



TOUGH QUESTIONS



**SUMMER XPLOSION
STARTS FRIDAY**

SEE PAGE 7 FOR MORE



**SUMMER CAMP STARTS JUNE 3
REGISTER NOW
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Welcome from Pastor Bob

Whether you're a first time guest or already a part of our St. Paul family, I'm glad you've joined us during our series on the "Tough Questions" that challenge us as people of faith. This week we're asking, "Is Christianity Relevant?" Does Christianity make sense or matter in our modern world? What makes it relevant in our lives?

Summer camp starts next week. We've got lots of fun field trips and activities planned, and even a new one week basketball camp. Be sure to visit our website to register your K-5 kids: www.stpaulumc.org.

Our Student Ministry summer starts this week with the Lock In/ Out on Friday. We have lots of other Summer Xplosion activities coming up next week as well. Check page 7 for more, and be sure to register on the website.

Look through this bulletin, visit our website - stpaulumc.org, follow our Facebook: StPaulUMCLargo or download our free app to keep up with everything going on at St. Paul. I'm so glad you're part of St. Paul and the work we're doing for the Lord!



Bob Martin, Lead Pastor

Glorify God ♥ Grow in Faith ♥ Give in Love

GLORIFY GOD

WORSHIP at 9 AM

- Prelude Aaron Cassette, Accompanist
- Introit *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*
- Welcome Pastor Pam Dubov
- *Greet *Oh How He Loves You and Me*
Dr. Robert Williams, Worship Leader
- *Hymns *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* No. 361
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name No. 155
- *Apostles' Creed No. 881
- *Prayer with Lord's Prayer No. 895
- Offertory *Agnus Dei* Sanctuary Choir
- *Doxology
- Prayer of Thanksgiving
- Transitional Hymn *Jesus Lover of My Soul* No. 479
- Message "Is Christianity Relevant?" Pastor Bob Martin
Ephesians 2:1-10
- Directed Prayer
- *Hymn *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* No. 400
- *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 Brower and Lynn Jennings

10:30 AM Greeters: Deb Digman and Rita Fowler

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



DOWNLOAD OUR St. PAUL APP

It's free for apple or android



JOIN OUR MAILING LIST

SIGN UP ON THE CONNECT CARD



FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK

[StPaulUMCLargo](#)

OR INSTAGRAM

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DISCOVER ST. PAUL

Join us after either worship on the second Sunday of the month. One of our pastors will help you to take the next steps to get more deeply connected at St. Paul

SERMON NOTES

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 easy to give online, make payments or set up one time or recurring contributions. Visit stpaulumc.org and click the Give link at the top of the page or use this QR code. Our 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 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.

Donate to St. Paul through Amazon!

If you're shopping on Amazon, you can use Amazon Smile to donate 0.5% of your purchase price to St. Paul! Just use smile.amazon.com to make your purchases and choose St. Paul United Methodist Church in Largo as your charity. You don't pay extra. It's the same Amazon account, cart and pricing; the only difference is the Amazon Smile Foundation will automatically make a donation to St. Paul when you shop! Use the QR code or visit the Giving page of our website for the link to choose St. Paul in Largo, FL as your charity.



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 26, 2019 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 Student
 Weekly St. Paul Newsletter Children
Other: _____

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

I am interested in:

- Rededicating my life to Jesus
 Being baptized
 Becoming a member

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.)

Don't forget to fill out the other side!

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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.



I would like to help with:

- Livestream 9 AM 10:30 AM
- Audio Team 9 AM 10:30 AM
- Coffee Team
- Usher 9 AM 10:30 AM
- Children's Ministry 9 AM 10:30 AM
 Wednesday nights
- Loving Hearts Memorial Food Ministry
- Greeter at 10:30 AM

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

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WHAT IS "FOR PINELLAS"?

Too many times people only know what churches are against. We want the conversation to be about what St. Paul is FOR. We are FOR our neighbors, our community, families, elders, first responders, local businesses, those in need... We are FOR kindness, generosity, and positive change. We are FOR sharing God's love with our community. We are FOR Pinellas.

Being FOR Pinellas means reaching out to our community and showing them what God's love is all about. It also means lifting up the people in our community who are making Pinellas a great place to be!

