



SATURDAY, FEB. 9 8:30 AM - 3 PM

WE LISTEN, WE SHARE, WE REFLECT, WE ENGAGE.

## REGISTER NOW

ON THE CONNECT CARD OR ON OUR WEBSITE TO JOIN THE POV CONVERSATION AND LEARN TO CREATE CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE AROUND DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW.

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#### Welcome from Pastor Bob

Whether you're a first time guest or already a part of our St. Paul family, I'm glad you've joined us for our series on Unchanging Truth. We're looking at a few of the deep and eternal truths that can give our life meaning and purpose. Have you ever felt like you were unworthy of God's love and forgiveness? This week we're talking about God's grace, and the fact that it is available for all of us.

I want to invite everyone to attend the POV Conversation in the CLEC on Feb. 9. Our General Conference is holding a meeting in February to vote on several possible ways the United Methodist Church as a whole is considering to address human sexuality within the church and move forward together in ministry and mission with all people, including the LGBTQ community. The POV Conversation is not about debating these models ourselves, but about learning how to engage with each other in a respectful and positive way. See page 2 for more.

Look through this bulletin, visit our website - stpaulumc.org, follow our Facebook: StPaulUMCLargo or download our free app to keep up with everything going on at St. Paul. Thank you for being part of our St. Paul family!

Bob Martin, Lead Pastor

Glorify God • Grow in Faith • Give in Love

# **GLORIFY GOD**

## WORSHIP at 9 AM

Aaron Cassette, Accompanist Prelude

Introit Nothing But the Blood

Welcome Dr. Robert Williams, Worship Leader

\*Greet Oh How He Loves You and Me

\*Hymns And Can It Be No. 363 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing No. 400

\*Apostles' Creed Pastor Pam Dubov

\*Prayer with Lord's Prayer

Offertory The Solid Rock Sanctuary Choir No. 94

Praise God, From Whom... \*Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Transitional Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling No. 384 "Grace Is In Reach" Pastor Bob Martin Message

Romans 7:14-25

**Directed Prayer** 

\*Closing Hymn Just as I Am No. 357

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Please stand, if you are able.

If you need assistance, let an usher know. Baby changing tables are located in both men and women's restrooms.

> 9 AM Greeters: Frank & Phyllis Storms 10:30 AM Greeter: Linda Bergeron and Rita Fowler

#### VISITING US TODAY?

If you're visiting us today, welcome! We hope you find St. Paul a comfortable place to worship and that you feel God's love. To find out more about us we invite you to:



#### VISIT OUR CONNECTION CENTER

If you have questions or would like to talk to someone about St. Paul and what we offer, visit the Connection Center to the side of the lobby. One of our pastors will be there after each service and would be happy to speak with you!



VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.stpaulumc.org





FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK StPaulUMCLargo OR INSTAGRAM StPaulUMCLargoFL

Turn to page 9 for the Prayer List.

# DOWNLOAD THE APP



St. Paul has its own app available for free on both Android and Apple platforms. Just search St. Paul UMC Largo in your preferred app store and download it to your phone or tablet!

Visit our website stpaulumc.org for more information about how



Point of View Conversation Saturday, February 9: 8:30 AM - 3 PM POV (Point of View) is a one day experience that makes space in our polarized world for discussion without dividing lines. It's countercultural because often we are sold a false narrative of in or out, us or them, black or white. At POV we're all in, we're all us, and we aren't just black or white, our ideas are expressed in a spectrum of color. We listen, we share, we reflect, we engage.

We hope that this conversation will equip participants to grow in empathy, have a broader understanding of different points of view, and to create constructive dialogue around challenging conversations about human sexuality and preparing the Way Forward in our United Methodist church. Lunch will be provided.

RSVP on the Connect Card or use the form on our website: stpaulumc.org

#### 10:30 AM WORSHIP

A typical 10:30 a.m. worship at St. Paul lasts about an hour. Worship is filled with current Christian music from our praise band. You are invited to sing along with the words on the screens, or simply enjoy the music. You'll notice there is a time in our worship to give financially. This is how we support the ministries and missions of our church. We hope you experience the love of God with us today!







PASSIONATE MUSIC



NO PRESSURE

#### Online Giving

It's easy to give online, make payments or set up one time or recurring contributions. Visit stpaulumc.org and click the Give link at the top of the page or use this QR code. Our Giving page is more user friendly than ever!



You can pay by ACH (e-check) or by credit/debit card. We ask that you check the box when making a credit card payment to add 3% to your payment or gift and offset the fee we are charged for each online payment. There is no fee for ACH payments.

