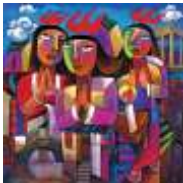


# ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Maryville, TN

## THE GOOD NEWS

September 2014 Edition



### Faith-N-Family

Wednesday's in September  
Beginning September 3rd

Family Meal Served 5:30pm-6:05pm  
Activities 6:15pm-7:00pm

Date	Activity
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Faith 5 Worship
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Games or Bible Study
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Stories
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Study

See page 6 for more information

### Worship Times

**Sunday Morning**  
8:00 am & 10:30 am

**Sunday School**  
9:15am

### Contact Us

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**Church Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:00pm



## PASTOR AND CHURCH COUNCIL

### A Message from Pastor Rick:

Irish Prayer of Gratitude

*You've blessed me with friends, and laughter, and fun.*

*With rain that's as soft as the light of the sun.*

*You've blessed me with stars to brighten each night.*

*You've given me help to know wrong from right.*

*You've given me so much. Please, Lord, give me too, a heart that is always grateful to you.*

We will enter into our annual stewardship this month. Many people mistakenly look at this as fundraising period. While we do need to take some steps to evaluate what the congregation's resources are, this is really a time to show our thankfulness.

Part of being thankful and appreciating what you have is accomplished by making a commitment. We make commitments to those we love and to groups and to ideas about which we are passionate. As members of this community of Christ, I would hope that your sense of commitment would include the mission and ministry of St. Paul.

We do have generous stewards here, but we have not been as good as we could be at making commitments.

While our overall giving was up from the past year, the number of families who pledged was lower than it had been in previous years.

As you listen to temple talks and pray about how you are blessed to be a blessing, I encourage you to take a step of faith and make a commitment to what we do as God's hands and feet in our community and the world.

Peace,

Pastor Rick



### Council Highlights - 8/18/14 Meeting

#### Treasurer's Report

Loda Wylie submitted a detailed written report. July Income: \$20,273.28; Expenses: \$23,858.76 for a shortfall of \$3,585.48. Year to date income:

\$184,864.37, Expenses: \$174,782.24 for a gain of \*\$10,082.13. Motion made to accept the report subject to audit – Kris Zimmer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marianne Searfoss.

#### **Carried**

*\*The Youth Fund increased by 7381.04 between May and July. But Cash on hand (not designated) went down 1402.38 so all that extra cash is not available for the congregation to spend as it is in designated accounts.*

### Report from Nomination Committee

Bob Block submitted a list of candidates for consideration at the next Congregational Meeting. Nominee for the Columbarium Committee is Sue Stauffer. Nominee for the Endowment Board is Warren Bielenberg. Nominees for the three council positions are: Elaine Fisher, Valari Burts, Beth Drane, Greg Caldwell and Jan Hanes.

**Five Year Plan**—Pastor Rick and Rick Anger met with a consultant and have arranged a meeting with the Council for September 16 at 6:30 p.m.

The St. Paul Church Council meets monthly on the 3rd Monday at 7:30pm.

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## PASTOR AND CHURCH COUNCIL



### A Message From the Council President

#### Dear Friends of St. Paul

I can't believe we are looking at the end of summer especially when I am writing this article and the temperature is over 90 degrees. It has been a beautiful summer and we as a church have accomplished a number of things this summer. The Youth Program was successful, the Regional SYNOD was also successful, our new Sound System, Men in Mission meeting in Nashville, Men in Mission "Come to the Water" and our new addition of the dishwashing system in our kitchen just to name a few.

I want to talk a little about the "Come to the Water". It was obvious that God's love was with us that day. It was not only a beautiful day at Louisville Park but everyone enjoyed the events both young and old. It was also exciting to have 2 teams made up of our Family Promise folks and they truly enjoyed being part of God's work. Men in Mission raised as of the

day of the event \$3,200.00 with more money coming in and as usual the entire amount will be donated to Lutheridge. I want to thank all the volunteers both men and women for the outstanding job they did during this event. I want to give a special thanks to Larry Moeller for spearheading this event again this year.

Don't forget that we have Community Day on September 7, 2014. This should be an excellent event with a number of local organizations participating like Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army, Food Connection, Chamber of Commerce, Maryville Police Department, Fire Department and the Blood Mobile. We will end the day with a great Jazz Concert by the Ensemble Jazz Band on the back lawn. The cost for the concert is \$5.00 or free if you bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the Food Connection. I want to thank everyone who has volunteered to help and if you have not signed up there is still plenty of room. That is all I have for now.

