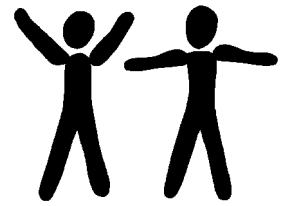


# The Post

Reaching Up! Reaching Out!  
Saint Paul's UMC



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## WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE STARTS ON AUGUST 29!!

- 6:00-8:00 p.m. - Something for everyone!
- Dinner for all ages included—free!
- Lots of great courses for adults (see inside, page 3)
- Crosstraining for children—the best hours in your kid's week!
- The Crossing for youth—High energy, Christ-focused!
- Sign up in this Sunday's worship program or call 623-7090!



*Let's go!*

## Join the Choir!

The choir has taken a break for the summer, but it is now time together again to "make a joyful noise!" If you have ever considered joining the choir, now would be a great time! The choir rehearses on Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center. Childcare is available. Our first rehearsal for this season is August 30th. We would love to see some new faces!



Please contact Janet Brown at 623-7090 or 623-1270 if you need more information or would like to join.

## Catch the Spirit! Weekend

### Saturday, September 8

- 3:00-6:00 p.m. Carnival and inflatable games for the kids (on the church grounds; inside in the event of rain).
- Food and Live Music (inside).
- 3:00-6:00 p.m. Food is served. (Burgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, cake and ice cream).

### Sunday, September 9

- 8:15, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. "Catch The Spirit" Worship Services. Mosaic 6:00 p.m. at The Salvage Yard.

## Saint Paul's to Host Move Conference

For the second year, Saint Paul's along with First Methodist Church of Sedalia will be teaming up to do two identical conferences in two locations called The Move Conference.

It will be at Saint Paul's on September 17, in Sedalia on September 24. Saint Paul's and Sedalia First are two of the fastest growing Methodist congregations in the state and we will be offering workshops for pastors and church members for the churches in our area. This is a big step for us as a church as we strive to live out one of our visions—to help other churches lead people to an active faith in Jesus Christ. If you want to volunteer to help on this day with hospitality, meals, etc, please contact Mark at 623-7090 or sign up on the Friendship Form on Sunday morning.

## H<sub>2</sub>O is Coming to The Salvage Yard...

Beginning Wednesday, August 29, 2007, there will be a new course beginning at The Salvage Yard called H<sub>2</sub>O.

It is a thought provoking video series that takes you through elements of a living and personal faith in Jesus Christ. The video is followed up with group discussion where any and all questions are welcomed. Each night will begin at 6:00 p.m. and last until 7:45 p.m. for anyone who may have children in CrossTraining. There will be children's lessons and food available as well. If you are ready for something new, visual, and heart-felt, give H<sub>2</sub>O a try. You can contact Ben Bainbridge with any questions at The Salvage Yard located at 1402 Main street, 417-623-YARD.

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

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# 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, Sept. 2** 9:30-10:30 a.m. *Go 4th goes to "big church"*  
**Wednesday, Sept. 5** 6-8 p.m. *The Crossing*  
**Saturday, Sept 8** 3-6 p.m. *Catch the Spirit*  
**Sunday, Sept. 9** 9:30-10:30 a.m. *Go 4th Sunday School*  
 12:00 Noon SWIM/SLUG meeting  
 4-6 PM Ronald McDonald House  
**Wednesday, Sept. 12** 6-8 p.m. *The Crossing*  
**Sunday, Sept. 16** 9:30-10:30 a.m. *Go 4th Sunday School*  
 4-6 p.m. 24/7 *Kick Off Night*  
**Wednesday, Sept. 19** 6-8 p.m. *The Crossing*  
**Sunday, Sept. 23** 9:30-10:30 a.m. *Go 4th Sunday School*  
**Wednesday, Sept. 26** 6:45 a.m. SYATP Brekfast and Prayer time 6:00 p.m. *The Crossing* SYATP Rally  
**Sunday, Sept. 30** 9:30-10:30 a.m. *Go 4th Sunday School*

## See You at the Pole Breakfast & Rally!



Mark your calendars for the annual See You at the Pole nationwide prayer rally. This rally is held every year at flag poles across the country! The date is Wednesday, September 26. On this date, we encourage all middle school and high school students to meet at Saint Paul's for breakfast and then go to their school for a time of prayer. That evening, we will have an awesome prayer rally for all teens! More information will be available soon.