#FORPINELLAS

If you have a social media account, share the positive things you see in our community, or positive things you're doing, with the hashtag #FORpinellas.

**TAKE PART IN ST. PAUL
MINISTRIES THAT IMPACT
OUR COMMUNITY**

Take part in our Jumpstart tutoring program, Pack-a-Sack, Handicapable, Open Arms, our upcoming Back to School Jubilee or one of the many other ways that St. Paul reaches out to the community.

WEAR THE SHIRT

Wear your FOR Pinellas shirt in the community and if anyone asks you what it means, tell them that St. Paul is FOR our community, and FOR them! If you don't have your FOR Pinellas shirt yet, you can get one for \$5 in the Connection Center today.

FOR PINELLAS CARDS

Carry FOR Pinellas cards with you and share them with people in the community who are doing something great or with people with whom you are sharing a random act of kindness.

SUPPORT COMMUNITY EVENTS

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

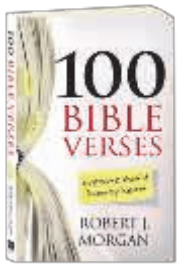
Homeward Bound - Rm 106 (Carpenter's Room) -CLEC

10:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

Inspirations - Purple Door Classroom (101) in **Bldg C**
Bereans - Conference Room 2 in **Bldg B**

10:30 a.m. Sunday school classes

Friendship—Room 201 (Community Room) - CLEC



New Homeward Bound Study

Sundays at 9:15 a.m. | Rm 106 - Carpenter's Room- CLEC

Our 9:15 a.m. Sunday School has started a new study using Bible verses from the book *100 Verses Everyone Should Know* by Robert Morgan. Each week they will do an in-depth study of 4-6 verses. Each week can be done as a stand alone, so you're invited to drop in and join them whenever you're able.


Join Us for Pastor Pam's Ordination

Pastor Pam will be ordained on Saturday, June 8 at the 2019 Florida Annual Conference. The ordination ceremony will be held at Florida Southern College in Lakeland and begins at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to travel with us to Lakeland on the St. Paul bus to support Pastor Pam, call the church office at 727-584-8165 or email church@stpaulumc.org.



TNT (Twenties 'N' Thirties)

Adults in their twenties and thirties are invited to join us tonight at 7 p.m. in room 202 (CLEC) as

we continue our study on **Genesis and Exodus**. We're learning how to read and understand the Bible more deeply. For more information about all of TNT's activities follow our Facebook:  StPaulTNT

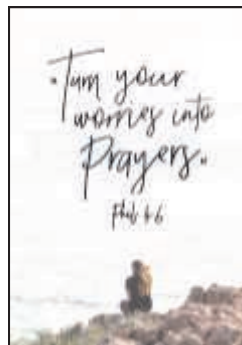
Light Seekers

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Tuesdays | 10:30 a.m. | LuAnne Willey Fellowship Hall
Join us in the Christian Life Enrichment Center on Tuesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. for study, music, prayer and more.



"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God." Philippians 4:6



We feel foolish asking God to help us with some of the things in our lives. But remember Philippians 4:6 "in everything." We need to commit every one of our concerns to God before they turn into worries. He does care about each of them. If we take our concerns onto ourselves again, we just need to give them back to Him in prayer. Day by day, as we get

more and more practiced at committing the concerns of our lives to Him, we will begin to leave them with Him. Our trust in Him will grow, and we will stop worrying about what we have given Him. We know He will take care of us, if we learn to trust Him to do so.

Come to Stay and Pray next week and feel the comfort and peace of giving your concerns to God. Lay your worries at His feet in the chapel on Sunday, June 2 immediately following the 9 and 10:30 a.m. services. Prayer Team members will be there to pray with you and for you.



 StPaulChildrensMinistry
TREEHOUSE
 Children's Ministry

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.



