



# The Grapevine

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*St. Paul's is a caring, Christ-centered congregation reaching out to the world by sharing the Good News through our Worship, Missions, Christian Education, and Fellowship.*

July 23, 2017

## Adult Sunday School Classes today at 11:00 a.m.

**“Genesis to Revelation”**—We are currently studying the book of John.

Led by David McIlvaine, Coke Room

***Fearless-Imagine Your Life Without Fear*** by Max Lucado—Chapter 4, Fear of Life's Final Moments.

Led by Bob Hastings, Embury Room

***The Shack*** by William Paul Young

Led by Connie Hastings

## New Sunday School Class

Starting today during the Sunday school hour, please join us for a book discussion of *The Shack* by William Paul Young. Suggested questions for class discussion will be available for the next week in the small group mailbox outside the main office.

## Church Key Inventory

The church office is currently conducting an inventory of St. Paul's keys. We are updating our records of who has keys, and requesting the return of keys from those people who no longer require them for church business. If you have any keys for the church, please contact Barb Barto at 302-478-3135, [barb.barto@comcast.net](mailto:barb.barto@comcast.net), or [stpaulsumcde@comcast.net](mailto:stpaulsumcde@comcast.net). The information needed is your name, the keys in your possession, and the reason you require the key. If you have a key that you no longer need, please return the key to Barb Barto in the office. If you have already spoken with her, it is not necessary to contact her. Thank you for your help.

## Join the Usher Team

Help needed! Due to the recent retirement of several long time members of St. Paul's ushering crew, help is needed to fill several slots to assist the team on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in a service opportunity at St. Paul's and would like to contribute in this area, please contact Scott Simpson at 302-995-9544. Thank you!



## Pastor Dave's Contact Information

Thanks to the Tech Team, Barb, and Trustees, Pastor Dave is now semi-settled into his office. When calling the church office, 302-478-3135, press 3 when prompted to reach his line. His email address is [davemcmillan@comcast.net](mailto:davemcmillan@comcast.net), cell phone number (in case of emergencies) 484-883-1050. Pastor Dave plans to be in his office during regular office hours. His day off will be Friday.

## Recording Audio Visual Ministry

Ear buds with power packs are now available if you are finding it difficult to hear during the morning worship service. These earbuds, placed within the ear, help to amplify sound. For hygienic reasons, members are encouraged to bring their own earbuds which can be purchased at Best Buy and many department stores. If you would like to use an earbud, please speak to an usher. A reminder: for best reception, your hearing aids should be turned to the t-coil mode.

## Thank You

Kim and I would like to thank everyone for your warm welcome and hospitality here at Saint Paul's. I am grateful to the staff and everyone else who have gone out of their way to make my transition a smooth one. I continue to look forward to learning new names and getting to know all of the stories of all the members here at Saint Paul's.  
Pastor Dave

## Today

9:30 am Sunday Worship  
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

11:00 am Adult Sunday School

## This Week

### TUESDAY (25)

8:00 pm AA Meeting, Coke Room

7:00 pm Al-Anon, Heck Room

### WEDNESDAY (19)

12:00 pm Daybreak Counseling, Lounge  
12:00 pm Grief Support, Timothy Lounge  
6:00 pm Ulter Project DE, Fellowship Hall

### THURSDAY (27)

8:00 am TMWC

### FRIDAY (28)

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Coke Room

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## Worship Notes

During the months of July and August, we will be following the Revised Common Lectionary and the gospel of Matthew as we follow Jesus' life and teaching about the kingdom of God.

“All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.” Acts 2:44-47

July 23 “The Wheat and the Tares”  
(Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43)

July 30 “The Kingdom of God is Like...”  
(Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52)

August 6 Pastor David Finch will be preaching

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August 20 “Pets Are Welcome”  
(Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28)

August 27 “Who Do You Say That I Am”  
(Matthew 16:13-20)

## Congregational Care Needs Your Help

We at St. Paul's are committed to the ties that bind us together as a church family which includes taking Communion to those who are unable to attend church. To this end, the Congregational Care Committee requests your help to purchase new Communion kits. Unfortunately, our kits are in need of replacing. These kits are costly. Not having sufficient funds within our budget to cover this cost, we are asking for donations totaling \$500.00. If you are willing to help us purchase new kits, please place your cash donation or check in an envelope marked “Congregational Care Committee: Communion Kits” and place it in the morning offering or mail to the church office. Thank You!

## Youth and Family Events Coming Soon

**Opportunity to Serve in our Worship Service:** All students entering 6th – 12 grades are invited to attend our Acolyte Pizza Luncheon on **Sunday, August 27** at 12:00 p.m. in Sanctuary/Kitchen. All new and returning acolytes are encouraged to come. Contact our youth director if you have any question at [kathleen.kennan@comcast.net](mailto:kathleen.kennan@comcast.net).

**Youth Ministry:** Have a desire to be part of our Youth Ministry? New, returning students, and parents please plan on attending this meeting on **Sunday, August 27** at 11:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Schedules, new information, and a Q & A session will be provided. Contact Kathleen Kennan for questions.

### St. Paul's Fall kick-off Sunday & Picnic Sunday, September 10

Our Fall Kick-off Sunday is a celebration day when we kick-off the beginning of our program year. Save this date and plan on attending our fall kick-off picnic. The picnic will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will take place on the church back lawn. Fried chicken will be our main course. Please plan on bringing side dishes to share. Yummy ice cream will be served as well. Join in on a fun night and invite friends and neighbors. Activities include: moon bounces, music, lawn games and fellowship. Contact our family ministries director, [Kathleen.kennan@comcast.net](mailto:Kathleen.kennan@comcast.net) for more information or call church office at 302-478-3135.

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## Friendship House Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

**Today, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
**Brandywine Springs Park, Ruby William Pavilion**

We look forward to celebrating another year of incredible volunteers with food and fun.

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