

ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Maryville, TN

THE GOOD NEWS

October 2019 Edition



**Reformation
Sunday
October 27, 2019**



Hannah Hatmaker, Hannah Rundle & Gabriel Wright
will affirm their baptism on Reformation Sunday

Worship Times

Sunday Morning
8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sunday School
9:15am

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PASTOR AND CHURCH COUNCIL

A Message from Pastor Rick:

One of the things we love to do together as a congregation is eat.

Actually, it's pretty common in scripture to see people of faith gathered around food to highlight good times, support one another in grief, and nurture one another.

We have a great example of this in the Lord's Supper where Jesus gives of his very self to feed and equip us for the work ministry. Just as all are welcome at Jesus' table, all are welcome in the tables where we gather as a congregation.

While we all enjoy sitting around tables to converse and eat, people are needed to prepare and organize our gatherings. It would also be great to see how we can expand our ministry of hospitality and fellowship with new ideas.

We have been blessed for several years to have a talented head of our Fellowship Team.

Dorian Caldwell did the bulk of meal preparation by herself. As we have previously stated, she is stepping down from being in charge of our kitchen and #1 fellowship person. We do have others who help organize Sunday snacks and funeral receptions. We are in need of more volunteers as we look to construct a Fellowship Team to plan and organize the events we love.

When we put together a good team, no one person has to do the bulk of the work.

Many times in the life of the church, we don't get volunteers unless we individually ask people to help.

As you read this, consider this your personal invitation to be a needed member of our Fellowship Team. Feel free to talk to me or Rick Anger, our council liaison for Fellowship, about how you can serve the church in this way.

Peace,
Pastor Rick



Holy Land 2021 Meeting

On November 14 at 7PM, there will be a meeting for all interested in our February 2021 trip to the Holy Land. Tony Abuaita from Good Shepherd Travel will be here to discuss this pilgrimage and answer any questions. Please see Pastor Rick or Jan Hanes for information or a brochure.

The St. Paul Church Council will meet monthly on the third Monday ~ 7:30pm

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PASTOR AND CHURCH COUNCIL



A Message From the Council President

At Council's request, Carolyn Speck came to our September 16th meeting to lead us through proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws.

Three changes were approved by the Council for presentation to the congregation members in the November 17, 2019 Congregational Meeting.

The changes involve:

- the Treasurer's nomination and term limits,
- how to distribute and communicate Council Minutes,
- and creating a Policy and Procedures committee.

Carolyn is preparing a document with the proposed changes which will be emailed to Congregation members in mid October.

If you have read any of the last few monthly messages, you know that I am an enthusiastic supporter of wearing name tags. Again, I thank all of you who are wearing them on Sunday mornings.

Remember it isn't unacceptable to wear them other times like meetings or events.

As to forgetting to take it off before you go out the door, just picture in your mind that there is a big poster above the door that says "Leave the tag here."

Yours in Christ –*Herb Perry*



You are cordially invited to join our Prayer Group on Wednesday mornings. We pray for all those who need spiritual strengthening, healing, and encouragement.

Our country is in our prayers, as are those who are in need of clean water and food, and those who are living in extreme poverty.

We pray when needed, as needed.

"And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. 1 Corinthians 12:6"

With the Lord's help, those for whom we pray are uplifted. Won't you join us?

Our Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room across from the office.

Call us if you'd like more information:

Leona: 681-3409; Julie: 983-0788;

Lorraine 984-1124.

This is your personal invitation to be a part of this special mission.

Current Year Pledge Analysis thru August



As you probably know an annual budget for St Paul is established each year by balancing projected expenditures and estimates of income including stewardship pledges.

For 2019, 59 giving units pledged a total of \$212,500. If this amount was received on a linear basis, income from pledged giving would amount to \$142,000 through August; however, the actual is \$124,700 or 88% of the anticipated amount.

All members can help by keeping personal pledges current and making additional gifts as you are able. Thank you for your past and future support.

