







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! This week we begin a new message series on "Risky Prayers." Have you ever prayed and asked God to use you, to test you, or to examine your heart? Were you really prepared for the life changing answer you could get? Opening ourselves up to God can be scary, but these "risky prayers" offer great rewards.

We have two wonderful events coming this weekend that I hope you will be able to attend. The free Patch Bash in the Pumpkin Patch on Friday evening has lots of fall fun and activities for families. Then on Saturday, we'll host the 22nd Annual Arts & Crafts Show. Come shop for one of a kind, handmade items you can't get anywhere else. \$1 cost of admission helps support United Methodist Women's missions in our area.

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!



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GLORIFY GOD

WORSHIP at 9 AM

Prelude Introit

Sanctuary Choir Through it All Welcome Pastor Pam Dubov

*Greet Oh How He Loves You And Me

*Hymns Come. Ye Disconsolate No. 510 Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus No. 514

*Apostle's Creed Prayer with Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Genesis 22:1-14

What a Friend We Have in Jesus Sanctuary Choir Offertory No. 94

*Doxoloav Praise God, From Whom...

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

No. 496 Transitional Hymn Sweet Hour of Prayer Message "Test Me" Pastor Bob Martin

Directed Prayer

*Closing Hymn We'll Understand It Better By and By No. 525

*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: Darlene Coburn and Dee Rogers 10:30 AM Greeters: Linda Benoit and Sandra Venditto

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.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

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



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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.

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!







PASSIONATE MUSIC



NO PRESSURE

Giving

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



study materials and more. Visit **stpaulumc.org** and click the Giving button, or use this QR code.

Flowers

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 as we make adjustments.

Upper Room

Looking for a copy of the Upper Room? We have copies of the current issue available in the Connection Center. Large print is \$2 and regular print is \$1.

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!

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☐ Rededicating my life to Jesus				
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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				
□Trunk or Treat: Oct. 13: 6-8 PM				
□ Funeral/Memorial Host				
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☐ Usher on Sunday Morning				
□ 9 AM Usher				
□ 10:30 AM Usher				
☐ Connection Center Host				
□ 8:30-9:05 AM □ 10:10:35 AM				
□ 11:30 - 11:45 AM				

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

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NEXTSTEPS

Want to know more about St. Paul, meet new people, or get more involved? TAKE THE NEXT STEP!



CONNECTION CENTER

cated 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.





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.







Candlelight Christmas

Friday, December I, 2017 - 6:30pm LuAnne Willey Fellowship Hall-CLEC Tickets: \$25

Tickets go on sale Sunday, November 5th.



JOIN US ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 FOR A CONCERT FROM ONE OF THE WORLD'S BEST MEN'S ACAPELLA GROUPS, THE HERALDS OF HARMONY.

America the Beautiful

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW

IN THE COURTYARD ON SUNDAYS
AT THE CHURCH OFFICE
CALL 727-584-8165

PROCEEDS HELP TO FUND THIS YEAR'S ST. PAUL BUDGET.

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

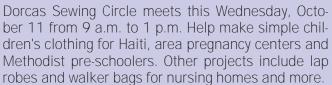
10:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

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.

Dorcas



Methodist

Hannah

The Hannah Circle meets this Tuesday, October 10 at 6:45 p.m. in room 201 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. Meetings include refreshments, devotion, prayer, and a program.

Rachel-Lydia

Rachel-Lydia meets this Thursday, October 12 at 10:30 a.m. in room 101, the Carpenter's Room, of the CLEC for Bible study, devotion and prayers, They also give to mission causes and share the UMW *Response* magazine. Light refreshments are provided.

Wednesday Nights

Prayer: Does it Make Any Difference?

Room 101 - CLEC: 6:30-7:30 PM. Led by Pastor Bob

Prayer is often the most uplifting time of the believer's day, but it can also be frustrating, confusing, and fraught with mystery. Have you ever wondered why we pray at all? This study by Philip Yancy dives into the practice of prayer and more. The Participant's Guide costs \$8.

Parent's Lounge

Mariposa Café—CLEC. 6:30-7:30 PM.

The Parent's Lounge is a fun environment where parents can hang out, build relationships, and support each other through the challenges of raising their children. Each week we'll discuss a different parenting topic, so you can miss a week and jump right back in. Coffee and desserts will be provided.

Children from preschool through 5th grade are invited to attend Worship Arts during this time. See page 7.



IGNITE: Young Adults & Young Professionals

All adults from 18-30s are invited to join IGNITE at 7 p.m. tonight in room 202 of the CLEC. They are currently studying *Forensic Faith*. With real-life detective stories and biblical insights, J. Warner Wallace demonstrates how to rethink and share your Christian beliefs. This study uses the principles of investigation to assist you in developing a clear, evidence-based faith and in learning how to more clearly communicate what you believe.

