

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 4/12 NEXT Day of Prayer (*Praying for One Another*)

Pick up your program brochure following worship today.

Monday 4/13

6:30 pm Kubow Shepherd Group (Fellowship Area)

Tuesday 4/14

5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) *All Welcome!*

6:30 pm Lay Ministry Meeting (LCR)

Wednesday 4/15 F3 Spring 2015

5:30 pm F3 Dinner: Pulled Pork & Sides (Fellowship Area)

6:30 pm F3 Classes Begin

Thursday 4/16 - Handbells 5:30pm, Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm

5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) *All Welcome!*

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

Friday 4/17

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday 4/18

3:00 pm Thomas-Wright Wedding (Sanctuary)

4:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

5:00 pm LSA Dinner Auction (Mt. Zion Convention Center)

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship "*Clothed with Power*"

Sunday 4/19 NEXT Prayer Walk

8:00 am Traditional Worship "*Clothed with Power*"

9:20 am Education Time (Children, Youth, Adults)

10:30 am Contemporary Worship "*Clothed with Power*"

12:00 pm NEXT Prayer Walk (@SPL)

BOARD OF ELDERS NOMINATIONS

The Nominating Committee for the 2015-2016 term of service for the SPL Board of Elders has formed. Led by Darren Reynolds, the committee includes Dave Pritts, Chuck Schuette, Mike Mize, and Ed Moss. They are currently accepting Elder nominations and will continue to receive them through April 30th.

We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 1360 (Easter Services)

4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 890

...Better Together!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 19th

NEXT Prayer Walk (12:00pm @SPL)

April 21st

NEXT Advance Commitments Dinner (Fellowship Area)

April 23rd

St. Paul's Early Learning Ctr. Preschool Open House (6:00pm)

April 25th

Confirmation Photos, Rehearsal, Testimonies (9:00am @SPL)

April 26th

Family & Faith Celebration: Confirmation (at 10:30am Worship)

April 30th

All Board of Elders Nominations to be received by today

May 2nd

Garden Club of Decatur Plant Sale (8:30-10:30am @SPL)

May 2nd & 3rd

NEXT Commitment Celebration Weekend

May 13th

Final Day of Regular F3 Spring Session (Some courses continue)

May 31st

SPL May Voters Meeting (12:00pm @Great Room)

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Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stpaulsdecatour

Follow us on Twitter at [@SPLDecatur](https://twitter.com/SPLDecatur)

View our Live Stream at stpaulsdecatour.sermon.net

Watch for our new SPL Church App Coming Soon!



NEXT
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

We Will Tell the NEXT Generation

6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP
APRIL 11 & 12, 2015

Pastor Wray Offermann

Pastor Doug Bender

We will TELL the NEXT generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD,
HIS power, and the wonders
HE has done. *Psalms 78:4*



Prayer Before Worship

Father in Heaven, as You bring Your world alive in the warmth of spring, bring us alive in the warmth of Your love. Open our hearts to receive all that You have for us in worship today and thrill us again with the resurrection victory of Your Son and our Savior Jesus. In His name we pray. Amen.

Call to Worship

Hallelujah for the Cross

Welcome

Invocation

Opening Praise

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Scripture Reading

We Will Remember

The Message

"We Will Tell the NEXT Generation"

Luke 24:36-49



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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.

Hallelujah for the Cross (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

LSA Faculty Choir (Sunday 10:30am Only)

Confession of Sins

Lord Jesus, we have not always been faithful to You. We have not grown in Your Word as we should nor nurtured our faith as You expect. The things our teachers have taught us we have not always handed down to the next generation. A famine of Your truth has come upon our land. We ask for Your mercy as we seek to rededicate ourselves to the next things in Your mission. In Jesus name. Amen.

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 following page. We encourage families to commune together. Prayer ministers are available at the front and back of the sanctuary to pray with you at this time.

Communion

How Majestic

Ancient Words

To the Ends of the Earth

Prayers of the Church

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

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Closing Song

Our God

Recognizing Years of Faithful Service in Lutheran Education

Ellen Storck - 35 Years in Education

Al Bardeleben - 30 Years in Education

Nathan Richter - 15 Years in Education

ONE IN CHRIST - Annual LSA Dinner Auction

Saturday, April 18th (Doors open 5pm) - Mt. Zion Convention Center

Tickets \$50 Each - Call 233-2001 for tickets

FILL THE TENT

Help the local Boy Scouts of America in their effort to FILL THE TENT with food and other needs for Northeast Community Fund. Items needed include canned goods, dry goods, and toiletries. Donated items can be brought to the tent located by the Welcome Center through the month of April.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the 25th wedding anniversary on April 21st of Pat and Lori Tharp.

Flowers at the Pulpit are to the glory of God and in thanksgiving to our Lord for 65 years of marriage for Bob and Nancy Rauschek and for 28 years of marriage for Randy and Jean Kircher.

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.

MESSAGE NOTES "We Will Tell the NEXT Generation"

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

Special Thank You

Maribeth Patterson & family would like to thank Pastor Wray and all those who participated in Gary Patterson's memorial service. Thank you also to all those who brought food for the dinner and helped to serve. All of the prayers, cards, notes, flowers, memorials, and your time were a gift and greatly appreciated.

F3: FAMILY - FAITH - FORMATION

It's GO Time! The F3 Spring 2015 Session is now underway. Join us on Wednesdays. It's time to be active in getting your life and family in order - classes for kids, youth, and adults. You can view all courses online at spldeatur.org. Classes meet each week (thru May 13th) at 6:30pm - You are invited! Dinner is served at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Area. Childcare is available. GO!



CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

Follow @SHiNeSPL
Children's Ministry: SHiNe with us on Sundays at 9:20am (Saturday 6:15pm) for children's education time. PreK-K meet in 206. 1st-4th Gr. meet in 203 to start. Gr. 5/6 meet in the Choir Room.

Special SHiNe Time: NEW class for Parents/Caretakers and Babies-3 years on Sundays at 9:20am in Room 211. A time to connect and develop emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Contact Jennifer Power at 423-6955 or jennifer@spldeatur.org.

Youth Ministry: THRIVE Senior High Youth and Grade 7/8 Sundays at 9:20am (214B) (pastordoug@spldeatur.org). F3 Wednesdays at 6:30pm for Gr. 5-8 (Rm. 213) and Gr. 9-12 (Rm. 214B).

THRIVE Events: Serve with us during the NEXT Dinner on April 21st (volunteers needed) - Contact Pastor Doug Bender for details and more info (pastordoug@spldeatur.org or 423-6955).