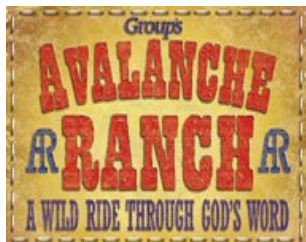




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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 23- 27, 2007
 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon



Howdy Partners! Saddle up your horses and get ready for a wagonload of fun at Avalanche Ranch Vacation Bible School. Come and invite your friends for a week of playing games, singing songs, eating snacks, making crafts, and learning from God's Word. Children age 3 through (completed) 5th grade are welcome. VBS will run daily from 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon with a closing program at 6:30 pm on Thursday night July 26, 2007. Wahoo! Don't miss what will be a rip roaring good time! To register, pick up a form in the church main lobby or KidSpace. If you have questions, contact us at 623-7090.

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The Coolest Party on the Block!!!

The Salvage Yard will be having it's first ever "Block Party" on Saturday, July 7th.

There will be free food, games for the kids, and four live bands throughout the event. The party begins at 4:00 p.m., and won't end until midnight. Dear Paco will be down from Kansas City along with local artists BLISS and Hypernikao. Cody James and Stainless will be closing out the night of music. Bill McClemore Ministries will join us, as well as a local motorcycle group.

You can also join us for Mosaic Worship on Sunday nights at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited. Bring a friend, neighbor, or someone you just met. The Salvage Yard is located at 1402 South Main Street, Joplin Missouri. You can contact the club at 417-623-YARD, or email Ben Bainbridge at ben@thesalvageyard.com.

Wednesday Night Live Starts August 29th!

Make the decision now... "I want to grow in my faith this fall by joining a group at Wednesday Night Live!" We'll have lots of opportunities for adults (Alpha, Crown Bible Study, Joy of Living, and many more), plus *Crosstraining* for children and *The Crossing* for youth. Bonus— it all starts out with a meal!

Faith Training **Stay Fit (Spiritually Speaking) this summer!**

"Faith Training" is the name of our Wednesday Night courses this summer. We are offering newly developed 3-week courses:

- Faith, Heart & Practices of a Methodist (July 11, 18, & 25)
- Jesus and The Gospels (August 1, 8, & 15)

Come for one week or all 6! It all begins on Wednesday, July 11 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm.

Childcare is provided, but there is no meal.

Sign up on the Friendship Form in the Sunday worship brochure or call the church at 623-7090.

Upcoming Messages

Current Series, "The Parables of Jesus"

- July 1 "The Good Samaritan"
- July 8 "Talents and Managers"
- July 15 "The Sower"

"The primary purpose of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church is to lead people to an active faith in Jesus Christ."

Student Ministries!

Saint Paul's Youth

Grades 6-12

The Crossing meets Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 p.m.
SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME: 9:30 a.m.

Youth Corner

- Sunday, July 1** 9:30-10:30 am Go 4th Sunday School
- Wednesday, July 4** *No Crossing* Happy 4th of July!
- Sunday, June 8** 9:30-10:30 am Go 4th Sunday School 12:00 Noon SWIM/SLUG Meeting 4:00-6:00 pm Ronald McDonald House
- Wednesday, July 11** *The Crossing* Pool Parties
- Thursday, July 12** 6:30 pm Vacation Bible School Meeting
- Friday, July 13** 9:30 am - 6:00 pm Watered Gardens/Swimmin' Hole
- Sunday, July 15** 9:30-10:30 am Go 4th Sunday School
- Wednesday, July 18** *The Crossing* Crud War
- Sunday, July 22** 9:30-10:30 am Go 4th Sunday School 1:00 pm Sr. High departs for CIY summer conference
- Monday-Friday, July 23-27** 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon Vacation Bible School
- Wednesday, July 25** *NO Crossing*
- Friday, July 27** 11:00 am Sr. High returns home
- Sunday, July 29** 9:30-10:30 am Go 4th Sunday School
- Monday, July 30** 1:00 pm Mid High depart for Mission Trip
- Friday, August 3** 11:00 am Mid High return from

Did You Know ...

Did you know that each month Don and Kay Wolf-skill count the many quarters from the Saint Paul's pop machines? Each month we make at least \$100 to support our youth missions. Thanks Don and Kay for your dedicated service!

Vacation Bible School...

We need all youth to come and help the kids of Saint Paul's. VBS is July 23 - 27, 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon. Sign up on the youth bulletin board to help.

All workers need to be here each day by 8:30 am. There will be a VBS workers meeting on July 12 at 6:30 pm in The Zone.

A few words from Aaron...

Vacation was great and it's great to be back!

As of July 1 Saint Paul's will have partnered with the Red Oak UMC. Red Oak is a small country church near Carthage. We have 8 lay people in our church that will be rotating speaking at Red Oak each Sunday for the next year: Mike and Bernice Robinson, Ken Surbrugg, Vance Lewis, Larry Courtney, Todd Stout, Mike Winkle and Bob Wynne. I have to say that I'm very proud of the willingness of these individuals to step up and offer this spiritual leadership to another church. This is certainly a part of our mission of leading people to an active faith in Jesus Christ and helping other congregations be the best that they can be. As this new relationship begins I ask that you pray for a real season of blessing at Red Oak and for those who will be going there each week to speak.

On another note, we continue our message series on the parables this week by looking at one of the best known, the parable of the Good Samaritan. As I've gotten ready for this message I've learned some new things and felt a refreshing sense of God's leading. I think you will too.

