

CHURCH picnic

Sunday, September 11 // 11am

Pastor Don & Julie will be hosting us at the parsonage grounds.

- **Potluck.** Bring a dish to share. Meat will be provided
- **Dessert Contest.** Bake your best!
- **Bounce House** for the kids, Noon-4pm
- Corn Hole
- Fellowship with friends!

Parking will be available on the 920 House lot.
Chairs provided, or you can bring a lawn chair

*Help is still needed. Sign-up on the website, in the welcome center
or call the church office.*

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FROM PASTOR DON'S DESK

Have you ever felt like God has forgotten about you? You're in a tough situation and you are praying, yet nothing seems to change? Why doesn't God work right this minute? When I have these thoughts, it helps me to remember and recall some of God's attributes and promises.

For example, God is not confined to time and space in the same way as we are. "But do not forget this one thing, dear friends; with the Lord a day is as a thousand years, and a thousand year are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some count slowness." (1 Peter 3:8-9a.) You can trust Him with the outcome of your situation because He is there in the future.

Or consider the truth that God is working from and for eternity, making us more like Himself and preparing us to rule and reign with Him forever in His eternal kingdom. He uses the "waiting" to produce this Godly character in our lives. "Consider it all joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete not lacking anything." (James 1:2-5; see also Hebrews 12:4-13.)

Or Galatians 6:9; "Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

And finally, one last thought. When God wants to make a squash, He takes 3 months. When He wants to make an oak tree, He takes sixty years!

Keep your eyes on Jesus and enjoy His presence as you fight your battles,

Don



August Giving Update in Support of the Operating Fund

Estimated Monthly Need:	\$76,994	Estimated Year-to-date Need:	\$615,953
Actual Giving as of 8/31/22:	\$38,768	Actual Giving Year-to-date:	\$406,835

General Fund Expenses:

August 2022:	\$48,696	Year-to-Date Expenses	\$569,685
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CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS

Children's Sunday School Starts Soon

It's back to school time, which means it's time for our Sunday School program to begin! Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 18 for our start date. Children ages 2 – 5th grade will start our year off by learning some of the parables. Children 2-4 years old will meet in the "orange room" and 5 years old – 5th grade will meet in the Power Plant. We begin each Sunday at 10:45 with some free time and start our lessons at 11:00. Please remember to pick up your children promptly at 11:45. Sunday School is so important for children to begin their walk with Jesus, so please make arrangements for your child to join us. Looking forward to seeing all my friends on the 18th!

Cultivate Kids

Teaching kids to love like Jesus.

Join us every Wednesday this fall.



Beginning September 7, enjoy a free family meal every Wednesday at 5:45pm before launching into kids' programming for age 3-grade 6. Our theme of outer space will help your child's faith blast off to new heights!

**Register at stpaulsefree.org.
Scan the QR code below to get started!**

- Free, family meals
- Safe, age-appropriate environment
- Screened, trained, + caring volunteers
- Engaging activities + lessons



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*Join us Wednesday night, 9/7
at our launch and enjoy free ice
cream truck treats as we blast
off to new heights!*



FEATURED MISSIONARY

Dutchtown is a neighborhood of history and transiency, diversity and tradition, courage and shame, hope and despair. A place with so much to offer, yet so little in hand. Dutchtown is a neighborhood of families and possibility, yet plagued with poverty, violence, and neglect.



This is where Ryan and Dana Irwin and their 3 daughters have made their home for the past 18 years. Here they lead Dutchtown Outreach by developing relationship-based programs to launch into families and the community with the goal of bringing love and reconciliation, identity and dignity to the Dutchtown community by living out and sharing the restoring love of Jesus.

NOTE: Dutchtown Outreach is also the focus of the Women's Fellowship Challenge Offering for 2022.



Women's Fellowship

We welcome all women to join us
Wednesday, September 14
@ 11:30am

Bring your sack lunch. Dessert is provided

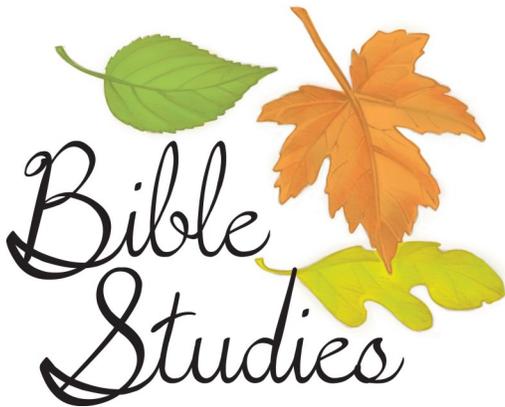
The Women's Fellowship is taking monetary donations, through their "**Challenge Offering**", for the Dutchtown Neighborhood Outreach. Ladies, if you have not received a letter regarding this offering, please contact Grace Koewing. 314-429-2740.

