

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

### Sunday 8/9

9:20 am Pastor's Class: Creation v. Evolution Pt.3 (Great Rm)  
12:00 pm SPL Guatemala Mission Team Luncheon (Great Rm)  
5:45 pm Decatur Celebration Christian Stage (Unspoken)  
8:30 pm Decatur Celebration Christian Stage (Unspoken)

### Monday 8/10 LSA Registration Continues

6:30 pm Kubow Shepherd Group (Fellowship Area)

### Tuesday 8/11

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

### Wednesday 8/12

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Large Conference Room)  
5:00 pm SPL Baby Blessings Sewing Party (Great Room)  
6:30 pm THRIVE Fun in the Sun Final Event (Koshinski Home)

### Thursday 8/13

5:45 am Fitness at First Exercise Class (Rm 122) *All Welcome!*  
6:30 am (Barr) Men's Bible Study (Large Conference Room)  
5:30 pm Discipleship Team Meeting (Large Conference Room)

### Friday 8/14

### Saturday 8/15 Message: "What's Your MQ (Mission Quotient)?"

4:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
4:30 pm SHiNe Praise Team Rehearsal (Great Room)  
6:00 pm Contemporary Worship

### Sunday 8/16 Message: "What's Your MQ (Mission Quotient)?"

8:00 am Traditional Worship  
9:20 am Education Time  
9:30 am SPL Special Voters Meeting (Great Room)  
10:30 am Contemporary Worship

## 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 [spldeatur.org](http://spldeatur.org).

## We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 784  
4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 732

...Better Together!

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

### August 16th

SPL Special Voters Meeting (9:30am @Great Room-2nd floor)

**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 Fest (12pm @SPL)

Collection for Decatur Kids Bags of Hope Program (8/22 & 8/23)

### 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 \$35.00 @SPL

Beth Moore Living Proof Live Simulcast Event (@SPL)

### September 19th

CICIM 7th Annual Golf Scramble (1:00pm @Moweaqua G.C.)

### September 25th

Camp CILCA Golf Outing (12:30pm @The Rail, Springfield)

### October 10th & 11th

Flu Shot Clinic (@SPL)

**October 17th** Tickets available [spldeatur.org](http://spldeatur.org) - Buy early & save!

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

## CONNECT WITH US!

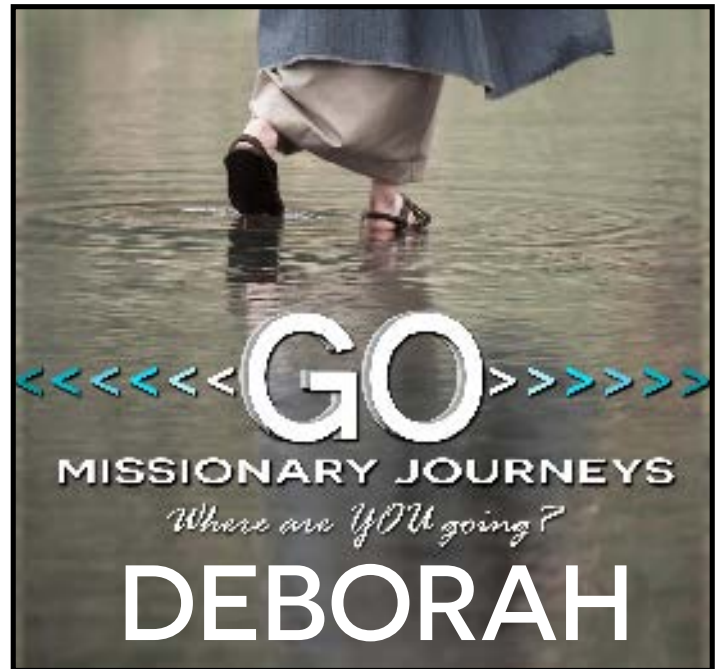
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View our Live Stream at [stpaulsdeatur.sermon.net](http://stpaulsdeatur.sermon.net)

Watch for our new SPL Church App Coming Soon!



6:00 & 10:30 AM WORSHIP  
AUGUST 8 & 9, 2015

Pastor Wray Offermann  
Pastor Doug Bender

## Prayer Before Worship

Lord, we stand in awe of Your mighty power, Your endless patience with us and Your amazing grace toward us. Fill us up again with Your powerful Word and Your Holy Spirit's presence. Help us to worship You in spirit and in truth as You desire. All because of Jesus and in His name, Amen.

## Call to Worship

*Sky Spills Over*

## Welcome

## Invocation

## Opening Praise

*This Is Amazing Grace*

## Scripture Reading

Judges 4:4-15

*I Will Not Be Shaken*

## Message

"GO: Missionary Journeys - Deborah"  
Judges 4:4-15

## 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.

*When the Saints*



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BUILD THE HOME, CHANGE THE WORLD.

### Confession of Sins

Lord, how often we doubt Your ability to use us in Your mission, and so we are hesitant to speak for You and reluctant to get involved in Your work. We can at times question the power of Your Word, and we wonder if hearts can still be changed. Where we have been content to invest our lives in things of earthly value, forgive us. Where we have allowed our personal inadequacies to keep us uninvolved, have mercy on us. Touch us deeply with Your grace and show us Your ways again. 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

*Unbroken Praise*

*Holy Spirit*

*10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*

### 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

*Salt and Light*

*Mark your calendar - Begin a "Season of Change" with us as we kick off a new year of worship & education classes August 22nd & 23rd*

Plan to join us on this "Welcome Back" weekend for our **Church Picnic and Family Fest** beginning at **12:00pm** on **August 23rd!**

### Subscribe Now - Receive Updates On the GO

As we are transitioning pieces of our technology and communication tools, we are now also utilizing a new system for E-Updates that will better meet our needs and work together with our recently updated website. If you have been a subscriber in the past, we do ask that you re-subscribe to this new list, and if you are new now is the time to connect with us - use the form available at <http://eepurl.com/bu3tqL> (also posted on our FB page).

### A New Missionary Journey - Schlund Family

If you missed meeting missionary Rev. Andrew Schlund and his family last weekend in worship, you can learn more about them and the ways to support their work in Mexico City, Mexico by visiting [spldeatur.org](http://spldeatur.org) and clicking the *News* tab, or visit their listing on the LCMS site at [www.lcms.org/schlund](http://www.lcms.org/schlund) (donation information). A printed handout containing support information is also available at the Connection Center here at SPL (across from the coffee bar).

### Flowers on the Altar

Flowers on the Altar are to the glory of God and in celebration of God's continued faithfulness and the ways He works among His people here at St. Paul's and in the Decatur community.

### 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 - Deborah"

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

### 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.



### Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT)

Upcoming Training Session - **August 29, 2015 @LSA**

To Register: [www.cidlcms.org/LERT.Decatur.8.29.2015.pdf](http://www.cidlcms.org/LERT.Decatur.8.29.2015.pdf)

### SPL Special Voters Meeting

All SPL members should mark their calendars and plan to attend a Special Voters Meeting now scheduled for Sunday, August 16th at 9:30am in the Great Room (2nd Floor).

### 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.

**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@spldeatur.org](mailto:jennifer@spldeatur.org) for info.

**SPL Baby Blessings Sewing Party - Wed. 8/12 5:00-8:00pm**

**Youth Ministry:** THRIVE Senior High Youth and Grade 7/8 Sundays at 9:20am (214B) ([pastordoug@spldeatur.org](mailto:pastordoug@spldeatur.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 home. Contact Pastor Doug for info ([pastordoug@spldeatur.org](mailto:pastordoug@spldeatur.org)) & check the *SPL Youth* Facebook group for weekly details.