

CELEBRATING FATHERS

All that is good comes from our Heavenly Father. Dear Heavenly Father, Thank you for all your blessings. Please let your peace fill my mind, let your love fill my heart, and let your wisdom guide my steps.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY



"The righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him." Proverbs 20:7

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New Sermon Series: *Exodus* - God With Us



Beginning June 22nd at St. Paul's, we are launching a brand-new sermon series exploring the powerful story of *Exodus*—a journey of deliverance, presence, and God's unshakable faithfulness. The series will continue for 12 weeks. Join us as we discover how this ancient story speaks directly into our lives today.

Week One, June 22nd: Forget or Faithful

Scripture: Exodus 1:8–22; 2:1–10; 2:23–25

Even when the world forgets us, God never does. Amid oppression, fear, and silence, God is already at work. This week, we'll see how God never forgets His people—He shows up, even in the darkest times.

Week Two, June 29th: The Great I AM

Scripture: Exodus 3:1–22; 4:1–17

When God calls, He also equips. As Moses meets the Great I AM at the burning bush, we're reminded that God's presence is His promise—and His presence is enough. Come be encouraged that Christ, the Great I AM, is with us still.

Come ready to be challenged, comforted, and changed. We can't wait to journey with you!

ELDER NEWS

Elder News

On June 1st a Town Hall meeting was held to provide St. Paul's congregation with a progress report on the work being done to develop St. Paul's vision. Pastor Marc led the meeting with support from David Pollmann our Elder chairman.

The meeting was opened with the reminder from scripture that:

"We are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works that He prepared in advance for us." Ephesians 2:12

To seek God's will for St. Paul's and what He has prepared for us the Elder and Deacon team is using a visioneering process based on the book of Nehemiah to:

1. Seek God thru prayer
2. Seek God thru Bible study
3. Use God given wisdom

St. Paul's is emerging from a time of significant challenge with a desire to once again be a flourishing church. God is using the challenges we have faced and the concerns we now share to drive us toward action. What God originates He orchestrates, and God equips those He calls! Our individual faith and willingness to trust in God's vision and plan for St. Paul's will be the foundation on which we will move forward.

God has already begun to reveal His plan for our church!

Our current focus on AIM will continue:

A – Abide – Love God, John 15:4

I – In Pursuit – Love one another, Matthew 27: 37-39

M – Mission – Love the lost, Matthew 28: 18-20



St. Paul's will be offering two worship services in the future, a traditional service and a new contemporary service. Through a generous anonymous donation, we will be able to develop and support the new contemporary worship service. Initial action plans & search committees are in place to recruit two new worship leaders, one for traditional worship and one for contemporary worship.

Vision development will be an ongoing process throughout 2025. The Elders will continue to keep the congregation informed of progress and seek input. We also want to give thanks to Pastor Todd Brooks from the EFCA who is supporting our visioneering team. Additional town hall meetings are planned for June 22, September 14 and December 7.

We encourage you to contact an Elder if you have any questions, comments or suggestions as we continue to develop our vision driven action plan for a healthy St. Paul's that pursues God's great commission.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Children and Family Ministries Update

As Sunday School and JAM wrap up for the summer, it is time to turn our eyes to our next child-centered activity – Vacation Bible School. True North VBS will run June 16th-20th. We will begin each evening with a family dinner at 5:30 pm. At 6:00 we will have our “opening” for the children which will include music and an overview of the evening’s lesson. From 6:20-7:40 we will break into our crews to visit the 4 stations: bible stories, games, snacks, and imagination station. Our younger children will participate in all stations at their meeting space. We will all close together at 7:40 in the multi-purpose room as one large group.

Registration is now open! Don’t delay in signing up, as space is limited. We also have room for more volunteers, so please let Lisa know if you are available to help with creating our “set”, or if you are available the week of VBS to work with the children. Pastor Marc and Lisa have set a big goal for the number of participants, so please pray that we will meet that goal!



There will be giveaways the whole week, including a t-shirt the first night. There are flyers in the Welcome Center that include a QR code that can be scanned to register your child.

Sunday School will resume in September, but Kids Church will continue through the summer. Look for JAM to also start sometime in September.

A HUGE thank you to everyone that helped make JAM a success this year! From those that helped directly with the children, to those that helped prepare the meals, it wouldn’t have been possible without your faithful support!

Pictures are from our last JAM and a special movie night!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women' Fellowship

June is a Thank Offering month. Three times throughout the year the Women's Fellowship is asked to donate to something or someone that they are thankful for in their lives. At the end of the year, 100% of donations are given to the ministry that has been chosen to receive them. For 2025 this ministry is Dutchtown Outreach. Dutchtown Outreach serves the Dutchtown area in St. Louis City through its mission: "To bring love and reconciliation, identity and dignity to the Dutchtown community by living out and sharing the restoring love of Jesus."

Our meeting this month is on June 11th. Please come and join us at 11:30 and bring a sack lunch.

