# TOUGH QUESTIONS







#### 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 during our series on the "Tough Questions" that challenge us as people of faith. This week we're asking, "Is the Bible the Only Truth?" There are so many religions that claim they have the truth. Why should we believe that the Bible is the only way?

Today is Graduation Sunday! We're so proud of our graduates and their accomplishments! We've set aside some during worship to celebrate our 2019 graduates, but be sure to also take a look at pages 8 and 9 of the bulletin. Congratulations to all our graduates and their families!

Summer is just around the corner! Don't forget to sign up for our K-5 summer camp or our Student Ministry summer activities. This year we have a new one week basketball camp! Visit pages 5 and 6 for more info.

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. I'm so glad you're part of St. Paul and the work we're doing for the Lord!

Martin, Lead Pastor

Glorify God - Grow in Faith - Give in Love

# **GLORIFY** GOD

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Baby changing tables are located in both men and women's restrooms.

9 AM: Caroline Zimmerman and Claire Longman 10:30 AM Greeter: Linda Bergeron

### SERMON NOTES

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:

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second Sunday of the month. One of our pastors will help you to take the next steps to get more deeply connected at St. Paul

#### 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!



#### 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 were given by:

- Bev Haskell, in memory of our 63rd Wedding Anniversary
- Bob Martin, in honor of the love of my life, Patti, on our 34th Wedding Anniversary
- Ed & Carol Cook, in honor of our 46th Wedding Anniversary
- In honor of Donald & Joann Koth's 62nd Wedding Anniversary, with love from their family, children and grandchildren

Happy Aniversary!

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.

# St. Paul United Methodist Church

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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- Being baptized
- Becoming a member

#### 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.)

Don't forget to fill out the other side!

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#### How can we pray for you?

#### For Military Prayer List

Do NOT publish in bulletin.

Do NOT include on prayer chain.

I would like to connect with a Stephen Minister.



#### I would like to help with:

□ Livestream □ 9 AM □ 10:30 AM

- Audio Team 9 AM 10:30 AM
- 🗖 Coffee Team
- □ Usher □ 9 AM □ 10:30 AM
- □ Children's Ministry □9AM □10:30 AM □Wednesday nights
- □ Loving Hearts Memorial Food Ministry
- Greeter at 10:30 AM



#### Don't forget to fill out the other side!

### **GROW IN** FAITH

#### Adult Studies

#### Adult Sunday Morning Classes

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

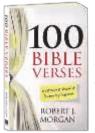
<u>9:15 a.m. Sunday school class</u> Homeward Bound - Rm 106 (Carpenter's Room) -CLEC

#### 10:15 a.m. Sunday school classes

Inspirations - Purple Door Classroom (101) in Bldg C Bereans - Conference Room 2 in Bldg B

#### 10:30 a.m. Sunday school classes

Friendship-Room 201 (Community Room) - CLEC



#### New Homeward Bound Study

Sundays at 9:15 a.m. | Rm 106 - Carpenter's Room- CLEC

Our 9:15 a.m. Sunday School has started a new study using Bible verses from the book *100 Verses Everyone Should Know* by Robert Morgan. Each week they will do an in-depth study of 4-6

verses. Each week can be done as a stand alone, so you're invited to drop in and join them whenever you're able.

#### Join Us for Pastor Pam's Ordination

Pastor Pam will be ordained on Saturday, June 8 at the 2019 Florida Annual Conference. The ordination ceremony will be held at Florida Southern College in Lakeland and begins at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to travel with us to Lakeland on the St. Paul bus to support Pastor Pam, call the church office at 727-584 -8165 or email church@stpaulumc.org.

#### Light Seekers

Tuesdays | 10:30 a.m. | LuAnne Willey Fellowship Hall Join us in the Christian Life Enrichment Center on Tuesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. for study, music, prayer and more.



TNT (Twenties 'N' Thirties) Adults in their twenties and thirties are invited to join us tonight at 7 p.m. in room 202 (CLEC) as

we continue our study on Genesis and Exodus. We're learning how to read and understand the Bible more deeply. For more information about all of TNT's activities follow our Facebook: StPaulTNT

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**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 This month we're learning about PERSEVERANCE, refusing to give up when life gets hard.

