THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Sunday 5/10 SPL Foundation "Planting for Eternity"
6:30 pm THRIVE Community Group Meeting (@P. Doug's)
Monday 5/11
6:30 pm Kubow Shepherd Group (Fellowship Area)
Tuesday 5/12
5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) All Welcome!
5:30 pm SHiNe Praise Team Rehearsal (Great Room)
6:30 pm Lay Ministry Meeting (Great Room)
Wednesday 5/13 ELC Scholastic Book Fair Begins!
10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Great Room)
1:00 pm "Everest" VBS Craft Prep Party (Great Room)
5:30 pm F3 Dinner: Crock Pot Pizza & Sides (Fellowship Area)
6:30 pm F3 Classes Meet (Final Meeting of 6wk. Classes)
Thursday 5/14 Handbell Rehearsal @5:00pm (Sanctuary)
5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) All Welcome!
6:30 am (Barr) Men's Bible Study (Large Conference Room)
11:30 am Red Cross Blood Drive (@LSA Theatre)
1:00 pm "Everest" VBS Craft Prep Party (Great Room)
6:00 pm Ascension Day Service (@SPL Pond)
7:00 pm ELC Preschool Graduation (Sanctuary)
Friday 5/15
1:00 pm "Everest" VBS Craft Prep Party (Great Room)
6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Saturday 5/16 Message: "Extreme Home Makeover: Communication"
2:00 pm Buenting-Rotz Wedding
4:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm Contemporary Worship
Sunday 5/17 Message: "Extreme Home Makeover: Communication"
8:00 am Traditional Worship
9:20 am Education Time (Children, Youth, Adults)
10:30 am Contemporary Worship
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Now accepting applications: Part Time Maintenance/Janitorial Position. Hours are 5:30am-9:30am (M-F), and special event coverage when needed. For an application and more info, contact Jan Allen (423-6955 or jan@spldecatur.org). <u>All interested persons</u> <u>should submit an application by **May 15th**.</u>

We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 808 4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 871

...Better Together!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH May 13th-17th

SPL Early Learning Center Scholastic Book Fair (@ELC Lobby) Wed-Fri 11am-12pm, 3:30-5:30pm (til 8pm 5/14) & Weekend Hours! May 17th

THRIVE Alive Ultimate Frisbee Event (3:00pm @SPL South Lawn) May 21st

LSA 8th Grade Commencement (7:00pm @LSA)

May 22nd

LSA High School Graduation (7:00pm @LSA)

May 23rd

Mommy & Me: Play-Pray-Connect (9:00am @SPL Room 122) May 31st

SPL May Voters Meeting (2:00pm @SPL Great Room) June 6th

2015 Project Purple Run (9:00am @St. John's) June 15th-19th Pre-Register or volunteer for VBS Today! https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/SHiNeSPLDecatur

Everest" Vacation Bible School 2015 (@SPL)



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Pastor Wray Offermann Pastor Doug Bender

Prayer Before Worship

Lord, thank You for another opportunity to gather around Your Word and with Your people to find the strength and courage to live a life that honors You and blesses families. Today we especially thank You for mothers who loved us, for the women who taught us, and for Your Holy Spirit that caused their words to sink deeply into our hearts. Give all of us a clearer picture of Your plan and purpose for our lives. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

Call to Worship

The Fear of the Lord

Welcome

Opening Praise

Build Your Kingdom Here

Scripture Reading

2 Timothy 1:3-7

Revelation Song

Message

"Extreme Home Makeover: Moms Edition" Luke 10:38-42



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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. You may also return your NEXT Commitment Card in the Offering basket as well.

A Mother's Prayer

Confession of Sins

Lord, how often all of us have been so preoccupied with things of little spiritual significance. We have pursued worldly perfection, material abundance, and self fulfillment while often neglecting our relationship with You and our witness to one another. We have not always chosen the one thing most needed. For the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ, forgive these and all our sins, and then, grow us strong in our homes and families. Amen.

Words of Institution

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

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

Everyone Needs a Little

Do You Know

Jesus Messiah

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

Salt and Light

All adult women are welcome to the special gift we have for you - please be sure to pick up a flower on your way out of worship today.

SPL Foundation "Planting for Eternity"

Special Door Offering - Baskets located by sanctuary doors SPL Foundation will match all donations dollar for dollar for the 2015 SPL Guatemala Mission Team!

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of Dylan and Demi Harjung on their birthdays, from their sister, mom and dad.

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

"EHM: Moms Edition"

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

Ascension Day Outdoor Worship

Join us on Thursday, May 14th at 6:00pm by the pond for our Ascension Day worship service, led by Pastor Doug Bender. Bring a chair and enjoy worshiping in God's creation as we mark this celebration together. (Will be held in the sanctuary if raining.)

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE @LSA

<u>Blood Donors needed</u> on **Thursday, May 14th** (11:30am-5:00pm) at the LSA in support of the Red Cross Blood Drive. This will be held in the LSA Theatre - enter through the High School doors. Contact Allison Hicklin at 233-2000 for info or an appointment.



VBS 2015 "Everest"

Donations needed for craft items - visit the VBS table & tree in the Fellowship Area for info.

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: Class for Parents/Caretakers and Babies to 3 year olds on Sundays at 9:20am in Room 211. Contact Jennifer Power at 423-6955 or jennifer@spldecatur.org for info.

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

THRIVE Alive: Ultimate Frisbee face off with St. John's! Sunday 5/17 from 3:00-5:00pm (@SPL South Lawn).

THRIVE Community: Meeting this Sunday 5/10 at 6:30pm Contact Pastor Doug for info (pastordoug@spldecatur.org).