

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 8/21 Join us for *The Morning Blend* at 10:15am!

FMSC MobilePack Special Offering Weekend (in worship)

11:45 am Cross Tower Dedication

12:00 pm Welcome Home Church Picnic & Family Fest

Monday 8/22

Tuesday 8/23

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

Wednesday 8/24

10:30 am Ministry to Mature (Conference Room)

Thursday 8/25

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

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

6:30 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:30 pm Oxford 2.0 group meeting (Great Room)

Friday 8/26

6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery (Room 122)

Saturday 8/27 Message: "Biblical Transformation: Paul"

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

5:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship (SHiNe Time - 6:15pm)

Sunday 8/28 Message: "Biblical Transformation: Paul"

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:20 am Education Time / Basics 1 & 2

10:15 am The Morning Blend - Fellowship Time

10:30 am Contemporary Worship

DADS-GRANDPAS-KIDS CAMPOUT 2016

We invite Dads & Grandpas to bring their youngsters to Camp CILCA for our annual Campout this year on September 17 & 18. A great opportunity to make memories and build the home as men bond with their children and with other dads and grandpas. Outdoor activities, food, and fellowship. Contact Clay Gerhard with questions at cgerhard@live.com. Sign up today!

POSITION AVAILABLE: BUSINESS MANAGER

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is now hiring for the position of Business Manager. This is a full time position. Visit the NEWS tab at spldecatour.org for a full listing. Interested persons should submit applications by August 29th. We desire for the candidate to start in early September to allow for a time of training with Ruthie.

We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 801
4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 724

...Better Together!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

August 27th & 28th View schedule at spldecatour.org

Church Directory Photography Sign-Up Begins this weekend

September 4th

New Member Welcome (Brunch 9:15am, Welcome 10:30am)

September 10th & 11th New Adult Ed Classes Begin!

Food Collection Weekend for Decatur Kids Bags of Hope

Art of Marriage & Basics Classes Begin (September 11th)

September 14th Registration available soon! Watch for more info.

Fall F3 Classes begin (Classes at 6:30pm, Dinner 5:30pm)

September 17th & 18th SAVE THE DATE - Make memories!

Dads, Grandpas & Kids Campout (@Camp CILCA)

September 23rd & 24th Volunteer Registration begins August 22

Feed My Starving Children Decatur MobilePack Event @SPL

Visit <http://www.fundraising.fmsc.org/DecaturCommunity>

September 30th - October 22nd Family & friends can participate!

Church Directory Photography @SPL

CONNECT WITH US!

Visit our updated website at spldecatour.org

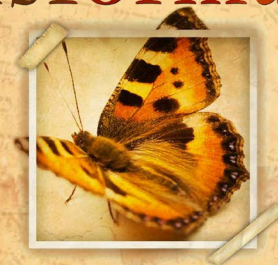
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6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP
AUGUST 20 & 21, 2016

Pastor Doug Bender

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Mark Gearig



"PEACE be with you.

As the FATHER has SENT me,

even so I am SENDING you."

JOHN 20:21

Thoughts Before Worship

G.K. Chesterton

"And the more I considered Christianity, the more I found that while it had established a rule and order, the chief aim of that order was to give room for good things to run wild."

Call to Worship

Here As In Heaven

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Breathe On Us

Holy Spirit

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:8

Baptism (Sunday 10:30am Only)

SHiNe Children's Time (First Bibles, Move Up & Prayer)

Offering

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.

Feed My Starving Children - Hope Starts with Food

Message

"Biblical Transformation: Disciples"



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Confession and Absolution

Heavenly Father, I'm here because I want to know nothing but Jesus and Him crucified. I am a member of the One Christian Church, the Bride of Christ. And yet so often I've tarnished the name of my Bridegroom. I've lived as if Jesus were still dead and buried, huddled up in my own fear and resentment of the world. I've lived as if You're going to make all things right, but in my timing and by my agenda. I have not trusted fully in You. And in my sin I've failed You as Your disciple. Forgive me, my God and Father. Do it for Jesus' sake. Send me back out, full of faith and the Spirit. Let me tell the world what You've done for me here. 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.

Communion (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

Holy Spirit

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Prayers of the Church

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

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Closing Song

From the Day

CROSS TOWER DEDICATION - SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST
Following 10:30am Worship

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 Biblical Transformation: Disciples

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

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthday of Jameson Allen on August 27th by his family.

DIRECTORY PHOTOGRAPHY AT SPL

We invite every family to participate in our directory photography 9/30-10/22 at SPL. Sign-up begins August 27th & 28th in our Fellowship Area. Learn more at spldecat.org

CHILDREN & 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. **CHANGE:** Gr. 5/6 meet in Room 205.


BUILDING BLOCKS: Class for Parents/Caretakers and Babies to 3 year olds on Sundays at 9:20am in Room 211.

Youth Ministry: THRIVE Senior High Youth Sundays at 9:20am (Rm 214). **Confirmation (7/8) begins in September (11 & 14).** Please return your class preference cards to the church office.

THRIVE Youth: SPL Youth Join us for Kiddie Pool Kickball on 8/21 at our Family Fest! THRIVE EVENTS return in September. Contact Pastor Doug for more info (pastordoug@spldecat.org).

OFFICIAL "MOVE-UP" Weekend is August 20/21! All ages will move to the next grade level corresponding with year in school this weekend. **FIRST BIBLES** for Kindergarteners & Third Graders - All Services

Family & Faith Celebration - Baptism
 At 10:30am worship, we celebrate the baptism of Stephanie Ashley Helphrey, Carter Drew DeLong, and Olivia Grace DeLong. Stephanie was born June 14, 1988 and she is mother to Carter (born February 1, 2011) and Oliva (born March 20, 2013). Please welcome Stephanie, Carter and Olivia and their family as they each receive new life in Christ. Congratulations!




Church Picnic & Family Fest
 Sunday, August 21st
 12:00 - 2:00PM
Food - Fellowship - Family Fun
 Bring a side dish/dessert to share & chair/blanket for seating

Welcome Home SPLDECATUR.ORG

FMSC SPECIAL DOOR OFFERING WEEKEND

This weekend we join together for a Special Door Offering for our FMSC Decatur Community MobilePack to help us raise the \$55K needed to fund the 250,000 meals we will pack. Children are also participating by returning their change filled FMSC M&M containers. **Donations should be placed in the baskets by the doors of the Sanctuary.** Checks should be written to FMSC (indicate MobilePack number 1609-029AU) or you can donate and volunteer to pack online at www.fundraising.fmsc.org/DecaturCommunity. Volunteer registration opens AUGUST 22nd. Questions? Contact Andrea Gerhard at 217-423-6955.