Wednesday night Worship Arts is on hiatus for the summer, but we invite you to join us for camp all summer long!



LUNCH & SNACKS INCLUDED



OUR BASKETBALL CAMP FOCUSES ON TEACHING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE GAME IN A FUN AND CHRIST-CENTERED ENVIRONMENT. PLAYERS WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS THROUGH DRILLS AND COMPETITIVE GAMES. THE GOAL OF OUR CAMP IS CREATE AN EXPERIENCE THAT WILL NOT ONLY HELP TRANSFORM THE PLAYERS SKILL, BUT ALSO BUILD CHARACTER ON AND OFF THE COURT.

BASKETBALL CAMP INCLUDES BASKETBALL, LUNCH, AND DEVOTIONAL TIME! AFTER 1 PM KIDS CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE FUN DOING REGULAR CAMP ACTIVITIES FOR THE REST OF THE DAY, OR CAN BE PICKED UP.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PRICING OPTIONS OR TO REGISTER NOW: STPAULUMC.ORG

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### Student Ministry

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

SPUMCLighthouse



#### TONIGHT: SENIOR CELEBRATION

Parents, family and friends are invited to join us in the Student Room tonight at 6 p.m. as we celebrate our graduating seniors. We'll share great memories and send our seniors into the next phase of their lives with prayer, joy and lots of love!

#### **River Weekend**

Join us for tubing down the Ichetucknee River! Meet at the church at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, June 28. We'll eat dinner on the road, and worship



when we arrive. We'll stay at the First UMC of Alachua (near Gainesville) and spend Saturday tubing from 8:30 a.m. to noon and then share a picnic lunch before return to the church by 6 p.m. on June 29. Open to students currently in 6th-12th grades. Cost: \$25. Register on our website: stpaulumc.org

#### Serving this Summer

In addition to the fun we have planned for the summer, we also have lots of ways for students to serve!

#### Wednesday Serve

Starting June 19 students are invited to come to church each Wednesday from noon-5 p.m. to eat lunch, hang out and serve the K-5 kids at our Camp XP summer camp or help with preparing for the Back to School Jubilee.

#### Middle School Mission Trip: July 11-14

On this trip we'll travel to Orlando and serve at local organizations (United Against Poverty, Coalition for the Homeless, etc.) Cost: \$100 due today, May 19.

#### Back to School Jubilee: August 10

Students help to distribute school supplies to hundreds of children.



#### Join us for fun and service all summer long!

#### Lock-In/Lock-Out: May 31-June 1

Join us for a Lock-In/Out on Friday, May 31 at 6 p.m. We've got big plans including a Threshers game, fireworks, pizza and video games at Cici's, bowling, and lots of fun while we stay overnight at the church. Pick-up is at 8 a.m. on June 1. Bring a friend! Cost: \$25 plus money for video games at Cici's.

#### Beach Worship: Sunday, June 2

We start the summer at the beach! Meet at church at 5 p.m. then we'll take the bus to Sand Key park for dinner on the beach, worship, and fun. Cost: \$5

#### Top Golf Tuesday: June 4

We'll meet at the church at 8 a.m. then have fun at Top Golf and eat lunch at Chick Fil A. Pick up is at the church at 2 p.m. Cost: \$15 plus lunch money. (\$10 if you have a Top Golf Lifetime Membership.)

#### High School Wednesday: June 5

Choice of Archery Tag or Bazooka Ball (like paintball but with small Nerf balls instead of paintballs) at Laser Ops Extreme Gaming. We'll have ice cream at Cold Stone Creamery afterwards. Cost: \$7 plus ice cream and arcade money.

#### TRIBE Tuesdays

Starting June 18, each week we have a new "Tribe Tuesday" event where students are invited to fun activities like Sky Zone, movie nights, pool parties, and more.

