

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 7/16

9:15 am Education Time (Adult and Children)

Monday 7/17

Tuesday 7/18

5:45 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)

9:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)

Wednesday 7/19

10:30 am Chair Fitness (Room 122)

6:30 pm Defining The Relationship Class (Family Room)

Thursday 7/20 *Youth servant event starts today*

5:45 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)

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

9:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)

6:30 pm Freed to Live Class (Family Room)

Friday 7/21 *Youth servant event continues*

Saturday 7/22 *Message: Travel Companions*

7:00 am ManUP Men's Ministry (Conference Room)

4:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship (Children's Time - 6:30pm)

Sunday 7/23 *Message: Travel Companions*

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:15 am Education Time (Adult and Children)

10:30 am Contemporary Worship (Children's Time - 11:00am)



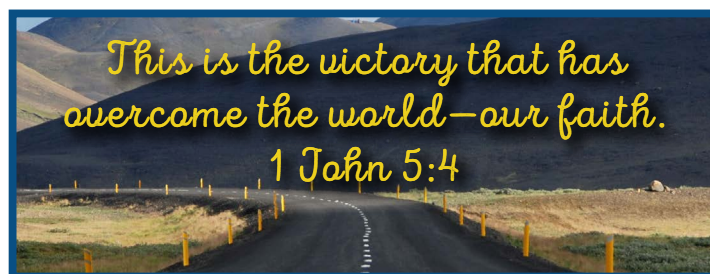
6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

JULY 15 & 16, 2017

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Doug Bender

Pastor Mark Gearig



Thought Before Worship

"The stoic bears the cross; the Christian makes the cross bear fruit." -- E. Stanley Jones

Parents please remember to check in your child before worship at the SPL Kids check-in table in the fellowship center.

Call to Worship

Same Power

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Wonder

I Will Not Be Shaken

Confession of Sins and Absolution

O victorious Jesus, I come before you in defeat. Lord, I confess that I have set my heart on the things of this world and have often lived my life according to the ways of this world. I have worried and complained. I have allowed fear to shape my decisions instead of faith. I have given in to temptation and given up on pursuing you with my whole heart. Forgive me, I pray, and teach me to rise above the problems and pains of life and soar with You on the wings of faith. In Your name I pray. Amen

Words of Institution (Saturday only)

CALLING ALL TEACHERS! JOIN OUR ST. PAUL'S ELC TEAM

PRESCHOOL TEACHER - Preschool instruction for three and four year old children. Hours required are 8am-12pm (M-F); possibility of additional hours as available, assisting in other classrooms.

SCHOOL-AGE TEACHER: Instruction and care of children (Kindergarten thru age 12) participating in our School-Age program. Main hours of instruction are 1:30-5:30pm (M-F) with possibility of additional hours as available, assisting in other classrooms. Availability needed for days students are out of school or on holiday breaks.

Ideal candidates enjoy working with children, love Jesus, and have experience working in a DCFS licensed setting. Teacher candidates must meet DCFS minimum qualifications for positions and pass a background check. Applications will be accepted through JULY 19TH. To apply, please contact Kim Newingham at 217-424-9183 or visit the ELC Office.

We Worship...

4 week avg worship attendance: 753

Last Weekend's Worship Attendance: 759

...Better Together!

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.*

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Celebrating the Lord's Supper (Saturday only)

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

Communion (Saturday only)

Come As You Are

King of My Heart

Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer

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

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.

Children dismissed for SPL Kids' Time.

(See information on next page for ages and locations of classes.

Children must be signed in to attend.)

Scripture Reading

Joel 2:25-26

The Message

"Road Trip: Road Hazards"

Blessing

Closing Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Road Hazards

MESSAGE NOTES

Learning to fly over bumps in the road.

1. Set _____.
2. Learn to use _____.
3. Start seeing _____ as _____.
4. Let the _____.
5. Choose _____ and _____.
6. Put Your _____ to _____.
7. Look for _____ in the _____.
8. Set your _____ toward _____.
9. End _____ from your _____, then your _____, then your _____.
10. Trust that God will _____.

DECATUR CELEBRATION 2017 • August 4 - 6

Join St. Paul's Lutheran Church (along with fellow sponsors WBGL, Investment Planners, Inc. and St. Mary's Hospital) at the Decatur Celebration Christian Stage! Great family-friendly experience, including Carson Singers and SPL Praise Team on Friday 8/4, Stars Go Dim on Saturday 8/5, and Seventh Time Down on Sunday 8/6. We'll also be operating the SPL Family Oasis providing some helping hands to families aiming to have an enjoyable DC experience through a diaper changing station, nursing mothers station, seating and shade throughout the weekend. Be sure to get your Country Financial "Band Together" Wristbands now for just \$5.00, available at several Decatur Locations.

CHRISTIAN STAGE & SPL FAMILY OASIS at Decatur Celebration – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Serve with Team SPL at the Decatur Celebration! Senior High Youth and Adult Volunteers are needed to assist with operations at the Christian Stage, SPL Info Tent and SPL Family Oasis throughout the weekend. Contact Andrea Gerhard at 217-423-6955 or andrea@spldecatur.org if you can help (by July 10).

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE • July 31

Here at St. Paul's in Room 122 from 11am-4pm. Sign up on the kiosk in the fellowship area.

"WELCOME HOME" CHURCH PICNIC • August 20

Save the Date! 12:00-2:00pm. All are welcome!

Feed My Starving Children MOBILEPACK • September 8, 9

Volunteer registration open early August. Special Offering --August 5 and 6. Form a fundraising team or donate now at give.fmsc.org/DecaturCommunity

FALL FESTIVAL 500 • October 28

At St. Paul's, Saturday, beginning at 4pm. We celebrate the 500th year of the reformation with children's inflatables and carnival games, a german dinner, German Polka Band - "Die Musikmeisters", and a showing of the film "Luther" in our Sanctuary. You don't want to miss our pastors in their Leiderhosen!

Children's Ministry

Children's Education Time - SPL KIDS

Saturday Evening (During Message Time) – Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), PreK-K (Room 206), 1st-6th grade (Great Room)

Sunday Morning at 9:20am – PreK-K (Room 206), Gr. 1-4 (Room 214), Gr. 5-6 (Room 211); Building Blocks for Parents/Caretakers & Children 0-3yrs (Room 203)

Sunday Morning (During 10:30am Message Time) – Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), PreK-6 years (Room 206)

Youth Ministry

YOUTH EDUCATION

Sundays at 9:20am in Room 122.

FOLLOW THE LEADER - Youth Servant Event • July 20 - 22

The THRIVE Youth Servant Event is back for 2017! All senior high youth (entering 9th grade – recent HS graduates) should plan to be on mission with us through Follow the Leader, taking place July 20-22. SPL will serve as "base camp" for the group as we partner with several local service organizations (such as Northeast Community Fund, Good Samaritan, Dove, etc.) to make an impact in our community. Registration forms are available at the Connection Center and from Pastor Doug. Please return your registration forms to the Church Office by Monday, July 17th to participate. Additional information will be distributed to participants regarding needs and schedules closer to the event. NOTE: Some female adult chaperones still needed – contact Pastor Doug Bender for more information at pastordoug@spldecatur.org or 217-423-6955.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in memory of Barry Sanders on the 3rd anniversary of his passing on July 18th from Joy Sanders.

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