



News at *St. Paul's*

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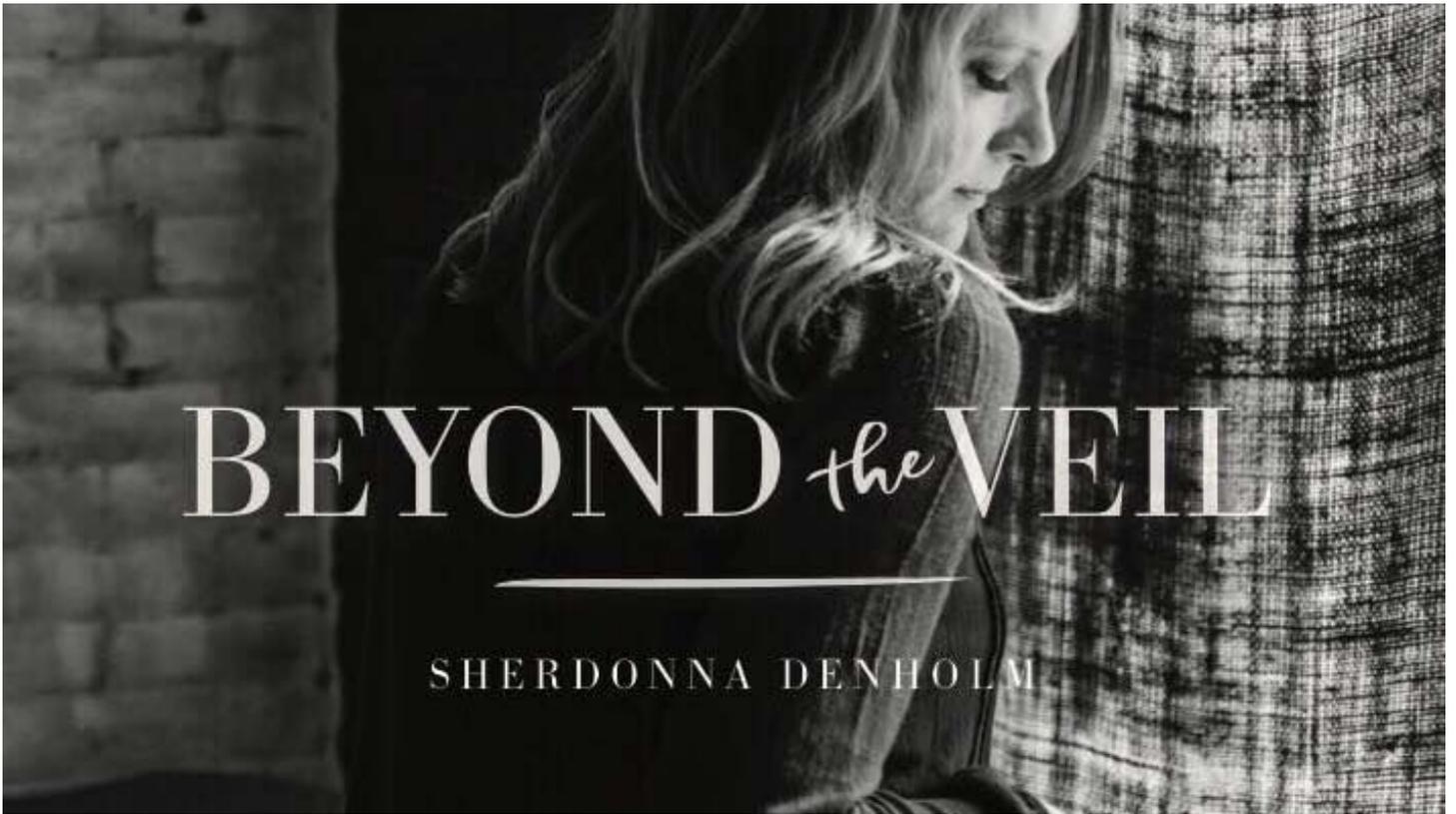
Holy Week

March 25	PALM SUNDAY	
March 30	GOOD FRIDAY	7:15 p.m.
April 1	EASTER SUNDAY	
	Sunrise Service	6:40 a.m.
	Easter Breakfast	7:30 a.m.
	Traditional Service	8:30 a.m.
	East Egg Hunt	9:45 a.m.
	Acoustic Service	11:00 a.m.

