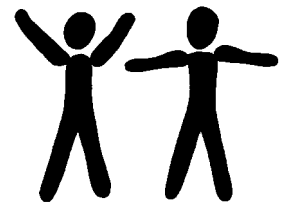


# The Post

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## No time for a SIESTA, we are having a FIESTA!

**July 24-28, 2006 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Age 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Be sure to register your kids' a.s.a.p. so we will have plenty of supplies, snacks and volunteers to accommodate everyone at the Fiesta. Drop by or call the church office, 623-7090, to register your children. Fiesta is a fun place where kids will be fired up about Jesus! Join us at Fiesta Vacation Bible School at Saint Paul's United Methodist Church, July 24th through July 28th, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Our Fiesta program will provide fun, memorable Bible learning activities for kids of all ages! Each day kids will sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, nibble Maraca Munchies, experience electrifying Bible adventures create Bible Point Crafts and take on a Daily Challenge to let Jesus' love grow into their homes. Preschoolers will also collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's Word.



## Catch The Spirit Sept 9!

Catch the Spirit will be Saturday, September 9, 2006. Mark your calendar! There will be activities for everyone! As Catch the Spirit approaches, invite your friends and neighbors to come join the fun of games, food, fellowship, and music!

## Alpha Course Begins August 30!

Alpha is a ten week course in understanding and applying the basics of the Christian faith. It includes a dynamic presentation and time in a small group setting. The Alpha Course is for people who have questions about Christianity like, "Is the Bible legitimate? Who is Jesus? Is all this faith stuff relevant to my life?" Alpha is also great for people who want to deepen their existing faith or develop friendships with other people."

If you have already gone through Alpha, this would be a great time to become a helper. We will be needing as many helpers as possible. Watch for sign up information on the Friendship Form in the Sunday brochure.

The Alpha Course will begin on August 30 at 6:00 PM with an informational dinner. The course will continue for 10 weeks. For more information, contact Rebecca Courtney at 673-2295 (evenings) or Mark Statler at the church, 623-7090.

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!!

**Starts August 30th with something for everyone!**

- Dinner for everyone
- CrossTraining for children
- The Crossing for youth
- Alpha, Crown, Joy of Living and lots of other classes and groups for adults

**WNL - GOING BEYOND SUNDAY MORNING**

## Kindermusik Now Enrolling for the Fall Semester!

### Free Demonstration Classes Available

Children love to sing and dance! Here at Saint Paul's we encourage that natural love of music by offering Kindermusik classes. Kindermusik is a unique music and movement program that uses singing, playing instruments, and dancing to help children grow in their cognitive, language, social, emotional, and musical skills. The classes are divided into four different age groups: Newborns-18 months, 18 months-3½ years, 3½ -5 years, and children in grades K-2. All classes for the fall semester begin the week of August 21st. If you are interested in participating in a Free Demonstration class before enrolling, please stop by the Kindermusik table in the church lobby and sign up or check the appropriate box in the church bulletin. The Demonstration classes will be held August 7th and 8th. At the Kindermusik table you will also find brochures with more detailed information regarding all of the classes for the next semester. You may contact Janet Brown at 623-7090 (ext. 31) for other information.

### Demonstration Class Schedule

Newborns-18 months - 5:30-6:00 p.m. (Monday, August 7th)  
18 months-3½ years - 6:30-7:00 p.m. (Monday, August 7th)  
3½ -5 years - 5:30-6:00 p.m. (Tuesday, August 8th)  
Grades K-2 - 6:30-7:00 p.m. (Tuesday, August 8th)

## Drive-In Movie Night at the Church, August 5!

That's right! We're turning our parking lot into a Drive-In Movie Theatre, on Saturday, August 5th! We'll be showing *Eight Below* on the side of the Worship Center. The movie will begin around 9:00 PM, but come early to get a good space! You can either tailgate or bring your lawn chairs and be ready for some good fun! The movie and popcorn are furnished, bring your own pop and snacks. In case of inclement weather, the movie will be held in the Family Life Center.

