



WHAT IS ST. PAUL?

St. Paul Lutheran Church (ELCA) is a central-city congregation of 3,500 people who come from all over the Quad Cities region. We are a vibrant community shaped around five core values: radical hospitality, passionate worship, intentional faith formation, adventurous mission and service, and extravagant generosity.

WHO COMES TO ST. PAUL?

People who are brand new to Christianity, or growing from it for a lifetime, stream through the doors every week. Our congregation is home to people from all sorts of backgrounds and denominations. Everyone matters at St. Paul. No exceptions.

WHAT ABOUT THE WORSHIP?

Christians express their gratitude to God through worship. We believe in inspiring worship that is passionately God-centered. Four worship services anchor each weekend. **Saturdays:** 5:30 p.m. **Sundays:** 8, 9:20, and 11:45 a.m., a contemporary service. **Summer Sundays (starting May 22):** 8, 9:20, and 11 a.m.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT INSIDE ST. PAUL?

Expect to meet a lot of people who care about each other. The connecting places inside the main south parking lot entrance feel a bit like a town square. You'll find a crossroads of activity where the Sanctuary, bookstore, offices, and classrooms intersect. Staff and hosts wearing a lanyard and a smile are there to greet and assist you. You never have to walk far to fuel up at St. Paul. Look for the long central refreshment counter and mobile coffee carts.

Parking is available in the church lots on the south and west sides of the campus (see map). Overflow parking is available at Madison School, Vander Veer Park, and residential side streets.

WILL MY KIDS FIND A PLACE?

St. Paul is crawling with children and youth ministries. Kids are a special part of worship. Children's messages (with inspiration for grown-ups too!) are included in the 9:20 and 11:45 a.m. Sunday services. Kids' bags with soft toys, books, and crayons can be borrowed at the Sanctuary entrance.

Staffed childcare is available all Sunday morning as needed. If a child needs a break from worship, parents can step out and hear the service through broadcast speakers.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

There are countless ways to grow and engage your Christian life. The church website and social media sites provide regular updates on opportunities; so do the *Connections* flyer and the *Journey* magazine at the Info Center. Enter your email address on the St. Paul website to receive weekly news and ministry updates.

