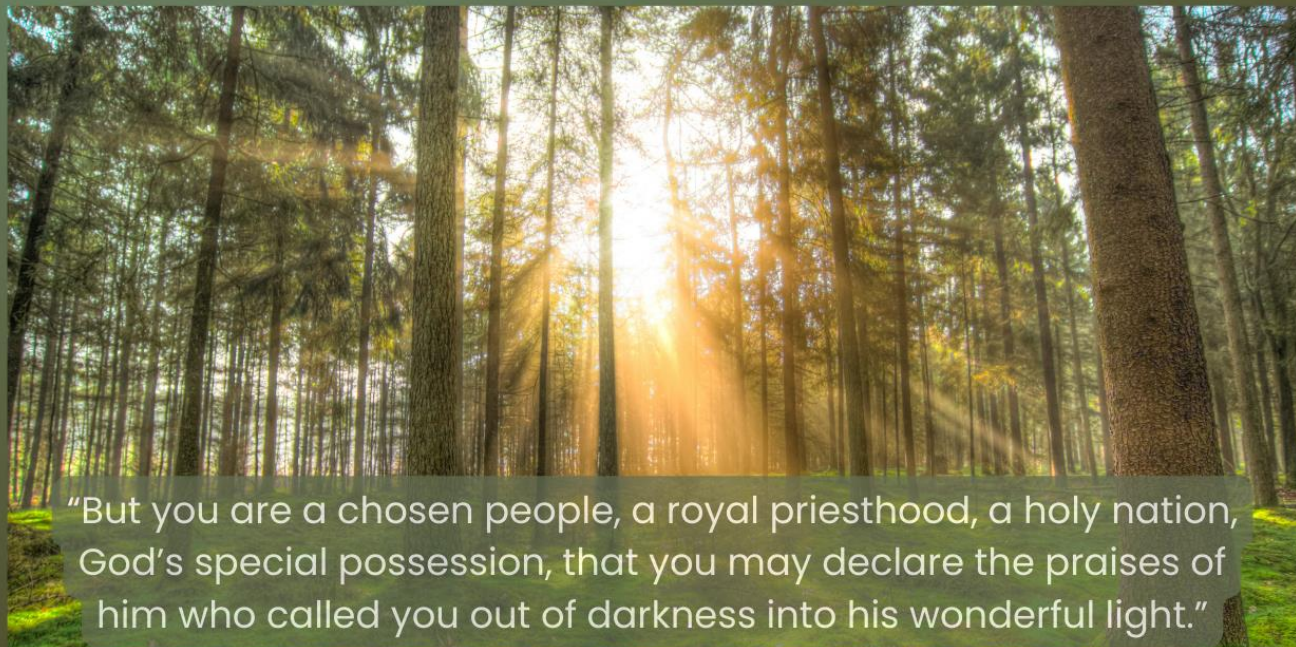


1 PETER SERMON SERIES

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

In 1 Peter this apostle of Jesus Christ writes to the believers of the church both Jew and Gentile that by God's mercy he gave us his Son to take on all our transgressions so that all people will have the inheritance of the kingdom kept in heaven. He continues that while we are on earth we will have suffering but by keeping faith in the Resurrection of Jesus, we too will be born again to a living hope.

Peter refers to Exodus 19:5-6 when he tells the church "We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation...called out of darkness into his wonderful light." Peter tells us that as God's chosen we are to submit to authority and fear the God who wants us to live righteously though we may suffer for righteousness' sake as Jesus did. In doing so we come into that light We are to no longer live for human passions but for the will of God. Therefore we are called to earnestly keep loving one another since "love covers a multitude of sins."

Throughout 1 Peter there is an ebb and flow between how Christians may suffer for their faith and if we are obedient we will be blessed with the "Spirit of glory" in the end. Though we may suffer while doing the right thing we must entrust our souls to our faithful Creator being humble under his mighty hand.

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ELDER & DEACON NEWS

Monthly Prayer Guide - The October prayer emphasis is Shut-ins. Prayer guides may be found in each Sunday bulletin.

Sound System - Work is being done to repair and improve the sound system in the sanctuary.

FROM PASTOR MARC'S DESK

On September 29th we started a series on 1 Peter. Peter was writing to "elect exiles" according to the foreknowledge of God. God knew in advance and chose them to be his people as exiles. The people were living in a world that was becoming more hostile to this new faith. Peter was encouraging them that they are chosen by God to be his people. God has given them an inheritance that is imperishable. They can hold onto this living hope even though they may suffer. This is an encouragement to the Church today as well. We may be living in times where we face trials of various kinds. We live in a country that is more and more post-Christian. This may be discouraging but according to his foreknowledge, God chose us. Also by God's grace, he uses our trials to grow our faith so that we can become the people he has called us to be. May God use 1 Peter to encourage and grow our faith. May we be his church showing and sharing our living hope with the world that needs it.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Fellowship - Join us Wednesday October 9 at 11:30 a.m. for our monthly meeting. No need to bring a lunch. Grace Koewing is planning something special for the ladies.