**Looking for a fun,
 safe place for your
 kids to have a wild
 summer filled with
 friends and faith?**

**AGES: K-5
 JUNE 3-AUGUST 9
 FIELD TRIPS
 GAMES & SPORTS
 MUSIC & CRAFTS
 WATER DAYS
 SWIMMING
 DRESS UP DAYS**

LUNCH & SNACKS INCLUDED

REGISTER: STPAULUMC.ORG



**BASKETBALL
 CAMP**

JUNE 10-14 | 9AM - 1PM

STARTING AT \$60 FOR THE WEEK

**OUR BASKETBALL CAMP
 FOCUSES ON TEACHING THE
 FUNDAMENTALS OF THE
 GAME IN A FUN AND
 CHRIST-CENTERED
 ENVIRONMENT. PLAYERS
 WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO
 DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS
 THROUGH DRILLS AND
 COMPETITIVE GAMES. THE
 GOAL OF OUR CAMP IS TO
 CREATE AN EXPERIENCE
 THAT WILL NOT ONLY HELP
 TRANSFORM THE PLAYERS
 SKILL, BUT ALSO BUILD
 CHARACTER ON AND OFF
 THE COURT.**

**BASKETBALL CAMP
 INCLUDES BASKETBALL,
 LUNCH, AND DEVOTIONAL
 TIME! AFTER 1 PM KIDS CAN
 CONTINUE TO HAVE FUN
 DOING REGULAR CAMP
 ACTIVITIES FOR THE REST
 OF THE DAY, OR CAN BE
 PICKED UP.**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PRICING
 OPTIONS OR TO REGISTER NOW:
 STPAULUMC.ORG**



Student Ministry

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



Wouldn't it be great if connecting with God was as simple as sending a direct message? While it may not look just like a DM on Instagram, the good news is that talking to God may be easier than we think. In this series, we'll look at how prayer can help us connect with God in a very real way.



TONIGHT: PRAYER IS ABOUT REMEMBERING WHO GOD IS AND WHO WE ARE

Join us for **group games, exciting crowd breakers, passionate worship, biblical teaching, and a chance to connect with others through Small Groups.** The group meets in the Mariposa Café, in the Christian Life Enrichment Center at 5:30 p.m. for dinner, then branches out depending on activities. Dinner is \$3. Register for dinner online: stpaulumc.org.



River Weekend

Join us for tubing down the Ichetucknee River! Meet at the church at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, June 28. We'll eat dinner on the road, and worship when we arrive.

We'll stay at the First UMC of Alachua (near Gainesville) and spend Saturday tubing from 8:30 a.m. to noon and then share a picnic lunch before return to the church by 6 p.m. on June 29. Open to students currently in 6th-12th grades. Cost: \$25. Register on our website: stpaulumc.org

Serving this Summer

In addition to the fun we have planned for the summer, we also have lots of ways for students to serve! Visit our website for more information about serving on Wednesdays, at the Back to School Jubilee, and our middle school mission trip to Orlando: www.stpaulumc.org



Join us for fun and service all summer long!

Lock-In/Lock-Out: This Friday and Saturday

Join us for a Lock-In/Out on Friday, May 31 at 6 p.m. We've got big plans including a Threshers game, fireworks, pizza and video games at Cici's, bowling, and lots of fun while we stay overnight at the church. Pick-up is at 8 a.m. on June 1. Bring a friend! Cost: \$25 plus money for video games at Cici's.

Beach Worship: Next Sunday, June 2

We start the summer at the beach! Meet at church at 5 p.m. then we'll take the bus to Sand Key park for dinner on the beach, worship, and fun. Cost: \$5

Top Golf Tuesday: June 4

We'll meet at the church at 8 a.m. then have fun at Top Golf and eat lunch at Chick Fil A. Pick up is at the church at 2 p.m. Cost: \$15 plus lunch money. (\$10 if you have a Top Golf Lifetime Membership.)

High School Wednesday: June 5

High school students join us for a choice of Archery Tag or Bazooka Ball (like paintball but with small Nerf balls instead of paintballs) at Laser Ops Extreme Gaming. We'll have ice cream at Cold Stone Creamery afterwards. Cost: \$7 plus ice cream and arcade money.

TRIBE Tuesdays

Starting June 18, each week we have a new "Tribe Tuesday" event where students are invited to fun activities like Sky Zone, movie nights, pool parties, and more.

Visit our website and register for our Student Summer events: stpaulumc.org

GIVE IN LOVE



Camp XP Wish List

Our summer camp starts next month! If you'd like to donate items for camp, we have an Amazon wish list that you can use. Scan the QR code or check our website or app for the link.