Pun of the Month

"Just spent \$300 on a limousine and discovered the fee doesn't include a driver?!"

Can't believe I spent all that money and have nothing to chauffeur it."

FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES



Fall Sunday School Classes Begin September 18.

Classes meet from 11 – 11:45 AM.

Occasionally the classes will meet together in the multi-purpose room to hear from one of St. Paul's missionaries, to participate in congregational meetings or other special events.

Adult Bible Fellowship in Room 5 coordinated by Larry Smith and Conway Wong. This fall Conway will be leading a discussion of Greg Koukl's book, Tactics. This study will help you develop a game plan for discussing your Christian convictions with your spiritually lost friends and neighbors. Larry will be teaching in the spring.

Men's Class in the Front Room facilitated by Terry Daniels and Charles Jung. The men will be asking the question, "What would Paul say?" Their discussion will be seeking lessons from Paul's writings and applying these lessons to the issues they face in their everyday world.

Women's Class in the Upper Room. The class will be taught by Julie Price for the first seven weeks and then Donna Triebe will return to teach. With Julie you will be reviewing the foundations of the Christian life. Whether you are investigating the Christian life, are a new believer, or have walked with God for years, this study will challenge and encourage you. You will be better prepared to minister to others. Please let Julie know if you are interested so there are enough study guides. Contact her at 715.252.8399 of Julie.price1227@gmail.com



Choir Rehearsals
Thursdays
beginning 9/8 through May

Praise Ringers
bell choir
6pm



Chorale
vocal choir
7pm

They are always looking for new
participants and would love to have
you join in the fun



Kelly Schjenken	9/2	Carole Stahlhut	9/11	Walter Gummersheimer	10/5
Paul Wilson	9/3	Jill Pasteris	9/12	Betty Williams	10/6
Rosemary Wilson	9/3	Don Andrews	9/18	James Stull	10/7
Carol Carinci	9/8	Mark Immekus	9/19	Jim Glauert	10/8
Sue Jackson	9/10	Sieglinde Schnellbacher	9/20	Bob Vass	10/9
Leslie Koewing	9/10	Lee Carlson	9/23	Kellie Walter	10/10
Lucas Pfeiffer	9/10	Maggie Alstadt	10/1		
Richard Niedringhaus	9/11	Melvin Woods	10/2		


ANNIVERSARIES
to Celebrate

Scott & Jannet Dieckgraefe	38	9/1	John & Debbie Graeler	38	9/15
Fred & Margy Robinson	60	9/2	Charles & Janet Jung	41	9/18
Janet & Ed Rolle	54	9/7	Gary & Madelyn Oliver	14	9/21
Ken & Mary Broky	44	9/9	Jeff & Christy Drake	21	9/22
Ron & Barb Hueffmeier	55	9/9	Paul & Becky Daniel	39	9/24
Robert & Karen Tucker	19	9/9	Beverly & Rick Millard	18	9/25
Paul & Rosemary Wilson	56	9/10	Kate & Daniel Alstadt	11	10/1



Jean Buelter, went home to Jesus on August 7, 2022, at the age of 86. She was preceded in death by her husband Emanuel (Manny.) They were long time members of St. Paul's and very active throughout the church. Jean was especially active in the women's ministries, teaching, prayer, and other leadership roles.



St. Paul's Evangelical Church
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Sundays

Worship Service	9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Time	10:30 a.m.
Cultivate Teens	6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays

Quilters and Project Linus	9:30 a.m.
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Wednesdays

Mom Connect	9:30 a.m.
Cultivate Kids	5:45 p.m.

Thursdays

Praise Ringers	6:00 p.m.
Chorale	7:00 p.m.

9/1	White Cross // 9am
9/4	Communion
9/5	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
9/6	Missions Team // 7pm
9/11	Picnic // 11am
9/12	Deacons // 5:30pm Elders // 7pm
9/14	Women's Fellowship // 11:30am
9/15	White Cross // 9am
9/24	Prayer Walk // 9am
9/26	Elders // 7pm