Women's Bible Study - Now meeting as of September 18, Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. in Room 5. Leaders Donna Schalk and Melanie Brewer are leading a curriculum on the book of Romans.



YarnWorks - The yarn workers meet every second Thursday, this month, on October 10, 1-3 pm. at the Schnellbacher's home at 2619 White Manor Ct. If you would like to participate knitting and crocheting prayer shawls, baby blankets and more, you may attend or work from home. Please call Sieglinde at 314-210-0065.

Women's Ministry Event - Elizabeth Thomas is planning a ladies event which focuses on being TOGETHER - in glorifying God, serving Jesus, growing in faith, working in unity, supporting missions and our local community, and in serving each other. Plans are to meet in mid-November.

10 Days of Prayer



**Stop the City.
Welcome the King.**

**10 Days of Prayer: St. Louis
October 2 – 11. Scan the code for
the area schedule or Visit
www.10daysstlouis.com
for more information**

**St. Paul's Will Be Hosting a Prayer Service October 9, 12 pm
Light Lunch and Fellowship to Follow**

MISSION NEWS

Gifts for Missionaries

Christmas in October

Throughout October
please drop a "gift" in
the offering plate for
our supported missions



Collection
Deadline
October 27

From the Penners and JSL

We were blessed to host the Penners last month along with Uiko and Sora of the JSL bible translation team for the deaf. To the left is a neatly hand written letter from our Japanese guests in gratitude for our support.

Below is a letter from the Penners expressing their gratitude as well.

During their visit the team shared that the nuances of signing and even facial expressions make translating the Bible difficult to get just right. It has taken the team thirty years to translate only a third of the Bible.

Dear Barbara,

Thank you so much for giving us the opportunity to share about the ministry of JSL Bible. We had a wonderful time thanks to your interest and all the questions you brought to us.

Right now, we are at Gallaudet University in Washington DC., continuing to work on the translation of Hebrews. It can be challenging to figure out how to portray meaning in JSL while still taking into account the culture and context in which it was originally written. Fortunately, we are able to reference books we have already translated (Leviticus, Galatians, etc.) which is so encouraging as we move forward.

We just wanted to share this encouragement and what we have been up to. We are continuing to pray that you and your ministries will be richly blessed by the Lord. Please pray for us to be safe and healthy until we return to Japan.

Blessings,

矢野 羽衣子 Uiko Yano
安達 さら Sora Adachi

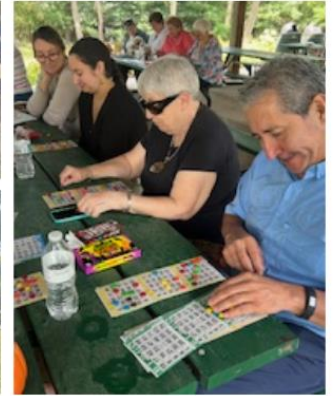
Dear St. Paul's,

We want to thank you for your very generous gift! It was such a blessing. We are delighted that we could visit you with Uiko and Sora from the Japanese Sign Language Translation team. Your care for people was evident from the warm welcome we received at the front door, the assistance with our luggage (even Pastor Marc helping bring it down from the office), the time you allotted us to share our hearts, the delicious Mexican Lunch, and then taking us to the airport. You blessed us in so many ways.

Thank you not just for your recent gift but also for the many years of prayers and financial support. It is a tremendous privilege to be your outreach for the Japanese deaf community and beyond. May our God continue to bless you as you bless so many others -- Mark and Mary Esther Penner.

PICNIC HIGHLIGHTS

The Church Picnic on September 8 was a happy event on the most beautiful day with food, fun and fellowship. There was bingo, giant Jenga, soccer and a dessert contest won by Maria del Cid with best cake, best muffins won by Grace Koewing and best cookie by Sieglinde Schnellbacher.



MINISTRY FAIR SUNDAY

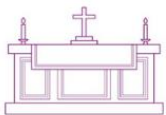


Twenty three ministries were represented during the fair Sunday, September 15, letting new members and others know what St. Paul's has to offer.

Several of these areas of ministry were blessed with new people being interested in sharing their time and talent. It was a great time of fun and fellowship for everyone.



A Ministry for Everyone at St. Paul's Church



Altar Committee



Building and Grounds



Youth and Family



Women's Fellowship



Crusaders



Helping Hands



Kitchen Committee



Life Team



Martial Arts



Missions



Music Ministry



Prayer and Care Call



Quilters



Reasonable Faith



Teens & Young Adults



Stephen Ministry



Wednesday Evening Worship



YarnWorks



Small Groups



Women's Ministry



Sunday School



Leadership



EDUCATION

**Small Groups
began meeting
the week of
September 22**



**Sign-up sheets
are in the
Welcome Center
on the Big Desk**



**Sunday School
Classes Have
Resumed
Sundays 11:00 a.m.**

- Men's Challenge Bible Study - Front Room
- Spiritual Sisters - Room 5
- Kid's Sunday School - Sunday School Hall

A Women's Event TOGETHER, Nov 16

St. Paul's Women's Ministry
Elizabeth Thomas, Coordinator, 314-550-1190,
bluebird213@gmail.com

To Glorify God Serve Jesus Christ

Serve Each Other Grow in Faith

Together

Serve Our Local Community Work to Unify the Church

Support Missions

Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
Proverbs 31:30

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY



JAM
JESUS AND ME

Starting October 2

Fun for children, age 3 - 11, and their families
Light supper / Activities / Crafts / Bible stories

**WEDNESDAYS
5:30 - 7 PM**

Let the fun begin! October is a big month for us! Sunday School has just begun and Mr. Don, Elaine, and I are so excited to get back to our routine. As a reminder, once the worship service is over, children are invited to come to the Power Plant to hang out and play games, etc. We try to start at 11:00 with our devotion and lesson.

