

September 3, 2017

The Latest Information on Ministries and Events at St. Paul's

What's Happening

- Today** -Worship Services with Communion, 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.
-Adult Sunday School in the Multipurpose Room, 9:45 a.m.
- Monday** -Church Office Closed
- Tuesday** -Quilters, 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday** -Women's Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.
-Mom Connect, 9:30 a.m.
-Prayer Meeting, 12:15 p.m.
-FOCUS, 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday** -Church Picnic, 12:30 a.m.

For more information please check St. Paul's website at www.stpaulsefree.org,
Facebook or the information area in the Welcome Center

Sermon Series

The End of the World

2 Thessalonians

9/10, 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

New Sermon Series

Ephesians, Mystery Revealed

You are encouraged to read the passages and
pray over them in preparation for Worship.

What's Happening Today

Children's Sunday School, 4 years - 6th grade, Power Plant

High School Class, Youth Room (Old Confirmation Room)

This summer the class will host "Q&A Sundays" where we will answer the youths' questions. Adults can help too! If you have a question for the youth to discuss, please contact Letitia Wong at 314-443-8105.

Starting September 17, the class will explore what it means to believe the Bible. We will talk about the best way to understand Scripture and reasons to believe its teachings. The series compares how Christians read the Bible to how other faiths approach their "holy books."

Adult Bible Fellowship

Auditorium

Refreshing your Passion for God's Word

Pastor Bob Yarbrough, Teaching

Greeters

8:30 a.m. Matt Jepsen

11:00 a.m. Pat Ruhmann

Coming Highlights

King's Kids Camp Fundraiser Organizers Needed

We are looking for people interested in helping to organize a Spaghetti dinner and silent auction fundraiser for King's Kids Camp. Please contact Pastor Andrew to volunteer.

Nursery Help Needed!

We need some caring volunteers to serve in our nursery. Please contact Jannet Dieckgraefe if you are available to help.

Women's Bible Study, Wednesday, September 6, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Class resumes using Beth Moore's study *Jesus the One and Only*. Please use the "Sign Up" sheet in the Welcome Center at the Big Desk, so we may purchase materials.

Mom Connect, Wednesdays starting, September 6, 9:30 a.m.

Moms take a break, and join a group of moms at the church to fellowship, drink coffee and grow in God's Word. Bring your kids. There is free childcare. Call the church office staff at 314-993-0015.

Fall Launch Outreach, Saturday, Sept. 9, 8:45 a.m.

This is our last outreach to the community west of St. Paul's. We are dropping off "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" bags to tell people in our community of Jesus' love. We need 10-15 volunteers, and there is a sign-up sheet at the Big Desk in the welcome center. After this, we're going to a new neighborhood! Help us finish strong!

Church Picnic, September 10, 12:30 – 4:30 p.m.

We will have our morning worship services in the sanctuary as usual, followed by a picnic lunch, fun and games at Stacey Park, 9750 Old Bonhomme Road in Olivette. Call the church office for information or to volunteer.

Town Hall Meeting, Sunday, September 10, 10:00 a.m.

In between services on September 10, we are going to have a town hall meeting. We are going to cover two topics - getting the right elders to join the board for 2018, and building our culture of encouragement. The meeting begins promptly at 10:00 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose room.

Praise Ringers Practice, Wednesday, September 13, 7:00 p.m.

Praise Ringers are looking for 2-3 additional handbell ringers to celebrate their love of music by joining our group. For more information call Director Lois Percival at 636-898-8528.

New Member Class, Saturday, September 16, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Interested in becoming a member at St. Paul's? Or, are you simply interested in learning more about the church? Join us for a one-day new member class. A pizza lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Pastor Andrew by September 14.

Confirmation Class begins September 17

If you know a 7th or 8th grader who will benefit from the class, contact Pastor Brian with information and he will love to invite the student to the class.

Hurricane Harvey Relief Offering, Sunday, September 17

Our Life Team champions life at every stage. In lieu of the Baby Bottles Offering which we normally do in Lent, we are focusing on the devastation of Hurricane Harvey. We will take a special offering to assist the EFCA Reach Global Crisis Response Team. They are on the ground NOW doing relief work, and they are in desperate need of funds to be able to help as many people as possible.

Small Groups Begin Week of September 17

Get ready! Small groups begin on **September 17**. Look for a list of small group locations and times. If you did not participate last year, why not consider connecting to a (new?) group of people at St. Paul's?

Stitch-In, Tuesday, September 19, 9:00 a.m., Power Plant

Calling all seamstresses to join us in the Power Plant where we cut out, sew and iron new shorts and dresses for children in Congo. Even if you don't sew you can help; even learn from our helpful regulars. Monthly meetings are held every third Tuesday. If you have questions please call Phyllis Bauer 314-567-3216.

ThriVe Banquet, Saturday, September 30, 6:00 p.m.

This year the banquet is at the Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel, 800 Washington Ave, St. Louis, MO 63101. If you are interested in attending, please contact Sue Jackson or Barbara van Dyk.

Canopy Update

St. Paul's goal is to erase \$29,183.35 of unpaid debt for the canopy by the end of 2017. Please prayerfully consider donating to the "Canopy Fund" by using the "new initiatives" envelopes included with your offering envelopes. We will mark our progress on a poster board display in the Welcome Center.

Collecting New and Used Softball Bats for Philippines

Derrill Martin is putting together a package to send to a Philippine missionary friend and sports trainer Tony R. Tony needs some youth size softball bats. If any of you have some new or used softball bats you'd like to donate to Tony, please bring them to the church. Kurt and Barbara van Dyk will get them to Derrill.