#### Flowers

Today's flowers are provided:

- ▼ In loving memory of Margie Stillwell from her sisters in Christ, The Loving Well Bible Study.
- By Kay McAndrew, in memory of my cousin, Lydia Mogel

If you would like to honor an event or a special person with flowers, you can give a flower bouquet to the Glory of God. Call the church office at 584-8165 or e-mail us at church@stpaulumc.org to make an order and share your inscription. Bouquets are \$40. You can pick up the flowers after the second worship or donate them to members who are in the hospital.



Patsy McLaughlin-Bauer Funeral Sunday, January 20 at 1 p.m. Sylvan Abbey Funeral Home

# St. Paul United Methodist Church CONNECT CARD

Use this card to record your attendance and share your prayer requests, needs and interests. Tear off and return it in the offering plate, the basket in the lobby, or the Connection Center. You do not need to fill out the entire card, only the parts that apply to you!

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I am interested in:
Rededicating my life to Jesus
☐ Being baptized
Becoming a member
☐ Joining a Small Group
Serving at the church
How:
Serving in the community  How:
Learning more about St. Paul ministries  Specifically:
☐ Taking a Spiritual Gifts Assessment
Other:
I need a name tag for: (Name tags can be picked up in the Connection Center to the side of the lobby two weeks after your request is placed.)
I would like to help with:
☐ Livestream Ministry ☐ 9 AM ☐ 10:30 AM ☐ Open Arms (10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mon-Thurs) ☐ Pick-Ups ☐ Stocking ☐ Other Help
□ Coffee Team
Flower Team ☐ First Week of Month ☐ Second Week
I plan to attend:  ☐ POV Conversation Feb. 9: 8:30 AM to 3 PM
Number of people attending:Remember to fill out the other side with your name and contact info



#### Help Keep the Prayer List Current

In an effort to keep our prayer list up to date, we are updating our ongoing prayer requests list and our military prayer lists for the new year. If you have anyone you would like included on the Military Prayer list please mark the Connect Card or contact the church office at church@stpaulumc.org or 727-584-8165. We start the Military Prayer list fresh each year, so even if your loved one was on the list last year, please let us know you want them to receive prayer this year.

Ongoing prayer requests will be kept on the prayer list for four weeks, or until the end date you give us. You can also always add a request back onto the list if it is taken off before your need for prayer has ended. When making a prayer request that you would like to stay on the list, be sure to note that it is an ongoing prayer request and include the end date if there is one.



#### Your Church Calendar Events

If your ministry or group has any events or meetings this year, we need you to fill out a facilities request form so we can schedule your events on the calendar. You can pick up a form in the Connection Center, at the church office, download one from our website or fill out the form online. Events will not roll over automatically from 2018 to be placed on the calendar for 2019.

ALL ministries and groups need to fill out a new facilities request form for ALL events, including weekly meetings, one-time events, recurring events, etc. Events that are not scheduled on the calendar may not be able to take place on your first choice date or in your first choice location, so contact us ASAP. You can reach us at 727-584-8165 or send an email to Ka'ren Herrell at the church office: karen.h@stpaulumc.org. Thank you for helping us ensure that your meetings and events are correctly scheduled.

# **GROW** IN FAITH

#### **Adult Studies**

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

Adults of any age are invited to join one of our Sunday school classes:

9:15 a.m. Sunday school class

Homeward Bound - Room 106 (Carpenter's Room) - CLEC

10:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

Inspirations - Purple Door Classroom (101) in Bldg C

Bereans - Conference Room 2 in Bldg B

Friendship—Room 201 (Community Room) - CLEC

New Location and Study for 9:15 AM Sunday School Class

Our 9:15 a.m. Sunday School Class, "Homeward Bound" has a new location in the Christian Life Enrichment Center. They are now meeting in room 106 (Carpenter's Room). New people are always welcome, and now is the perfect time to jump in. They've just started a new study called "Unafraid" by Adam Hamilton. For anyone struggling with fear, worry, or anxiety, or who wonders how families and communities can live as peacemakers in troubled times, *Unafraid* offers an informed and inspiring message full of practical solutions based on fresh research, psychology, and biblical principles.



TNT (Twenties 'N' Thirties) Resumes Tonight TNT returns tonight at 7 p.m. Adults in their 20s and 30s, and high school grads, are invited to join us in room 202 of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. We're starting a new series on how to study and interpret the Bible. Bring a major translation Bible (NIV, ESV, etc.) and join us.