## Youth "24/7" Small Groups

24/7 kick off night is scheduled for Sunday, September 16 from 4—6 pm. All youth are encouraged to join us this evening for a fun filled night full of games and small group info. 24/7 small groups are designed to give each teen a place to fit in, to feel special and to learn more about God. Come to the Zone on the 16th and find the perfect group for you!

## 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.

## A few words from Aaron...

We've had one of the most amazing summers around here that I can remember. Awesome mission trips for all ages, work projects locally helping people in need, great ministries for kids and youth, new classes for adults, truly powerful times of worship at the main campus, The Salvage Yard and at Red Oak UMC.

I hate to let go of this summer, but as amazing as it's been, the fall looks to be off the chart! We have the best slate of courses and classes for adults we have ever offered, and there will be even more coming in the late fall! Kids and youth ministries will kick into high gear and our Move Conference will reach beyond our walls in helping other churches to make an impact for Christ. Our super-fun *Catch the Spirit* weekend is just around the corner, and Hearts and Hammers weekend will be here before we know it. Wow!

All these things are parts of our mission and vision. I find myself saying more and more often, "I feel so blessed to be a part of what is happening here at (and through) Saint Paul's!"

Fall is a great time to try something new—a new class, a small group, a serving ministry of some kind. As I talk to people I hear over and over that it's as they step out of their comfort zone, and do something new that they really come alive. Maybe it's time for you to give it a try. What an awesome church in which to grow in faith and live that faith out!

See you on Sunday!

Aaron

## Want to know more about Saint Paul's? Interested in joining?

**The Saint Paul's Experience Course** is a great way to discover the mission, vision and values that make Saint Paul's one of the fastest growing United Methodist churches in Missouri. This 2 week course also covers what we believe membership in the church means. Attendance is highly recommended before joining Saint Paul's. Come join us on Sundays Sept 9 & 16 or Oct 14 & 21 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 40.

## Upcoming Messages

**Current Series: Introducing the Bible**

August 26. "Getting a Grip on the Old Testament"

September 2. "The New Testament Revealed"

September 9. "Beyond Jesus"

## Our Stewardship Tells of our Faith . . .

Week of	Total Worship	Sunday Discipleship	Wednesday Nite Live	Faith Offering	Making Room For All
July 29.....	733.....	181.....	18.....	\$0000.....	\$0000
Aug 5.....	691.....	123.....	19.....	\$0000.....	\$0000
Aug 12.....	708.....	166.....	15.....	\$0000.....	\$0000
Aug 19.....	750.....	203.....	00.....	\$0000.....	\$0000

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

### SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES!

To join a class sign up on Sunday morning or call the church at 623-7090...

**Alpha is for everyone!** It's a 10-week exploration of the basics of the Christian faith AND it's a wonderful way to get to know other people! Doesn't matter if you've been at Saint Paul's for 10 weeks or 10 years! Alpha is for you!

**Joy of Living Bible Study** will be on the first half of the Gospel of Luke. The course will continue with the second half of Luke in the winter session of Wednesday Night Live. This course does require 20 minutes of daily reading and has a materials cost of \$13. Led by Larry Courtney. Waiting list starts at 41 people.

**Crown Financial Bible Study.** The Bible has a lot to say about how we use our resources. This course will help you discover how to manage your resources to live fulfilling, purposeful, God-honoring lives. The course has material costs of \$45/single or \$55/couple and is led by Kari Calkins. Waiting list starts at 17 people.

**Healing Hearts Seminar** a journey of developing your relationship with God and improving your relationship with others by understanding more about yourself. Led by Bob and Dixie Wynne. Waiting list starts at 17 people.

**Invitation to the New Testament,** an 8 week DISCIPLE Bible Study will help you discover more about being a Christ follower and a part of the Christian community. This study will require reading 2-4 chapters of the Bible daily, and has a materials cost of \$10. Course leader is Bob Higgins. Waiting list starts at 16 people.

