

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 12/10 Education Classes for all ages - 9:15am

9:20 am Small Group Leaders Meeting (Great Room)

2:00 pm Ministry Architects Stockholders Meeting (Room 122)

Monday 12/11

Tuesday 12/12

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)

Wednesday 12/13

9:30 am Chair Fitness (Room 122)

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Dining Room)

12:15 pm Advent Worship

5:30 pm Advent Dinner (Dining Room) -Pizza/Salad/Dessert

6:30 pm Advent Worship

Thursday 12/14

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)

4:00 pm Shepherding Action Team (Small Conference Room)

5:30 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday 12/15

Saturday 12/16 Message - Love All

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 12/17 Message - Love All

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:15 am Education Classes for all ages

10:30 am Children's Christmas Worship

12:00 pm Advent Conspiracy Backpack Packing (Dining Room)



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

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Mark Gearig

JOSEPH, SON OF DAVID, *do not fear*
TO TAKE MARY AS YOUR WIFE,
FOR THAT WHICH IS CONCEIVED IN HER
IS FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT. MATTHEW 1:20

Thought Before Worship

I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give.
I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can
spare. -C.S. Lewis

Call to Worship

Rejoice

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

O Come All Ye Faithful

O Holy Night

Confession and Absolution

Most merciful god, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Words of Institution

December Actual Giving

\$51,942 as of 12/03

December Budgeted Giving

\$60,519 as of 12/03

Yearly Actual Giving Through 12/03/17

\$1,921,912

Under goal

\$196,511

Yearly Budgeted Giving Through 12/03/17

\$2,118,423

We Worship...

4 week avg worship attendance: 817

Last Weekend's Worship Attendance: 863

...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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