#### Visit our website and register for our Student Summer events: stpaulumc.org

#### Coming this Week

Sunday, May	19
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
Inspirations	10:15 AM
Friendship	10:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Children's Worship	10:30 AM
Homeless Meal	3:30 PM
Senior Celebration	6:00 PM
TNT	7:00 PM

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Girl Scouts	6:30 PM
Boy Scouts	7:00 PM

#### Tuesday, May 21

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Sonrise Men's Study	7:00 AM
Toy Making–Druid	9:00 AM
Light Seekers	10:30 AM
Stephen Ministry	6:30 PM
Trustee Meeting	6:30 PM

Wednesday, May	22
UMW: Dorcas:	9:00 AM
Toy Making–Druid	9:00 AM
Handi Worship	6:15 PM
Church Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Open Adult Volleyball	7:45 PM

Thursday, May	23
Toy Making–Druid	9:00 AM
Griefshare	1:00 PM
Prayer Shawl	4:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PN

#### Friday, May 24

Church Office Closed

Saturday, May 25		
Soaring Eagles	8:00 AM	
Basketball	8:00 AM	

All 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

## GIVE IN LOVE



#### Camp XP Wish List

Our summer camp starts next month! If you'd like to donate items for camp, we have an amazon wish list that you can use. Scan the QR code or check our website or app for the link.

We are also collecting the snack items below:

Goldfish • Cheese Its • Animal Crackers

#### Chips• Fruit Snacks • Snack Bars

Drop items off in the donation bin in the lobby on Sunday or at the church office during the week.



#### **Open Arms Food Drive**

On Sunday, June 2 we are collecting canned corn and green beans, pasta/ sauce, and tuna for Open Arms. You can drop off donations outside the sanctuary before either worship. Thank you for help-

ing us to feed families in our community!

#### Join our Live Stream Team

We need people to help stream our worship online each Sunday, to run the lyrics on the screens and do other jobs during worship. You do not need any experience—anyone can learn! 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.

#### Be Part of Our Choir

If you love praising God, then we invite you to be part of our sanctuary choir! Our choir rehearses on Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the choir room at the north end of the preschool building. Anyone who loves to sing is welcome to join in! For



more information email Dr. Williams at robert.w@stpaulumc.org or leave a message with the church office 584-8165.

#### Loving 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.

### GRADUATION SUNDAY



LINDSEY ROSE BELCHER Clearwater High School summa cum laude Future Plans: University of Florida



CHRISTOPHER DUGAN Clearwater High School Future Plans: University of Central Florida



MEGHAN HULL Clearwater High School Future Plans: West Virginia Wesleyan -Elementary Education or Social Work



COURTNEY COOK Harvard University Masters in Neuropsychology summa cum laude Future Plans: Opening her own practice in NYC



ALESSIA FRACHEA Osceola High School Future Plans: SPC, then transferring to UCF in the spring to study business



ROBERT KWAN USF with Master of Science in Nursing



PAYTON DANIELE Palm Harbor University High & SPC Early College Future Plans: Grace City Leadership Institute through Southeastern University - Bachelors in Ministerial Leadership



KAYLYN GOEHL Osceola High School Future Plans: Diving competitively at Liberty University



ALEXIS MEGNA Osceola High School Future Plans: University of Florida - Exercise Science



JULIE DESANTIS Osceola High School **Future Plans:** Pursuing music career and community college in Fayetteville, GA



TREY HARRIS Clearwater High School Future Plans: Continue working and trade school



MERINA DELANEY TRIBBIE Clearwater High School Future Plans: USF for Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology, followed by vet school





NICK WARD Osceola Fundamental High School Future Plans: Grace City Leadership Institute through Southeastern University with a focus on Pastoral Ministries



NATALIE WHITE University of Florida -Bachelors of Science in Animal Sciences Future Plans: Work in the horse industry and obtain certifications in wildlife management



NAIROBI C. WILLIAMS Pinellas County Center for the Arts at Gibbs High School Future Plans: New World School of the Arts in Miami for Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Musical Theatre



