

THIS WEEK @SPLDECATUR

Sunday 11/03

9:15 am *Welcome Home Brunch - Celebrating New Members*

Monday 11/04

6:00 pm SPL Women Bible Study "Messy Grace" (Conference Rm)

Tuesday 11/05

5:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (SPL Field House)

10:30 am SPL Women Bible Study "Gideon" (Family Room)

3:30 pm SPL Youth LoftTime (Grade 7-12 - The Loft)

Wednesday 11/06

3:30 pm 5th/6th Grade LoftTime (The Loft)

5:30 pm F3 Dinner: Soups & Cheese Toasties (Dining Room)

6:00 pm Field House Time for Children

6:30 pm F3 Classes for all ages

6:30 pm SPL Youth -- Wednesday Night @The Loft

Thursday 11/07

5:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (SPL Field House)

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

8:30 am LIFT Women's Fellowship (Room 122)

5:30 pm Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Adult Choir Potluck Dinner/Rehearsal (Room 113)

Friday 11/08

Saturday 11/09 *Message: "Love, God: Understanding the Holy Spirit"*

7:00 am ManUP Men's Ministry (The Loft)

7:30 am Motivated by More Exercise (SPL Field House)

10:00 am AA Big Book Study (Room 122)

4:00 pm Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

6:00 pm Contemporary Worship

7:15 pm Mission: St. Louis Info Meeting (Dining Room)

Sunday 11/10 *Message: "Love, God: Understanding the Holy Spirit"*

8:00 am Traditional Worship

10:30 am Contemporary Worship

12:00 pm Mission: St. Louis Info Meeting (Dining Room)

MISSION: ST. LOUIS

EXTREME FAITH | JUNE 2020

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JUNE 21-26 | EXTREME FAITH

You can be one of the 100! Learn all about MISSION: ST. LOUIS happening June 21-26, 2020. Discover more about

how you and your family can serve at our Information Meetings happening November 9th (7:15pm) and November 10th (12:00pm) in the Dining Room. Contact Pastor Mark & Pastor Bill at 217-423-6955 with questions. Register by Jan. 31 (SPLDECATUR.ORG)

ST. PAUL'S EARLY LEARNING CENTER

IT'S TIME TO ORDER PASTRY PUFFINS, SELECT COFFEES, AND OTHER GOODIES JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Choose your favorites - ORDERS DUE by NOV. 4th
Form available at the Coffee Bar or from an ELC family. Items arrive just in time for the holidays.
Orders delivered to the ELC on November 18th.



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

November 2 & 3, 2019

PASTOR ERIC TRICKEY

PASTOR MARK GEARIG

PASTOR BILL GRUENINGER

Does God want to speak to me?

BUT BLESSED ARE YOUR EYES, FOR THEY SEE,
AND YOUR EARS, FOR THEY HEAR.

MATTHEW 13:16

Thought Before Worship

"To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing." – Martin Luther

Call to Worship

Fear No More

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Opening Praise

Chain Breaker

Way Maker

Confession and Absolution

Lord forgive us for how we have misused the senses You have blessed us with, especially our ears. We have used them to listen to gossip, to complaint, and to the destructive advice of this broken culture. We have failed to train our ears and attune them to Your voice. Jesus, give us ears that truly hear and understand the truth You are speaking to us in so many ways. In Your name we 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 available at the back of the Worship Center to pray with you during this time.

Words of Institution

Communion Songs

Good Good Father

Reckless Love

New Member Welcome (Sunday only)



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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 Say

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

"Does God Want to Speak to Me?"
Pastor Eric Trickey

Blessing

Closing Song

Goodness of God

CELEBRATING NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in the Dining Room for a special celebration brunch on Sunday at 9:15am. Come to meet and welcome new members and their families (or connect with them after 10:30am worship).

Love, God

MESSAGE NOTES

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carolyn Malloy, Grandmother of Allison Nolen, whose birthday would be November 4th.

WEEKLY NUDGE

Pay attention to the different ways God speaks to you this week and share those experiences with at least one other person.



Welcome New Members • November 3

We are excited to grow our family of faith at SPL! "Welcome Home" to these new members of our family of faith: James & Malinda Callaway, Joseph Gray, Jordan & Susanna Hopman, Aspen Krepfle, Cheryl Meyer, Harry & Chrissy Pettit, Joshua Pirtle, and Timothy & Catharyn Wortman. Welcome to these members and their families.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Gifts • DUE NOVEMBER 17

Packing a Shoebox gift on your own? Be sure to return it to SPL by November 17 along with the \$9.00 shipping donation (or with a Follow Your Box label attached). DONATE items for our SPL shoebox packing with SPL Kids, happening November 10 & 13 in SPL Kids class times. Give hygiene items, school supplies, small toys, etc. or cash donations (\$9.00 per box) to cover shipping costs.

OCC DONATION BOX MISSING: If you know the whereabouts of the OCC Donation Box (clear acrylic box) please contact Andrea Gerhard at 423-6955.

SPL Angel Tree • Submit by November 15

Is there a family or child you feel could be blessed through our Angel Tree ministry? Please submit names, ages, and requests by Friday 11/15. Need Forms available from Sarah Johnson in the Church Office (sarah@spldecat.org or 423-6955).

SPL Family Meeting • November 17

Mark your calendar - our fall Semi Annual Voters Meeting is 11/17 at 12:00pm.

Advent By Candlelight - Blessings on the Tree • November 19

Come and bring your friends to Advent by Candlelight - RESERVE your spot NOW at the table in the Fellowship Area or online (SPLDECATUR.ORG).

"Blessing Gifts for Jesus" for New Life Pregnancy Center are encouraged as a way to bless our community - pick up an item needs list when you stop by the table.

You are the right person to SERVE at this event - WOMEN are needed to be a Table Angel or Baker. MEN are needed to be hosts and parking attendants. Connect with Gayle Albert & Debbie Perry or sign up at the table in the Fellowship Area.

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!

Current study - *Gideon* by Priscilla Shirer (Study Guide \$15).

LIFT - LIVING IN FAITH TOGETHER: Next Meeting Thursday 11/7 at 8:30am.

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]

Interested in a unique serve opportunity for men? Call Michael Peer 520-6270

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

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WORSHIP - Sign up now for a role in this service on

December 15th (10:30am). *Connect with [facebook.com/groups/SPLKids](https://www.facebook.com/groups/SPLKids)*

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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)

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

SPL Youth Thanksgiving - November 24th (Details to come)

ELC & LSA

ST. PAUL'S EARLY LEARNING CENTER

ARE YOU A WORLD CHANGER? St. Paul's ELC is seeking YOU to be a part of our teaching family to make an impact on young children and families in our community. Inquire today - contact Kim Newingham at 424-9183.

LUTHERAN SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

POSITIONS AVAILABLE: English Teacher (FT Gr. 7-9) & Substitute Teachers

(Incl. Math Sub Gr. 7-9th, 6-8 weeks) needed. Contact Alison Nolen@233-2000.

VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY: All welcome on Monday 11/11 at 2:00pm (Grey Ct)