

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 4/19

12:00 pm NEXT Prayer Walk (@SPL)

Monday 4/20

6:00 pm 20s/30s Group Meeting & Study

Tuesday 4/21

5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) *All Welcome!*

7:00 am SPL Foundation Meeting (LCR)

6:30 pm NEXT Advance Commitments Dinner & Program

Wednesday 4/22 F3 Spring 2015

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Great Room)

5:30 pm F3 Dinner: Fried Chicken, Potato Salad (Fellowship Area)

6:30 pm F3 Classes Meet

Thursday 4/23 - Handbells 5:30pm, Choir & Winds 6:30pm

5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) *All Welcome!*

6:30 am (Barr) Men's Bible Study (Large Conference Room)

9:30 am "Covenant" Women's Group Study (Great Room)

6:00 pm St. Paul's ELC Preschool Open House (@ELC)

Friday 4/24

Saturday 4/25 Message: "Expect Doubts to Rise"

9:00 am Confirmation Rehearsal & Testimonies (Sanctuary)

4:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship

Sunday 4/26 Message: "Expect Doubts to Rise"

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:20 am Education Time (Children, Youth, Adults)

10:30 am Contemporary Worship

6:30 pm THRIVE Youth Worship (Sanctuary)

BOARD OF ELDERS NOMINATIONS

The Nominating Committee for the 2015-2016 term of service for the SPL Board of Elders is led by Darren Reynolds. The committee is accepting Elder nominations through April 30th.

POSITION AVAILABLE - LSA

LSA is now accepting applications for Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director. Further details about qualifications are listed in the Latest News section of spldecatour.org. Resumes can be submitted to Kyle Karsten at kkarsten@lsadecatur.net.

We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 808

4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 896

...Better Together!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 26th

Family & Faith Celebration: Confirmation (at 10:30am Worship)

THRIVE Youth Worship (6:30pm @SPL)

April 30th

All Board of Elders Nominations to be received by today

May 2nd

Garden Club of Decatur Plant Sale (8:30-10:30am @SPL)

May 2nd & 3rd

NEXT Commitment Celebration Weekend

May 13th

Final Day of Regular F3 Spring Session (Some courses continue)

May 23rd

Mommy & Me: Play-Pray-Connect (9:00am @SPL)

May 31st

SPL May Voters Meeting (12:00pm @Great Room)

June 15-19

"Everest" Vacation Bible School 2015 (@SPL)

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Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stpaulsdecatour

Follow us on Twitter at @SPLDecatur

View our Live Stream at stpaulsdecatour.sermon.net

Watch for our new SPL Church App Coming Soon!



6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP
APRIL 18 & 19, 2015

Pastor Wray Offermann

Pastor Doug Bender

We will TELL the NEXT generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD,
HIS power, and the wonders
HE has done. *Palm 78:4*



Prayer Before Worship

Lord, it is so reassuring to have a safe place to come and experience Your presence and the power of Your Word. Make this a special moment of worship in which we are strengthened and You are glorified. In the name of Jesus and to His glory. Amen.

Call to Worship

Breathe On Us

Welcome

Opening Praise

Open Up the Heavens

Baptism (Sunday 10:30am Only)

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

Ministry Spotlight

SHiNe Children's Ministry

The Message

"Clothed with Power"
Luke 24:36-49



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Confession of Sins

Father in heaven, we are so inclined to live independent lives; separated from You and from each other. Rather than relying on Your power and wisdom, we trust our own. Rather than wanting Your will to be done, we fight hard to get our own way. Forgive us for believing we could manage our lives without You; for not trusting Your Spirit to lead and Your Word to guide us. Show us Your mercy once more and grant us complete forgiveness, all because of Jesus. In His name. Amen.

Offering God Our Gifts

Our offerings, gifts and tithes are returned to Jesus in response to His sacrificial love for us. During the offering time, please complete one of the worship cards found in the pew in front of you and pass it to the center aisle.