Follow IGNITE on Facebook for info on current and upcoming studies, events, and cancellations.





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.

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.

This month our teaching series is



This week: Use your time wisely.

In Psalm 90:12, Moses writes, Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom (NIV). We only have so much time while we're here on earth, but every day God gives us is a chance to do something that matters. This week kids learn to make every moment they have count.

Worship Arts on Wednesdays

Kids in preschool through 5th grade are invited to Worship Arts on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in room 201 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. Join us for games, music, art and more as kids have fun and learn about different ways to worship God. Parents are invited to join us in The Parent's Lounge for discussion, desserts and more while your kids are in Worship Arts. See page 5.





Student Ministry

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



Sunday Night Student Ministry

In this series, we'll talk about issues that make our families feel like a reality show. We'll look at one of the Bible's most famously fractured families and see how God can use every family for His good—even ours.



TONIGHT Bottom Line: Focus on fixing you.

Every family has a climate—a mood you can feel almost right when you walk in the door. Have you ever stopped to consider how you might be contributing to it? While we don't always have the power to change the climate in our homes, we do have the power to change what we bring to them. As Paul shows us this week, it all starts by focusing first on fixing ourselves.

Students are invited to join us in the Mariposa Cafe for dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by group games, exciting crowd breakers, passionate worship, biblical teaching, and a chance to connect with others through Source Groups. Dinner is \$3. Register in advance on our website: stpaulumc.org. Time together ends at 8 p.m.

Help with the Pumpkin Patch

The Pumpkin Patch is open all month and students who work shifts earn \$6/hour for their youth account, to be used toward upcoming events and retreats. Sign up online or on the big board in the courtyard.



Buy your pumpkin at the patch! The Pumpkin Patch is open Sunday-Friday from Noon to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

GIVE IN LOVE

Help with Craft Show This Weekend

The 22nd Annual Homespun by Hearts and Hands Arts and Crafts Show is this Saturday, October 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We need volunteers to help take money at the door, work with vendors, sell food and more. We also need men or women who can do some heavy lifting to help vendors unload their crafts. Visit the Connection Center and sign up on the form there or visit our website to fill out the online sign up form: stpaulumc.org



Trunk or Treat This Weekend

We still need a few more people to help with the Trunk or Treat we're hosting during the Patch Bash this Friday. If you are able to decorate the

trunk of your car and hand out candy from 6 to 8 p.m. on October 13, fill out the Connect Card or contact our Children's Ministry Director, Kaitie Zimmerman, at kaitie.z@stpaulumc.org. We will provide the candy!

Help With Pumpkin Patch

The pumpkin patch helps to fund our Student Ministry, including meaningful retreats, mission trips, weekly worship and teaching, and more. We can help support our students by taking part! We need at least one adult per shift. If you can take a shift, visit our website to sign up online or sign up on the big board in the courtyard.

Candy Donations

Each year our Preschool and Children's Ministry have a booth at the City of Largo's Spooktacular so we can introduce our ministries to new families. The booth is free, but we have to pro-



vide the candy. We need donations of individually wrapped candy to give out at the booth. Please drop your bags of candy in the donation bin in the sanctuary lobby on Sunday or at the church office during the week. Any type of individually wrapped candies are welcome!

Auction to Benefit St. Paul-Nov. 18

In addition to the Heralds of Harmony Concert, we have an auction coming up to fund the St. Paul budget. On the evening of Nov. 18 we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a silent auction, followed by a live auction of a few "big ticket items." We want to reach outside our St. Paul family and get the community involved! The more exciting items we have to auction off, the more people will attend. You can help by donating items, or reaching out to local businesses or others in our community for donations.

Donate items for the auction

Take a tag. We have tags available in the Connection Center with some suggested donations that can be combined to make gift baskets. These might include gift cards or themed groups of items. Other items are also welcome, these are just suggestions!

Offer a Service. Professional services like lawyers, car detailing, tree trimming, and more are always in demand. Be creative!

Approach a business. Many businesses are willing to offer gift cards or donate items if they are asked. We can provide you with a letter explaining how their donation will support ministries in our community.

Big Ticket Items. We are especially in need of big ticket items like hotel or time share stays, cars, boats, golf outings, event tickets, sports memorabilia, etc. Donations are tax-deductible so if you have a "big ticket item" you are planning to sell, you can write it off and let the church sell it for you!

Sponsor the Heralds of Harmony Concert

Tickets are on sale now for the Heralds of Harmony concert on November 12! We are also looking for businesses or individuals who would like to sponsor the concert and support St. Paul's ministries. Sponsorship costs \$100 and includes a listing in the concert program. If you'd like to be a sponsor, contact Arch Johnston at arch.j@stpaulumc.org or call 727-584-8165. If you know of a business that might want to sponsor the concert, we have letters explaining the sponsorship available in the Connection Center or the church office.