ST. PAUL CAMPUS MAP

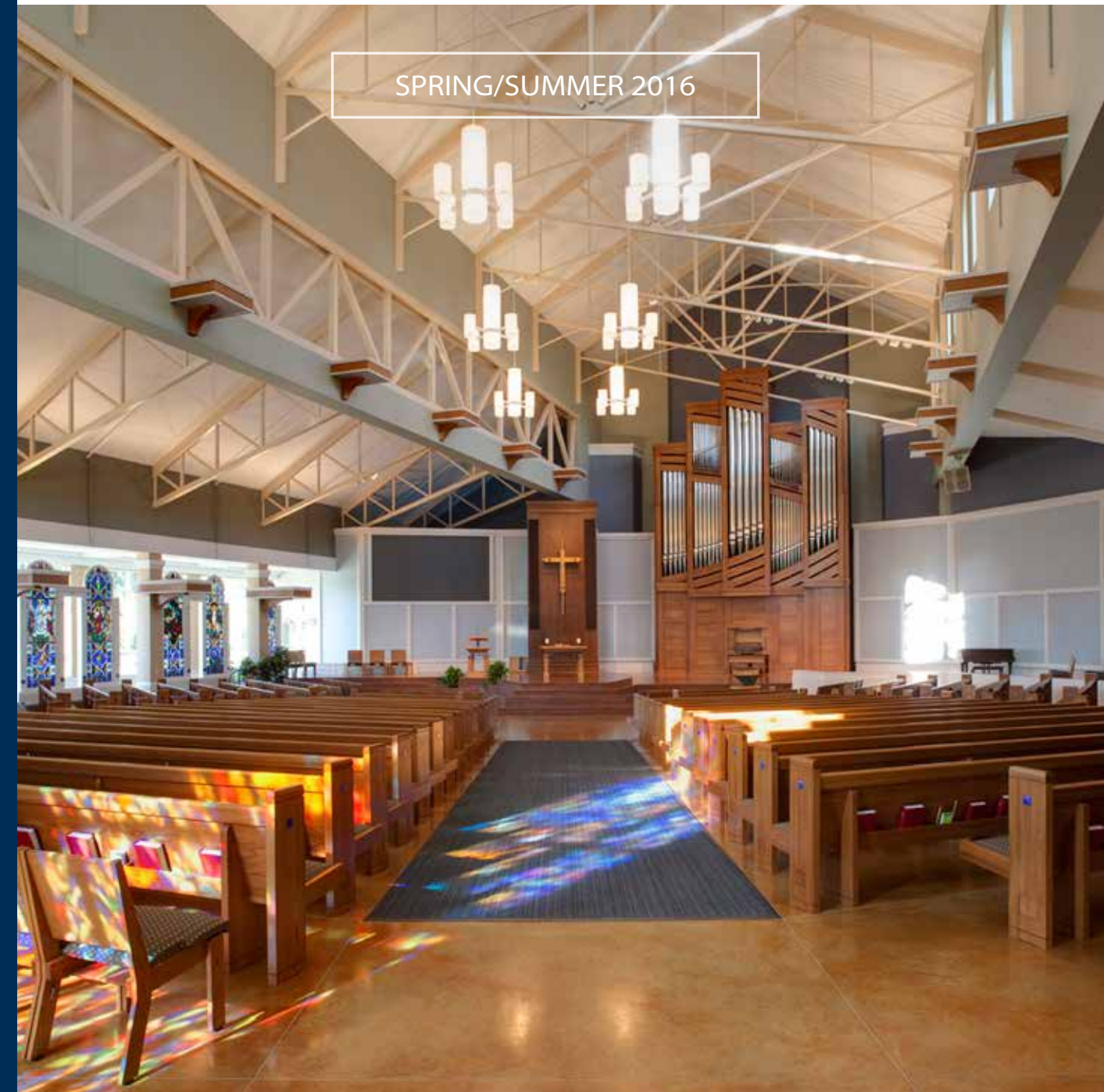


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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL!

Some people see church as nothing more than a place to *attend*. At St. Paul, we aim to create a community to which you can *belong*. We prize community. We cherish an understanding of grace that includes all people.

Our congregation doesn't have the mysteries of God figured out. We certainly haven't solved any of society's biggest problems. But we're unafraid to ask tough questions and wrestle out a faithful and joyous Christian life.

Since we pull together from all walks of life, you won't find uniformity on all issues. But you can expect a spirit of unity, love, and a deep commitment to the needs of others. These realities mattered to Jesus; they matter to us. So come and give new shape to your life in Christ. Our doors are open wide to you.

Peter W. Marty, senior pastor



Peter W. Marty
senior pastor

Sara Olson-Smith
associate pastor

Katy Warren
associate pastor

Amy Diller
pastor in residency

Liesebet Gravley
pastor in residency

Ron Huber
visitation pastor

WORSHIP & MUSIC

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WEEKEND SERVICES

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.: A quieter service, with traditional liturgy and preaching.

Sunday, 8 a.m.: An "early bird" service, with traditional liturgy and preaching, and special musical ensembles.

Sunday, 9:20 a.m.: A traditional or blended liturgy with choirs, preaching, and a children's message.

Sunday, 11:45 a.m. (11 a.m. starting May 22): A 45-minute service led by the Open Spirit contemporary ensemble, with a more informal style and children's message.

SPECIAL WORSHIP

- **Lenten Wednesdays** | Feb. 17-Mar. 16
Worship at 12 noon & 7 p.m.
- **Palm/Passion Sunday** | March 20
Palm branches wave at all services.
- **Maundy Thursday** | Mar. 24, 12 & 7 p.m.
We mark Jesus' last meal.
- **Good Friday** | Mar. 25, 12, 4:30, & 8 p.m.
Remembering the death of Jesus.
- **Easter Sunday** | March 27
Services at 6, 8, 9:45 & 11:30 a.m.
- **Mayfest** | May 22, after worship
- **Jazz Sunday** | July 30, 9:20 & 11 a.m.
Food for the soul on Bix Weekend.

CHOIRS

From age 4-adults, St. Paul's choirs sing songs of faith, in a soul-filled mix of music. No auditions, just come for Wednesday evening rehearsals at 6 p.m. through May 4 for kids and May 11 for adults.

MUSIC EVENTS

Talented ensembles. Acclaimed choral performances. Grand recitals. Music events are a gift from St. Paul to the community, welcoming area music lovers.

KIDS & FAMILIES

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SUNDAY MORNINGS

Children explore their faith through interactive activities, creative projects, and engaging music on Sundays, 10:45-11:30 a.m., through May 15.

The *Spark* curriculum gets kids engaged in God's Word. Children experience one Bible story for four to six weeks, attending a different activity each week - digging into the story in lively, age-appropriate ways.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 13-17, 8:30 a.m.-12 noon
St. Paul will come alive as kids and adult volunteers get their imaginations going.