Our Wednesday evening programming, JAM (Jesus And Me) begins October 2nd. We have a free family meal provided at 5:30 with programming from 6-7 pm. In October we will be learning about Job while enjoying a "travel" theme. Be sure to look for the runways and airplanes in our spaces. We would really like for this ministry to grow, so please spread the word to friends and family.

Mark your calendars! Our annual Trunk or Treat will be held Sunday, October 27 from 1:30-3:00 pm. We will have a free hot dog lunch for our participants and guests. NEW this year – we will have some furry friends join us. We will have goats that love to be petted and fed! As always, this event is only successful if we have people willing to decorate trunks and hand out candy. If you aren't able to decorate a trunk, just bring a lawn chair and sit and hand out candy. We will be asking for candy donations again, so when you are at the store, grab a bag or two to donate to this great cause. We always have a great turnout at this event.

We are always looking for volunteers! Please see Lisa if you would like to help out in some way! There is an urgent need for kitchen volunteers during the JAM program. Contact Lynn May or Christy Drake to lend a hand with food prep and clean-up.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Prayer With the Elders
Saturday, October 26
9:00 am in the
Multipurpose Room 
**Come as you are to pray for St. Paul's
and each other. All are welcome.**



MARTIAL ARTS MINISTRY

St. Paul's Martial Arts Ministry started holding karate classes August 27 2024. We currently have 5 participants meeting on Tuesdays and Fridays at 6pm. Classes involve learning techniques, self-defense, exercises, and devotional teachings. If you are interested in learning martial arts in a gospel-centered environment contact Conway Wong at 314-737-2905 or conway.h.wong@gmail.com.



St. Paul's - Martial Arts
Starting in August, learn Martial Arts in a gospel-centered environment!

Tuesdays & Fridays
6:00-6:55 pm Families & Kids (age 6-11)
7:00-8:00 pm Adults (age 12 and up)

314-737-2905
conway.h.wong@gmail.com
Shuri-Ryu - Karate of St. Louis
www.shurikaratestl.com

Seek perfection of character
Endeavor
Be faithful
Respect others
Refrain from violent behavior
Honor my family and myself

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Anniversaries

10/11	BENSING, Tim & Jennifer (10)	10/15	APPEL, JR., Charles & Colleen (47)
10/12	GRATER, Richard & Carol (61)	10/16	SCHALK, Robert & Donna (42)
10/12	KNAPPENBERGER, James & Joan (33)	10/19	SCHNELLBACHER, Robert & Sieglinde (51)
		10/27	HOHMANN, Julie & Timothy (12)

Birthdays

10/06	WILLIAMS, Betty	10/13	CAESAR, Carly	10/23	MUSSELMAN, William
10/08	GLAUERT, James	10/13	CAESAR, Jack	10/24	WALTER, Daniel
10/09	VASS, Robert	10/13	WALTER, Patricia	10/27	APPEL Jr., Charles
10/10	WALTER, Kellie	10/18	DEL CID, Isabella	10/27	GRAELER, John
10/11	CREWS, Rebekah	10/20	NEIER, Jack	10/28	DARBY, Marcene
10/12	SCHJENKEN, Vicky	10/21	DIELMANN, Harold	11/04	JUNG, Charles
10/13	APPEL, Colleen	10/22	CHARLWOOD, Gloria	11/05	PAQUETTE, Gregory



Condolences

- Family of Leland Carlson, 9/23/1935 – 9/20/2024
- Family of Tiffanee Swanson, 1/23/1974 – 9/22/2024



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Sundays

Worship Service	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	11:00 a.m.

Mondays - Church Office Closed

Tuesdays

Quilters and Project Linus	9:30 a.m.
Prayer & Care Meeting	1:30 p.m.
Martial Arts	6 and 7 p.m.

Wednesdays

Women's Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
JAM Jesus and me	5:45 p.m.

Thursdays

Chorale	7:00 p.m.
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Fridays

Martial Arts	6 and 7 p.m.
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10/2 JAM Begins 5:45 pm
10/7 Missions Team 7 pm
10/9 Women's Fellowship 11:30 am
10/10 YarnWorks 1pm
10/14 Deacons 5:30 pm
10/14 Elders 7 pm
10/21 Reasonable Faith
10/26 Pray with the Elders 9am
10/27 Trunk-Or-Treat 1:30 pm
11/2 Set Your Clocks Back