Crusaders

Crusaders is a project focused service ministry at St. Paul's. It does not have a standing meeting time as it comes together to serve when a need is identified. All women members of St. Paul's are automatically a member. Currently the Crusaders provide ministry to bereaved families:

- When a funeral, memorial service or cemetery service is held at St. Paul's, then the Crusaders work with the family to provide a luncheon. The family pays for what is purchased but the Crusaders provide the side dishes, drinks, and desserts.

The Crusaders are also the primary sponsor of the Rummage Sale. The Rummage Sale is a wonderful community outreach event as it provides needed items to the community. Funds earned are used by the Crusaders to support missions, outreach activities, and other needs of St. Paul's.

If you are interested in learning more about how you can participate in the Crusaders ministry please contact Judy Pfeiffer through the church office.

Help Needed with Communion Preparation

At St. Paul's we serve Communion every first Sunday of the month and on special holy days. This ministry could use more help preparing and cleaning up after a communion service. Please contact Lynn May for more information through the church office.

A big THANK YOU to all those who have served for so many years.!

YOUTH MINISTRY

On Sunday May 18, a group of 14 representing St. Paul's provided support to residents in the city of St. Louis who had been impacted by the recent tornados.

Our group of 14 included members of our youth group, congregation, and Pastor Marc. We coordinated with Restore STL, a ministry thru New City Fellowship Church whose mission is spiritual and social support in the city. They provided us with locations of hard hit areas that needed people to provide love, support, and encouragement. In the first neighborhood we engaged with those working on their own homes. The first person we helped then checked her neighbors to determine who else might need our services. This provided us with several hours of serving on that one block. Most of our work included debris removal from yards due to damaged limbs and trees. But some homes had such extensive damage they were too dangerous for us to work on.

We served at a location just off of Page Ave in the city that had extensive damage to trees and homes. Note the picture below of the house with a tree leaning on it. This was an inhabited home where a professional crew with forestry equipment removed the massive tree from the center of the home. We, along with the Restore team, spent many man hours cutting up and stacking the offending tree. This was just a drop in the bucket compared to the devastation on just this one corner of the city.

Our team's service and focus on the tasks given was salt and light to those in need in this north St. Louis community. We engaged with the local people and people from the Restore STL team.

If you are interested in helping with the long and extensive cleanup effort, please contact the church office as there are many varied opportunities to help. Most importantly, please pray for those who lost family and friends, for the leaders who are planning the recovery, and for the workers who are committed to loving our city with their time and talents!



MISSION NEWS

Summer 2025 Missionary Visits

The Mission Team has a great lineup of visits planned for this summer.

- June 8: Levi Hart, Reach Reproductive Health, St. Louis
- June 15: Brad Wos, Ambassador City Church, St. Louis
- June 29: Craig & LaDonna Smith, Tribal Rescue Ministries, US and Global
- July 13: Cricket Meyer, Uyesu Unathi Ministries, South Africa
- July 27: Matt Clark, All Nations, St. Louis
- August 17: Derrill & Becky Martin, TEAM, Southeast Asia
- August 24: Ryan Irwin, Dutchtown House
- August 31: Marco van Raalten, Together STL, St. Louis

Please plan to join us to hear from these faithful people who are living out Christ's Great Commission as His witnesses here in St. Louis, the US, and to the ends of the earth.

Update & Praise from Cricket Meyer

There are many of you who gave towards the purchase of the property for Lingomso Ministries, either through your finances or through prayer on our behalf. Please join me now in praise and thanksgiving as we give God all the glory for the closing (registration) of the building that happened yesterday. (29 May)

The sign goes up!!



HIGHLIGHTS



Vacation Bible School - TRUE NORTH is June 16th through the 20th

Volunteers are needed for both preparation and serving during **VBS**.
Please contact Lisa Stahlhut if you would like to help.



Rummage Sale

St. Paul's rummage sale will be held on Saturday, August 2nd. We will need MANY volunteers the entire week prior to the sale to help in sorting, pricing, and organizing as well as during the day of the sale. Please let Susan Pollmann know if you can help. We will also have a sign up sheet available in the bulletin later this month. Donations may be dropped off at the bus garage after worship on June 22nd and July 13th. We will also be accepting donated items at the church July 26th - 30th.

HIGHLIGHTS

Ongoing Food Donations Needed

There continues to be an urgent need for food donations to support those impacted by the recent tornadoes in St. Louis City. Donations of food can be brought to the church and monetary donations can be made to St. Paul's with a note that specifies it's use for this ongoing ministry. Protein such as canned meats and soups is particularly needed. Should you have any questions please contact Barbara van Dyk.



Congratulations to all who passed their recent rank testing through St. Paul's martial arts ministry! Thank you Sensei!



