

Trunk or Treat

Join SPY on Halloween night for a community outreach event! Trunk or Treat is a safe and fun environment for kids to go trick or treating this Halloween. There are sign-up sheets in your Sunday bulletin with a list of all the ways YOU can help out with this event. For more information contact Kay. 352-5615



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Returned Service Requested

SPY News:

The youth will begin their pecan fundraiser September, 24th. We will be in the narthex before and after the 10:50 service. We will be selling pecans and other treats until October, 15th to give everyone plenty of time to get your order in. All orders should be ready for pickup the first week in November, just in time for your Holiday baking. There will be more than just pecans for sale so please come take a look and support your Saint Paul Youth group.

Kay

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Joys and Concerns

Birthdays:

9-21- Miss Audrey Sirmon, 9-22- Mrs. Sandy Simpson, 9-23- Mrs. Beth Hester, 9-24- Mrs. Vonnita Jean Elliott, 9-25- Rhonda Alexander, 9-26- Dr. Bob Stewart, 9-28- Katherine Worley, 9-28- Mrs. Sandy Rhodes, 9-29- Mrs. LaVerna Vineyard, 9-30- Ms. Ashley Levy, 10-1- Keira Potter, 10-1- Mrs. Jane O'Kelly, 10-2- Mrs. Vonnille Fountain, 10-4- Mr. Ryan Michael Woodward, 10-4- Mr. Marshall Wilson

Anniversaries:

9-25-1976- Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jackson (41 years), 9-25-2003- Mr. and Mrs. Larry William Wilson (14 years), 9-28-1952- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gower (65 years)

Prayer Concerns:

Ray Basinger, Herbert Beckett, Renee Bossung, Lowell Boozer, Ron Bradley, Cheryl Bryan, Lucy Cummins, Mildred Everett, Vera Gallarneau, Norman Grigsby, Christy Howard, Patsy Hutchison, Charles Jones, Dary Jones, Tandy Klepper, Ruby Little, Larry Logsdon, Flo Martin, Janet McMahan, Yvonne McCracken, Shara Partlow, Jamie Pelfrey, Ada Rhodes, Keven Schutz, Eric Seal, Sandra Ritter, Eric Seal, Phyllis Squyres, Auggie Spurlock, Mary Wayne Spurlock, Herman Stoner, Fallon Thorne.

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Eight-Year Olds Don't Drive!

In my last newsletter article about rebuilding our children's ministry, I noted that eight year olds don't drive. We can create the greatest children's ministry in Amarillo, but someone has to bring the kids! Therefore, to create a great children's ministry demands that we focus on creating a great ministry to their families.

To create that kind of ministry probably means doing things that we've never done before. Our culture today is very different than the culture that existed when I began my ministry in 1990. Many of the things I did then simply won't work today.

When I was a kid, I listened to the Beatles on 45s. Today, I listen to the Beatles on an mp3 player. It's the same music but how I access that music demands something different today.

That's true when we begin to explore how to reach today's young families. The Gospel message doesn't change. But how the Gospel is presented to young parents in their late 20s and early 30s requires something different.

But we'll begin with what we know. So in January or February, we have plans to start a new Sunday School class for young families. We'll need your help to develop an outreach list of young families (married and singles) who aren't actively attending worship somewhere. We'll need addresses, cell numbers, and email. We'll also include people from Saint Paul because we need a core group from our church to help get things started.

Let me also ask that you be in prayer. Ask for the Lord's leading. Ask that He will reveal fresh new ways to reach young families and their kids! As always,

God's best to you!



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Rock-n-Roll Sock Hop



October 13

7-9:30



Saint Paul

United Methodist

Corinthian Hall

Admission: One package adult socks for

Pavilion Patrons program.

Music, root beer floats, dancing,

Come in your 50's duds, or come as you are. Just come!



A Matter of Balance Class

The next session of the balance class will begin Tuesday, October 17 at 9:30 in the parlor. The class will continue each Tuesday through December 5. The class is open to new students and those who have already completed the course.

This class focuses on fall prevention and is designed for persons over age 60. Members will learn and practice simple strength and balance exercises.

For more information, contact Pam Zwickey at 806 355-4234 or pdztx@yahoo.com.

Thursday morning Bible Study for Women.

Please join us on Thursday mornings at 9 am for Bible Study. Together, we will be studying Jesus' role in our lives and friendships and enjoying fellowship with each other.

Financials End of August

Giving Needed—\$423,440 Actual Giving—\$398,404

Budgeted Expenses \$422,806 Actual Expenses \$408,623

IT'S TIME!

Can you feel it? There's something in the air at St. Paul. There is a fresh energy that is so present when I walk in the church these days. I feel like we have been sitting in a parking lot, idling the engine but not going anywhere. And I feel God saying "It's time to get it in gear and start moving"! Is that just me or do you feel it too? God is about to do something great at St. Paul and I am so glad I get to be a part of it. Let's enjoy the ride!

One great way for you to get into gear would be to join the Sanctuary Choir. There are so many talented singers sitting out in the congregation week after week, letting your God-given talent go to waste. Why not put that talent to good use and become a part of the music ministry of our church? We rehearse each Wednesday night from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Choir Room (upstairs on the east wing). You will not find a better bunch of folks than our Sanctuary Choir. Each Wednesday night we make some great music, we laugh, we share our burdens. If you are a singing star, we'll take you. If you can barely carry a tune in a bucket, we'll take you. If all you can do is sparkle on Sunday morning, we'll take you! We want you to join us in making a joyful noise to our Lord. All you have to do is SHOW UP on Wednesday night at 7:00 pm. I hope to see you then.

Billy Talley

September - October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				21 9:00am.- Women's Bible Study in Parlor 1:15pm.- Newsletter Folding	22	23
24 6:00pm.- Intercessors Life Study W/ Pastor Ivins	25	26 1:30pm.- Reading Circle in Parlor	27 9:30am.- UMW Leadership Team in Parlor 5:45pm.- "Revelation Class"	28 9:00am.- Women's Bible Study in Parlor	29	30
1 6:00pm.- Intercessors Life Study W/ Pastor Ivins	2 6:00pm.- Photo Club in Chapel	3 2:00pm.- UMW General Study	4 5:45pm.- "Revelation For Dummies" Bill Ivins with Meal	5 9:00am.- Women's Bible Study n Parlor 1:15 Newsletter Folding	6	7 2:00pm.- Good Grief in Parlor

Wednesday October 4 Dinner

The Saint Paul United Methodist Women will be serving an all church dinner Wednesday, October 4 at 5:15 pm in Galatian Hall (the basement.) This will be a fund raiser for mission giving for UMW. Dinner prices will be Adults: \$6.00, Youth (grades 7-12) \$3.00 Children (Age 2-11) \$2.00 or \$15 for an entire family.

Pastor Bill will continue his Bible study Revelation for Dummies at 6 pm in the basement.

Please plan to join us for dinner.

Good Grief

Is grief affecting your life?

Join us for ice cream and a casual discussion about managing grief.

When : Saturday, October 7 @ 2:00 pm

Where: Parlor

Coming Home for Christmas Set for December 10

Saint Paul is much like most other churches around the country. We have many on our membership rolls who have fallen inactive.

On December 10, we'll have a special event called "Coming Home for Christmas" which is designed to reach out to our inactive members here at Saint Paul. Watch for more updates in future newsletters.

