

September 10, 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.
 -Town Hall Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
 -Church Picnic, 12:30 p.m.
- Monday** -Elder Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday** -Quilters and More, 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday** -Women's Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.
 -Mom Connect, 9:30 a.m.
 -Women's Fellowship, 11:30 a.m.
 -Prayer Meeting, 12:15 p.m.
 -FOCUS, 6:30 p.m.
 -Praise Ringers, 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday** -Chorale, 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday** -New Member Class, 9:00 a.m.

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

New Sermon Series

Ephesians, Mystery Revealed

9/17 Ephesians 1:1-14

9/24 Ephesians 1: 15-23

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

Flowers

In celebration of Alma Jung's 99th birthday from her family.

Greeters

8:30 a.m. Matt Jepsen

11:00 a.m. Pat Ruhmann

Adult Bible Fellowship Next Week

The Gospel Project (Jesus, Stories and Signs) 10:00 a.m. Multipurpose Room.

The Spiritual Sisters (Galatians) 10:00 a.m. Room 204.

The Book Club (Powers and Principalities) 10:00 a.m., Room 5.

What's Happening Today

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

High School Class, Youth Room (Old Confirmation Room)

Welcome to "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."

Town Hall Meeting, Today, 10:00 a.m.

In between services this morning, 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.

Church Picnic, Today, 12:30-4:30 p.m.



We will have morning worship services in the sanctuary as usual, followed by a picnic lunch, fun and games at Stacy Park, 9750 Old Bonhomme Road, Olivette.

Reformation 500 Tour to Germany Prayer Request

The 19 tour members from St. Paul's truly appreciate your prayers as take this Reformation tour September 12 to 22. Please pray for us to be inspired by the faith of the reformers, filled with the spirit of unity, and be kept safe as we travel together. Allow those from St. Paul's to be an enormous encouragement to Andy & Claudia Rauhut and the rest of their team of church planters at Refo Moabit. Pastor Mark will have a special Reformation Sunday sermon on October 29.

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

Nursery Help Needed!

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

Mom Connect, Wednesdays, 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.

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.

Bible Presentation Sunday, September 17

We will be presenting Bibles during the worship services for all rising 2nd graders and any other children through 6th grade who have not yet received a presentation Bible. Please let Pastor Andrew know if your child or grandchild will be able to attend the service on the 17th.

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?

Reasonable Faith - September 18, 7:00 p.m.

Do you find yourself tongue-tied when trying to share Christ with others? We will be studying William Lane Craig's book *On Guard: Defending Your Faith with Reason and Precision*. The next session is on this question: **What About Suffering?** Please let Conway Wong [conway.h.wong@gmail.com] know if you are interested in this study and if you need a book.

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.

Enjoy the Feast of Tiny Food, Wednesday, October 4, 11:30 a.m.

Tickets go on sale September 17, 24 and October 1 in the Welcome Center for the Ladies Fellowship Finger Food Luncheon. Help support our missions with your ticket purchase and enjoy a variety of hors d'oeuvres, sweets and entertainment.