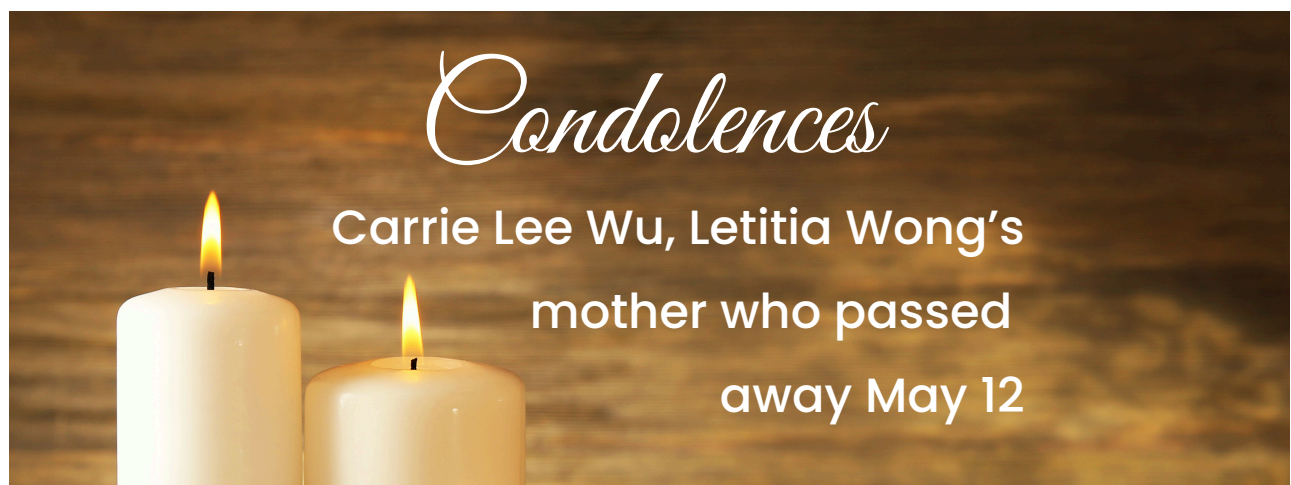
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries

06/01	MCGAULY, Michael & Sharon (62)	06/26	BOPP, Mike & Megan (4)
06/03	WONG, Conway & Letitia (25)	06/29	SCHJENKEN, Kelly & Vicky (51)
06/11	JACKSON, Larry & Susan (48)	06/30	DAVIS, Michael & Tammy (35)
06/16	ANDREWS, Don & Sue (46)	06/30	MILLER, James & Martha (64)
06/23	SHEHAN, John & Melissa (7)	07/03	WILLIAMSON, Kristine & Ken (12)
06/25	EICHHOLZ, Jerry & Faye (59)	07/05	VAN DYK, Kurt & Barbara (56)

Birthdays

06/01	LINDSTROM, Roger	06/14	STEO, Traci	06/21	TEARE, Douglas
06/02	GABLER, Elaine	06/14	WALTER, Danielle	06/22	HOHMANN, Julie
06/05	HOHMANN, Easton	06/15	CAESAR, Craig	06/23	OLIVER, Gary
06/05	MUELLER, William	06/16	CAESAR, Charles	06/26	WILLIAMSON, Kassandra
06/10	ANDREWS, Susan	06/17	WYNE, Greg	07/01	BUESCHER, Marlene
06/12	ERSELIUS, Joyce	06/19	HOLMON, Dwight	07/01	DEL CID, Maria
06/12	STULL, Betsy	06/19	VAN DYK, Barbara	07/01	VAN RAALTEN, Grace
06/13	RUSSELL, Kenneth	06/21	BENSING, Jennifer	07/05	SCHALK, Robert
06/14	DAHL, Timothy				



JUNE WORDSEARCH

Moses and the Exodus

Moses

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promised land

burning bush

israelites

miracles

red sea

Pharaoh

exodus

desert

canaan

egypt

quail

manna

Aaron

Moses



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Sundays

Worship Service & 9:30 a.m.
Children's Church

Mondays - Church Office Closed

Tuesdays

Quilters and Project Linus 9:30 a.m.
Prayer & Care Meeting 1:30 p.m.
Martial Arts (ends June 13) 6:00 p.m.

Thursdays

Chorale (ends June 15) 7:00 p.m.

Fridays

Martial Arts (ends June 13) 6:00 p.m.

6/1 Town Hall Meeting
6/2 Mission Team 7 pm, VBS Set-up 9am until June 15
6/8 Mission Speaker Levi Hart 11 am
6/9 Deacon's 5:30 pm, Elders 7 pm
6/11 Women's Fellowship, 11:30 am
6/14 Race for Reconciliation, 8:00 am
6/15 Father's Day, Mission Speaker, Brad Wos, 11am
6/17 VBS 5:30 pm dinner, 6:00 pm program thru June 20
6/19 YarnWorks 10 am
6/22 Rummage Drop-off 10:45, Town Hall Followup 11 am
6/28 Pray with the Elders 9 am
6/29 Mission Speakers, Craig and Ladonna Smith 11 am
6/30 Quilts of Valor, 9 am