We are also collecting the snack items below:

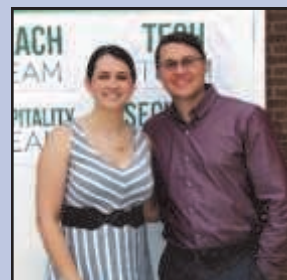
- Goldfish
- Cheese Its
- Animal Crackers
- Chips
- Fruit Snacks
- Snack Bars

Drop items off in the donation bin in the lobby on Sunday or at the church office during the week.



Ben and Rachel Shockey

One of the impactful ways that Ben and Rachel Shockey serve at St. Paul is by leading our TNT (Twenties 'N' Thirties) group for people in their twenties and thirties. The group does weekly studies on Sundays at 7 p.m. and also serves at Sabal Palms by hosting studies and game nights for the young adult residents. Ben also serves on the Finance Committee and Rae serves on our Church Council. Rae has also been part of our Live Stream Team on Sundays. You may have noticed both of them were also part of last month's cantata, with Rae serving as narrator and Ben playing the trumpet. They also organized our recent Reasons for Hope conference. Thank you Ben and Rachel for leading the way in so many areas of serving for the growth and development of our church!



Rachel and Ben



Open Arms Food Drive Next Sunday

On Sunday, June 2 we are collecting the following items for Open Arms:

- Canned Corn and Green Beans
- Pasta and/or Sauce
- Tuna



You can drop off donations outside the sanctuary before either worship. Thank you for helping us to feed families in our community!

Join our Live Stream Team

We need people to help stream our worship online each Sunday, to run the lyrics on the screens and do other jobs during worship. You do not need any experience—anyone can learn! If you are interested in serving, fill out the Connect Card or contact Senior Director of Music & Worship Arts, Laurel Fortuna at 727-584-8165 ext.208 or laurel.f@stpaulumc.org.



Be Part of Our Choir

If you love praising God, then we invite you to be part of our sanctuary choir! Our choir rehearses on Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the choir room at

the north end of the preschool building. Anyone who loves to sing is welcome to join in! For more information contact the church office at 584-8165 or drop by the Connection Center today.

Carpenter's Shop Saturday Work Day

Help make wooden toys for children at the Carpenter's Shop this Saturday. We have jobs for all ages and skill levels. No experience necessary! You don't need to sign up in advance, just join us at the Druid campus (2039 Druid Rd. in Clearwater) this Sat. from 9 a.m. to noon. In addition to the first Saturday of the month, we also work on toys every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Coming this Week

Sunday, May 26

Courtyard Coffee	8:30 AM
Lil' Kidz Nursery	8:30 AM
Worship	9:00 AM
Children's Worship	9:00 AM
Homeward Bound	9:15 AM
Bereans	10:15 AM
Inspirations	10:15 AM
Friendship	10:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Children's Worship	10:30 AM
Homeless Meal	3:30 PM
Student Ministry	5:30 PM
TNT	7:00 PM

Monday, May 27

*Church Office Closed
for Memorial Day*

Tuesday, May 28

Sonrise Men's Study	7:00 AM
Toy Making—Druid	9:00 AM
Light Seekers	10:30 AM
Finance Team Meeting	6:30 PM

Wednesday, May 29

Toy Making—Druid	9:00 AM
Handi Worship	6:15 PM
Preschool Graduation	6:30 PM
Open Adult Volleyball	7:45 PM

Thursday, May 30

Toy Making—Druid	9:00 AM
Griefshare	1:00 PM
Prayer Shawl	4:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

Friday, May 31

Church Office Closed

Student Lock In/Out	6:00 PM
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Saturday, June 1

Soaring Eagles	8:00 AM
Basketball	8:00 AM
Toy Making—Druid	9:00 AM

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All groups need to submit a facilities request form for all events, including meetings, one time and recurring events. Contact us at 584-8165 or karen.h@stpaulumc.org



Jack Munyan Memorial
Friday, June 14 at 10 a.m.
St. Paul UMC Sanctuary

Making a Prayer Request

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

Hear Our Prayer

Please pray for these people with immediate prayer needs:

A Ann	Joan Pitts	Peggy & Charlie Tucker
Aaron	John C	Peter H
Amy Caulder & family	John Dibble	Phyllis Spaulding
Ann Davis	Josh	Pinellas County School Teachers
Andrea Preston	Judi	Rev. Hays McKay
Barbara Sweat	Judy Fowler	Ron Barker
Barker Family	Julie Bishop	Ron Fowler
Bill Nichols	Karleen Younger & Family	Sally Misuraca
Blaze White	Kathy Herrell Hannas	Sharon, Carey, Linda & Lainey
Bob & Troy Hartel	Kenneth Packard	Shelley Hamilton
Bob Young	Kevin	Shirley Register
Bobby Quinton	Kevin, Heather, Malachi, Jessica, Greg, Meg, Jackson, Connor, David & Nicole	Stephanie Prevost
Bonnie Cummings	Kimberly Morris	Stephen Brower
Bree W	Kristina's Friend's Daughter	Susan Pelyak
Brian	Kylea Johns	Tom Low
Brooke Chiodo	Lawson	Trevor Birt
Calvin & Baby Boy	Libby Burke	Walker-Huff Family
Carmen's Sister New Baby	Lillyann	Wanda Barker
Carol Quinton	Linda Brasso	Welch Family
Caroline Fields	Linda Jones	Youth, Children & woman
Carolyn Goodwin	Lindsey	Yvette Gonzalez Carter
Chad	Lisa Pierce & Family	
Cliff Armbruster	Lois Thomson	
Cory & Family	Loraine Poitier	
David Neville	Mark Siegfried	
Debbie Dubov	Mary B, Carl J, Evelyn B, John B, Cindy S & DP	
Dennis Lord	Michael & Lucy	
Don	Michelle & Jackson	
Donna	Michelle Allen	
Duanne Wells	Munyan Family	
Eileen Corsini	Nancy Ridge's Husband	
Elizabeth T	Natalie Pierce	
Faith Bishop & Kyle	Our Church & Community	
Gail Blagg Bloomgren	Our Country	
Gary Cradick	Pat & Family	
Glenda Neville		
Jane Huter		
Janet Hillard		
Jim		
Jim Ledford		
Joan Buckwald		
Joan Hermann & Luis		
Lorenzo		

GOOD NEWS

Prayer Shawl Reaches Beyond Our Community
Rosemary Potter's sister, a member at Palm Harbor Presbyterian, shared one of our St. Paul Prayer Shawl ministry's pocket prayer shawls with the prayer shawl group there. Now they are also making colorful pocket prayer shawls to share with those needing love and comfort! As we've seen before at St. Paul these small pocket shawls often reach unexpected people and have an impact we couldn't predict. How amazing to see them spreading even farther as God uses our Prayer Shawl ministry to reach people outside our own community!



Congratulations, Graduates!

Last Sunday we celebrated our graduates on Graduation Sunday. We took time at 9 and 10:30 a.m. to cover our graduates in prayer, then our Student Ministry Team took the seniors out for dinner. Later, family and friends gathered in the Student Room to share music, memories and more. Each student received a photo album with Student Ministry memories and a page dedicated to them. At the end of the night we prayed over the students as they begin a new and exciting time in their lives.



Handi Welcomes Inspirational Speaker, Magie Cook

On Wednesday, May 15, over 230 Handicapable members and friends welcomed Magie Cook to give an inspirational talk at our weekly worship service. Magdalena De La Cruz Cook Garcia was born in an orphanage in Mexico. After losing an opportunity to be part of the

Mexican National Basketball Team, she immigrated to the US on a basketball scholarship at the University of Charleston. She spent some time living on the streets, but when she entered and won a Fresh Salsa competition her life changed. Started with the \$800 given to her at the competition, ***Maggie's All Natural Fresh Salsa's & Dips***, grew into a multi-million dollar business. In 2015, she sold her business to Campbell's. Soon after, she went back to Mexico and helped save 31 orphaned children who were on the verge of falling into drug cartel hands. Magie became a professional speaker to help inspire others to live better, more fulfilling lives. What a blessing to hear **Magie's story and be inspired to keeping working toward our life goals no matter the difficulties we encounter.**

The Reverend Bob Martin, Lead Pastor
The Reverend Pam Dubov, Executive Pastor



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Druid Campus: 2039 Druid Rd in Clearwater, 33764
Phone: (727) 584-8165 | **Prayer:** (727) 559-PRAY
Office Hours: 9 a.m.—5 p.m., Monday-Thursday
E-mail: church@stpaulumc.org | www.stpaulumc.org