**EMMA WOLFE** Clearwater High School Future Plans: University of South Florida -**Biomedical Sciences** 

#### NOT PICTURED

RACHEL DENNIS Western Kentucky University

#### 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

Please pray for these people with immediate prayer needs:

ALA I Amy Caulder & family Andrea Preston Aubri & Jessi Baby Charlotte Baumann's Daughters Blaze White Bobby Quinton Bonnie Cummings Brad Jones Brandi, Kami & Kamaline Brant Bree Whitaker Brooke Chiodo Caitlynn Timberlake Carmen's sister's new baby Carl J. Carol Quinton Caroline Fields Carolyn Goodwin Charlie & Peggy Tucker Children, Women. Youth Christine and Steve Brower Cindy Cindy S. Cliff Armbruster Cure for cancer Dale Debbie Dubov Dennis Lord Donald Piro DP Eileen Corsini Evelyn B. Frank C. Fred Fred, Yvonne, Chris, Do, Dave, Michael & Lucy

oline, Charlie, Robin & Lori, Cathy, Del, Amy, Munyan family Marilyn, Chrissy Gail Blagg Bloomgren Gary Cradick Harriett Phillips Jane Huter Jim & Lynn Jim Ledford Joan Buckwald Joan Hermann Joan Pitts John B. John C. John Dibble Jonathan David Josh DeLoach Judi Karleen Younger family Kathy Herrell Hannas Hunger, pain and illness Katz's girls Kay McAndrew Kelly Hart Kim Morris Kylea Johns Lawson Liam Spears Libby Burke LilyAnn Linda Grasso Linda, Michelle & Jackson Lois Thompson Mark Siegfried Mary B. Medbery family Meg, Jake, Dom, Char Meghann Timberlake

Megan, Ed, Car- Michelle Allen Mike & family Moon family Murray family Natalie Pierce Our Church Our Country Our World Peter H. Phyllis Spaulding Rev. Hays McKay Rodger Ron & Judy Getz Ron & Wanda Barker family Ron Fowler Sarah and Melissa Shelley Hamilton Shirley Shirley Register Sister Karen Stephanie Prevost Stephen Robinson Susan McCord Tom Low Vanessa Vicky Walker-Huff family Welch family Yvette Gonzalez Carter Zac

# GOOD NEWS



Thank You, Scouts! Thanks to Cub Scout Troop #468 for mulching the preschool playground last month! They not only spread the mulch,

but also donated the mulching material that was used for the project. We are so grateful to the scouts and their leaders for the donation and their service!



Thank You for Helping to Reduce Our Debt! Thank you for your generous gifts to help us pay down our debt! Because of you were able to exceed the matching gift by almost \$5,000 last week! We are so grateful for the initial anonymous gift and for this amazing response! If you were thinking of giving a special gift toward reducing our debt, you still can! Just because we met our initial goal doesn't mean there isn't more progress we can make. Mark your gift for debt reduction if you would like to help us toward our ultimate goal of being debt free!



Handi Hosts Respite Training

Friday, April 26, St. Paul Handicapable Ministry hosted an all-day training class about Respite Care. The class was provided by Florida Lifespan Respite Alliance (FLRA), a not-for-profit Florida corporation, whose mission is to promote access to affordable, high quality respite care by family caregivers of people of all ages, conditions and disabilities. Eight members and friends of St. Paul received the REST training, a "train-thetrainer" course, that prepares individuals to conduct respite training and equip REST Companions. Pinellas County alone is estimated to have 150,000 caregivers, a great opportunity for churches and other faithbased organizations to lead the way in equipping REST Companions to provide respite for caregivers who need a break from caring for a loved one.



### Handicapable Brings Joy to Local Seniors

One of the missions of our Handicapable Ministry for the past several years has been to provide activities and spiritual services at Sylvan Rehab in Clearwater on a regular basis. Handicapable has been providing a monthly service including singing, prayer and a Bible lesson for

the last 5 years! What a joy for Handicapable to share the love of Jesus with residents of the rehab each month!

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



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