

St. Paul United
Methodist Church



Newsletter Date
August 2024

MESSENGER LAY LEADER DONNA HOUSE

On August 19, 2023, we held a congregational meeting, “Wind in our Sails”. 50 members gathered on a Saturday morning to share hundreds of joys of our church and their hopes for the future and everyone had a voice. and everyone shared and gave input on how our church should move forward. As a result, we had 3 focus areas:

- a) a trial combined/blended service of our 9:00 traditional and our 11:00 contemporary 2 services,
- b) fellowship time on Sundays,
- c) and more church wide and community family ministry events.

We have had great success with our monthly family activities including: Taco Fiesta, Trunk or Treat, Chili Cookoff, Family Christmas Eve Service, Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction, Easter Egg Hunt, Potluck Easter Brunch and more! We look forward to more great events.

Our Sunday Fellowship Times have been a wonderful opportunity to connect or reconnect with each other as a church family. Many, many thanks to Pete Carroll who faithfully sets up the tables and chairs for each Sunday. Kudos to all of those who take turns setting up the yummy goodies and cleaning up each Sunday. And a huge thanks to ALL who have donated baked items or who have contributed funds to help continue this important ministry.

On August 17, 2024, we will hold our **2nd Annual Wind in Our Sails** congregational meeting from **9:00 – 11:30 am in the CLC Activity Center**. Once again, the congregation will be asked to share their joys of our church and hopes for the future. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending!

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

- August 17th—2024
SPUMC Wind in Our Sails
- August 19th—SPUMPS
First Day of School
- September 7th—Church
Rummage/Yard Sale

ST. PAUL UMC VISION STATEMENT

*“St. Paul United
Methodist Church is a
Christ-Centered family
that offers H.O.P.E., by
responding to God’s
love and grace as
Christian disciples”*



WORSHIP COMMITTEE
BARB MILLER, CHAIR

June 30-August 11: Guest/Lay preachers to serve on Sundays during Pastor Baek's sabbatical

August 25: Blessing of the Backpacks

September 15: National Back to Church Sunday

Service Attendance:

June 16	9am 44 + 3 online	11am 10 + 3 online
June 23	9am 53 + 3 online	11am ?? + 2 online
June 30	10am Combined 56 + 5 online	
July 7	10am Combined 52 + 6 online	
July 14	10am Combined 56 + 6 online	

The next Worship Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 19th at 6:30pm in the Library.

“Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.”

SUNDAY SCHOOL
SUSAN BAKER

Positive Points: We have people willing to substitute when a teacher is out. We have room for more participants and facilitators/teachers so come join us.

Class Reports: The Adult class participation is between 1-3 with facilitator. The lessons are on the scripture for that Sunday. High School has no students at this time. Elementary has 1-3 participants with 2 teachers each Sunday. The lessons align with the scripture for that Sunday.

Needs: We will have Middle School and Elementary age participants in Sunday School for the 2024-2025 school year. Please let me know if you would like to join the Sunday School Ministry team. Susan Baker (410)474-3896. Text or call

July & August during fellowship time Sunday School will have an activity table available. They will target elementary age. If you will have young visitors please let us know so we have enough materials. Susan Baker (410)474-3896 Text or call.

Requests: Please continue to pray for the Sunday School ministry at St. Paul UMC as God guides you. Thanking God and all those who help make the Sunday School Ministry possible by praying, participating, and facilitating/teaching. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

2024
SUMMER SERVICES

ST. PAUL UMC
WOULD LIKE TO
WELCOME
THIS SUMMER'S
GUEST SPEAKERS

JUNE 30TH
MELVIN GROVER

JULY 7TH
REV. MARIANNE BROWN

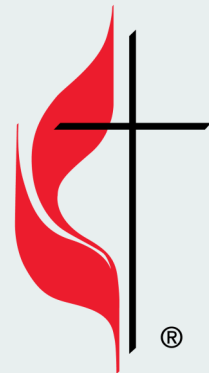
JULY 14TH
REV. MARIANNE BROWN

JULY 21ST
EVERETT BAKER

JULY 28TH
SPECIAL WORSHIP
SERVICE

AUGUST 4TH
REV. PATIRICIA WATSON

AUGUST 11TH
MELVIN GROVER





Managing the property, equipment, and investments God has entrusted in our ministry.



SPPRC
Staff Pastor Parish
Relations Committee

As a reminder, SPPRC meetings are closed as established by the Book of Discipline, and all information shared in the committee is confidential. The congregation may share any joys or concerns with the committee. The next SPPRC meeting is September 26th where we will begin the important task of Pastor's yearly evaluation.

