

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

### Sunday 7/09

9:15 am Education Time (Adult and Children)

### Monday 7/10

### Tuesday 7/11

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

8:00 am SPL Foundation (Conference Room)

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

6:30 pm Cancer Companions (Room 203)

### Wednesday 7/12

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Dining Room)

5:00 pm FUN IN THE SON (Yacht Club-Lake Decatur)

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

### Thursday 7/13

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)

1:00 pm Hinz Bible Study (Family Room)

4:00 pm Shepherding Action Team (Sm. Conf. Room)

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

### Friday 7/14

### Saturday 7/15 Message: Road Hazards

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 7/16 Message: Road Hazards

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:15 am Education Time (Adult and Children)

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

The St. Paul's family has blessed our family recently in many ways, including bringing us communion, calls, prayers, visits, offers to help, and a funeral meal. You have "been the message." You have been Jesus to us. We thank you and ask Him to bless you. --The Bill Knight family

Yearly Actual Giving Through 6/02/17

\$1,080,151

Under Goal

\$93,864

Yearly Budgeted Giving Through 6/29/17

\$1,174,015

### We Worship...

4 week avg worship attendance: 744

Last Weekend's Worship Attendance: 763

...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.

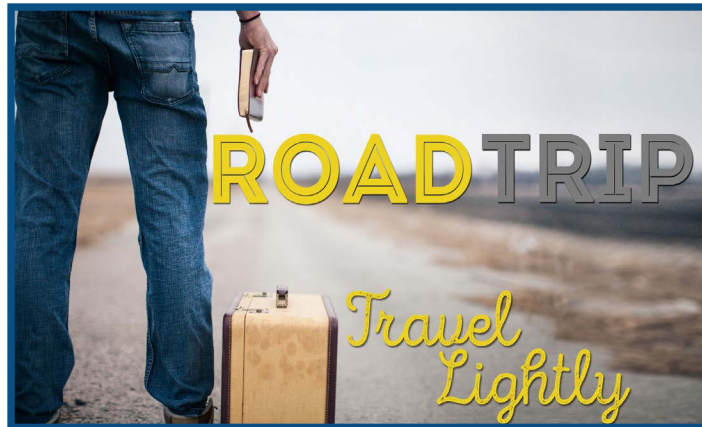
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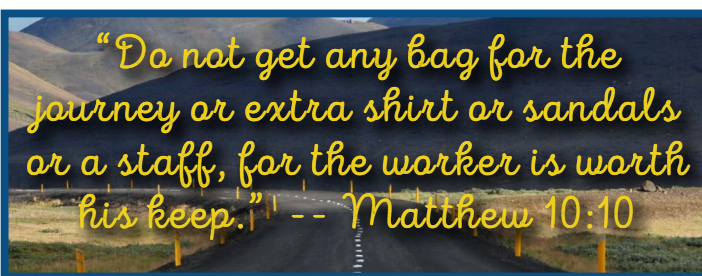
6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

JULY 8 & 9, 2017

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Doug Bender

Pastor Mark Gearig



### Thought Before Worship

Lord, in these moments of worship, quiet our spirits and focus our minds on what we most need to hear and experience. Enable us to be still and know that You are God. Reassure us of Your love, thrill us with Your grace, and stir us to action in response, all because of Your Son and our Savior, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen

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

### Call to Worship

Wonder

### Welcome & Announcements

### Invocation

### Opening Praise

Never Gonna Stop Singing

Lord, Help Me Follow

### Confession of Sins and Absolution

Gracious Father, You have commanded us to serve You and love You with all of our hearts, but we so quickly get distracted and preoccupied with everything else but You. In our journey through life we pack more and more self indulging things into our suitcase so that we can hardly get it shut, while we leave behind spiritual treasures. Help us clean out the clutter...throw away the junk, especially the sinful habits and attitudes that destroy us. Sift us, Lord, so that all there is left of us is sold out completely to You. Forgive us because of the price Jesus paid on the cross to cover the guilt of all our sin. In His name. Amen



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## 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 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

*Be Still*

*No Longer Slaves*

*Cornerstone*

### Baptism

### 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

*Restless*

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

Matthew 10:5-15

### Worship Feature

*Scheduling Ourselves to Death*

### The Message

"Road Trip: Travel Lightly"  
Pastor Wray Offermann

### Blessing

### Closing Song

*Salt and Light*

## Road Trips

## MESSAGE NOTES

*Travel Lightly*

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### Flowers on the Altar

Altar Flowers are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Barbara and Vernon Mercier.

## Special Events

### 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.

## 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.

### FUN IN THE SON • Wednesday 5:00pm

This week--Boating bonanza at Lake Decatur! Sailing and water sports! Meet at the Yacht Club. Food provided.

### 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.

### Position Available: Pastoral Administrative Assistant

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is now hiring for the position of Pastoral Administrative Assistant. This position provides primary administrative support to the Senior and Associate Pastors, and performs additional administrative and office functions as assigned. The ideal candidate will possess expertise in Microsoft Office products, a willingness to learn current technology and programs, and proven leadership, organizational, and people skills. This is a full time position, Monday through Friday from 8:00am-5:00pm, requiring 40 hours weekly, reporting to the Senior Pastor. Interested persons should complete and submit an application to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Attn: Lisa Lovekamp, Office Manager. [Materials are available in the Church Office or under Latest News at SPLDecatur.org.] APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JULY 14th.

### Family & Faith Celebration - Baptism

At 10:30am worship, we celebrate the baptism of Lincoln AnnMarie Younghouse. Lincoln was born June 5, 2017 to parents Kurt and Jessica (Highley) Younghouse. Please welcome Lincoln and her family as she receives new life in Christ. Congratulations!

