

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 9/10

9:15 am Education Time (Adult and Children)

Monday 9/11

Tuesday 9/12

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

8:00 am SPL Foundation Meeting (Conference Room)

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

6:00 pm Women's Fall Fellowship (Fairview Park)

6:30 pm Cancer Companions Webinar (Room 203)

Wednesday 9/13

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Dining Room)

5:30 pm F3 Dinner (Dining Room)-*Pulled Pork and Hot Dogs*

6:30 pm F3 Classes (Various locations-all ages)

6:30 pm Basics Class (Conference Room)

Thursday 9/14 Handbells (5:30 sanctuary)/Adult Choir (6:30 choir room)

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 Meeting (Sm Conf. Room)

Friday 9/15

Saturday 9/16 Message: Why do people do bad things?

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 9/17 Message: Why do people do bad things?

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:15 am Education Time (Adult and Children)

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

12:00 pm Mission: Guatemala Meeting (Family Room)

September Actual Giving

\$43,866 as of 9/03

September Budgeted Giving

\$38,875 as of 9/03

Yearly Actual Giving Through 9/03/17

\$1,411,760

Under goal

\$133,697

Yearly Budgeted Giving Through 9/03/27

\$1,545,457

Hurricane Harvey Special Offering: \$7,356

We Worship...

4 week avg worship attendance: 837

Last Weekend's Worship Attendance: 930

...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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TELL ME MORE

6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP
SEPTEMBER 9 & 10, 2017

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Doug Bender

Pastor Mark Gearig

What happens after I die?

Thought Before Worship

"If we insist on keeping Hell (or even Earth) we shall not see Heaven: if we accept Heaven we shall not be able to retain even the smallest and most intimate souvenirs of Hell." -- C.S. Lewis, "The Great Divorce"

Plan to attend SPL Kids: Worship? Parents, be sure to check in your child at the SPL Kids Table before worship begins. (3yrs-4th grade).

Call to Worship

Hallelujah, We Will Sing

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Breathe On Us

Revelation Song

Confession of Sins and Absolution

Psalm 32:3-7 (NIV)

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him. You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

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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

O Praise the Name

Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

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 requests.

Children dismissed for SPL Kids' Time

See information on next page for ages and locations of classes. Children must be signed in to attend.

Offering God Our Gifts

Someday

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.

Scripture Reading

Luke 16:19-31

The Message

"What happens when I die?"

Pastor Eric Trickey

Blessing

Closing Song

The Lion and the Lamb

Tell Me MORE

MESSAGE NOTES

What Jesus says about hell.

- 1) Hell is a place of _____.
- 2) Hell is _____.
- 3) Hell is the place of complete _____.

The 4 part death defying promise of Jesus.

- 1) The place we need is _____.
- 2) _____ is there.
- 3) Heaven is an _____ place.
- 4) There are _____ in the Father's house.

"Tell Me More" Discussion Guides are available for small groups in the church office.

Our weekly Prayer Concerns sheets are at the back of the sanctuary.

PRAYER/OPEN HOUSE FOR THE TRICKEYS

Thursday, September 14, 6-8pm at Doherty's with a dedicated prayer circle at 7pm led by Pastor Wray, Pastor Doug and Pastor Mark. Light snacks provided and a free will offering will be taken with 100% of the offering going to the Trickeys to help with the medical expenses.

Special Events

WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL FELLOWSHIP • September 12

SPL Women's Ministry invites women of all ages to the annual Fall Fellowship event on Tuesday, September 12th at 6:00pm at the Fairview Park Pavilion #3. Bring a side dish/dessert to share. Sign-up now in the Fellowship Area. Connect at facebook.com/groups/SPLWomen

LWML Fall Zone Rally • September 28

Please join other ladies from the Decatur Zone churches for this gathering at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church. This year's theme is "The Word of God is Our Fortress." To register or for more info contact Carol Stafford, 217-421-1025 or the church office.

Dads Grandpas and Kids Campout @ Camp Cilca • October 6-7

Men, join us for a fun-filled weekend making memories with your kids and grand-kids! Check out the table in the fellowship area for info and to sign up.

LIFETOUCH Photography • October 3-4

If you would like your photo taken and were not included in our recent family directory, you can sign up online at spldecatur.org for a time to have your picture taken.

Children's Ministry

SPL KIDS

Worship: Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning (During Message Time):

Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), 3 years-K (Rm 206), 1st-4th grade (Great Rm) 5th-6th Junior Leaders will leave with children (must have attended training)

Sunday Education (9:20am): PreK-K (Room 206), Gr. 1-4 (Room 213), Gr. 5-6 (Room 211); Building Blocks for Parents/Caretakers & Children 0-3yrs (Room 203)

F3 (Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm): 6 weeks-3yrs (Nursery), 3 yrs-K (Room 206):

Bible App for Kids: Bible Adventure, 1st-4th grade (Room 213): Life With God, 5th-6th Grade (Room 211): Life with God

Youth Ministry

SPL YOUTH

THRIVE: Sundays at 9:20am in Room 122.

F3: Wednesday at 6:30pm (Grades 9-12)- Led by Pastor Doug Bender

7th/8th Grade Confirmation

Classes: Sundays at 9:20am or Wednesdays at 6:30pm during F3.

ELC

EARLY LEARNING CENTER NOW HIRING

St. Paul's ELC is seeking a schoolage teacher, morning break person, and substitutes. Ideal candidates love Jesus and His children, are energetic and flexible, and have experience working with children in a DCFS licensed setting. Teacher candidates must meet DCFS minimum qualifications for positions and pass a background check. Applications accepted through September 8; interviews week of September 11, to start in September. To learn more or to apply for a position, please contact Kim Newingham at St. Paul's Early Learning Center at 217-424-9183.

Adult Education

F3: Family-Faith-Formation-Adult Classes • Wednesday's 6:30pm

Fall Session 2017 begins Wednesday, September 13

Register now at spldecatur.org/Family-Faith-Formation

- Financial Peace University - led by Matt and Kara Nalley
- Present Over Perfect - Led by Michelle Bender (for women)
- Leading a Family - Led by Adam Mize (for men)
- Bible Study: 1 & 2 Peter - Led by Pastor Mark Gearig
- You Don't Have to Teach People How to Sin - Led by Jim Minton
- See Through the Scriptures - Led by Chris Schuette
- Basics 1 & 2 (for Church Membership) - Wednesdays led by Pastor Eric Trickey, Sundays at 9:20am led by Pastor Mark Gearig

SPECIAL NOTE OF THANKS:

Special thanks to our family of faith for prayers, notes and visitors who came to DMH. --Mary and David Peck

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the 16th Wedding Anniversary of Cindy and Terry Howe.