Robert Bryant, Financial Secretary

**"GOD DOESN'T
LOVE US BECAUSE OF
OUR WORTH,
WE ARE OF WORTH
BECAUSE GOD
LOVES US."**

- Martin Luther



SERVING

- Coordinator



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry began in St. Louis in 1975 when the Rev. Kenneth Haugk, a pastor and clinical psychologist, found he was unable to meet the needs of all the people in his congregation. He trained nine laypeople in his church to assist him in providing Christian care to people who needed encouragement. It went so well that Haugk began training Stephen Ministers in other congregations. That, in turn, led to the establishment of the Stephen Series Leader's Training Course, which trains pastors and lay leaders to go back to their congregations and train others to become Stephen Ministers. Stephen Ministers then provide one-to-one emotional and spiritual care to people in need. The name Stephen comes from St. Stephen, who was the first layperson commissioned

by the Apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need. Ordained pastors often find there are more needs for care than they can provide, so Stephen Ministers are there to supplement, but not replace, pastoral care.

Women are matched with women; men are matched with men. It is also important to note that Stephen Ministers are available to care for anyone in the community who is hurting, not just church members. We are here for anyone experiencing a life crisis, whether it's death, divorce, illness, relocation, financial difficulty or whatever the need. The Stephen Minister is there to walk with you throughout your crisis and to help you see that, with God's love, you will be okay. Stephen Ministers go through 50 hours of training and commit to serving for two years. Most choose to serve much longer after they find they get as much out of the ministry as they give. There's something special about knowing that God has put you in a certain place at a certain time to help a certain person. If you or someone you know could benefit from a Stephen Minister, talk to Pastor Rick or to one of the Stephen Ministers: Charlie Malin, Heather Wright, Judy Krull, James McMillion and Carolyn Speck.

THANKSGIVING BASKET COLLECTION

Begins Sunday, November 3rd.
Watch for more details coming soon.



PARISH LIFE

Barb Miller - Coordinator



Men's Group Program Thursday, October 3rd ~ 7:00p.m.

Tim Walker will present a program on World War I veterans of Blount County. Tim is a life long Blount County resident and a member of the Blount County

Historical Society. I'm sure that we can all learn a lot more about our areas history from Tim. Come and enjoy the program, fellowship and refreshments. Tom Sims Pres. Men in Mission tom0884@att.net

Ladies, join us Wednesday, October 2nd ~ 2:00pm to sew kits for Days for Girls.

We can use ladies with sewing machines, and also appreciate non-sewers who speed up the assembly line stitching. Non-sewers should bring a scissors. It's a good time to work for a wonderful cause and also to have some fellowship while we do it.



Adults 55+

SPAM Outing October Program Tuesday, October 15th

Lunch and shopping at Carver's Orchard and Apple Barn. Meet at St. Paul at 9:45am to carpool or at Carver's at 11:30. Signup on the bulletin board outside the kitchen. Contact Leslie (865-919-3821) or Tim (865-518-9252) for more information.

DISCIPLESHIP

Volunteer Needed- Coordinator

RIC Exploratory Committee

This team is open to conversation!

Please feel free to contact any of them with questions about the Reconciling in Christ Program.

Rick Anger ~ angerrick@gmail.com

Dawn Liner ~ dawn.websterliner@gmail.com

Courtney Snoderly ~ courtneysnoderly@gmail.com

Loda Wylie ~ lodarae@yahoo.com

Pastor Rick ~ pastorrick06@att.net



Sue Tyler ~ splchurch@bellsouth.net

Darian Lindquist

Graceful Engagement Event ~ September 30th ~ 7:00pm

Why should I attend?

We want to hear from you! The Reconciling in Christ Team is working on an inclusive welcome statement for St Paul. A welcome statement should encompass the voices of the congregation to represent who we are, as representatives of Christ, to our community. We are discussing what it means to welcome all of our brothers and sisters in Christ no matter their orientation, gender, race, economic status... and why it is important to be specific in our welcome statement. We also are talking about, What is Grace and Holy Hospitality.

A few key words that have come from previous meetings: *Compassion, Welcoming, Acceptance, From God, Everyone Welcome, Open, All Inclusive, Inviting, Patience, Blind Love, Non-Judgmental, No "other" or "them", Free.*

Join us for this discussion, all voices and understandings are welcome.



Dinner Church

Wednesday's @ 6

All Are Welcome

For a meal and
Worship/Holy
Communion

Mid-week Recharge

Relax, let us do the cooking, so you can sit down with your family and enjoy a meal together after a busy day of work and school.

Renew, take time to remember who you are, a Beloved child of God, through scripture, song, prayer, and communion

Wednesday October
2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd &
30th - *Special Reformation*
Celebration

5:00pm - Youth Hangout

6:00pm - Dinner Church



ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE
Note: If you are unable to serve when scheduled, please find a replacement for that Sunday.

