

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 5/28 Education Time --Be the Message Adult Groups
12:00 pm Be the Message Group (Jim Minton - Dining Room)
Monday 5/29 ELC Closed/SPL Office Closed-Memorial Day
Tuesday 5/30 5:45am/9:30am Motivated by More Exercise
8:30 am VBS Director Team Meeting (Great Room)
9:30 am Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
12:00 pm Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
6:15 pm Lay Ministry (Conference Room)
Wednesday 5/31
6:00 am Men's Basketball (LSA Gym)
8:30 am Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
10:30 am Motivated by More Chair Fitness (Room 122)
4:30 pm VBS Prep (Great Room)
6:30 pm Spring Basics Class (Conference Room)
6:30 pm Be the Message Group (Bob Watters - Dining Room)
Thursday 6/01 5:45am/9:30am Motivated by More Exercise
6:30 am Men's Bible Study (Conference Room)
9:00 am VBS Prep (Great Room)
9:30 am Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
12:00 pm Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
6:30 pm Be the Message Group (T. Lichtenberger-Dining Room)
Friday 6/02
9:30 am Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
12:00 pm Northeast Community Fund Volunteer Shift **
1:00 pm Large Item Clean-Up (French Academy) **
Saturday 6/03 Message: *Activating Your Mission*
8:30 am ManUP Men's Ministry (French Academy)
8:30 am Neighborhood Clean Up (French Academy) **
11:00 am Neighborhood Clean Up (French Academy) **
1:30 pm Neighborhood Clean Up (French Academy) **
4:00 pm SPL Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:30 pm Be the Message Group (Gearig/Power - Dining Room)
6:00 pm Contemporary Worship (Children's Time - 6:30pm)
Sunday 6/04 Message: *Activating Your Mission*
8:00 am Traditional Worship
9:20 am Education Time (Adults/Youth/Children)
10:30 am Contemporary Worship (Children's Time - 11:00am)

** BE THE MESSAGE ACTION WEEK

We Worship...

Last Weekend's Worship Attendance: 812
4 Week Avg Worship Attendance: 796

...Better Together!

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.

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ACTIVATING MISSION

6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

MAY 27 & 28, 2017

Pastor Eric Trickey

Pastor Doug Bender

Pastor Mark Gearig



Thought Before Worship

"Any temporal possession can be turned into everlasting wealth. Whatever is given to Christ is immediately touched with immortality."— A.W. Tozer

Parents please remember to check in your child before worship at the SPL Kids table in the Fellowship Area for SPL Kids Time.

Call to Worship

Choose to Love

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Do What You Want To

Baptism

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:3-10

Confession of Sins and Absolution

Hide us in Your robes, O Lord, for judged on our own merits we are lost. Wash us dear Jesus, for we are stained by sin and our good deeds will never cover our failure. We come today to make the impossible exchange. Take our sin, that we may have eternal life. We surrender all to You. Our failures, our pain, our hopes and dreams, our families and our careers. Take all that is in our hands Lord, and return to us only that which You want us to have. But make it holy, Lord, as You make us holy. Teach us to use it as You use us. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Words of Institution

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

Communion

*You Have Shown Us
To the Ends of the Earth
Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)*

Prayers of the Church and 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.

Offering

Visual Presentation

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.

Children dismissed for SPL Kids Time

See information on the following page for ages and locations of classes.

Children must be signed in by parents to attend.

The Message

"Activating Mission"

Message Response

All I Am

Blessing

Family & Faith Celebration - Baptism

In our 6:00pm worship, we celebrate the Baptism of Emma Krystine Lawrence. Emma was born August 2, 2009 to parents Mollyann Wagoner and Steven Stoots. Please welcome Emma and her family as she receives new life in Christ.



Family & Faith Celebration - Baptism

In our 10:30am worship, we celebrate the Baptism of McKoy Nathaniel Wingard. McKoy was born April 19, 2017 to parents Lynn and Nicholas Wingard. Please welcome McKoy and his family as he receives new life in Christ.



Be the Message

MESSAGE NOTES

Activating Mission - Exodus 3-4

1. Embrace God's _____
-I'm called to _____.

2. Stop Giving God _____.

Excuse 1 _____

Excuse 2 _____

Excuse 3 _____

Excuse 4 _____

3. Give God What I'm _____.

BTM ACTION WEEK • May 30-June 3

Sign up in the Fellowship Area today! Contact pastormark@spldecatour.org

Neighborhood Clean Up • 8-10 people needed

1. Volunteers will work to direct traffic, unload, and assist with drop off of materials in dumpsters at the large item disposal event for members of the neighborhood surrounding French Academy. **Friday, June 2 1-4pm**
2. Teams of volunteers will work to provide exterior clean-up and yardwork throughout the neighborhood surrounding French Academy. **Saturday, June 3 8:30-11:30am, 11am-1:30pm, 1:30-4pm.**

Exterior House Repair • any number of volunteers

3. Groups will work to make exterior repairs and improvements to several houses in the Decatur community throughout the week of May 30-June 3.

Northeast Community Fund • 7 people needed per shift

4. Groups will work to clean and restock the food pantry. **Tuesday, May 30, 9:30-12pm, 12-2pm | Wednesday, May 31, 8:30-11am** **Thursday, June 1, 9:30-12pm, 12-2pm | Friday, June 2, 9:30-12pm, 12-2pm**

Special Events

RUMMAGE SALE • June 2-3

Hosted in the Multipurpose Room at LSA. To benefit SPL Children's Ministry. Donation drop off dates at LSA are Tuesday, May 30th, 4-7pm, Wednesday, May 31, 8am-12pm & 4-7pm, Thursday, June 1st, 12-4pm. Questions or to volunteer, contact Ashley Offermann at 412-5382 or J_Offermann@hotmail.com

Adult Education

DEFINING THE RELATIONSHIP • Begins June 7th

For couples, married or considering marriage. Course by Danny Silk, nine sessions, meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30pm. Led by Pastor Eric Trickey. Invest in your relationship, deepen your connection. Go online to spldecatour.churchcenteronline.com/registrations or call the Church Office at 423-6955 to sign up today.

Children's Ministry

Children's Education Time - SPL KIDS

Saturday Evening (During Message Time) – Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), PreK-K (Room 206), 1st-6th grade (Great Room)

Sunday Morning at 9:20am – PreK-K (Room 206), Gr. 1-4 (Room 214), Gr. 5-6 (Room 211); Building Blocks for Parents/Caretakers & Children 0-3yrs (Room 203)

Sunday Morning (During 10:30am Message Time) – Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), PreK-6 years (Room 206)

"MAKER FUN FACTORY" VBS 2017 • June 12-16, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Register now at spldecatour.churchcenteronline.com/registrations

VBS Prep

Help us prepare for VBS join us Wednesdays-4:30-7:30pm & Thursdays 9-12pm.

VBS Volunteer Training

For Junior Volunteers, High School Volunteers and Adult Volunteers--in the Great Room on June 4th, 12-1pm/ June 7th, 12-1pm/ or June 7th, 5:30-6:30pm

Robot Building Competition • Due by May 30

Gear up for VBS 2017 by building a robot - return by May 30. Voting will take place in June and winners announced the first day of VBS. Visit the VBS table in the Fellowship Area for more info or contact jennifer@spldecatour.org.

Youth Ministry

YOUTH EDUCATION

Sundays at 9:20am in Room 122.

Be the Message - Youth Community Group • Wednesday, 6:30pm Meets at the Bender Home Wed. May 31st (3151 St. Andrews Ct., Decatur)

Flowers on the Altar

Flowers are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the 25th wedding anniversary of Brent and Laura Amidon.