

## THIS WEEK @SPLDECATUR

### Sunday 5/05

- 9:15 am Mission: Texas Group Meeting
- 9:15 am Pastor's Class with Pastor Paul Teske
- 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn "Healing in the Church" (Pastor Teske)
- 3:00 pm LSA K-6 Spring Concert (LSA Grey Court)

### Monday 5/06 *Spring 2019 Pastor's Conference*

- 5:00 pm LCMS Youth Gathering Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraising (BWW)

### Tuesday 5/07 *Spring 2019 Pastor's Conference*

- 3:30 pm Junior & Senior High LoftTime (The Loft)
- 6:15 pm Lay Ministry (Large Conference Room)

### Wednesday 5/08 *Spring 2019 Pastor's Conference*

- 5:30 pm Spring F3 Dinner (Pasta)
- 6:00 pm VBS Prep (Great Room/Warehouse)
- 6:30 pm Spring F3 Classes

### Thursday 5/09

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 1:00 pm Hinz Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 2:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive (Room 122)
- 3:30 pm Junior & Senior High LoftTime (The Loft)
- 4:00 pm Shepherding Action Team (Small Conference Room)
- 5:30 pm Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 pm **Friends in Faith Salad Supper** (Dining Room)
- 6:30 pm **ELC Preschool Graduation** (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### Friday 5/10 **Field Day at LSA**

### Saturday 5/11 *Message: "Red Letter Living: Being" / Family Talk 7:15pm*

- 7:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (SPL)
- 10:00 am AA Big Book Study (Room 122)
- 3:30 pm Godly Play Door Person Training (Great Room)
- 4:00 pm Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:00 pm Contemporary Worship

### Sunday 5/12 *Message: "Red Letter Living: Being" Happy Mother's Day!*

- 9:15 am Education Classes for all ages
- 9:10/11:45am Family Talk (?s for the Pastor - Family Room)

### Actual Giving Year to Date

\$ 756,455 as of 4/28

### Budgeted Giving year to Date

\$ 733,500

2019 Annual Budget =  
\$2,260,000

Year to Date Ahead =  
\$ 22,955

## WE WORSHIP...

Last Weekend in Worship: 901  
Easter Sunday Attendance: 1266

...**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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## 10:30 AM WORSHIP

May 5, 2019

PASTOR ERIC TRICKEY

PASTOR MARK GEARIG

PASTOR BILL GRUENINGER

Jesus **BREATHED**  
on them and said to them,  
"RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT."

John 20:22

### Thought Before Worship

--Chris Tomlin

"Awake my soul, God resurrect these bones  
from death to life through You alone, awake my soul."

### Call to Worship

*Death Arrested*

### Welcome and Announcements

### Invocation

### Opening Praise

*Raise A Hallelujah*

*Here Again*

### Confession and Absolution of Sins

Loving Father, Your power goes far beyond my own, and yet I still act as though the pains of this world have final claim upon me. I give in to the despair and hopelessness of death, not trusting in Your ability to call forth new life from the tomb of my life. Forgive me for doubting Your power to raise up new life in the midst of all the deaths I experience. Forgive me for wanting to limit You, not trusting You to move and act within me and through me. Forgive me, and open my eyes to the wonder of new life sprouting in me through Your love and forgiveness. Amen.

### Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

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



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**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. Our staff will pray over any items you include in the prayer portion located on the back of your card.

*This is a Move*

**Message**

*“Dry Bones”*  
Pastor Eric Trickey

**Blessing**

**Closing Song**

*The Way*

**Get Ready for RED LETTER LIVING**

Beginning May 11 & 12 in Worship and Daily Devotion  
Pick up your series guide in the Fellowship Area today!  
(Copies of Red Letter Challenge are also available)

**DRY BONES**

**MESSAGE NOTES**

Where do you need to be more heroic in your life?

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What negative emotions or behaviors does this situation bring out in you?

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How are you tempted to quit or give up because of this situation?

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**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of our mother, Edna Grinstead, by Bev and Charley Brown.

*So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison. 2 Corinthians 4:16-17*

**WEEKLY CHALLENGE:** Think about a great pain you have faced in life, and then thank God for the things He has taught you and given you through that struggle.

#REDLETTERCHALLENGE #SPLDECATUR #REDLETTERLIVING



**SPL Elder Nominations** • Submit Yours Today!

The Nominating Committee for the Board of Elders, under the leadership of Craig Willis, is accepting nominations for candidates for the Board of Elders for 2019-20. Please submit names of members now who you feel would serve well for consideration. (Final list of candidates will be presented two weeks prior to the SPL Family Meeting, our Semi-Annual Voters Meeting, on June 9th at 12pm.)