TRUSTEES JIM HOUSE, CHAIR

The St. Paul UMC Trustees meet on the first Thursday of each month for their business meeting. Items discussed include church projects, church maintenance and finances. Work sessions are scheduled as needed to maintain the facilities and complete projects.

Upcoming projects include:

1. SPUMC Home Mission Project - The Trustees have decided to make the Saturdays in November our mission project to rehab the current Fellowship Hall adjacent to the sanctuary. James Ritter is spearheading the project. Please mark your calendars to lend a hand with cleaning out the closets, drywall, insulation, flooring, ceiling tiles, etc... This is a facelift that is LONG overdue!
2. Rekeying of locks for doors into the CLC
3. Inspection of the fire suppressant system for kitchen scheduled for July
4. Scheduling the yearly inspection of Pastor Baek's parsonage and making any needed repairs.

The trustees maintain a detailed list of projects across our campus and are working to complete them. Please inform a trustee if you see any area that needs repair and/or if you have an idea for improvement. We want St. Paul UMC to be an inviting, safe space for all to worship and fellowship.

SPPRC DONNA HOUSE, CHAIR

The SPPRC committee has met three times and have updated the current Safe Sanctuary Policy that last received updates in 2020. The Policy was brought to Church Council on June 13th for approval and signature of the Council President and Pastor. The introductory paragraph states:

Covenant Statement

St. Paul United Methodist Church hereby pledges to conduct the ministry of Jesus Christ in ways that assure the physical and emotional safety and spiritual growth of all of our children and youth as well as all of our workers with children and youth. We will follow reasonable safety measures when selecting and recruiting workers; we will implement prudent operational procedures in all areas of programming and care; we will train our workers with children and youth on our procedures and policies; and we will have a clearly defined procedure for reporting a suspected incident of abuse that conforms to the requirements of Maryland law. All SPUMC volunteers and staff are considered mandated reporters.

This policy also applies to ALL volunteers and staff who use the SPUMC facility. You can request a full physical or virtual copy of this updated Safe Sanctuary Policy from our church office.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 8/01 James Bean
- 8/03 Susan Baker
- 8/03 Keith Powell
- 8/05 Catherine Mason
- 8/06 Camren Huffman
- 8/08 Donna House
- 8/08 Frankie Underwood
- 8/09 Ron Gruver
- 8/11 Cameron Adriani
- 8/11 Ruth Dixon
- 8/11 Kathleen Hutchinson
- 8/13 Andrea Abrams
- 8/15 Susan Allor
- 8/15 Charlotte Busey
- 8/16 Jonathan Artz
- 8/16 Molli Cornett
- 8/16 Abby Kindsvater
- 8/17 Kristin Halstead
- 8/17 Barbara Miller
- 8/18 Brianna Bobkoskie
- 8/19 Thomas Smith
- 8/20 Tony Bell
- 8/26 Kaitlyn Bobkoskie
- 8/26 Reagan Bobkoskie
- 8/27 Dusty Milling
- 8/27 Austin Roberts
- 8/28 Bill Kindsvater
- 8/31 Lorene Bates
- 8/31 Dorothy Gaylord

FINANCE KAREN HILL, CHAIR

2024 Finance Summary by month will be available upon request.

An Audit of the Cemetery Fund will be planned for later in 2024.

The Finance Committee is still working toward offering a Financial Training small group study to start in later 2024. Everett Baker and Jackie Mulvey will be leading the study.

A new finance policy has been established for the creation of new Ministry Groups. No new ministry will be initiated without approval of both the Finance Committee and the Church Council.

“Gain all you can ... save all you can ... give all you can.”

- John Wesley

**2024 BUDGET =
\$348,825**

As a non-profit,
the budget assumes
unrestricted income and
expenses are equal for a
net income of \$0 .



CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRIES
SHERRY MERVINE, LEADER

The goal of St. Paul Children and Youth Ministries is to enable young people ages 0-18 an understanding and recognition of who Jesus is and how to live with Christian character, morals, values, and behaviors for the glory of God.

Future events:

September 7th—Rummage Sale/Parking Lot Yard Sale

September 8th— Bring your Grandchildren to church day with Ice Cream Social

Community Cleanup: October?

Fall family event— TBD

Summer Fellowship:

After the combined service at 10AM we will have fellowship time including light luncheon snacks and family friendly game/events for the whole family beginning July 7th. Please consider joining us weekly to relax with your church family.