Yours in Christ,  
Rick Anger - Council President

## ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

### "God's work. Our hands." Sunday



*tions of this church gather to serve communities in ways that share the love of God with all of God's people.*

*"God's work. Our hands." Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) — one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. On Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014, the nearly 10,000 congrega-*

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### Please Join Us For COMMUNITY DAY Sunday, September 7th 1:30pm-4:30pm

Displays from Local Public/Social Services Organizations



Medic  
Heritage Center  
National Park Service  
Fire Department  
Children's Activity Area  
Food Connection Collection  
Hamburgers & Hot Dogs



**Community  
Food Connection**  
of Blount County, Inc.

**4:00pm**

### Outdoor Concert Ensemble Jazz Band

Concert Tickets: \$5 or  
Non-Perishable Food Items  
Bring your lawn chair or a blanket  
Food and soft drinks available for purchase



# DISCIPLESHIP

Winnie Johnson - Coordinator

## Welcome to Sunday Morning ~ 9:15am

Beginning Sunday, August 31st we will begin a journey through the book of Acts. Using material from Faith Inkubators called Bible Song. Our primary focus is to share our faith with each other, young and old. Contact Sue Tyler for more information.

## Arts-based Children and Family Ministry

Bible Song is the best brain-based method for engaging the hearts of kids. It works in every setting- traditional classrooms, rotational, multi-age, or cross-generational.

Each Bible lesson/theme is taught in multiple ways. The story comes alive in original cartoons, art projects, and easy to do skits. Each lesson features a theme verse of scripture, that is learned in an original song (karaoke style in the PowerPoint- no musician needed!) and also in American sign language.

Bible Song engages the whole body as a learning tool.

## What is the FAITH5™?

The FAITH 5 connects church to home, faith to life, and parents to kids in a powerful way. The five steps of the FAITH5 are:

**Step One: Share** highs and lows. Name something good and bad you experienced today. Can't think of a personal one? Check out the headlines from the news and teach empathy and compassion for the broader world.

**Step Two: Read** a verse from your Bible. (Each Faith Inkubators curriculum includes suggested verses that kick off at church and go home for families to explore every night.

**Step Three: Talk** about how the verse relates to highs and lows. Unpack the verse a bit. What does it mean in your own words? How might it relate to where you are today in your highs and lows?

**Step Four: Pray** for one another's highs and lows, for your family, and for the world. Simply talk to God, thank Jesus for the good, and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance in specific problems.

**Step Five: Bless** one another. Trace the sign of the cross on one another's forehead or palm as a reminder that you belong to God and to one another.

**The FAITH5 isn't really anything new.**

**It's as old as Acts 2. Or maybe Deuteronomy 6.**

*"Keep these words which I command you today in your hearts. Recite them to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise..."*

**If you have any questions about the FAITH5 system, please contact us at [info@faithink.com](mailto:info@faithink.com) or 888-55FAITH.**

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## 2015 ELCA Youth Gathering

By: Kara Birdwell

National Youth Gathering News: As some already know, Sue Tyler, Pastor, and I (Kara Birdwell) are excited and honored to be taking our youth to the National Youth Gathering in Detroit, MI in July 2015. What is even more exciting is that Jenna Burts and Kristin Walker have applied to be volunteers for The Gathering! We are waiting to hear back on their acceptance and volunteer position. While they will not be directly with our group, they will be behind the scenes making sure everything runs smoothly. Leading up to the event, Jenna and Kristen have graciously agreed to help facilitate monthly bible studies to prepare for our trip.

As a congregation, we are lucky to have such amazing young adults that are already giving back and volunteering for our church.

At the beginning of August, we held a meeting to discuss The Gathering with the youth and their parents. Jenna and Kristen put together a great power point presentation. It discussed their experiences at the past Gathering, why it is important for our youth to experience this event, and why the ELCA chose Detroit. The youth were given their registration packs that were to be filled out and turned back into me (Kara Birdwell) by Sunday, August 24.

We will continue to meet with the youth the first Wednesday of every month.

Stay tuned for more updates as we "Rise up" together!

## Youth Schedule ~ September

### Wednesday Chill –4:00-5:30(come anytime)

Hangout, do Homework, play basketball, listen to music...

Faith-N-Family Dinner is at 5:30pm.



### Tuesday, September 2nd ~ 7:25am

~ HS Prayer Breakfast

### Wednesday, September 3rd ~ 7:00pm-8:00pm

~NYG meeting

**Sunday, September 21st** – Youth are Greeters (both services)- we will do this once a month on the third Sunday



## Youth Retreat

*Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*

Romans 12:2



## High School Prayer Breakfast

*Creating a Community in Christ*

# FELLOWSHIP

Rene Zimmer - Coordinator

# Wednesday Night

September

3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th

**Family Meal - 5:30pm**

**Activities - 6:15pm**

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.

**Contact Rene if you can help with the meals.**

# Faith-N-Family

**Everyone Welcome!**

## Why offer a Wednesday Night Program?

Does life have you so busy you forget to stop and give thanks? Are you run down and tired by mid-week?

