

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 8/2

9:20 am LCMS Missionary Rev. Andrew Schlund (Great Rm)
12:00 pm **LSA Parent Meeting** (Great Room)

Monday 8/3

6:00 pm 20s/30s Small Group Mtg. & Study

Tuesday 8/4

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

Wednesday 8/5

Thursday 8/6

5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) *All Welcome!*
6:30 am (Barr) Men's Bible Study (Large Conference Room)
7:30 am Follow the Leader Youth Servant Event (Great Rm)
1:00 pm Hinz Group Bible Study (Large Conference Room)

Friday 8/7 *Follow the Leader Youth Servant Event Continues*

Saturday 8/8 **Message: "GO: Missionary Journeys - Deborah"**

4:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:30 pm SHiNe Praise Team Rehearsal (Great Room)
6:00 pm Contemporary Worship (*SHiNe Time - Room 122*)
7:45 pm Decatur Celebration Christian Stage (Moriah Peters)

Sunday 8/9 **Message: "GO: Missionary Journeys - Deborah"**

8:00 am Traditional Worship
9:20 am Education Time (Pt. 3 Creation/Evolution - Great Room)
10:30 am Contemporary Worship
12:00 pm SPL Guatemala Mission Team - Member Luncheon
5:45 pm Decatur Celebration Christian Stage (Unspoken)



Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT)

Upcoming Training Session - **August 29, 2015 @LSA**
To Register: www.cidlcms.org/LERT.Decatur.8.29.2015.pdf

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Andrea & Brian Aubert and the Roberson family would like to say thank you to Pastor Wray, Pastor Doug, and the people of St. Paul's for all of the prayers, home and hospital visits, funeral and luncheon support - they are so very grateful!

We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 680
4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 715

...Better Together!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 6th-8th Contact Pastor Doug (pastordoug@spldecatur.org)

"Follow the Leader" Local Youth Servant Event (Decatur Area)

August 7th-9th Cont. Andrea Gerhard (andrea@spldecatur.org)
Decatur Celebration Christian Stage (Moriah Peters & Unspoken)

August 9th

SPL Guatemala Mission Team 2015 Member Luncheon (12pm)

August 12th

Final THRIVE Fun in the Son Event (6:30pm @Koshinski Home)

August 17th Registration August 6, 7, 10 - Call 233-2001 for info
First Day of School - Lutheran School Association

August 23rd Begin A "Season of Change" with Us!

Welcome Back Church Picnic & Family Fun Fest (12pm @SPL)

August 29th

LCMS-LERT Lutheran Emergency Response Training (@LSA)

September 9th Registration available mid-August

F3: Family-Faith-Formation Fall Session Begins (6:30pm)

September 12th Tickets available NOW @SPL

Beth Moore Living Proof Live Simulcast Event (@SPL)

October 17th Tickets available spldecatur.org - Buy early & save!

Couples SAVE THE DATE: Family Life "I Still Do" Event (@SPL)

CONNECT WITH US!

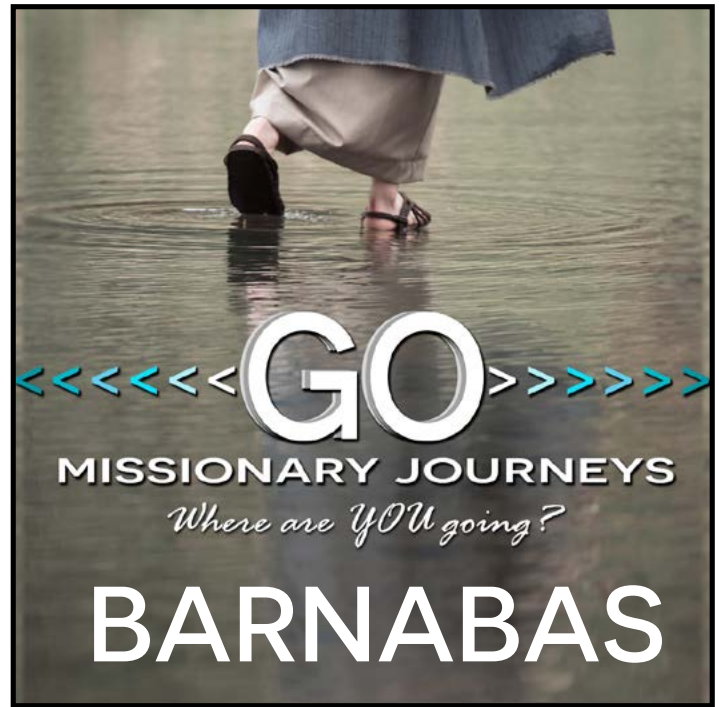
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6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP
AUGUST 1 & 2, 2015

