

THIS WEEK @SPLDECATUR

Sunday 9/15

9:15 am Education Classes: Children (2nd floor), Confirmation (Rm 122), HS Youth (The Loft), Pastor's Class (Dining Rm) & more

Monday 9/16

5:30 pm Women's Ministry Meeting (Family Room)
6:00 pm SPL Women Bible Study "Fervent" (Conference Room)

Tuesday 9/17

5:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)
10:30 am SPL Women Bible Study (Family Room)
3:30 pm SPL Youth LoftTime (Grade 7-12 - The Loft)

Wednesday 9/18

3:30 pm 5th/6th Grade LoftTime (The Loft)
4:00 pm Fall Festival Team Meeting (Family Room)
5:30 pm F3 Dinner (Dining Room)
6:30 pm F3 Classes for all ages
6:30 pm SPL Youth -- Wednesday Night @The Loft

Thursday 9/19

5:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)
6:30 am Men's Bible Study (Conference Room)
4:00 pm Senior Outreach Team Meeting (Family Room)
5:30 pm Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Room 113)

Friday 9/20

7:00 pm Dads-Grandpas-Kids Campout (Optional Night - Camp Cilca)

Saturday 9/21 Message: "Change the World 2020: Grow!"

7:00 am ManUP Men's Ministry (The Loft)
7:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (Room 122)
10:00 am AA Big Book Study (Room 122)
12:00 pm Dad-Grandpas-Kids Campout (Camp Cilca)
4:00 pm Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm Contemporary Worship

Sunday 9/22 Message: "Change the World 2020: Grow!"

8:00 am Traditional Worship
9:15 am Education Classes for all ages
10:30 am Contemporary Worship

Actual Giving Year to Date

\$ 1,575,109 as of 9/08

Budgeted Giving year to Date

\$ 1,526,000

Year to Date Ahead =
\$ 59,109

2019 Annual Budget =
\$ 2,315,000

WE WORSHIP...

Last Weekend in Worship: 876
Four Week Worship Average: 787

...**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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6:00 PM & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

September 14 & 15, 2019

PASTOR ERIC TRICKEY

PASTOR MARK GEARIG

PASTOR BILL GRUENINGER



Thought Before Worship

"We must learn to regard people less in the light of what they do or omit to do, and more in the light of what they suffer."

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Call to Worship

We Could Change the World

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Breathe On Us

King Of My Heart

Confession and Absolution

Father forgive me for the times I passionately defend my own sinful words and behaviors. For the times I passionately lash out at others who have hurt me or whom I have simply blamed for the hurt I am experiencing. Forgive me for being more passionate about sports, entertainment, vacations, and rest than I am about You and the hurting people all around me. Forgive my selfish passions and fill me with Your compassion to seek and to save the lost and broken, to whom I once belonged until You found me and made me Yours. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

Celebrating the Lord's Supper (Saturday Only)

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 will be at the back of the Worship Center to pray with you during this time.



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Communion Songs

By Our Love

Tremble

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.

Offering

You Have Shown Us

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.

Message

"Change the World 2020: Compassion"
Pastor Eric Trickey

Blessing

Closing Song

He Reigns

F3: Family-Faith-Formation • Fall Session

JOIN US: Get equipped for life this fall. Classes are underway, meeting weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30pm through November 13th. Dinner served at 5:30pm. Options available for every age and stage. Find out more at SPLDECATUR.ORG All are welcome! Call the Church Office at 423-6955 with any questions.

FIELD HOUSE FRIENDS: We are seeking adults to join our F3 team as a part of a rotation of people who will engage and supervise children utilizing the Field House before (6-6:25pm) and after (7:35-8:00pm) F3 classes on Wednesdays (thru 11/13). Contact Pastor Mark Gearig or Jennifer Power at 423-6955 to join the team.

FMSC Decatur Community MobilePack • Donate and Serve
Feed My Starving Children Decatur Community MobilePack is approaching and we're ready to pack 200,000+ meals again (September 27 & 28). Each meal costs just 24 cents, and we need your help to raise over \$44K. DONATE today - Checks are payable to FMSC (indicate #1909-079SC on memo line) or go online to https://give.fmsc.org/decatur (#1909-079SC). ORDER YOUR MOBILEPACK SHIRT TODAY! Visit https://spldecatur.org.fmsc to get started.

REGISTER NOW TO PACK WITH US at https://give.fmsc.org/decatur

MEMBERSHIP @SPL • October 6th

Considering membership at SPL? Take the next step! Join us for the next class on October 6th (12-4pm in the Dining Room). Register at SPLDECATUR.ORG or call Lisa Lovekamp to get the process started at 423-6955.

NEW MEMBER MENTOR Training - Remember being new to the family? You can step up and be a warm welcome and source of connection to those entering membership - Join us Sunday 9/29 (9:15am). Contact Pastor Mark at 423-6955.

SPL ADULTS

SPL WOMEN

MONDAYS at 6:00pm (Dining Room) led by Alissa Henkel (Childcare available).
TUESDAYS 10:30am (Family Room) led by Maryel Nelson. Come join us!
LWML WOMEN'S FALL ZONE RALLY - Join us on Thursday, September 26th 8:30am-1:00pm, hosted by SPL. Sign up now in the 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]
DADS-GRANDPAS-KIDS CAMPOUT: Annual family camp experience happening September 21-22 (9/20 optional) at Camp Cilca. Register NOW - visit table in Fellowship Area or go online to SPLDECATUR.ORG (\$15/Adult w/tent, \$5/child)

SPL KIDS

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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)
Sunday Education (9:15am): PreK-K (Room 211), Gr. 1-4 (Great Room), Gr. 5-6 (Family Rm); BUILDING BLOCKS-Parents/Caretakers/Children 0-3yrs (Rm 203)
5th/6th Grade LoftTime: 3:30-5:30pm on F3 Wednesdays THRU 11/13
F3 Wednesdays (6:30pm): Montessori based Godly Play - THRU 11/13
GODLY PLAY OPEN HOUSE - Save the Date for Sunday 10/13 from 12-2pm

SPL YOUTH

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Youth Gr. 9 - 12 Sunday Mornings at 9:15am in The Loft
Confirmation (Gr. 7 & 8): Classes meet on Sundays at 9:15am (Rm 122)
Confirmation Retreat (Gr. 7 & 8): Happening October 18-20, Extreme Faith in STL
Wednesday Night @The Loft - Wednesdays at 6:30pm, Doors open 6:00pm.
LoftTime (Gr. 7-12) - TUESDAYS (when school is in session) 3:30-5:30pm
All youth welcome in The Loft - invite a friend!

LSA

LUTHERAN SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

LSA Homecoming Week: Spirit Week happening September 23-28 with special events September 27 - Pep Assembly at 2:00pm, Tailgate Dinner 5:30-7:00pm (Tickets \$10 available at LSA), 7:00pm Homecoming Football Game (Dance 9/28)
LSA Annual Golf Outing: Grab your team of 2 or 4 for a 10am Lunch & 11am start on Monday 10/14 at Hickory Point Golf Course. Contact skeane@lsadecatur.net
LSA Resale Shop: Great time to shop with new fall items (or make donations)! Come visit at 421 E Cerro Gordo in Decatur. Call 217-423-0122 for more info.



COMPASSION ASSESSMENT TEST

- 1) Do I have a heart for the lost?
2) Do I desire to meet people's needs?
3) Do I need to put other people's needs ahead of my own?

Blank lines for writing answers to the assessment test.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the 15th Wedding Anniversary of Brad and Jennifer Swartz.

WEEKLY NUDGE:

Show some compassion to someone this week, with passion.