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Sherdonna Denholm Concert
Sunday, April 15, 2018
6:30 p.m.

Join us for an album release concert for St. Louis' Sherdonna Denholm. Her NEW album "Beyond the Veil" will be releasing this spring. Sherdonna is an American Singer-Songwriter who integrates thought-provoking lyrics with a rich, soulful, folk sound. Find out more about Sherdonna at www.sherdonna.com. \$10 admission at the door. Children under 18 are free.



An Evening with C S Lewis

Join our St. Paul's Group:
Sunday, May 20 – 2:00pm
The Playhouse at Westport Plaza
Tickets -- \$25 each
Contact the Church Office to reserve yours.

The year is 1963 and CS Lewis, the famous British author, is hosting a group of American writers at his home near Oxford. They are about to experience a captivating evening with a man whose engaging conversation and spontaneous humor made him one of the great raconteurs of his day.

Seated in his living room and in front of a warm fire he recalls the people and events that inspired his thought and shaped his life; of his friendship with J R R Tolkien; why he nearly abandoned the Narnia Chronicles; how he came to embrace Christianity and of the American woman who turned his life upside down.

Thank you from Women's Fellowship!

Thank you to the Women of St. Paul's for supporting our Challenge Letter we sent in August. The amount collected, \$3,100, was sent to Urban Born, North, St. Louis. This will help to support a ministry that is committed to serving and empowering College Hill's young people of North St. Louis.

We also have a Thank Offering 3 times a year...March, June, and November. This year, the Thank Offering amount of \$362.00 was sent to Glad Tidings, India. This will help to empower women through the Gospel and Literacy. Every year we choose a different group to support.

Women's Fellowship also supported 7 Missions in 2017. Each mission received \$380 to further their ministry. Crusaders gives 20% of what is made from the Rummage Sale, to these missions. The proceeds from the Women's Fellowship, Feast of Tiny Food are also given to these missions. Thank you to everyone who supports the many projects we have that make it possible to help spread God's Love.

Reaching Our Community

Dear Congregation,

At our annual meeting, we said that we wanted to take some major steps in bringing the Gospel to our area. We asked for your input on ways to serve our community. We are now finding some concrete ways to serve, although we continue in prayer because we want to make the right decision.

One way that I have been serving the community for the past 15 months is through a chess program that I brought to Willow Brook Elementary School. This has given me a chance to instill a love of chess in the students there. It has also given me a chance to get to know some of the parents and staff. Might this open more doors for us to be involved in the local community?

Quentin Steve from Valley Church in Des Moines said this about outreach: "We do good works, to earn good will, to share Good News." I am increasingly convinced that this is a model we should adopt. We should be aggressive in doing good works for others. May God open doors for the Gospel to go North, South, East, and West from our church, as we seek to love him above all, and love our neighbors as ourselves.

Pastor Brian



Sponsored By Crusaders

Save the Date:

August 4, 2018

**Our all church Rummage Sale
is coming up!**

Now is the time to start saving some items to donate to the church rummage sale.

We appreciate your help.

More dates and times later. If you have any questions or for more information call

Judy Pfeiffer, 314-423-2601.

Women's Ministry News

Spiritual Sisters ABF

Sundays, 9:45 a.m., Room 204

This class is starting a new lesson on Philippians, the Book of Joy. Learn how to get the most out of our Bibles without using study materials.

Quilters and More

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Come to quilt, stitch or do quilt piecing, or to learn any of these skills. Join the group for pot luck lunch and wonderful fellowship.

Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Our ladies have really enjoyed our Beth Moore Bible Study, "Jesus, the One and Only." Most of us have been raised in the church and know a lot about our Savior, Jesus, and this study has opened our eyes in different ways, as we have been challenged to see Jesus anew. Always room for new students. We should be studying these materials until mid-May.

Women's Fellowship

Wednesday, April 11, 11:30 a.m.

Join us for our regular meeting. Bring a sandwich. Drinks and dessert are provided.

At our meeting in March, our women were able to prepare for Easter as we had a special dvd viewing of "The Passion of Christ Tour" in St. James, Indiana. Several of our women took this tour by car last year and were able to share how they were touched personally to see the bronze carvings of Jesus.

Mom Connect

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Moms: Take and break and gather with other Moms for meaningful conversation and sharing. And free child care, just down the hall!