Duties	October 6	October 13	October 20	October 27
	8 a.m.	8 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	8 a.m.
	10:30 a.m.		8 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Assistant Minister	Charlie Malin	Jean Beck	Marsha Bryant	Carolyn Speck
Assistant Ministers	Charlie Malin	Merl Krull	Joel Searfoss	Beth Drane
Communion Assistants	Jackie Kreider Steve Zrioka	Kris Zimmer	Loda Wylie Nan Wylie	Susan Ward
				Betty Ludwig Joel Searfoss
Ushers	Joel Searfoss	Chris Erns	Susan Ward	Warren Bielenberg
				Bob Ullom
				Tom Sims Denny Mansmith Robert Bryant
Altar Guild	Linda Zrioka	Kris Zimmer	Jackie Kreider	Betty Ludwig
				Alyssa Rundle
Acolyte/ Crucifer	Hannah Hatmaker	Nathan Rundle	Janice Hoover	Kajler McMillion
				Brooke Nowak Drew Ohsiek
Nursery	Jacqueline Conzenius Darlan Lindquist	Carol Perry Noah Ohsiek	Warren and Suzanne Bielenberg	Sandra Pierce
				Brooke Nowak Drew Ohsiek
Greeters	Bertha Franks	Dorothy Dishman	Janice Hoover	Warren and Suzanne Bielenberg
				Bob and Linda Ullom
Sound Room	Greg Caldwell	Bob Block	Steve Zrioka	Joel Searfoss
				Perry McClellan
Tellers	Dee Dee Walker Kris Zimmer	Herb Perry James McMillion	Wylie Sisters In Memory of William and Irene Wylie	Carolyn Speck John Beck
				Warren Bielenberg
Torch Bearers				Warren Bielenberg
				Marsha Bryant Sheri Martin
Flowers				

FELLOWSHIP

Dorian Caldwell - Coordinator



10:30 Service Fellowship Teams

Each team is responsible for providing cookies or donuts, setting up and cleaning up the

Fellowship time after the 10:30 service.
Contact Jacqueline Conzemius for more information.

October 6 Darla & Brian Kaufman,

October 13 Jacqueline Conzemius,
Davis & Charlene Dubs

October 20 Lorraine Geary, Sue Stauffer,
Dorine Keeble, Patty Harmon

October 27 , Bob & Linda Ullom

OCTOBER Birthdays & Anniversaries



- October 1 Roby Hartley
- October 2 Tim Walker
- October 2 Chris Rundle
- October 2 George Daily
- October 3 Tena Abbott
- October 6 Lori Joyal
- October 9 Thelma Fastner

- October 9 Jackie Kreider
- October 9 Abby Searfoss
- October 10 Janice Hoover
- October 12 Kristen Martin
- October 13 Julie Rutherford
- October 13 Ruth Silseth
- October 16 Jill Weber
- October 20 Sue Tyler
- October 20 Pat McNeese
- October 22 Mary Winchester
- October 23 Floyd Hoover
- October 23 Nan Wylie
- October 24 Teena Brown
- October 26 Shawn Hutchison
- October 30 Lorraine Fowler
- October 30 Carla McMillion
- October 30 Jody Ohsiek

ANNIVERSARIES

- October 10 Chuck & Ann Munson
- October 13 Becky & Russell Spaulding
- October 16 Derrick & Dana Keeble
- October 19 Al & Dawn Hutchison



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With the World*

Dates of Interest

Check Calendar for times and places

Council:

Tuesday, October 21st ~ Ministry Team Night & Council Meeting

DISCIPLESHIP:

Wednesday, October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th ~ Dinner Church

FELLOWSHIP:

Wednesday, October 2nd, 9th, 18th, 23rd, 30th ~ Dinner Church Meal

Parish Life:

Wednesday's ~ Women's Bible Study

Thursday, October 3rd ~ Men In Mission

Tuesday, October 15th ~ SPAM Wine & Cheese Party

Thursday's in October ~ Creative Expression

~ Prayer Shawl -1st & 3rd; Creative Hands - 2nd & 4th; Peace By Piece Quilters - 4th

Worship:

Sunday, October 27th ~ Reformation Sunday & Affirmation of Baptism