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SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

in Greenville's West End

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May 2023 Newsletter

2023 MISSIONS



Project Host Service Sundays: Please mark your calendars for our Service Sundays and Project Host this year. We will be helping with the meal service on July 9th and October 8th from 9am to 1pm. Please come support those in our community in need of our service and compassion. Sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/ycpN4S7JYz4WkNuA8>



School Supplies: We will be collecting school supplies in May, June, and July. The list of needed supplies is attached. Look for the collection boxes in the narthex. We will be donating these in August for back to school.



September is Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Awareness: We will be collecting money to help find a cure. Please consider joining our own "Betty's Bunch" for the walk event.



October Block Party: It's back. Come out for a fun time with the neighborhood as we host our Block Party. More details will be coming closer to time.



November is Pancreatic Cancer Awareness: We will be raising money to donate to help find a cure. Please check their website for ways you can help outside of this collection.

Happenings At-A-Glance

Mon, 5/1	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul/Zoom	7:00pm
Sun, 5/7	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 5/8	S/PPRC meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 5/9	Fellowship Luncheon: Blockhouse	11:30am
Wed, 5/10	Fellowship Dinner: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Fri, 5/12	Parents' Night Out: Saint Paul	6:00 – 9:00pm
Sun, 5/14	Mother's Day	
Mon, 5/15	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Thurs, 5/18	Golden Girls Bible Study Luncheon	11:30am
Sun, 5/21	Church Picnic: McPherson Park	4:30pm
Mon, 5/22	Church Council meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 5/23	Women's Community: TBD	7:00pm
Mon, 5/29	Memorial Day: Office Closed	

The **Chancel Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays at 7:00pm.
Come join the choir!

Looking Forward

Sun, 6/4 – Thurs, 6/7	Charge Conference	
Mon, 6/5	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul/Zoom	7:00pm
Tues, 6/6	Fellowship Luncheon: TBD	11:30am
Wed, 6/7	Fellowship Dinner: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Fri, 6/9	Parents' Night Out: Saint Paul	6:00 – 9:00pm
Sun, 6/11	Anniversary Luncheon for Bill Searcy: St. Paul	12:30pm
Mon, 6/12	S/PPRC meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Thurs, 6/15	Golden Girls Bible Study Luncheon	11:30am
Sun, 6/18	Father's Day	
Mon, 6/19	Juneteenth: Office Closed	
	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Mon, 6/26	Church Council meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 6/27	Women's Community: TBD	7:00pm

From the Office

Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 8:15am to 1:30pm and Wednesdays from 8:00 to 12:30 unless otherwise posted. The office will be closed on 5/29 for Memorial Day.

Upper Room Devotional: If you need one, please email or call with the size (small or large) and the number you need, and I will get those in the mail to you.



WE EXTEND HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

May 2	Logan Kanipe
May 5	Troy Gamble
May 7	Alexandra Johnson
May 9	Matthew Roberts
May 10	Larkin Johnson Connie Cox
May 14	Pat Tompkins
May 17	Brian Crnobrnja
May 18	Allison Miller
May 20	Payton Franks
May 22	Bob Weathers
May 24	Willa Bell
May 27	Linda Bruce
May 29	Samuel Howard Branham Biggers



WE EXTEND ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

May 1	Daniel & Rebecca Roper
May 3	Bill & Dot Huff – 68 years!
May 3	Logan & Elise Kanipe
May 4	Jason & Lori Cheshire

Worship Leaders

Ushers		Edna Patterson Jeannine Cox Rebecca Roper
Counters		Edna Patterson Suzanne Sprinkle
Acolyte	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Payton Franks William Hall TBD TBD
Crucifer	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Neal Franks Elliott Hall TBD TBD
Reader	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	John Tate Christine Hall TBD TBD
Children's Worship	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	MaryAnn Stephens & TBD Rebecca Roper & TBD TBD TBD
Nursery	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Not available this day Lauren Searcy Not available this day Lauren Searcy