Ladies Night Out – for ladies of ALL ages

Monday, April 16, 7:00 p.m.

A mid-month opportunity to take a night off with other gals. Bring a snack and get to know each other in a casual setting. Invite your friends too. All are welcome! Located in the 920 Ministry House.

Prayer Shawl

April 26, 2018, 1:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl meeting on Thursday, April 26, will be held at the home of Pat Ruhmann. Please call Pat at [314/962-1639](tel:3149621639) and let her know you will attend.



Women's Fellowship Spring In-Gathering to benefit Thrive May 9, 2018

The donation box will be in the welcome center beginning April 11th. New items needed: Diapers, sizes Newborn to 3T, wipes (unscented preferred), bottles and pacifiers. New or gently used items needed: Sleepers and clothing, sizes Newborn to 2T, receiving blankets, bibs and burp cloths.

One of the many services Thrive has available is Parent University, with its parenting and life skills classes for mothers. Our donations of clothing, diapers and baby items will be available at the Thrive stores and mothers that attend Parent University will earn points to use for the baby items at the Thrive.

175 Years: A Good Start *by Pastor Mark Friz*

175 years ago, on September 14, 1843, five members purchased the first acre of land on Olive Street Road for the "German United Lutheran-Reformed St. Paul's Congregation at Central Township, St. Louis County, Missouri." they paid \$20 for the land with the plan to build a log church.

Happy birthday, St. Paul's! Right now, big plans are being made for our 175th Anniversary Celebration on September 16, 2018. On this day, we will join together as a congregation in one combined worship service to remember our past and celebrate our future.

We have several other events scheduled surrounding our anniversary.

- Production of a 175th Anniversary Folder
- Possible Reprint of our 150th Anniversary Book
- Five Sermons from August 19 to September 16 will show how challenges in our past have uniquely prepared us for our present age. The final sermon for our Celebration Sunday will be called "Thriving in Babylon: The Transforming Years."
- A "Harvest Home Festival" will be held on November 11. We hope to gather a huge supply of food to share with our neighborhood food pantries.
- A display of archives in the "Front Room" (the old youth room), to be set up after the rummage sale in August.

Our Anniversary Team includes Grace Koewing, Lynn May, Judy Pfeiffer, Lela Vollmer and Mark Friz. We have had so much fun going through old pictures and written material. Thanks to Sieglinde Schnellbacher who translated our 1918 Anniversary Booklet from German to English. We hope to share more of this with you soon.

Harry Truman once said, "There is nothing new in the world except the history you do not know." We may feel that our current challenges are unique and insurmountable, but I have noticed they are very similar to struggles faced by those who have gone before. This makes our 175th Anniversary a time to gain strength from the faith and wisdom of our ancestors as we face our future. After all, 175 years is a great start!



St. Paul's Confirmation Class of 1925

St. Paul's Mother-Daughter Spring Banquet



"COLORFUL MEMORIES"

You are God's Masterpiece Ephesians 2:10



Everyone's life is a patchwork quilt - Made of good times and times of strife.
A colorful quilt is a true testament of a unique and treasured life

May 11, 2017 Friday at 6:30 pm

Sponsored by St. Paul's Women's Fellowship

Tickets will be sold in Welcome Center between services
Sundays: April 22, 29 & May 6. Adults \$12.00 // Children 5-12 years \$5.00



Stephen Ministry Training Begins April 4, 2018

-by Pastor Mark Friz



Are you interested in becoming a Stephen Minister at St. Paul's? Our training has been re-scheduled to start right after Easter, on Wednesday, April 4, 2018.

Stephen Ministers receive 50 hours of training in all sorts of caring ministry skills, such as: listening, sharing scripture, assertiveness, boundaries, confidentiality, telecare, referrals to other professionals, grief, depression, suicide, hospitals, aging, long term care, and divorce. Following the training, Stephen Ministers are each assigned a care receiver, with whom they meet once a week for one hour. The Stephen Ministers also receive continuing supervision to encourage them in their caregiving.

If you are interested in training, please speak to one of our Stephen Leaders: Jim Glauert, Barb Hueffmeier, Katie Prsha, Joyce Sabine or Pastor Mark Friz. We will make sure you receive an application form for Stephen Ministry training, and help you through the process.

Thank you for your support of our Stephen Ministers!