**Laughing Your Way to a Better Marriage** is a video based course where couples will experience a "hilarious, practical, and no-holds barred advice about relationships" through this twelve week study. Waiting list only!

**Women's Study - Jesus the One and Only.** This Beth Moore video study will transport you into the footsteps of Jesus ministry, death and resurrection. Waiting list only!

**Nooma.** "Thought-provoking", "challenging" and "refreshing" are a few ways to describe the Nooma videos. This group will watch 10-minute videos and discuss. This is a 10 week study led by Dan Distler.

**H20 At the Salvage Yard.** H20 is a 10 week video series that is designed to strengthen your faith through group discussion and study. The course contains a 20 to 30 minute video followed up with small group time. Led by Ben Bainbridge at The Salvage Yard, 1402 Main Street.

## Prayer Concerns

### Serving in Iraq:

Josh Walker  
Jeremiah Mills  
Brandon Hunter

Linda Koehler, Joplin  
Edna Dill

### Other Concerns:

Garrett Wittman  
Shelly Turner  
Alexander Soriano  
Arturo Lara  
Andrew & Adriane Lara  
Ervin Dill  
Patrick Hamilton & Family

### Health & Healing:

Mick Sweeten  
Alice Pantoja  
C. W. Johnson  
Jane Montee  
Nelma Ann Howell

### Hospitalized:

## Missions

### Christmas for the Children of Las Rosas...

Christmas Trees will be in the lobby by September 9th with items needed to provide at least 200 simple Christmas packages for the children in our partner community of Las Rosas. This is part of a larger project of the Rainbow Network in Nicaragua.

Take a picture of a child from the tree and buy the items on the back. Keep the picture, but bring the items to the church lobby by Sept. 30th. Saint Paul's children will assemble the kits to be ready for delivery by October 1st.

### Bring Paper Goods to Church by Sept. 2nd!

When you're out shopping, buy an extra package of paper towels, facial tissues, toilet paper or laundry detergent for the Lafayette House. Every year, Saint Paul's supports this vital shelter for women and children by providing these essential products. So let's all take the step from intention to action! Bring your items to the church lobby and place them in the Mission Cargo Box!

### Hearts and Hammers October 6

Jesus calls us to extend his love to others and Hearts and Hammers is a great way to show our community that Jesus loves them. Folks from all sorts of community organizations and churches show up at one place at 8:00 a.m. that day, get organized and then go out to repair, winterize and sometimes paint homes of people who either cannot afford to or are unable to do it for themselves. Project leaders and supplies are already in place. Individuals or groups such as small groups or Sunday School Classes can sign up to work together starting Sunday, August 26th on the Friendship Form in the Sunday Worship Brochure..



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## Third Graders Received Two Bibles...

Each third grader received their very own Bible, along with an additional Bible. Kids were encouraged to give the second Bible to another child who does not have a Bible. We believe that this is an important time in kids spiritual development and encourage them to have daily quiet time in "the word" as well as their regular worship time.



We would love to hear stores about the kids Bible sharing experiences. Please take a minute and drop us an email at the following address: [saintpaulskidspace@yahoo.com](mailto:saintpaulskidspace@yahoo.com)

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## CrossTraining God's Kids Grow! August 29, 2007 6:00-8:00!!

This year, our goal is to generate excitement about the wonderful way God has revealed Himself to us. Kids will discover how the fruit of God's Spirit grows in our lives. They'll explore the ways their character displays God's good fruit and learn about Christians throughout history whose lives demonstrated those character qualities. Every lesson will include creative activities as part of the Bible Story presentation. This involvement will keep the kids interest high and also give them a way to keep their hands and minds focused on the story. As the kids explore the expressions of each fruit of God's Holy Spirit in their lives, they'll learn to cultivate attitudes that will lead them to know God better. Wednesday nights from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

### Allergies

Please be sure to inform the check-in staff of any food allergies your child may have. (The new tagging system will alert volunteers of allergies.)

### Age Appropriate Ministries

Saint Paul's Ministries offer age appropriate ministries for all children. Please make sure that your children are in their age appropriate ministry or class. If you have any questions ask the staff at the children's info desk.