

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 11/05

9:15 am Education Classes for all ages

Monday 11/06

6:30 pm 20's/30's Small Group (Dining Room)

Tuesday 11/07 "Armor of God" study @ 10:30am/6pm

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

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

4:45 pm Women's Ministry Meeting (Dining Room)

6:30 pm Cancer Companions Meeting (Family Room)

Wednesday 11/08

9:30 am Chair Fitness (Room 122)

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Dining Room)

5:30 pm F3 Dinner (Dining Room) - *Pasta Night*

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

Thursday 11/09

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)

5:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday 11/10

Saturday 11/11 Message- Kingdom Life: Who's On the Throne?

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

4:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship (SPL Kids - 6:30pm)

Sunday 11/12 Message- Kingdom Life: Who's On the Throne?

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:15 am Education Classes for all ages

10:30 am Contemporary Worship (SPL Kids - 11:00am)

October Actual Giving

\$146,110 as of 10/29

October Budgeted Giving

\$159,195 as of 10/29

Yearly Actual Giving Through 10/29/17

\$1,657,238

Under goal

\$164,038

Yearly Budgeted Giving Through 10/29/17

\$1,821,276

2017 Annual Budget =
\$2,372,600

We Worship...

4 week avg worship attendance: 781

Last Weekend's Worship Attendance: 715

...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

NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 2017

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Mark Gearig

Because *you* know
that the *testing* of your *faith*
produces *perseverance*.

James 1:3

Thought Before Worship

"The Lord is with me like a mighty warrior."

--Jeremiah, the prophet

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

So Will I (100 Billion X)

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Do What You Want To

Scripture Reading

James 1:2-4

Do It Again

Confession of Sins and Absolution

Creator God, You fashioned us in Your image to relate rightly, run hard, rest well and rule over Your beautiful creation. But we have traded away Your image in our attempts to try to fit in with this world and look just like everyone else. Forgive us for poisoning too many of our relationships. Forgive us for being lazy when we should work, and for working when we should be resting. Forgive us Jesus, for ruling like tyrants over our spheres of influence, rather than fighting the good fight of faith and allowing You to reign through us. Take our sin and shame, and restore Your image in us.

Words of Institution (Saturday only)



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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 Songs (Saturday only)

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

King of My Heart

Cornerstone

Baptism (Saturday)

Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer

Offering God Our Gifts (Children dismissed)

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.

LSA HS Quartet (Saturday only)

The Message

"Order out of Chaos"
Pastor Eric Trickey

Blessing

Closing Song

Build Your Kingdom Here

Kingdom Life

MESSAGE NOTES

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

At 6:00 pm worship, we celebrate the baptism of Parker Elaine Bailey. Parker was born April 12, 2017 to parents Shelby Young and Chase Bailey. Please welcome Parker and her family as she receives new life in Christ. Congratulations!



Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the 16th wedding anniversary of Joe and Kami Moody.

St. Paul's Early Learning Center Fundraiser * order by November 6

St. Paul's ELC is excited to once again offer selections from Perfect Pastries for their Fall Fundraiser – the popular Pastry Puffins have returned, along with additional items like Butter Hearts, Cookies, and PuffCrust Pizzas. Proceeds will be utilized for new learning toys and materials for the ELC classrooms. Items can be ordered in the ELC Office or Church Office, or from any participating ELC family. Orders will arrive November 21st, just in time for the holiday season. Contact Kim Newingham with any questions 217-424-9183.

ANGEL TREE Requests * due by November 10

The Angel Tree will return to SPL once again this holiday season, beginning November 18 & 19, and we will again bless families in need in our community through New Life Pregnancy Center, Baby Talk, and Northeast Community Fund. We are also blessed to be a blessing to those in our family of faith and our Early Learning Center who may be in need this season – if you are aware of an individual or family in need, please see Sarah Johnson (sarah@spldecatur.org) in the SPL Church Office to complete an Angel Tree submission form. Forms must be returned by November 10th to be included on this year's Angel Tree.

PASTOR'S CLASS * November 12, 9:20am

We welcome George Roller, the former Director of the D. James Kennedy Center for Christian Statesmanship in Washington D.C., to Pastor's Class on 11/12 (Dining Room). He will present easy ways for people to share their faith.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Shoeboxes * due by November 13

SPL Kids will be packing shoebox gifts for Operation Christmas Child November 4, 5, & 8 in SPL Kids Time. Return donations to the table in the Fellowship Area or SPL Kids classrooms. Pack shoeboxes on your own – please return all marked shoebox gifts (boy/girl/age label) with the requested \$9.00 donation to SPL by November 13th. Contact Andrea Gerhard with questions at 217-423-6955.

Semi-Annual Voters Meeting * November 19, 2pm

All members of SPL are encouraged to attend our Semi-Annual Voters Meeting in the Dining Room. The Pastors and Board of Elders will lead discussion on important congregational updates including NEXT and Phase II progress, Associate Pastor Call Process, and a vote on the Budget for 2018.

THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP * November 23, 9am

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)

7th/8th Grade Confirmation

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

Women's Ministry

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT * November 14, 6:00pm

"A Mother Remembers" -- SPL Women's Ministry invites women of all ages to be a part of Advent By Candlelight. Visit the table in the Fellowship Area for more event information, or to sign up to help serve (men). Donations to help cover the costs of food are also being accepted.

Associate Pastor Call

Our Associate Pastor Call Committee continues to work diligently to review candidates for the available position. If you have a recommendation of a candidate, please contact Monica Hawkins (monicajhawkins@yahoo.com) or Darren Reynolds (darrenr@consociate.com) as soon as possible. Thank you for your continued prayers over this process!