Pastor Doug Bender
Pastor Wray Offermann

Prayer Before Worship

Gracious Father, You are a God of courage and might. You draw near to us, Your people, through powerful words that instill life and confidence in Your name. Though evil surrounds us, You stand over us in perfect love and protection. Strengthen us now, through Your Word and promise. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation. Through Jesus, and in His name, Amen.

Call to Worship

Father of Lights

Welcome

Invocation

Opening Praise

Jesus Move

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:36-37

Lord Help Me Follow

Message

"GO: Missionary Journeys - Barnabas"
Acts 4:36-37, 9:23-31

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.

Follow You



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BUILD THE HOME, CHANGE THE WORLD.

Confession of Sins

Dear Father, Your world has become overrun with sinful rage and hostility. Because of the evil in our lives, we too have grown angry and hostile. We choose to discourage rather than encourage. We beat down, rather than build up. We snuff out the life Your Spirit brings, refusing to stand with You and with our neighbors. Forgive us Father, for Jesus' sake. And soften our hearts to be vulnerable in front of You and others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Words of Institution (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

Celebrating the Lord's Supper (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

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 during this time.

Communion (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

Prayers of the People

Revelation Song

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

Lay Me Down

SPL LSA FAMILIES - Don't Forget
LSA Parent Meetings - Please attend one
Saturday 8/1 following worship (7:15pm)
Sunday 8/2 following worship (12:00pm)
Great Room - 2nd Floor

Welcome Guests!

This weekend we welcome LCMS Missionary Rev. Andrew Schlund and his family (with wife Kelsey and daughter Charlotte). They are our guests in worship this weekend, and you can also learn more about the work they will be doing in Mexico City, Mexico by joining us in the Great Room at 9:20am Sunday morning.

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are to the glory of God and in celebration of the 12th birthday of Morgan Wayne from her loving family.
Flowers at the Pulpit are to the glory of God and in celebration and thanksgiving for the 65th wedding anniversary on August 6th of Erwin and Billie Heinkel.

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

"GO: Missionary Journeys - Barnabas"

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

SCRIP Program Update

The use of the SPL SCRIP Program has generated \$1,990.16 toward our LSA assessment. SCRIP cards are available to be purchased on Sunday mornings (at the Coffee Bar) before and after services and in the church office during the week. For more information, contact Jan Allen (423-6955) or visit spldecatur.org.

LIVING PROOF LIVE SIMULCAST EVENT

SPL Women's Ministry is sponsoring the Living Proof Live Simulcast Event with Beth Moore here at St. Paul's on Saturday, September 12th. Doors open 7:30am, breakfast served til 9am, event begins 9:30am (til 4:15pm). Tickets \$35 - Now Available.

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.
SATURDAY NIGHT SHiNe Time will be in Rm 122 on August 1st

BUILDING BLOCKS: Class for Parents/Caretakers and Babies to 3 year olds on Sundays at 9:20am in Room 211. Contact Jennifer Power at 423-6955 or jennifer@spldecatur.org for info.

Youth Ministry: THRIVE Senior High Youth and Grade 7/8 Sundays at 9:20am (214B) (pastordoug@spldecatur.org). **Donuts & Doug** meets on Sundays (9:20am) in Room 122 for the summer. *Current study with Paul Butler & Pastor Doug in session.*

FUN in the SON: Final event Wed. 8/12 at 6:30pm, @Koshinski. Contact Pastor Doug for info (pastordoug@spldecatur.org) & check the SPL Youth Facebook group for weekly details.

FOLLOW THE LEADER - Youth Service Event (August 6-8) \$50.00/each. Contact Pastor Doug at 423-6955 for info.