Also, make sure you consider one of the summer courses that will start on July 11 either at the main campus or at the Salvage Yard. Don't lose momentum in your spiritual growth this summer. Intentionally find ways to grow—taking a course is a great way to do that. Another way is to volunteer for Vacation Bible School. Serving others keeps us fresh and focused. There are lots of ways to help out, find yours! It's going to be a great summer!

See you on Sunday, Aaron

Sponsor a Newsletter!

Would you like the opportunity to reach 1,300 families and help your church at the same time? You could do this by sponsoring a newsletter. Every other week, we send out approximately 1,500 newsletters to families in our community and throughout the country. You can publicize your business or an upcoming event, show a loved one your appreciation, or simply praise God for His blessings.

If you would like to sponsor an issue of The Post Newsletter as an individual or business, contact Linda at 623-7090.

Our Stewardship Tells of our Faith . . .

Week of	Total Worship	Sunday Discipleship	Wednesday Nite Live	Faith Offering	Making Room For All
May 27	598	143	49	\$15,529	\$1,524
June 3	694	154	7	\$20,882	\$2,783
June 10	607	152	20	\$12,774	\$4,713
June 17	692	156	17	\$13,744	\$9,092
June 24	683	155	000	\$14,450	\$8,136

Sunday Discipleship includes all children, youth, & adult classes & courses offered on Sundays. Wednesday Nite Live includes children, youth & adult ministries on Wednesday evenings.

Making Room for All (2)

June 3rd was the starting date for the Making Room for All (2) campaign. This is a one year capital campaign that will do three things.

- 1) Eliminate our short term debt (just under \$70,000).
- 2) Lower the amount of our existing mortgage.
- 3) Complete the bottom floor of "The Zone" which will be used by our Children's Ministry.

Right now we have received commitments for 79% of our \$250,000 goal, just about \$197,000. Since the summer months are travel months, we continue to receive pledges so the total number will continue to go up. If you have been gone and were unable to help with this campaign, it is not too late. Please continue to pray, "God, what do you want to do through me to further the mission of Your Church".

Keep Mosaic in your summer plans!

If you find yourself gone on Sunday mornings this summer, don't forget about our Sunday evening worship time. Mosaic at The Salvage Yard begins at 6:00 pm and nursery care and children's worship are provided. Mosaic offers an alternative time to Sunday mornings and a different style of worship. The Salvage Yard is located at 1402 S. Main. For more information call 623-9273.

So check it out, especially if you're at the lake on Sunday mornings!

Focus On Gift Cards!

Renting a movie? Buying a birthday present? Buying maternity clothes? Going on vacation? Going out to eat? Remodeling your house? Landscaping your yard? Buy a Gift Card!!!

The Gift Cards are now available for purchase in the Soul Source Bookstore. The bookstore is on the north side of the lobby and the hours are currently Sunday morning from 9:00 am to 12:15 pm.

Prayer Concerns

Serving in Iraq:

Josh Walker
Jason Lewis & The Big Red One in Baghdad

Cancer Treatment:

Tom Gibson
Lisa Mathews

Health & Healing:

Linda Koehler
Debie McNari
Jane Montee
Terry Newman
Roxann Green
Judy Rawlings
Jase York

Grief:

The family of Rose Nash at her death

Hospitalized:

Raymond Crouch

Other Concerns:

Bernice Robinson
Travis & Steph
Chathen Roth
Carol Brockman
Dixie Johnson
June Bachmann
Edna & Ervin Dill
Patrick Hamilton & Family
Kaitlin Hamilton
Kass Hamilton
Braden Hamilton
Neil Owen
Rodney & Janet Brewer
Tim & Vi Green
Chad Lacy
Tosha

Representatives from Saint Paul's to visit Las Rosas

Eight more people from Saint Paul's are going to Nicaragua from July 9 - 14, 2007. They will visit with the people in our partner-community of Las Rosas and witness the ways that the ministry of Rainbow Network is bringing hope and a future to some of the poorest people in the Western Hemisphere.

Our representatives will take our prayers and blessings to Las Rosas and will return to share expressions of love and gratitude with us. Please keep the Rainbow Network, people of Las Rosas and our team in your prayers.

The Salvage Yard Receives a Grant...

This Sunday, at the Mosaic Worship service, The Salvage Yard will receive a contingency grant from the Missouri United Methodist Foundation in the amount of \$5,000. The grant is a matching grant that will enable the ministry to broadcast worship and concert over the internet. You can currently listen to sermons from the "live" tab on The Salvage Yard's website. If you would like any more information about the foundation, please join us for worship and visit with their representative. Also, if you have interest in serving at The Salvage Yard in this new opportunity for ministry call Ben Bainbridge at 417-623-YARD. You can also email him at ben@thesalvageyard.com. Our website is www.thesalvageyard.com.



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Adults & Youth: Final Avalanche Ranch Crew Leader Orientation & Training

**Thursday, July 12th, 2007 in
The Youth Zone
6:30-8:00 p.m.**



We still have openings for middle school youth, high school youth, and adults as crew leaders.

Contact Stephany Pace @ 623-7090 if interested in volunteering.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE JULY 23



We're Searching the Range for Supplies

for our Avalanche Ranch Vacation Bible School (July 23-27, 9:00 am - 12:00 Noon) . Please stop by the Avalanche Ranch Boot Scootin Boogie Trees in the

church lobby and in KidSpace to pick a boot that indicates items needed for Vacation Bible School.

Your assistance in donating items needed by Thursday, July 12th.

Third Graders to Receive Bibles...

Parents of children entering 3rd grade, mark your calendars. On **August 19th**, during all worship services, children entering third grade will be presented a Bible. This is an important event in the lives of our third graders and important time in kids' spiritual development. We encourage them to have daily quiet time as well as attend worship with their families.