

WE ARE ST. PAUL'S!

Sunday Opportunities

Prayer Time at 8:45 AM in the Chapel
Adult class every Sunday 10AM in Wesley House
Adult Class in the Library 10AM in the Library
Jr. Church 9AM & 11AM in Room 211

Weekly Opportunities

St. Paul's Preschool: Scholarship and donations accepted.
Saving Grace Advocacy: Monday - Thursday 9am-12:30pm
A.A. meets every Monday at 7pm in Fellowship Hall.
Dinner with Neighbors Wednesday at 5:30 PM in Fellowship Hall
Worship Practice Wednesday at 6pm in the Sanctuary
Al-Anon meets every Wednesday at 7:30pm in the Library
Alateen meets every Wednesday at 7:30pm in Wesley House.

Events:

If you would like to help with getting the garden ready, planting, watering or harvesting, contact Pastor Tom.

Drive and Dine Saturday, August 15th at 5:30pm

All are Welcome!

Ad Council Meeting - Monday August 17 at 6:00 PM

Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 26th at 7:00pm

All singers are welcome to join!

Last Week Attendance: 133
Weekly Average This Year: 128
Last Week's Giving: \$3,629
Weekly Budget Needs \$7,261
August Giving: \$3,629
Month-to-Date Budget: \$7,261
Year-to-Date Giving: \$171,243
Year-to-Date Budget: \$225,084
Annual Budget Needs: \$377,559



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August 9, 2026

Jesus' Parables and Teachings: The Greatest Commandment

Matthew 22:36-40

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

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9:00 a.m.

Prelude:

"Morning Litany" Smith

Welcome:

Passing of the Peace:

Liturgist:

Sharon Johnson

Opening Reading:

Psalm 63:1-8

Opening Prayer:

O God, You are our God, the One in whom we trust. We’ve gathered together today to worship You to open our hearts and minds to Your presence. We long to meet You here, and to hear Your voice. Come among us in Your power. Pour out Your spirit on our thirsty souls, that we may be filled with Your goodness and love. Amen.

Opening Hymn:

Hymn#139 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Offertory:

"Apres un Reve" Faure

Offering/Offertory/Prayer:

Gracious God, accept not just these tithes and offerings, but our very lives freely offered to you. Take our time, our talents, and our resources, and use them in your service. Teach us to be faithful and obedient as we learn to love and trust you more. Amen.

Scripture Reading:

1 John 4:19-5:4

Hymn:

Hymn #420 "Breathe on Me, Breathe of God"

Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer:

Sermon Scripture:

Matthew 22:36-40

Message:

Jesus’ Parables and Teaching: The Greatest Commandment

Hymn:

Hymn #140 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Benediction:

Postlude:

"Chaconne" Young

11:00 a.m.

Welcome:

Opening Reading:

Psalm 63:1-8

Worship:

Made To Worship

Opening Prayer:

Worship:

Because He Lives (Amen)

Scripture Reading:

1 John 4:19-5:4

Worship:

One Thing Remains

Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer:

Sermon Scripture:

Matthew 22:36-40

Message:

Jesus’ Parables and Teaching: The Greatest Commandment

Worship:

Letting Go

Benediction:

Prayer Requests:

Shirley Gardner, Stan Teal, Allen Koppernagel, Wayneta Lahr, Corinne Poucher, Tom Fillio, Mark Longacre, Rick Jones, Randy Adams, Debbie Wolfinger, Anderson Family, Cam McJunkin, Sue Miller, Marcy Mercer, Scot Lauderbach, Mama Jessie, Mateo and his mother, our leaders, our nation, and our world.

Cancer:

Lynne O’Brien, Randy Zonker, Stephen Jones, Doug and Shannon Gullett, Adler Carris, Kent Pettet, Ms. Joy. **In remission:** Cathy Murschel, Janna Tomasini, Samantha Moyer, Claudia Phipps.

Continuing Prayers:

Diane Poplawski, Scott and Stephanie McElravy, Kathy DeFries, Austin Johnson, Sue Moses, John Thompson, Ellie Strukel, Kathy Scott, Billie Carl.

Prayer Chain:

To start someone on the prayer chain call one of these three: Louise Jones 574-361-5517, Pat Klockow 574-262-5949, or Sharon Johnson 574-538-9994.