

Saint Paul UMC

EPISTLE

THE NEWSLETTER IS NOW THE EPISTLE!

Welcome to Saint Paul's new newsletter. Please bear with us as we work toward a new format and report on our missions and adventures each month.

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Happening This Month

- 9/4 - office closed
- 9/10 - Grandparent Pancake Breakfast
Promotion Sunday
Breast Cancer Awareness Kickoff
- 9/11 - Trustees meeting
- 9/13 - Youth Parent meeting
- 9/17 - Sunday School Resumes
Youth Group Resumes
- 9/18 - Finance Committee meeting
- 9/21 - Golden Girls Bible Study
Lunchon
- 9/24 - Pumpkin Patch Setup
- 9/25 - Church Council meeting
- 9/26 - Women's Community
Chancel Choir every Wednesday night

8 days

out of July 23-August 6th

4 events

Vacation Bible school, Youth Day of Help, assisting with Sterling's Day of Hope Day and Healing, Pack the Backpacks

spanning 27 hours

with the help of

39 different volunteers
From the ages of 4 to 70 something

Accomplishing

CONNECTIONS MADE, GRACE EXPLAINED, SONGS SANG, SUPERHEROES TRAINED, YUMMY FOOD SERVED, MEMORIZED THE WORD, ORGANIZED SCHOOL SUPPLIES, FUNDRAISED A TRUCK LOAD OF NON PERISHABLES, STOCKED IT ALL AT A FOODBANK, WASHING MACHINES LOADED WITH QUARTERS, SERVED SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH NEIGHBORS, NOODLE NECKLACES, SAND ART, CALLED SOME BINGO, SLUNG COTTON CANDY THROUGHOUT STERLING, 300 PLUS KIDS WENT BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIED AND HIGH FIVED, GRACE SHOWN WITH ACTIONS, CONNECTIONS MADE

PIC-COLLAGE

From Pastor Matt

In order to make Youth ministry at Saint Paul more excellent, we are looking for people that can:
1) Provide/prepare meals for the youth and leaders,
2) Spend time with the group to make sure that Safe Sanctuary is being practiced and,
3) Lead lessons and facilitate group discussions.
Please let me know if these are things you'd like to do
Thank you!

UPCOMING MISSIONS

Project Host

We will be serving a meal to those in need in our community on Sunday, October 8 from 9am to 1pm. We currently have enough volunteers for this day.

Fall Block Party

The Betty Bunch

We are kicking off the Betty Bunch on Sunday, September 10th with donations being taken at our Grandparents Breakfast.

Come join us on October 29th from 2pm to 5pm as we welcome those in the church and neighborhood for an afternoon of fun!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We have welcomed several new members and would like for you all to say hello and welcome them to our Saint Paul family.



Debra Hampton



Richard & Martha Ball



Jake Mullens



Michael Royster



9/2 - Carmie Cook
6/4 - Nicole Ackerman
9/7 - Becky Smith
9/10 - Richard Bostic
9/11 - Fowler Roper
9/12 - Charmaine Pool
9/13 - Daniel Roper
9/15 - Jacob Cox
9/16 - Frankie Caughman
9/19 - Jade Matiz
9/20 Diane Robertson
9/20 - David Knobloch
9/21 Lauren Hamilton
9/22 - Maddie Boone
9/24 - Lee Newman
9/25 - Jean Jones
9/29 - Richard Ball
9/30 - DJ Boone



9/17 - Ray & Jerry Byington
9/19 - Bob & Kathy Weathers - 53 years!
9/26 - Van & Fran Clinkscales - 59 years!

Financial Standing for August

Monthly Goal was \$10,237.83
Total Giving was \$7,617.74
Money transfers were \$12,875.00

Expected budget was \$21,736.98
Actual spent was \$20,053.69

Expected Giving YTD is \$86,931.56
Received YTD is \$86,069.47

Thank you for your generous giving!

Bible Study & Sunday School & Other Groups

We have Sunday School classes for all ages, Golden Girl's Bible Study luncheon for our mature ladies, the Women's Community for all ladies, the Men's Community for our all men, and Youth Group for our teens.

LOOK AT WHAT WE DID!

We did so much the past month! Our youth helped supply a food bank and left quarters in laundry machines for those in need. We filled backpacks for those going back to school. We participated in Sterling's Day of Hope Day of Healing we walked in their prayer walk followed by breakfast. We served food at Project Host and we celebrated Vacation Bible School!



WE WERE IN THE UMC ADVOCATE!



Photos courtesy of Eugenia Vicars

Pack the Backpack

St. Paul UMC, Greenville, located in the West End, held a back-to-school event on Sunday, Aug. 6. Called "Pack the Backpack," the event was held in the afternoon in the fellowship hall. Families were invited from around the Greenville area to come choose free school supplies to be ready for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. Members and the children attending the church's vacation Bible school collected the school supplies that were given away at the event. The VBS children collected more than \$300 in their offering for the week to help purchase headphones and earbuds for the event. The Rev. Matt Greer, St. Paul pastor, estimated they served 300 students.

Thank you for all the volunteers and donations that made this event happen and be such a huge success!