Challenge Conference- July 2-6

This year, the youth are going to the EFCA Challenge Conference in Kansas City! We are encouraging those graduating 8th grade and older to go.

What can you expect if you go on this trip?

- Opportunities to Serve in the City
- Great Worship with thousands of other teens
- Great Speakers
- Fun, Games, and Sports
- Staying in a Hotel with your Youth Group friends
- Learning what God is doing across the globe
- Training on how to live your faith every day

Sign up soon by getting your \$50 to Pastor Brian or the office. Ask Pastor Brian if you have any other questions.

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Save the Dates!

Vacation Bible School

June 24th — 28th



July 22nd — 27th



Phyllis Stadler	4/1	Dennis Wipke	4/16		
Amanda Frederick	4/2	Kelly Graeler	4/17		
Lois Percival	4/2	Steve Crawford	4/18		
Joanne Scholl	4/3	Ruth Hinzpeter	4/22	Jason & Lynn Starbuck	15 4/5
Bob Kallemeier	4/4	Sarah Shipman	4/22	Don & Maureen Kozlowski	40 4/7
Larry Smith	4/4	Steven Daniel	4/25	Gregg & Charlene Peter	32 4/14
Cindy Bodenschatz	4/5	Leslie Davis	4/26	William & Betty Lang	57 5/5
Richard Tappmeyer	4/5	Stefan Cug	4/28	Jeff & Tera Stahlhut	8 5/8
Ted Shockley	4/6	Robert Gill	4/30		
Robb Hicks	4/7	Sarah Crews	5/1		
Evan Paquette	4/7	Andrew McKinney	5/1		
Grant Ives	4/8	Conway Wong	5/1		
Ralph Percival	4/8	Maria Rolland	5/2		
Nancy Cash	4/9	Rod Toro	5/2		
Leanne Davis	4/10	Molly Crawford	5/7		
Joan Althaus	4/14	Kelly Cug	5/7		
Mary Lou Fochtman	4/14	David Oliver	5/7		
David Frederick	4/14	James Knappenberger	5/9		
Drew Stadler	4/15	Carol Teter	5/10		



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All Church Email

Every week by Friday, one of the Pastors sends out an email with highlights of the coming Sunday service, as well as other news. If you have not yet signed up for that email, or if you are signed up and don't receive the weekly email by Saturday, please contact the church office, stpauls@stpaulsefree.org.

MEAL MINISTRY

Occasionally there is a need to provide meals to families, for events such as new babies, after surgery, moving to a new home, etc. If you would like to be put on the list of folks to help provide meals, please let Jannet in the Church Office know. We would need your name, phone and email address, for the (simple) online service that is used to coordinate meal calendars. No email? No problem! We can still use your help and put you on upcoming calendars. As needs arise, we will contact our Meal Ministry list to provide for those in need.

April Ushers		May Ushers	
8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Frank Serdy, Capt Charles Buescher Walter Gummshaimer Bob Hallahan	Jeff Drake, Capt Christy Drake Robb Hicks John Odipio	Bill Mueller, Capt Alan Mueller Ted Shockley Bob Tucker	Chuck Caesar, Capt Phyllis Caesar Chasity Caesar Ron Hueffmeier Danielle Walter

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Calendar of Events This Month

- 3/30 GOOD FRIDAY
Worship Service // 7:15 p.m.
- 4/1 EASTER SUNDAY
- 4/2 Church Office Closed
- 4/9 Deacon Meeting // 5:30 p.m.
Elder Meeting // 7 p.m.
- 4/11 Women's Fellowship // 11:30 a.m.
- 4/15 Sherdonna Denholm Concert
// 6:30 p.m.
- 4/16 VBS Planning // 6:00 p.m.
Ladies Night Out // 7 p.m.
- 4/17 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Stitch-in // 9:30 a.m.
- 4/23 Life Team // 7 p.m.
- 4/26 Prayer Shawl // 7 p.m.

Sundays

Traditional Worship Service	8:30 a.m.
Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	9:45 a.m.
Contemporary Worship Service	11:00 a.m.

Tuesdays

Quilters and More	9:30 a.m.
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Wednesdays

Women's Bible Study	9:00-11:00 a.m.
Mom Connect	9:30-11:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting	Noon
FOCUS	7:00 p.m.
Praise Ringers	7:00 p.m.

Thursdays

Chorale	7:00 p.m.
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