To keep up with TNT and upcoming studies and events follow the TNT Facebook: StPaulTNT



SATURDAY, MARCH 30 9 AM -NOON

"Broken to Beautiful"

LUANNE WILLEY
FELLOWSHIP
HALL—CLEC



Join us on Saturday, March 30 for breakfast. Our speaker is Dr. Linda Plunkett, a Christian psychologist and author. She operates Hope for the Hurting and ministers as a counselor, teacher and speaker.

She will speak about her near-death experience from brain cancer and her supernatural rescue. Linda's story gives hope to others experiencing physical and spiritual pain, as she declares that God does have a good plan for our lives. Come and be inspired!

#### TICKETS: \$12

Buy tickets starting Sunday, Feb. 10 in the courtyard and in the church office Tues. and Wed. from 10 a.m.-noon starting Feb. 12.



## Senior Empowerment Day

Aging in America is holding it's Annual Senior Empowerment Day in the St. Paul CLEC this Tuesday, Jan. 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Largo PD and other community partners will offer valuable resources for seniors. All seniors are invited to:

- Learn about services to protect our older adults
- Get your car checked at the CarFit station
- Hear Bobby Lewis of Channel 10 News
- Win door prizes and more!

The event is free but registration is required, so reserve your seat today by calling 800-211-4292 or visiting www.aginginamerica.net



**Children** Infant- 5th Grade, Kaitie Zimmerman, Director of Children's Ministry, Kaitie.j@stpaulumc.org

#### **Sunday Morning: Lil' Kidz Care**

Lil' Kidz Nursery Care is available today for Infants to 4-year-olds, at 8:45 a.m. in the nursery building (Bldg B) next to the sanctuary. Sign in and you will be given a card that you will need to pick-up your child.

Sunday Morning: Preschool & K-5

Preschool and K-5 are invited to attend their own worship and lessons in the Children's Ministry Center in **Bldg C** at both 9 and 10:30 a.m.



Our Current Study: Operating System

This month kids are learning biblical lessons about self control, choosing to do what you should even when you don't want to. "God's power has given us everything we need to lead a godly life." 2 Peter 1:3a, NIrV



### Worship Arts on Wednesdays

Kids in preschool through 5th grade are invited to join us on Wednesdays at 6 p.m.in the Student Room of the Christian Life Enrichment Center. Worship Arts includes games, crafts, and other fun ways to worship. Pick-up is at 7:30 p.m. in the gym.



One Day Camp: Monday, February 18 Camp XP offers a One Day "Adventure Xperience" camp on Pinellas County Teacher Work Days. Kids have the chance to make fun crafts, play games, and have a summer camp experience in one day.

#### COST: \$20/CHILD

This includes two snacks and lunch for your campers. Payment can be made when filling out the online registration form.

TIMES: 7:00 AM- 6:00 PM

There will be an additional cost for children who are picked up after this time.

REGISTER NOW: STPAULUMC.ORG
Or visit the Children's Ministry section of our app







# Student Ministry

6th-12th Grade Alison Van Duyne, Student Ministry Director, alison.v@stpaulumc.org



SPUMCLighthouse

### Sunday Night

Have you ever wondered how to grow your faith? Well, the good news is, there isn't just one way! And you don't have to figure it out on your own—Jesus gave us all an example of what it looks like to grow our faith in God. In this series, we'll take a look at a few things Jesus taught us that can help us grow a faith of our own.



#### TONIGHT:

#### If you want a faith of your own, you can't build it alone.

Middle and high school students are invited to join us next Sunday from 5:30—8 p.m. for group games, exciting crowd breakers, passionate worship, biblical teaching, and a chance to connect with others through Small Groups. The group meets in the Mariposa Café, in the Christian Life Enrichment Center at 5:30 p.m. for dinner, then branches out depending on activities. Dinner is \$3. Register for dinner: stpaulumc.org.



# Mission Trip in March

Students over the age of 14 are invited to join us on this year's mission trip March 9-16. This year we'll repairing hurricane damaged homes in the Florida panhandle. A \$75 deposit is required at sign up.

You can pay by check or on our giving page.



Screen Time and Children: Finding a Healthy Balance By Molly Renfro

As a mother and a Preschool Director I often find my-self discussing the issue of screen time and how much is too much for children. There are those that say there should be no screen time and there are those that say screen time does not need to be limited. I have heard the perspective of both sides, and I have done research myself. I firmly agree that screen time should be limited for children; however, I also realize that all children are different and each family is different. I think the best approach for parents is to find a healthy balance of activities for their children, so that some screen time can be incorporated into day to day life.