Stir Up the Flame (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

LSA Children's Choir (Sunday 10:30am Only)

Words of Institution (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

Celebrating the Lord's Supper (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

If you have not communed with us before, please read "Our Belief: Receiving the Lord's Supper" located on the following page. We encourage families to commune together. Prayer ministers are available at the front and back of the sanctuary to pray with you at this time.

Communion (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

Holy Spirit

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Breathe

Prayers of the Church

A handout of this week's prayer concerns is available at the back of the sanctuary for those who would continue to pray about these concerns.

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Closing Song

Jesus Move

*Join us Sunday (4/19) for the
NEXT Prayer Walk at 12:00pm!*

Family & Faith Celebration - Baptism

At 10:30am Sunday worship, we celebrate the baptism of Harper Ryleigh Lang. Harper was born August 29, 2014 to parents Alex and Shelby (Williams) Lang. Please welcome Harper and her family as she receives new life in Christ. Congratulations!



FILL THE TENT

Help the local Boy Scouts of America in their effort to FILL THE TENT with food and other needs for Northeast Community Fund. Items needed include canned goods, dry goods, and toiletries. Donated items can be brought to the tent located by the Welcome Center through the month of April.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthday of Amanda Beane and her grandmother Janice Beane.

Our Belief: Receiving the Lord's Supper

The Apostle Paul wrote, "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup." (1 Corinthians 11:28) In order to examine yourself before attending the Lord's Supper, when offered, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Do I believe I am a sinner, and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Jesus, by His death, offers me forgiveness for all my sins?
3. Do I believe I receive the body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and wine? (They are not merely symbolically present.)
4. Do I truly desire to turn from my sinful ways?

If you are able to answer "yes" to these questions, we invite you to join us for the Lord's Supper, when offered. Children and adults who cannot answer affirmatively are invited and encouraged to come forward for a blessing but should refrain from receiving the bread and wine.*

*For those who are unable, or prefer not to consume wine, cups with white grape juice are located in the center of the communion trays.

MESSAGE NOTES

"Clothed with Power"

Community Life Discussion Questions are available along with the weekly Prayer Concerns at the back of the sanctuary.

"Teach What is Good": Women's Fellowship Brunch

SPL Women's Ministry is sponsoring "Teach What is Good", a Women's Fellowship Brunch, on Saturday, May 9th from 10:00am-12:00pm (Great Room), for women and girls of all ages. A variety of dishes, fruit, and pastries will be served. Claudia Quigg will present. Tickets now available \$3.00 each.

F3: FAMILY - FAITH - FORMATION

It's GO Time! The F3 Spring 2015 Session meets weekly. Join us on Wednesdays. It's time to be active in getting your life and family in order - classes for kids, youth, and adults. You can view all courses online at spldeatur.org. Classes meet each week (thru May 13th) at 6:30pm - You are invited! Dinner is served at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Area. Childcare is available. GO!



CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

Follow @SHiNeSPL
Children's Ministry: SHiNe with us on Sundays at 9:20am (Saturday 6:15pm) for children's education time. PreK-K meet in 206. 1st-4th Gr. meet in 203 to start. Gr. 5/6 meet in the Choir Room.

BUILDING BLOCKS: NEW class for Parents/Caretakers and Babies-3 years on Sundays at 9:20am in Room 211. A time to connect and develop emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Contact Jennifer Power at 423-6955 or jennifer@spldeatur.org.

Youth Ministry: THRIVE Senior High Youth and Grade 7/8 Sundays at 9:20am (214B) (pastordoug@spldeatur.org). F3 Wednesdays at 6:30pm for Gr. 5-8 (Rm. 213) and Gr. 9-12 (Rm. 214B).

THRIVE Worship: Join us for Youth Worship on Sunday, April 26th at 6:30pm. Bring a friend! Contact Pastor Doug Bender for details and more info (pastordoug@spldeatur.org or 423-6955).