Sunday School

Toddlers	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Not available this day Lauren Searcy Not available this day Lauren Searcy
Preschool/K5/1st Grade	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Teresa Ferrell & TBD Teresa Ferrell & TBD TBD Teresa Ferrell & Heather Storey
Elementary 2nd – 5th Grade	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Matt & Amber Greer Matt & Amber Greer Matt & Amber Greer Matt & Amber Greer
Youth	May 7 May 14 May 21 May 28	Jeannine Cox & Stephen Newman Elliott Hall & Rebecca Roper Mary Pool & Edna Patterson Chris Cox & Jim Storey

Financial Standing

Monthly Goal for March:	\$11,528.17
Total giving for March:	\$10,854.28
Money transfers for March:	\$2,875.00
Expected budget for March:	\$21,736.98
Actual budget expenses for March:	\$22,300.37
Expected Giving Year-to-date:	\$35,961.60
Received Year-to-date:	\$34,281.51
Thank you for your generous giving!	

Monthly Goal for April:	\$11,962.01
Total giving for April:	\$10,423.78
Money transfers for April:	\$12,875.00
Expected budget for April:	\$21,736.98
Actual budget expenses for April:	\$17,531.92
Expected Giving Year-to-date:	\$47,923.61
Received Year-to-date:	\$44,705.29
Thank you for your generous giving!	

We are reporting monthly giving compared to a giving goal based on expected annual giving through pledges for 2023 and non-pledge giving in 2022. We are also reporting year-to-date totals, monthly budgeted totals, and monthly actual expenses. This should give you a more accurate picture of our financial situation.



Mark your Calendars for VBS! Vacation Bible School will be coming to Saint Paul July 23-27. Mark your calendars and plan to join us. More information will be coming closer to time.



Church Picnic: Join us for some fellowship and fun on 5/21 at McPherson Park, 120 East Park Ave in Greenville. Arrive at 4:30pm for fellowship and we will eat a potluck dinner at 5:30. Please plan on bringing a dish or more to share! There is a putt-putt course there if you would like to bring a club and balls and there is a playground for the kids. You may want to bring a

chair to sit on, as well. Hope to see you there! Please RSVP: <https://forms.gle/PGfcCa8LhVWp264s7>



Summer Sunday School Schedule

This summer we will have Sunday School on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. This will be for June, July and August. Our attendance is generally low in the summer and this will give our teachers and assistants some time for rest and renewal.



Bill Searcy will be celebrating 25 years of service and ministry as our Music Director in June. Please join us on Sunday, June 11th, following worship, for a luncheon to celebrate. Please RSVP by June 4th so we can have an accurate headcount for our caterer. RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/jTX3ycSV2XAk4g4r6>



Children's Choirs are back! Little Lambs will be rehearsing on the 2nd and 4th Sundays during Sunday School. **Kids4Christ** will be rehearsing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays during Sunday School. Please be sure to have your children here for practice. Thank you!



The Beacon of Light Sunday School Class would like to invite anyone interested in Sunday School to join us this Sunday as we begin our new study.

Sunda, 4/23, the class will begin the study "Signs and Wonders – A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine. Each chapter is about a different miracle of Jesus and are independent of each other. Various class members lead the discussion.

Below is a link to the video for Session 1 so you can see if you would be interested in this study. https://44hmv1lj.r.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/L0/https:%2F%2Fdrive.google.com%2Ffile%2Fd%2F1hzcOUXjd95kbAq2OH9eMcZEFJClmvy9u%2Fview%3Fusp=share_link/1/010001879054d240-2f8314eb-4cb5-4554-baf5-5fc4f75e5fe5-000000/FaODL1FEUvEBmlQIZfxdL7hML5s=317

We would love to have you join us in this new six-week study. The class meets at 10:00 – 10:45am each Sunday in the Parlor (across from the church office and Pastor Matt's office).



School Supply List

- Notebook paper
- 3 ring binder
- Marble cover Composition book
- Spiral bound notebook
- Pencils (Ticonderoga preferred)
- Crayons (Crayola 16 or 24 pack size)
- Washable Markers (Crayola)
- Scissors (Fiskars blunt tip)
- Ink pens
- Tissues
- Hand sanitizer (Large bottle)
- Highlighters
- Glue sticks
- Pocket folders
- Colored pencils

You can purchase supplies to bring in OR donate to our school missions fund. Please make a note that your donation is for school supplies. Thank you for supporting students in our community in need.