



WORSHIP AT 9 AM

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

INTROIT	<i>Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming</i>	Bells of St. Paul
SONG OF PREPARATION		<i>What Child is This</i> Dr. Kathy Tuminello
WELCOME		Felix Koutsourais, Lay Leader
GREETING	<i>Oh How He Loves You and Me</i>	
ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING & READING		ISAIAH 35:1-10 The Finney Family
*HYMNS	<i>Good Christian Friends Rejoice</i>	No. 224
	<i>O Little Town of Bethlehem</i>	No. 230
MESSAGE	<i>Waiting for Christmas</i>	Dr. Don Pratt
	Matthew 11:2-11	
*HYMN	<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i>	No. 234
APOSTLE'S CREED		No. 881
PRAYER WITH LORD'S PRAYER		
OFFERING	<i>Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light</i>	Choir
*DOXOLOGY	<i>Praise God From Whom...</i>	No. 94
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		
*HYMN	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	No. 238
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>The First Noel</i>	

9 AM Worship Leader: Dr. Robert Williams

11 AM Worship Leader: Alison Van Duyne

The Wiggle Room for nursing mothers and others with children is on the right side of the lobby.

VISITING US TODAY?

Stop by the Connection Center at the back of the worship center! You can also visit our website: stpaulumc.org, download our app, or join our mailing list to keep up to date on what's going on at St. Paul UMC.

FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD

Let us know you're worshipping with us and share prayer requests or other needs: stpaulumc.org/connect-card

HOW TO GIVE ONLINE

Visit our website stpaulumc.org and click **the "Give" link** at the top of the page. You can also click on Give in our free St. Paul app (search St. Paul United Methodist in your app store).

CHRISTMAS FOR PINELLAS

Next Sunday is the last day to drop off toys for Christmas FOR Pinellas! **Buy a toy appropriate for the age and gender on your tag or for a child ages 1-16.** If you don't have time to shop you can also donate gift cards or **make a monetary donation** and mark it Open Arms or Christmas FOR Pinellas.

Drop your unwrapped gift off in the worship center lobby or the church office no later than next Sunday, **Dec. 18.** We'll be giving away the gifts on Monday, Dec. 19. Thank you for sharing God's love with kids this Christmas FOR Pinellas!



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Join us next Sunday at 9 AM as our choir shares their cantata, Morning Star. This beautiful music will remind us that in our own dark nights Christ, the Light of the world, has come.

Christmas Eve services on Dec. 24 will be band led at 4 PM and choir led at 6 PM. Take an invite card from the lobby and invite someone to join us on Christmas Eve. If you can greet or usher at 4 PM email church@stpaulumc.org

On Christmas Day we will have one combined service at 10 AM.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

On Sunday, Dec. 18 at 4 PM join us in the worship center for hot chocolate and an informational meeting about the Druid campus. We'll cast vision and share information and plans for the future of this campus, and how it will be used to reach more people for Jesus.

2022 GIVING DEADLINE

Commitment fulfillments for 2022 must be received in the church office by Jan. 5 to be included in the 2022 statements.

COFFEE IS AVAILABLE IN THE CONNECTION CENTER

CONNECT

FACEBOOK GROUPS

FB Group - [StPaulUMC](#)

FB group - [StPaulParentsLounge](#)

KIDS & STUDENTS

Connect with Children and Student Ministries online and in person. See below for social media links and visit our website for [kids](#) and [students](#).

ADULT STUDIES

Visit our [website](#) to learn about Adult Studies meeting in person or online.

SUNDAY STUDIES

9:30 AM: Homeward Bound - Room 202

10:15 AM: Friendship - Room 201

10:30 AM: Inspirations - Room 212

TUESDAY STUDIES

10:30 AM Lightseekers - Room 201

Young Adults (Ages 18-25)

First Tues - 7:30 PM - Room 209

WEDNESDAY STUDY

6:30PM Advent Study - Room 201

Need help connecting?

Email church@stpaulumc.org

Fill out Connect Card

www.stpaulumc.org



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WOMEN'S EVENT: CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Women are invited to join us for dinner at Village Inn followed by a walk through the Christmas lights at the Botanical Gardens, this Tuesday. We'll take the church bus at 6 PM and return around 9:30 PM. You can also meet us at Village Inn on Walsingham. [RSVP online](#) so we can make sure we have seats for everyone!

PRAYER LIST

Ann W.	Janice	Rubel
Ben & Family	Jean A.	Sandra R.
Brooke W.	Jean T.	Scott
Carl S.	Jim	Scott C.
Caroline F.	JR W. III	Shell
Caroline Z.	Judy F.	Sherry W.
Carolyn G.	Jumpstart Kids	Shirley
Darlene F.	Kathy S.	St. Paul Families
Dawn G.	Kay L.	Stacia
Debbie & Scott	Kim & Jack M.	Sue & Joe
Don N.	Larry L.	Susan B.
Don W.	Laura H.	Susie C.
Donny	Leonard P.	Tammy B.
Duane W.	Leroy H.	Tom M.
Duke & Kinga	Linda B.	Tristen, Eliana &
Fisher	Lois P.	Aletta
Gato	Mark	Vickie
Gena	Mark P.	Vickie G.
Harrison S.	Melissa	Wanda B.
Healthcare workers	Nina	Windell W.
Hurricane Ian	Our Country	Women in Crisis
Jamee	Paul	Workers in Uganda
Jane H.	Rich & Rebecca D.	Yvette C.

NEXT STEPS

Are you ready to take the next step in your faith journey? Or get more deeply connected at St. Paul? Join us on January 15 at 5 PM in room 201. Next Steps is a casual gathering where we get to know each other better, discuss your questions about faith, and share sandwiches. RSVP on the Connect Card.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Pam leads a new Wednesday Bible Study starting Jan. 11 at 6:30 PM. This study is based on a book by our new Bishop Tom Berlin and will challenge us to unlock the courage that we already possess as Christ followers and find the remarkable life Jesus offers us. Book cost is \$10. [Register on our website.](#)

JUMPSTART HELP NEEDED

Our after school program has grown, and we are currently serving more middle school kids than ever! But more kids also means we need more volunteers! We will be losing several adult supervisors in January for health and other reasons, and we need more people who are willing to serve as adult supervisors on Tuesdays or we will not be able to continue the ministry. Adult Supervisors help keep tutors and students on task, oversee games, and offer mentorship. Contact Alison at alison.v@stpaulumc.org if you can help or have questions.

YA CHRISTMAS

Young Adults (18-30) are invited to a Christmas Party at the Pratts on Dec. 19 at 7 PM. Contact alison.v@stpaulumc.org for address and info.