CARD COMMITTEE
CAROL HOWARD, CHAIR

Your greeting card ministry has reached the half year mark in its inaugural year and we're pleased to report that we have mailed 109 cards (excluding any cards to the Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home and whole congregation holiday cards for Easter and Valentine's Day). This includes cards to our visitors, college students during exams, recognition of committee work within the church, birthday cards to staff and college students, sympathy, sickness/surgeries or hospital stays/serious injuries/cancer support, thinking of you cards to members who have been absent, HS graduations, joining the church, servicemen holiday cards, and recognition of elementary school honors. In addition, we have also mailed 72 holiday cards to church members.

We are excited to announce that we have begun planning for our newest project- a card making session. Two people have come forward with ideas to kick start this endeavor. As details are finalized, we will notify the congregation. If you have materials or supplies that could possibly support this project, see Carol.

We still are requesting names/addresses of people who may have a need for a greeting card. Reach out to someone in our committee: Barb and Steven Mack, Wende Flagler, or Carol Howard (all who normally attend the 9:00 service) and Elaine Perkowich (who normally attends the 11:00 service) or text Carol at 301-672-5129. We want to be compassionate and responsive to our St. Paul congregation.

Please donate any unwanted cards to Carol in person or place them in the box that is located conveniently outside the office. We appreciate any support of our ministry. As always, contact Carol if you have any questions or ideas.

- Thank you.



PRAYER COMMITTEE BARB MACK, CHAIR

The prayer committee is busy celebrating the gifts of prayer and encouragement of others to consider building on their prayer lives. We are excited about upcoming projects and would like to share our team and plans with you.

Elaine is chairing our benches for meditation program, which you will be hearing about in the coming weeks.

Nerissa has been chairing the Facebook and website. Hopefully, you are checking in weekly to see what the prayer of the week is. Nerissa has been monitoring the site and the Facebook page weekly prayer request numbers are growing.

The Mom to Mom Project connecting moms of younger children with moms still in the trenches is starting to build. Nerissa and Mindy are leading the way.

Ruth is our Prayer Warrior leader. If you are interested in a call or know of a member who would benefit from a call please advise Ruth, pastor, or leave a message with the church office.

We are planning to share a **Prayer Hands** for Minute to Ministry and a Children's message sharing a children's version.

Steven is going to reach out to the Trustees to discuss the Christmas Walk for this year.

We are starting a **Dedicated Prayer Team**, and we need your support and assistance. There are people facing challenges that want prayers but do not want to share their situation openly. These people are not only from the church but from outside the church. We believe that there are members of our church family that would love to help from home. Please contact me (**Barb**) at **240-925-0357** if you would be interested in sharing the gift of daily prayer for someone that needs your dedicated prayers.

Coming in the fall Elaine and Melvin with Pastor Baek will be doing a **Healing Service**. We will also be opening the sanctuary during the week for us to enjoy peaceful time with our Father. Watch for further information.

Andrea and Kathy are our behind-the-scenes talented support and reference team.

Wende is our art director, and she is preparing for our next CLC prayer table exhibit.

We are fortunate to have **Mindy** serving as our Scheduler Major keeping us on track and on time with all our projects.

Diane is our honorary member who supports our committee, church family and all those that want or need prayers.

Carol serves as our liaison between the card committee and the prayer committee.

Please note that we hold our meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of every month in the church library at noon. Now that we have introduced ourselves and what we are working on, please join us in person or from home!

Remember to pray for St. Paul Lusby and spread the joy!!

The Prayer Committee will meet again on Wednesday, August 21st at noon in the Library.



IT'S SUMMERTIME

And that means **CHANGES** for our
BIBLE STUDIES



SUMMER BREAK
The Faith Circle will be taking a Summer
Break.
See You in September!

**TUESDAY NIGHT
BIBLE STUDY**
(Includes both Men and Women)

**WILL
BE TAKING A PARTIAL
SUMMER BREAK**
Watch for information
pertaining to meeting dates

Melvin Grover
Group Leader
Mogroverretired
@gmail.com



It's **LONLEY** without **YOU!**
So, we will meet sparingly this
Summer

WOMEN ONLY
Every
MONDAY
EVENING

Come drop in
on any session

We meet in the
Library at 6:45

Our summer format will be
varied. Each week will be
independent often using the
Upper Room as our guide.

We begin with a time of sharing
and prayer. Our lesson discussion
usually begins at 7:30.

ALL women are welcome.
See Becky Grover 410-474-8866
(or any of the women currently
attending) for more information.

ZOOM access welcome.