Do you need to refocus and relax, or maybe serve in a Christ centered Community?

The planning group, which meet last month, discussed some of these questions.

After reading a few scripture verses (See Below) to focus our conversation, we came up with this statement.

## Purpose for Ministry - Wednesday Night Faith-N-Family

To create a Community of Christ, where Members & Friends can come be renewed/refreshed in the Spirit.

## How do we create community?

### Serve one another with the love of Christ

Each week a meal and activities have been; prepared, set-up, and cleaned-up for you, by members of the congregation who have volunteered their time.

### Share the love of Christ through various Activities

After the meal is served and cleaned up we will spend time together in the Word, whether thru, Worship, Bible Study, Sharing Faith Stories, Playing Games... We will use the "Faith 5" model (See page 4) as a way to organize our evening, focusing on Cross-Generational activities.

## Where/How do I fit in?

If you answered yes to any of those questions above then you belong at St. Paul on Wednesday evening! Bring your family and friends, share a free meal, enjoy the fellowship of others, learn about God's AMAZING love!

### 1 Peter 4:10-11

*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. <sup>11</sup>Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.*

### Colossians 3:16-17

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

### Luke 10:41-42

*But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."*

### Matthew 18:20

*For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."*



# FELLOWSHIP

*Rene Zimmer - Coordinator*

**A volunteer is needed to coordinate the Fellowship Teams. Contact Rene Zimmer or Sylvia Johnson if you are interested.**

**10:30 Service  
Fellowship Teams**



**September 7** Dorine Keeble, Lorraine Geary,  
Sue Stauffer

**September 14** Barb & Bob Miller;  
Tom & Lyla Lindquist,

**September 21** Rick & Elizabeth Anger;  
Jacqueline & Dana Conzemius

**September 28 Church Picnic -Spring Brook Park**

*Each team is responsible for setting up and cleaning up the Fellowship time after the 10:30 service.*

*Contact Sylvia Johnson for more information.*

# SUPPORTING

*Tom Sims - Coordinator*

# ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH GOT SPIRIT? CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

\* "Wanna Get-Away ?".....from Debt

\*The Capital Campaign "3 for 1 Matching Funds Option" is drawing to a close at this year's end ..... but there is still time to take advantage of this offer

\* A contribution to the Capital Campaign by December 31, 2014 gets matched "3 for 1" by the Endowment Fund

\* And it All reduces the debt of our church ! ..... what a deal.

\* Thank You for Your Support



**The videos prepared by the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Team** have been showing on the TV in the Welcome Center on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. There will be other opportunities to see these witnesses from some of our members. They will be viewed and discussed on some Wednesday Faith-N-Family Fellowship nights.

Later the videos will be placed on the church website so that you can view them there. In addition, a copy of the DVD will be placed in the library so that members can check them out and view them at home. You will have many opportunities to see how members have remembered their time at St. Paul and their vision for the future of our church.

# PARISH LIFE

*Carla McMillion- Coordinator*

**LUTHERAN  
MEN IN MISSION**

**Men in Mission Meeting  
Thursday, September 4th ~ 7:00pm**

All the men of St. Paul are invited to join us.





# PARISH LIFE

*Carla McMillion- Coordinator*



# SERVING

*Charlie Malin- Coordinator*



**Community  
Food Connection**  
of Blount County, Inc.

## Lend a helping hand

St. Paul is responsible for manning the Food Connection every 2nd & 3rd Wednesday. Available shifts are 10:00am-Noon and Noon-2:00pm. Contact Mary Nell Bieler if you would like to help. 865-980-0181

## New President of Board named for CFC

- Community Food Connection Board of Directors has elected Bob Haralson as President. Bob hopes to continue in the great tradition of the organization. Bob is also directing all CFC Food Drives, previously done by Larry Ladd.

## Volunteer Potluck Dinner Scheduled for Oct 21

- The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual CFC Volunteer Appreciation Potluck will be held on Tuesday, Oct 21 at the First United Methodist Church. The dinner begins at 5:30pm. Please bring a Vegetable, salad, or desert - meats and drinks provided. Let Wendy Markham (607-9218) or Donna Booher (384-7723) know what dish you plan on bringing and how many attending or fill out sign-up sheet in store. Contacting CFC Facebook page is another way to sign-up.

## Clients Served this month

- CFC helps feed and average of around 6500 Blount County residents each month. Last month, July 2014, CFC helped feed 4620 adults and 1868 children.

# ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Note: If you are unable to serve when scheduled, please find a replacement for that Sunday.**

Duties	September 7		September 14		September 21		September 28	
	8 a.m.	10:30 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	Don Burnett	Jean Beck	Warren Bielenberg	Marsha Wynn	Jean Beck	Beth Drane	Carolyn Speck	JB Johnson
Communion Assistants	Betty Ludwig	Carol Perry	Floyd Johnson	John Walker	Don Burnett Joel Searfoss	Marsha Bryant	Jackie Kreider Marianne Searfoss	Kris Zimmer
Lector	Marianne Searfoss	Beth Drane	Tami Wyatt	Valari Burts	Joel Searfoss	John Walker	Winnie Johnson	Kris Zimmer
Ushers	Mo Brueckner Floyd Johnson	James Hall JB Johnson Sylvia Johnson	Ed Kreider Karl Weber	Perry McClellan Robert Bryant Roy Johnson	Bertha Franks Dot Dishman	Tom Sims James McMillion Al Hutchison	Greg and Leigh Caldwell	James Hall Herb Perry René Zimmer
Altar Guild	Suzanne Bielenberg	Valari Burts Jenna Burts	Jackie Kreider	Karin Bell	Linda Zrioka	Janice Hoover	Leigh Caldwell	Marsha Wynn
Acolyte/Crucifer	Dana Conzenius	Noah Ohsieck	Autumn Burnett	Alyssa Rundle	Jean Beck	Emily Kaufman	Carolyn Speck	Darien Lindquist
Nursery		Marianne Searfoss Philip Tyler		Jacqueline Conzenius Karin Bell		Carol Perry Jody Ohsieck		Eric Walker Jenna Burts
Greeters	Dale & Mary Nell Biehler	Ann Jordan Paula Kenworthy	Jan & Erika Hans	Thelma Fastner Christel Pfister	St. Paul Youth	St. Paul Youth	Bertha Franks	Patricia Harmon Mary Frank
Sound Room	Will Ludwig	Mark Fisher	Don Burnett	Bob Block	Sue Tyler	James Speck	Steve Zrioka	Tom Sims
Tellers		Warren Bielenberg Joel Searfoss		John Walker Roy Johnson		John Beck Carolyn Speck		John Beck Carolyn Speck
Torch Bearers			Jan Hanes Steve Zrioka	Beth Drane JB Johnson				



# September 2014

## Birthdays & Anniversaries



<b>September 1</b>	Lorraine Geary
<b>September 2</b>	Sherri Clark
<b>September 2</b>	Micah Walker
<b>September 3</b>	Loda Wylie
<b>September 6</b>	Huguette Hancock
<b>September 6</b>	Laura DaCruz
<b>September 8</b>	Betty Ludwig
<b>September 8</b>	Alyssa Rundle
<b>September 9</b>	Pam Culross
<b>September 10</b>	Paula Kenworthy
<b>September 12</b>	Josh Burts
<b>September 12</b>	Denny Mansmith
<b>September 12</b>	Kaitlin Kuzman Tyler
<b>September 14</b>	J.B. Johnson
<b>September 15</b>	Lyla Lindquist
<b>September 16</b>	Ken Hancock
<b>September 19</b>	Joe Birdwell

<b>September 19</b>	Chris Ward
<b>September 20</b>	Marsha Wynn
<b>September 21</b>	Mary Nell Biehler
<b>September 23</b>	Louise Bailey
<b>September 27</b>	Warren Bielenberg
<b>September 27</b>	Jillian Carpenter
<b>September 27</b>	Sam Joyal
<b>September 28</b>	Courtney Snoderly
<b>September 29</b>	Bob Block
<b>September 30</b>	Elizabeth Anger

### ANNIVERSARIES

<b>September 1</b>	Sara & Don Burnett
<b>September 3</b>	Ed & Jackie Kreider
<b>September 3</b>	Will & Betty Ludwig
<b>September 6</b>	René & Kris Zimmer
<b>September 6</b>	Bob & Mary Frank
<b>September 12</b>	Herb & Carol Perry
<b>September 13</b>	Bob & Delores Block
<b>September 14</b>	J.B. & Sylvia Johnson
<b>September 17</b>	Mike & Pam Culross
<b>September 17</b>	Brian & Darla Kaufman

<b>September 20</b>	Joe & Denice Birdwell
<b>September 25</b>	Charlie & Jeannine Malin
<b>September 27</b>	Bob & Carol Trosen
<b>September 27</b>	Karl & Sandi Weber





# ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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*Sharing Christ's Love  
With the World*



## **Dates of Interest**

*Check Calendar for times and places*

### **Council**

Sunday, September 7th ~ Community Day

Monday, September 15 ~ Ministry Team Night/Council Meeting

### **Discipleship:**

Tuesday, September 9th ~ Creative Play

Sunday's ~ Bible Song Sunday School

### **Fellowship:**

Wednesday's ~ Faith-N-Family Meal

Sunday, September 28th ~ Church Picnic

### **Parish Life:**

Wednesday's ~ Faith-N-Family Activities

Thursdays, September 4th, 11th, & 18th ~ Keep'em in Stitches

Thursday, September 18th ~ Women's Bible Study