**Healing with Pastor Paul Teske** • May 5

Are you in need of healing from physical, mental, or relational brokenness? LCMS Pastor Paul Teske will be our guest for Pastor's Class on Sunday 5/5 at 9:15am. He is also leading a Lunch & Learn titled "Healing for Today": A historical perspective and current day application of healing in the Church on 5/5 at 12:00pm in the Dining Room.

**Pastor's Conference** • May 6-8

This week SPL hosts the Central Illinois District LCMS Spring Pastors Conference. We'll welcome pastors from all over the region who will participate in worship and learning together. Thank you to all of the musicians and to our serve teams who are working to help them feel welcome and make it a success! Pray over these pastors.

**Red Cross Blood Drive Decatur** • May 9

Hope begins with you - come and donate blood on Thursday, May 9th at two locations. Visit the Theater at the LSA from 11am-4pm (Contact Allison Nolen 233-2000) or Room 122 at SPL from 2:00-6:00pm (contact Teena Lichtenberger 520-1050).

**SPL MISSION: TEXAS** • JUNE 1-8

All SPL Mission: Texas Team Members should attend the team meeting on Sunday, May 5th at 9:30am in the Family Room. Connect with Pastor Mark for more information. Follow the group at <http://facebook.com/groups/SPLMission>

**SPL ADULTS**

**SPL WOMEN**

Call Sarah Johnson at 217-423-6955 to reserve your spot for these studies!  
MONDAYS at 6:00pm (Dining Room) led by Alissa Henkel (Childcare available). New study "Fervent: A Woman's Battle to Serious, Specific & Strategic Prayer" (Priscilla Shirer) STARTS 5/13 (Materials \$15)  
TUESDAYS 10:30am (Family Room) led by Maryel Nelson. New study "Breathe" (Priscilla Shirer) STARTS 5/14 (Guide \$11)  
FRIENDS IN FAITH SALAD SUPPER: Thursday, May 9th, Sign up in Fellowship Area

**SPL ManUP MEN'S MINISTRY**

MEN'S GROUP STUDY: Weekly on Saturday mornings at 7:00am [The Loft]  
BIBLE STUDY: Men's Bible Study weekly Thursdays at 6:30am [Conference Rm]

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**Worship: Saturday Evening/Sunday Morning** (During Message Time): Ages 6 weeks-3 years (Nursery), 3 years-K (Rm 206), 1st-4th grade (Great Rm) 5th-6th Junior Leaders will leave with children (must have attended training)  
**Sunday Education** (9:15am): PreK-K (Room 206), Gr. 1-4 (Room 213), Gr. 5-6 (Room 211); BUILDING BLOCKS-Parents/Caretakers/Children 0-3yrs (Rm 203)  
**VBS 2019 "ROAR"** (June 10-14): Registration for Serve Team & Participants begins THIS WEEKEND! Go to [SPLDECATUR.ORG](http://SPLDECATUR.ORG) - Click "Registrations" to get started. Support VBS by donating items - needs posted at VBS table.

**SPL YOUTH**

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All Youth Gr. 7 - 12 Welcome: Sunday Mornings at 9:15am [Meets in The Loft] Junior/Senior High LoftTime: Tuesdays/Thursdays 3:30-5:30pm [The Loft]  
**DINNER TIME:** Dine at Buffalo Wild Wings for LCMS Youth Gathering - May 6th 5-9pm Get your flyer today at the Connection Center (or in the Facebook event).

**LSA & ELC**

**LUTHERAN SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**

**SPRING CONCERT:** LSA K-6 Spring Concert Sunday, May 5th at 3:00pm  
**CAMP INVENTION:** A high-energy, hands-on STEM camp happening at LSA June 3-7 (9:00am-3:30pm). Register at [invent.org/camp](http://invent.org/camp) or 800-968-4332

**ST. PAUL'S EARLY LEARNING CENTER**

**ELC SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:** Happening May 7th-13th (ELC Lobby Area)  
**ELC Preschool Graduation:** Thursday, May 9th at 6:30pm (Worship Center)  
**CAMP ELC:** Camp based Summer School Age Program - Sign up today for summer fun!  
**NOW HIRING:** Seeking qualified Teachers - Call 217-424-9183 to inquire and apply.