

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 7/31 Join us for *The Morning Blend* at 10:15am!

Monday 8/1

Tuesday 8/2

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

Wednesday 8/3

6:30 pm THRIVE Fun in the Son (@Brown Home)

Thursday 8/4

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 8/5 Visit us at the Decatur Celebration!

7:00 pm Christian Stage: Jermaine Bollinger (Also 5:00pm)

Saturday 8/6 Message: *"Biblical Transformation: Joseph"*

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

11:30 am Christian Stage: Faith & Fitness Family Workout

5:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

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

9:30 pm Christian Stage: Plumb (Also at 7:00pm)

Sunday 8/7 Message: *"Biblical Transformation: Joseph"*

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

11:30 am Christian Stage: Faith & Fitness Family Workout

8:30 pm Christian Stage: Colton Dixon (Also at 6:00pm)

Faith & Fitness Family Workout with Melanie Brown

Sat. 8/6 & Sun. 8/7 at 11:30am (Christian Stage) - Join Us!

SERVE WITH US AT DECATUR CELEBRATION

As a sponsor of the Christian Stage at the Decatur Celebration, SPL will be continuing to support the stage but will also be assisting families through a changing station and nursing area. If you are interested and available to serve August 5th, 6th, or 7th, contact Andrea Gerhard (andrea@spldecatour.org or 423-6955).

We Worship...

Last Week in Worship: 713

4 Week Avg. Regular Attendance: 734

...Better Together!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

August 10th Learn more about ELC Preschool - Space Available

Early Learning Center Preschool Open House (6:30pm)

August 13th & 14th

LSA Parent Meetings (Saturday 7:15pm, Sunday 12pm @SPL)

August 17th Welcome Joel Witt, LSA Elementary Principal!

First Day of School Lutheran School Association (12pm dismissal)

August 21st SHiNe Children's Ministry "Move Up" Day

FMSC Decatur MobilePack Special Offering Weekend (20/21)

Cross Tower Dedication (following 10:30am worship)

"Welcome Home" Church Picnic & Family Fest (12pm @SPL)

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

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 - Sign Up Begins 8/28!

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6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP
JULY 30 & 31, 2016

Pastor Doug Bender

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Mark Gearig



"For the LORD sees not as a man sees:
man looks on the OUTWARD appearance,
but the LORD looks on the HEART."

1 SAMUEL 16:7B

Prayer Before Worship Excerpt from David's Coronation Prayer

"Who am I, O Lord God, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, O Lord God. You have spoken also of your servant's house for a great while to come, and this is instruction for mankind, O Lord God! And what more can David say to you? For you know your servant, O Lord God! Because of your promise, and according to your own heart, you have brought about all this greatness, to make your servant know it. Therefore you are great, O Lord God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears."

Call to Worship

Create In Me

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Jesus Move

Scripture Reading

Psalm 18

I Will Not Be Shaken

Baptism (Sunday 10:30am Only)

Message

"Biblical Transformation: David"

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.

Your Heart (David)



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Confession and Absolution

Psalm 51 (ESV)

Pastor: Holy God, we confess to You

People: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailling love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are right in your verdict and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Yet you desired faithfulness even in the womb; you taught me wisdom in that secret place.

Pastor: Merciful Father, we ask of You

People: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

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 this 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 (Saturday 6:00pm Only)

Speak O Lord

Like Incense (Sometimes by Step)

Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

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.

Blessing

Closing Song

Soul On Fire

NOTE: Celebrate Recovery will NOT meet on 8/5

(Regular meeting resumes on 8/12 at 6:30pm)

Family & Faith Celebration - Baptism

At 10:30am worship, we celebrate the baptism of Levi Henry Hammer. Levi was born June 10, 2016 to parents Josh and Lindsay Hammer. Please welcome Levi and his family as he receives new life in Christ. Congratulations!



MISSION: GUATEMALA 2016

Please be in prayer for the members of our SPL Guatemala Mission Team as they travel and serve - Group One returns July 30th and Group Two is serving July 30-August 6. Pray for the homes being built and for children attending VBS. Our team members are: (Group 1) JB Bruntjen, Andrew Buhr, Gloria Greene, Richard Heinkel, Kathy Luecke, Nancy McGlade, Sabrina McGlade, Kathryn Opperman, Danielle Peer, Chuck Schuette, (Group 2) Allison Butler, Julia Butler, Madison Butler, Paul Butler, Bob Fleck, Isaac Fleck, Ross Gaddis, Gloria Greene, Dalton Lunn, John Maas, Max Maas, Adam Mize, Jordan Mize, Wray Offermann, Ivan Peterson, Ross Peterson, and Tim White. May lives be blessed through their service!

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.*

MESSAGE NOTES

Biblical Transformation: David

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 6th wedding anniversary on July 31st of Mike and Linda Hooge.

FMSC DECATUR COMMUNITY MOBILEPACK

Thank you to all who participated in One for 200, making the sacrifice of ONE meal to impact MANY. Almost \$2,000 was received in worship last weekend, with additional donations given online. You can form a fundraising team and also donate online at www.fundraising.fmhc.org/DecaturCommunity. Our MobilePack number is 1609-029AU. You'll have another opportunity to give on our Special Offering Weekend August 20 & 21. Volunteer registration for this event will open on August 22nd.



If you have questions about our MobilePack or would be interested in being a Business Sponsor for this event, please contact Andrea Gerhard at andrea@spldecatur.org or 217-423-6955.

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

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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). **All grades (7-12) are welcome on Sundays.**

THRIVE Summer: SPL Youth *Fun in the Sun* Summer Wednesdays at 6:30pm. **NEXT Event:** Wednesday 8/3 at 6:30pm at Bo & Laurie Brown's Home (4095 Graces Ln.) Pool Party 8/21 (6-8) Contact Pastor Doug for more info (pastordoug@spldecatur.org).