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YOUR MID-MONTH UPDATE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AND AROUND SAINT PAUL'S



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"THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF SAINT PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IS TO LEAD PEOPLE TO AN ACTIVE FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST"

E-news

Wednesday Nite Live!

The current session of WNL started on January 9th, but it's not too late to get into some courses. Take the initiative and get yourself into a group! If you haven't taken Alpha yet, then start there. It is an excellent course to develop, renew or strengthen your faith and it's a great way to make some new friends! Look in the Sunday program for all the options!

Saint Paul's to Host Camino in February....

"What is Camino?" Camino is a three day spiritual walk that helps you experience the grace of God in a very real, personal way. The next weekend dates are coming to Saint Paul's in February 2008.

If you would like to learn more or you are interested in attending, please contact Ben Bainbridge at 417-623-YARD, or email him at ben@thesalvageyard.com.



New Director of Student Ministries!

We would like to welcome Julie Arnold, our new Director of Student Ministries. We are very excited to have Julie on staff. Julie has several years of experience in youth ministry and she will bring a dynamic energy to Saint Paul's! There will be a "meet and greet" for Julie on Sunday, January 13th at 9:30 a.m. in The Zone.

CrossTraining For Kids!

God's Kids Grow!

Join us on Wednesday Nights for CrossTraining from 6:00 till 8:00 pm. Including dinner.

Because children learn in diverse ways, CrossTraining is filled with a variety to appeal to Kids many learning styles. Every evening includes a terrific-kid-loving way to present the Bible story and interesting object talk. Students also participate in several learning centers involving active games, and creative art activities that will help them express what they learn and a Worship time with several options for student's involvement with a music video. Younger children are provided with a Bible story coloring sheet. The goal of CrossTraining is to generate excitement about the wonderful way God has revealed Himself to us.

See you on Wednesday nights. For more information call 623-7090.



Open Auditions for Musicians & Singers!

As Saint Paul's has grown in the past few years, so has our music ministry. We have lots of wonderful people who sing solos and play various instruments. But, we know there are many folks out there with musical gifts that we don't yet know about. So...here's your chance!

If you play an instrument (from the drums to the violin) or sing and would be interested in providing special music on occasion of filling in for a current band member, we will be holding auditions **Sunday, January 27th starting at 2:00 p.m. in the Worship Center.** We will also hold auditions at the **Salvage Yard on Sunday, February 10th (time to be announced).** If you might be interested in sharing your gifts, please contact Janet Brown at church (623-7090). You may also sign up on the Friendship Form on Sunday.



Join the Choir for the Spring Musical!

The Choir will soon be preparing for the annual spring musical. This is a great way to sing powerful music about Chris's life, death and resurrection and grow in your faith as well. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings beginning January 17th at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center.

Sign up on the Friendship Form on Sunday morning or call Janet Brown at 623-7090, ext. 31 if you are interested. We always love to have new voices for this special time of year!

Check Out The Zone Floors!

If you haven't been to The Zone recently, come to see our new floors! Thanks to Rich Rhoades for all the time and hard work that he put in to make the floors look awesome!



"Extreme Makeover" Women's Retreat, Jan. 25-26

The Retreat at Saint Paul's begins with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Friday, January 25 and concludes by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, the 26th. Bring a sleeping bag, air mattress or whatever you want to sleep on and any personal care items you will need. Feel

free to bring anything that will make this time relaxing for you (books, knitting, etc.). Bring a snack to share with others - **all meals will be provided.** This will be a time for fellowship, fun, crafts and spiritual growth with other women. We will be using Joana Weaver's book - *Having a Mary Spirit* to look at the things causing structural damage to our spirits and how we can transform them through a holy makeover.

The cost is \$20.00 per person. Register on the Friendship Form on Sunday or at the Information Center. Please register by Jan. 16th. For more information or scholarship needs contact Bernice Robinson at 417-623-0174.



We would like to thank all of those who have given to make the **People Carrier** a reality! Stop by the church and take a look at it! Call if you need a ride!

Super Bowl Subs!

The youth of Saint Paul's are selling 6" Super Bowl Sub sandwiches! These subs come with 3 kinds of meat, 2 kinds of cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickles and onions.

Please pre-order your sub before Thursday, January 31. There will be a sign up sheet in the lobby. The cost is \$5 for this huge sub sandwich and orders can be picked up before or after worship on Sunday, February 3.



Bring soup to the church for the needy!

Saint Paul's youth is sponsoring "Souper Sundays". We are asking everyone to donate at least one can of soup from each person in their family. Please bring your soup (and cracker!) to the church by Sunday, February 3, Super Bowl Sunday.

Your donations can be dropped off by the display in the lobby. All donations will go to Crosslines.