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Monday, October 9

Harry Aldrich Memorial 2:00 PM

Tuesday, October 10

Sonrise Men's Study 6:30 AM Toy Making 8:00 AM JOY (Just Older Youth) 10:30 AM Jumpstart 4:30 PM UMW: Hannah 6:45 PM

Wednesday, October 11

Toy Making	8:00 AM
Community Bible Study	9:00 AM
UMW: Dorcas	9:00 AM
Handicapable	6:15 PM
Prayer Study	6:30 PM
Parent's Lounge	6:30 PM
Worship Arts Class	6:30 PM
Volleyball	7:30 PM

Thursday, October 12

Men's Bible Study	7:00 AM
Toy Making	8:00 AM
UMW: Rachel-Lydia	10:30 AM
Prayer Shawl	4:30 PM
Handbells Rehearsal	5:30 PM
GriefShare	6:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

Friday, October 13

Church Office Closed

6:00 PM Patch Bash

Saturday, October 14

Soaring Eagles 8:00 AM Arts & Crafts Show 9:00 AM

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

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Allison Hall	Gary Craddick			
Andrew Medlin	Gilbert Quinn			
Anita	Glenda Neville			
Barbara Dumbleton	Greg, Meg, Jackson &			
Barker's Grandchildren	Connor			
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& Husbands	Heather, Kevin & Mala-			
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Blaze Rockwell	Jace Michael			
Bob & Troy Hartel	Jackson			
Bob Russo	Jan Dale			
Bonnie Wismer	Jane Huter			
Brad Jones	Jane Neville Dixon			
Bruce Medlin	Jeff & Sue Welch			
Bud Haskell	Jenny Walter			
Caitlynn Timberlake	Jim Ledford			
Carla Guertin	Jim Lucky			
Caroline Zimmerman	Jimmy			
Carolyn Goodwin	Joan Buckwald			
Cheryl Harvey	JoeyLynn Clayton			
Children, Women &	John Dibble			
Youth	John Fady			
Cliff Armbruster	Jonathan Smith			
Colonial Isles	Jordan Gooden			
Dale & Florita Anderson	Josh DeLoach			
Dale Anderson	Joyce			
Dale Metler	Kalea Grady			
Dale Robinson	Karen			
Daniel Penabade	Karen Goodin			
Darlene Mitchell	Kat Farhangi			
Dave	Kathy Seitz			
David Barrett	Kayla McKagan			
David, Nicole, Calvin	Kenneth A.			
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Donna Cordes	Kevin			
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Faye Suarez	Libby Burke			

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GOOD NEWS

An Update from Carolyn Goodwin in Uganda St. Paul member, Carolyn Goodwin, is serving as a missionary to South Sudanese refugees in Uganda. Here is an email update she recently shared.



step. Your support has Children and staff at Koboko accomplished so much over the past few months: School fees paid for several children, blankets to over 200 who did not have one, Bibles distributed to many new believers, Sunday School to over 300 children, and Trauma Healing Workshops done Saturdays with 75 - 150 people. You also helped get each of the children in Koboko a metal box with a lock - their only piece of privacy. Thank you so much for all you do! Your prayers and financial support are making this happen.

We are still working to supply the remaining 21 children in Rhino camp with metal boxes. (Each box costs about \$12 USD, or a total of \$252 for all the remaining children.) We are also trying to supply all 36 children with backpacks,



Here in Uganda things are going well. This journey is

so much more than I ever

imagined it could be. Praise the Lord He has led, guided, protected, and comforted me every

Children at Rhino camp

but particularly the 15 Koboko kids. We can get a decent backpack here for approximately \$10 USD.

If you feel led to support the journey with Jesus in Uganda: Go to the TMS-Global website and click on the donate button. Enter the number 3080 to give a secure, tax deductible donation. If you would like to donate to one of the special needs such as a metal box or backpack designate your donation as a "special project".

My home team will also have a booth at the UMW's Arts and Crafts Show on Sat. Oct. 14. 100% of the proceeds of the booth will go to support the ministries here in South Sudan and Uganda.

Love and Blessings, Carolyn



Jim with Christine and his caricature of her

Handicapable Volunteer Spotlight

The attendees at the Handi Pizza Party and Movie Night on Friday, September 29 received a special treat when long-time Handi member Jim Puyda put his artistic talents to work doing wonderful caricatures. Attendees waited patiently as Jim captured them on paper, then had a great time showing off the artwork to their friends. Thank you, Jim, for generously sharing your talent!

Jim also assists our Handicapable Ministry by helping coach our Special Olympians, teaching in our computer lab, and playing the piano at our weekly worship services. What a blessing and joy to have Jim in our midst! We appreciate all you do!

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



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