Children start each morning in an age-based homeroom. After a high-energy gathering in the Sanctuary, kids experience a Bible story through rotational activity stations. Music. Crafts. Games. Snacks. It's a fresh combination of faith and fun!

PARENTING

Families share in the joys and trials of parenting and grow in the efforts to raise kids in a life of faith.

PRESCHOOL

St. Paul Preschool is a joyful village for children, age two through pre-K. Classrooms fill with light and life, Monday-Friday, 8:45-11:45 a.m., September through May.



A SPIRIT OF MISSION

21% OF OUR DAILY MINISTRY BUDGET IS DISTRIBUTED TO HELP OTHERS

Nothing matters to us more than turning our lives inside out for the sake of the world. As a congregation, we commit ourselves to strengthening the lives of others - in our community, nation, and around the world.

HOUSING

A crew of St. Paul people head to Appalachia twice each year to make homes warmer, safer, and drier. Want to join the effort? It will change your life and the families you serve.

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NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS

Sign on to be a mentor or tutor for kids at Madison Elementary or J.B. Young K-8. You can also help with a food pantry, hands-on projects, and special events.

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FOOD

Help package meals, targeted for a place of need in the world. Dish up a warm supper at the local Salvation Army meal site. Prepare "comfort food" for people at important life transitions.

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MENTAL HEALTH

At St. Paul, all people are embraced - no questions asked. Person-to-person caring mixes with advocacy and awareness through support groups, community education, and more.

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EARTH CARE

The St. Paul corner of the world is a beautiful place. Help keep our neighborhood clean, roll up your sleeves and help in the community garden, or join recycling efforts at church.

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YOUTH

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SUNDAY MORNINGS

Students in grades 6-12 jump into conversations wrapped around God's presence, 10:45-11:30 a.m., through May 15.

There's also a spirit of serving on Sundays. Some high school youth volunteer to teach younger children, and acolytes are confirmation students who serve during worship. The Youth Choir sings, too.

GRADES 6-8

Confirmation: St. Paul's confirmation ministry is a creative, spirit-enlivened experience built on relationships with God and others.

678 Summer Experience: June 13-17, 8:30 a.m.-12 noon. Crazy games, field trips, serving adventures, and deep connections with other 678 students mark this June week.

HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday Night Live (SNL): With kids from all over the Quad Cities, it's about genuinely connecting with others, and working out what it means to have faith in this world.

Summer Stretch: June 13-17, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Teens, grades 9-12, volunteer with VBS kids in the morning, then stay to play and learn all afternoon.

ADULTS

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SUNDAY MORNINGS

Find many options for adult classes on Sundays. Choose from a variety of guest presenters, a Bible study, or a discussion on Biblical messages and how they relate to our lives of faith.

Come. Meet up with God's Word, some riveting ideas, and a host of interesting people. There's no need to register in advance. *Sunday learning will take a summer break starting May 22.*

BOOK & BIBLE STUDIES

Lifelong learning is a big deal at St. Paul. For adults, classes and small groups are foundations for growing in faith. We strive to deepen our fluency in the Bible, grapple with issues, and connect meaningfully with one another.

Small groups and Bible studies are a great way to jump into life at St. Paul. They offer a welcoming place to belong, reflect, and grow.

TOGETHERNESS

St. Paul is a large community with an abundance of small and informal groups where friendships blossom:

- WELCA, Women Connected
- Lutheran Men in Mission
- Young adults and college ministry
- Support and care groups
- Mental health support
- Centering prayer
- Prime Time (50/60/70s)

EVENTS

Special events. Small groups. Faith milestones for children and youth. Ways to serve others. There's something for everyone at St. Paul. The people in the picture above could be you!

To find current signups at St. Paul, visit:

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SOCIAL



PEOPLE TO KNOW

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Chris Nelson
director of music ministries

Bill Campbell
contemporary music

Jon Hurty
chorale director

Dan Pepper
youth choir director

Linda Allebach
cantate choir director

Rosita Tendall
jubilate choir director



Margaret Thompson
alleluia choir

Ryan Bailey
director of faith formation

Joanna Roland
preschool & kids' learning

Michelle Juehring
children & families

Andy Langdon
director of youth ministry

Dana Welser
schools partnership

Tammy Hermanson
residency admin.

Karen Holden
Book Corner manager



Teresa Whitbeck
childcare coordinator

Harris Schneekloth
campus supervisor

Matt Spencer
custodial manager

Jim Akright
maintenance

Joe Wollett
evening host

Ron Mullen
weekend host

Paul Caldwell
weekend host