

SPL NEWS

JULY 13-14, 2024
6:00 PM & 10:30 AM

OUR MISSION

St. Paul's Lutheran is a church where those longing for a **different** life find a **grace-filled** life in Jesus.



Scripture

Amos 7:7-15
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

Worship Songs

Open Up The Heavens (Sunday only)
Behold Our God
Holy Ground
So Will I (100 Billion X)
Yes I Will

FAMILY FISHING FUN NIGHT FOR SINGLE MOMS & KIDS

Reminder: join us at the pond this Sunday afternoon starting at 5:00 PM for fishing, food and fun.

IGNITE YOUR SPIRIT THIS SUMMER

We have great opportunities available this summer for fellowship at SPL:

Campside Cookout + Games + Worship for Praise Team, Choir, and Tech Team and their families on both Friday, July 19 and Friday, August 9 starting at 5:30 PM.

Night of Praise featuring John Tibbs w/ Chase & Co. live at SPL on August 24. Open to everyone! Doors open at 5:30 PM.

ENCOUNTER WORSHIP FOR FAMILIES IS COMING

Beginning in August, we will be launching a new experience for families we are calling *Encounter Worship*, a relaxed and interactive worship service where every element invites people to participate in faith growth together. This once-a-month worship will focus on grace-filled community and discipleship, specifically designed to engage families in approachable ways. If you are reading this, Encounter Worship is for you! More details will be coming soon.

LOOKING AHEAD AT SPL

July 21 - Bring a Friend to Church Weekend

August 10 - Decatur Outreach Ministries: Back to School Event

August 11 - Leadership Institute "Come & See"



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SPL FAMILY

EARLY LEARNING CENTER facebook.com/ELCDecatur

The ELC is hiring a full time infant co-teacher. Insurance and benefit package after 60 days. Tuition discount for children at Unity Christian School. Tuition discount for children to attend the daycare. Hourly pay will depend on education or previous daycare experience. Serious inquiries only. Contact jamie@spldecatour.org (217) 424-9183

SPL KIDS facebook.com/groups/SPLKids & [YT @SPLKids](https://facebook.com/YT@SPLKids)

NURSERY available during worship for kids Infant-3yrs.

KIDS EDUCATION TIME will resume in August.

SPL YOUTH facebook.com/groups/SPLYouth

SPL YOUTH SUMMER NIGHTS! Wednesday at 6:00 PM. Next gathering will be July 17 - Mini Golf!

SPL PARENTS facebook.com/groups/SPLParents

SUNDAY EDUCATION TIME Meetings will resume in August.

SPL MEN facebook.com/groups/SPLMen

Thursdays 6:30 AM Bible Study (Conference Room), Saturdays 7:00 AM Bible Study (Conference Room)

SPL WOMEN facebook.com/groups/SPLWomen

UNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL facebook.com/UnityDecatur

A Ministry of the Lutheran School Association

LSA RESALE SHOP CHRISTMAS IN JULY This month, the LSA ReSale Shop will celebrate "Christmas in July." The merchandise will continually change throughout the entire month. If you have never shopped at the LSA, this may be the time for your first visit. If you are thinking of purging your own Christmas decorations, we would love to have them. Normal donation times are Mondays and Tuesdays from 9am to 1pm and Thursdays from 2pm to 6pm.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Flowers on the Altar are placed to the glory of God by Scott & Jayne Powers in thanksgiving for family, especially the blessing of grandchildren.

WE WORSHIP BETTER TOGETHER

Last weekend attendance in person: 421
Last weekend attendance online: 126
Average attendance for the last 4 weeks: 593

GIVING 2024

Last Week's Offering: \$43,552.25
2024 Budget Goal: \$2,170,000
YTD Giving: \$1,033,923.68 (47.65% of bldg. goal)

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, 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 real presence of Jesus' Body and Blood in, with, and under 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 during worship. Grape juice is located at the center of the tray for those who need it. Children who have not taken Communion Class are invited to come forward and receive a blessing but should refrain from receiving the bread and wine. (Communion class is offered to those in 6th grade or older).

If you have any questions or concerns about Communion, please talk with a Pastor after service.

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