I am a huge advocate of a child learning how to play a musical instrument. The cost of renting an instrument and lessons is surprisingly cost effective, and the benefits well outweigh the costs. There is quite a bit of research to back up the link between cognitive development and the ability to read and play music. This activity also includes regular daily practice times that take a child's attention away from screen time and focus it on something more positive. If you are an advocate of increased use of current technology, there are even apps that monitor practice times and rate of accuracy during play. My son currently uses one for his band practice.

Another great resource for activities is your church. Here at St. Paul United Methodist Church we are blessed with amazing programs for our youth. Our Treehouse Ministry has wonderful activities year round for younger children to participate in. For our teens our Lighthouse Ministry is packed with various service activities and retreats. Our children and student ministries also run through the summer months as well, which all parents know can be an easy time for screen time to increase.

All the research agrees that limiting screen time is the best idea for children and teens. As with all things in life, striking a healthy balance is the key. Search out local recreation centers for various classes and sporting events, look into scouting for both boys and girls, or try out some of the options I have listed above.

# GIVE IN LOVE



# Donate Your Christmas Cards

Each year we make tags for the Christmas FOR Pinellas angel trees out of used or leftover Christmas cards. You can donate cards to the project by dropping

them off in the basket located in the Connection Center.

#### Join our Livestream Team

We need people to help stream our worship online each Sunday. You do not need any experience—anyone can learn! We can also use people to run the lyrics on the screens and do other jobs during worship. If you are interested in serving, fill out the Connect Card or contact Senior Director of Music & Worship Arts, Laurel Fortuna at laurel.f@stpaulumc.org or 727-584-8165 ext.208.

#### Carpenter's Shop

Our Carpenter's Shop is always in need of people to paint wooden toys for children who've experienced trauma in their lives. No experience necessary! You do not need to sign up in advance, just join us at the Druid campus



(2039 Druid Rd. in Clearwater) Tuesday through Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. until noon.



#### Join the Flower Team

Each week a member of the Flower Team takes the sanctuary flowers and divides them out into vases, then delivers them to members who are in the hospital or rehab. Flower Team members each take one week of the month, and we are currently in need

of people to help out on the first and the second weeks of the month. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, and bringing joy to people in the hospital, fill out the Connect Card on page 4 and let us know which week you can help with.



Join our Choir If you love to sing, you're invited to join our sanctuary choir. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm in the choir

room at the north end of the preschool building. We would love to have you! For more information email Dr. Robert W. Williams at robert.w@stpaulumc.org or leave a message with the church office 727-584-8165.

#### Open Arms Food Drive for February

On Sunday, February 3 we are doing our first Sunday of the month food drive for Open Arms to help keep Open Arms supplied with staples. In February we are collecting hamburger helper, pasta and spaghetti sauce. Bring any of these items with you on Feb. 3 and drop them off in the sanctuary lobby.

#### Coffee Team

We are still in need of people to help make coffee on Sunday morning and serve it in the courtyard. Our goal is to have enough people on the team that each person only has to



help out once a month. If you can help make coffee, set up in the courtyard, and clean up once every few weeks, sign up on the Connect Card or contact Senior Director of Music and Worship Arts, Laurel Fortuna at laurel.f@stpaulumc.org

# LVING HEARTS MEMORIAL FOOD MINISTRY

When families are suffering with grief over the loss of a loved one, there is a need for the church family to rally around them and show their love and support. Loving Hearts Memorial Food Ministry does this by providing food for memorial receptions at no cost to the family. If you are interested in volunteering to help provide food please fill out the Connect Card or contact the church office at 584-8165.

## Coming this Week

Sunday, January 20

Courtyard Coffee	8:30 AM
Lil' Kidz Nursery	8:30 AM
Worship	9:00 AM
Children's Worship	9:00 AM
Homeward Bound	9:15 AM
Bereans	10:15 AM
Friendship	10:15 AM
Inspirations	10:15 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Children's Worship	10:30 AM
Homeless Meal	3:30 PM
Confirmation Class	4:00 PM
Student Ministry	5:30 PM
TNT (20s and 30s)	7:00 PM

#### Monday, January 21

Church office closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 22

Sonrise Men's Study	7:00 AM
Senior Empowerment Day	8:30 AM
Toy Making—Druid	9:00 AM
Jumpstart	4:30 PM
Finance Team Meeting	6:30 PM

#### Wednesday, January 23

9:00 AM
9:00 AM
6:00 PM
6:00 PM
6:00 PM
6:15 PM
7:45 PM

#### Thursday, January 24

Toy Making—Druid	9:00 AM
Prayer Shawl	4:30 PM
Handbells	5:45 PM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

### Friday, January 25

Church Office Closed

#### Saturday, January 26

Soaring Eagles	8:00 AM
Basketball	8:00 AM

All ministries and groups need to submit a facilities request form for all events, including meetings, one time and recurring events.

