30 PM
TNT: Twenties 'N' Thirties	7:00 PM

### Monday, September 24

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

### Tuesday, September 25

Sonrise Men's Study	7:00 AM
Toy Making	9:00 AM
Prayer Shawl Potluck for Betty Myers	10:00 AM
Jumpstart	5:00 PM
Griefshare	6:00 PM

### Wednesday, September 26

Dorcas: Ryan's Case for Smiles	9:00 AM
Toy Making	9:00 AM
Parents' Lounge	6:00 PM
Journey 101	6:00 PM
Discover St. Paul	6:00 PM
Financial Peace U	6:00 PM
Kids Worship Arts	6:00 PM
Handicapable	6:15 PM
Open Adults Volleyball	7:45 PM

### Thursday, September 27

Men's Bible Study	7:00 AM
Toy Making	9:00 AM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

### Friday, September 28

*Church Office Closed*

### Saturday, September 29

Soaring Eagles	8:00 AM
Basketball	8:15 AM
Druid Work Day	9:00 AM

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## Making a Prayer Request

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

## Hear Our Prayer

Please pray for these people with immediate prayer needs:

A Ann	Jane Denini	Nancy Burns
Aaron Medlin	Jane Huter	Patsy Bauer
Allison Hall	Jay	Paul Denini
Andrew Medlin	Jenkins Family	Penny McElyea
Anne Davis	Jenny Walter	Penny Upp
Aubi & Jessi	Jim Ledford	Peter H
Audrey Talbert	Jimmy & Dianne	Phyllis Spaulding
Baby Charlotte	Sipes	President & USA
Barbara Sweat	Joan Browder	Rich Stemboroski
Baumann Daughters & Sons	Joanne Hamilton	Richard Buckley
Blaze Rockwell	Joe Evanson	Rickie & Barb Martin
Bob & Troy Hartel	John Dibble	Rita Pennington
Bobby Quinton	John Fady	RLT
Brad James	Jonathan Moon	Rodger
Brandi, Kami & Kara	Josh DeLoach	Ron Fowler
Brooke Chiodo	Josiah Seitz	Seitz Family
Bruce Medlin	Julie Bishop	Sharon
Bud & his caregivers	Kaleen Younger	Stephanie Prevost
Bud Haskell	Kat Farhangi	Stephanie Serfass
Buzz	Kathy Seitz	Stephen Kidd's Father -in-law
Caitlynn Timberlake	Ken Ackerson	Steve & Cheryl Harvey
Carol Quinton	Kenneth A.	Steve Harvey
Caroline Fields	Kenneth Packard	Tammi Earley
Carolyn Goodwin	Kevin Thompson	Terry B
Chad M	Kim Morris	Todd Smyzer
Charlie	Kristi Burslem	Tommy
Charlie Tucker	Leane	Travis Ward
Cliff Armbruster	Libby Burke	Trevor Birt
Connie Trank	Linda Weaver Hank	Tyler LeClair
Dave West	Lois Thomson	Uganda
Dee Mayfield	Lynn Friend	Vicky
Don Naja	Margie Lovejoy	Vin D'Angelo
Duane Wells	Margie Stillwell	Walter Garrett
Elaine DeYong's Family	Mark LaPolla	Wanda & Ron Barker
Family in NC	Meg, Jake, Dom & Char	Woman, children & youth
Gilbert Quinn	Meghann Timberlake	Zackary Kueker
Harold & Shirley Register	Melissa Depew & Sarah	
Harriett Phillips	Michael P White	
Hurricane Florence's Victims	Michelle Allen	
Jace Michael	Mike Constantinou	
Jackson	Mike Gusiella	
Jane Arnold	Mike Whelan	
	Nancy & Don Evans	
	Nancy & Ted Pelyak	

# Good News



## First Priority Training at St. Paul

First Priority is an organization blazing the trail for students to share their love for Jesus at their schools and teaching them how to share their story with non-believers. Students have the right to start a Christian club at their school, and First Priority helps by sending them a church-approved youth worker to coach them on how to reach their campus for Christ. At last month's First Priority meeting, leaders gathered at St. Paul to train students, youth pastors, and teachers how to organize a weekly student led Christian gathering on high school and middle school campuses. St. Paul is excited to help begin a First Priority group at Oak Grove Middle School. Largo and Osceola High Schools also have existing groups that St. Paul students are attending.

## Prayer Shawl Sparks New Ministries

We received a story this week of a woman who attended Prayer Shawl while she lived locally, caregiving for her daughter. She returned home to northern Florida and, inspired by her experience, started a Prayer Shawl ministry in her home church. One man who was not doing well with chemo was very angry with God for taking his daughter at a young age and for his health issues, but when he was told about the prayers and **love that were "in" the blanket, he hung on to it as if it was one of the most precious gifts he had ever received.** The blessing of our Prayer Shawl continues to spread the name, love and comfort of Jesus Christ to others through new ministries!



## Channel 10 Reporter, Bobby Lewis, Visits Handicapable with New Book

On Wednesday, September 12, local reporter Bobby Lewis, who was part of the St. Paul UMC youth group growing up, returned for a celebration of his new book, *Finding Joy Beyond the Headlines*. He was introduced to the crowd of 244 by Alison Van Duyne, who led the youth group when Bobby attended St. Paul, and is our current Student Ministry Director. Bobby gave out over 150 individually signed copies of his book to Handicapable members and HUG (Help Us Gather) friends who were in attendance. A special thanks goes out to Robin Lally and her HUG Team for providing photo opportunities with Bobby and snacks for our attendees.

*Finding Joy Beyond the Headlines* is a testimony to the positive, joyful stories happening in our local area. Several of the people whose **stories were included in Bobby's book were present** to share the good they are doing in our community. The night was a celebration of people who are doing great things FOR Pinellas and beyond. Thanks to Bobby for shining a light on stories of joy and people who are making a positive difference in our community!

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



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