Coming Monday's, Sept. 9

*The Girl's Still Got It: Take a
Walk with Ruth and the God
Who Rocked Her World*



PARKING LOT-COMMUNITY YARD SALE

September 7th 9AM-2PM

\$10

**OUTDOOR SPACE 10X10
(YOU BRING TABLE/CANOPY-NO ELECTRICITY)**

\$25

**INDOOR SPACE 10X10
(USE OUR 8FT TABLE- NO ELECTRIC)**

\$20

**INDOOR SPACE 10X10
(USE OUR 8FT TABLE- WITH ELECTRIC)**

**OUTDOOR FOOD VENDOR SPACE
(YOU BRING TABLE/CANOPY-NO ELECTRICITY- NO WATER HOOKUP)**



REGISTER HERE FOR A SPACE



**St. Paul UMC- Lusby 11000 HG Trueman Rd. 410-326-4475
cyleader@stpaulumc-lusby.org**



**Bring your “Grands”
to Church Day!
Sunday, September 8th**

Bring your Grandchildren, Grandparents,
and Grandfriends to church

Ice cream social following the 11AM service in the
Christian Life Center

2024 Wind in Our Sails

2nd Annual St. Paul UMC (Lusby) Congregational Meeting

Saturday, August 17, 2024

9:00 am – 11:30 am

Activity Center in the CLC (Christian Life Center)

*Once again, the congregation will be asked to share their joys
of our church and hopes for the future.*

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St. Paul invites you all

to connect with us on social media!

Please take a moment to visit our Facebook page and
give us a thumbs-up, share your thoughts in the com-
ments, and spread the words by sharing our posts.
Your support helps us reach more people with our mes-
sage of faith, love and unity within our community.
Let's stay connected and continue to grow together as a
church family online!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 Worship (10 am) 11:10am - Fellowship	29 6:45pm - Women's Bible	30 6:30pm - Bible 7pm - BS Troop/AC @	31 6:15pm - Praise 7:30pm - AA/FH @ 7:30pm - Scout Leaders	1 6pm - Trustees/FH 5:30pm - Finance/Library 6:30pm - Council/Library	2 8pm - AA/FH @	3 9am - 2024 Wind in Our
4 Worship (10 am) 11:10am - Fellowship	5 6:45pm - Women's Bible	6 6:30pm - Bible 7pm - BS Troop/AC @	7 6:15pm - Praise 7:30pm - AA/FH @ 7:30pm - Scout Leaders	8 5:30pm - Finance/Library 6:30pm - Council/Library	9 8pm - AA/FH @	10
11 Worship (10 am) 11:10am - Fellowship	12 6:45pm - Women's Bible	13 6:30pm - Bible 7pm - BS Troop/FH @	14 6:15pm - Praise 7:30pm - AA/FH @	15 9am - SPUMPS Meet & 12pm - SPUMPS - Parent 8pm - AA/FH @	16 9am - SPUMPS Meet & 12pm - SPUMPS - Parent 8pm - AA/FH @	17 9am - 2024 Wind in Our
18 Worship (10 am) 11:10am - Fellowship	19 SPUMPS First Day of 6:45pm - Women's Bible	20 Newsletter Article Due 6:30pm - Bible 7pm - BS Troop/FH @	21 12pm - Prayer Committee 6:15pm - Praise 7:30pm - AA/FH @	22 8pm - AA/FH @	23 8pm - AA/FH @	24
25 Worship (10 am) 11:10am - Fellowship	26 6:45pm - Women's Bible	27 9am - HeartFelt /FH @ 6:30pm - Bible 7pm - BS Troop/FH @	28 6:15pm - Praise 7:30pm - AA/FH @	29 8pm - AA/FH @	30 8pm - AA/FH @	31

GIFT CARDS

Every Sunday, food cards for Giant and Weis are available to purchase in the CLC. This assists in our operating budget.



LOST and FOUND

SPUMC has a "Lost and Found" basket stationed in the lobby of the Christian Life Center.

Contact the church office if you have any questions.

Food Drop Lusby is the 3rd Friday of every month at Middleham Parking lot by SMILE, starting at 9 AM. The Maryland Food Bank provides fresh food for packing and distribution. If you can grocery shop you can enjoy a morning making a difference. Distribution Drivers are also needed.

DONATIONS FOR "SMILE" FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishable grocery items are collected each month from our Christian Life Center (CLC).

Please place your donations in the box labeled for SMILE.

Project Echo and CareNet also have donation boxes to support the needs of those they serve.

More information is available in the Christian Life Center

Thank you for supporting our community missions.

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**Submissions for the August Messenger
are due August 20th.
Thank you.**

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Office Manager.....Nerissa Curtin
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Finance Manager.....Cindy Shippert
financemanager@stpaulumc-lusby.org

Church Custodian.....Missy Garber

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday 9:30 am to 3:00 pm