> Contact us at 584-8165 or karen.h@stpaulumc.org

#### Making a Prayer Request

Write your prayer request on the Connect Card and drop it in in the offering plate. You can call our prayer line at any time: 559-PRAY (7729).

## Hear Our Prayer

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A friend	Jessie H.	Natalie
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Amy & Carl family	Jim M.	Our Country
Anna	Joan Pitts	Pat Greely
Anne Davis	John & Donna Gainer	Pat H.
Baby Charlotte	John B.	Peggy
Baby Lorelai	John Click	Penny M.
Barbara & Rickie Mar-	John Dibble	Peter H.
tin	John, Robin, and Ashley	Phil
Baumann's daughters	Mills	Phyllis Spaulding
Beryl Grist	Jonathan	Richard Buckley

Blaze White Jordan & Karen Rita Winstead

Bob Foran RLT Goodin Bob S. Joseph Evanson Ron Barker Bobby Quinton Josh DeLoach Rose **Brad Jones** Josiah Seitz Roy Neville Brian & family Josie Tucker Ruth Aaron Brooke Chiodo Karen

Karleen Younger Bud Haskell Caitlynn Timberlake Kathy Herrell Hannas Carl J. Kenneth Packard Chad Kevin Seitz family

Charlie Stantz & the Kim Sudano family Kristi Charlie Tucker Laurie

Chrissy Libby Burke Cliff Armbruster Linda Weaver Hank

David & Kim Neville Lindsey David Seitz family Lois Thomson Debbie Dubov Lori, Andy, David

Dennis Baker Lvnn Dixie & family Margaret Brophy

Do & Dave Max

Don White Meghann Timberlake Eileen Corsini Melissa & Sarah Melissa Depew Eric

Evelyn B. Michael Fred & Elsie Michael Moore Gail Blagg Bloomgren Michelle Allen

Gail Terbush Mickey Schumacher Gail, Chris Mike

Ginny & George Mike & family Greg Seitz family Mike G.

Harriett Phillips Mills Family Irene Ferro My Family

Sale of the Parsonage

Sally Sorbello Salvation Sandy Sandy Smith Shanna

Shelley Hamilton

Shirley

Shirley Register Shirley Stabler Stephanie Prevost Steve Brower Susan Blackbur Susan and Ted Pelyak

Thank You Lord Traveling Mercies

Nicky

Vince D'Angelo

#### Deaths

Please pray for the family and friends of Patsy McLaughlin-

Bauer Paula Scott Marjorie Stillwell who recently passed on to life eternal.

# GOOD NEWS







Student Ministry Winter Retreat

Our high school students had a great weekend being together and growing closer to Jesus! Many thanks to Rodney and Kathy for allowing us to stay and play at their beautiful lake home!

Dorcas Sewing Circle Distribution in 2018
The United Methodist Women's Dorcas Sewing Circle
members want to share what we were able to provide for our community with the beautiful material
and sewing supplies you donated in 2018.

TO 11 AREA NURSING HOMES:

264 lap robes

**34** walker bags

21 Adult bibs

17 Comfort pillows

10 Activity guilts TO 2 PREGNANCY CENTERS, A PRESCHOOL AND CHILDREN IN HAITI:

**143 ITEMS** 

TO HOSPITALIZED CHILDREN:

**36** Pillow cases

FOR THE HOMELESS AND MIGRANT WORKERS:

113

Ditty bags to be filled with personal care items

The group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays from 9 AM to 1PM. Come join in the fellowship of committed United Methodist Women!



Handicapable Kicks off 2019 with Pizza Party and Movie Night! Ninety of our Handicapable and friends gathered in the LuAnne Willey Fellowship Hall on Friday, Jan. 11, to kick off our 2019 social calendar with one of our favorite events – Handi Pizza Party and Movie Night. After a blessing and prayer, our hungry group devoured 20 large pepperoni and cheese pizzas. After dinner laughter and cheering filled the room as our group watched a thrilling movie about dogs who stopped some bad guys from making off with prized show dogs and a huge Bengal tiger. Big thanks to all of our volunteers who helped make this night such a wonderful evening.

The Reverend Bob Martin, Lead Pastor The Reverend Pam Dubov, Executive Pastor



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