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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

**Friday, July 14** 12:00 Noon - 3:00 p.m. Fun Friday!

It's a mystery trip. Bring money for admission and your permission slip

**Sunday, July 16** 9:30-10:30 a.m. Go 4th Sunday School

**Wednesday, July 19** 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. *The Crossing* "Crud Wars" @ Saint Paul's

**Friday, July 21** 12:00 Noon - 3:00 p.m. Fun Friday!

Help us get ready for the move to "The Zone"

**Sunday, July 23** 9:30-10:30 a.m. Go 4th Sunday School

**Monday, July 24 - Friday, July 28** 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Vacation Bible School

**Wednesday, July 26** 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Bowling Meet at Carl Richards 4th Street Bowl! Bring money to bowl

**Sunday, July 30** 9:30-1030 a.m. Go 4th Sunday School

## Promotion Sunday

If you are going into 6th grade this year, we want to meet you, so we have planned several events just for you! On Sunday, August 13, we invite all new 6th graders to join us for Go 4th Promotion Sunday! This is the day that all youth move up in their Sunday School classes to their new grade. Go 4th Sunday School is held every Sunday morning from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. We will begin the activities that day in the Family Life Center at 9:30 a.m. Parents and youth are invited to join us this day to learn more about Go 4th Sunday School.

Also, on Friday, August 18th from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., we invite all new 6th graders to join us for a Welcome Party! This party will be held just for youth who are going into the 6th grade! It is a great chance to get to meet other youth and learn more about Saint Paul's Student Ministries. On Wednesday, August 23, we will hold our annual family party! So, mark your calendars and be ready! More information will be sent to you!

Please call the youth office at 623-7090, ext 813 or send an email to [youth@saintpauls-umc.com](mailto:youth@saintpauls-umc.com) to get your name put on the youth mailing list

## Help Us Get In "The Zone"!!!

We need ALL parents and youth to join us and paint the new youth wing! We will need teams to work every day to finish this project. Bring rollers, paint brushes, sprayers and anything else you have that can help us! Call the church (623-7090) to sign up and we will schedule a painting time for you!

## A few words from Mark...

We're wrapping up the Life Attitudes Sermon Series this week. This week's message will be based on the teaching of Jesus that says, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God." Aaron returns to preaching next Sunday, July 23rd, with a new series called Espresso Yourself.

It seems like fall should be a long way off, but it will be here before we know it. We're already gearing up for the fall activities and events like Catch the Spirit day and Wednesday Night Live. Be sure to put these events on your calendar. Catch the Spirit day is a great time to invite your friends or neighbors to come with you to enjoy a fun time at Saint Paul's. There will be all kinds of fun for children, plus entertainment and food!

Wednesday Night Live offers something for every age group in your home. Excellent, creative and fun experiences for children and youth plus lots of options of small groups and courses for adults. Alpha is a great starting place for anyone who hasn't been involved in a small group yet. It's also a great place to bring any questions you might have about what it means to be a Christian. We also will have several other excellent courses, including Crown Financial Bible Study (an in-depth study that's getting excellent reviews!), Joy of Living (Bible study on the book of Acts), a study specially for women, and many more support and study groups and it all begins with dinner!

So, plan to get involved! There will be lots of opportunities and there's a place for you!

Mark Statler—[mstatler@fastfreedom.net](mailto:mstatler@fastfreedom.net)



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## Upcoming Sermons

July 16 Life Attitudes: One Way

July 23 Espresso Yourself

## Our Stewardship Tells of our Faith . . .

Week of	Total Worship	Sunday Discipleship	WNL	Faith Offering	Making Room For All
June 18...	604	180	49	\$12,446	\$8,432
June 25...	580	150	55	\$12,910	\$3,096
July 02	526	157	54	\$12,860	\$3,438
July 09	594	162		\$20,529	\$5,986

*Sunday Discipleship includes all children, youth, & adult classes & courses offered on Sundays. WNL includes children, youth & adult ministries from Wednesday Night Live. Complete Church Financial Reports are available at the Info Center.*

## Mission Notes...

### Hygiene Kits for August

We're collecting HYGIENE KITS FOR AUGUST for use in the Joplin area! Often when people arrive at Lafayette House, Children's Haven, Soul's Harbor and many other places, they don't have essential hygiene items. We want to do something about that! Our goal is that **every Saint Paul's family** will create at least **one kit** in the month of August and place it in the mission cargo box in the lobby.

#### PERSONAL HYGIENE KIT

1 Fluoride toothpaste (6 oz. or more); 1 Toothbrush in original, unopened pkg.; 1 Bath-size bar of soap; 1 Shampoo (full size, not sample); 1 Skin lotion; 1 Washcloth; 1 Deodorant; 1 Hand towel; 2 Disposable razors; and 1 Comb or brush.

Tighten lids and place all items in a **2-gallon zip lock bag**.

### Local Mission Day This Saturday

This Saturday, July 15th is Local Mission Day. Join us at 8:00 a.m. at the church to help do projects at 4 area homes. All projects should be finished by Noon.

### Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity is having a sale of donated new furniture. The platform bed sets are unfinished wood and contain a twin bed frame, four drawer chest, and night stand for \$190. The two sale dates are July 22 and August 5 at 2303 Davis Blvd. from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. A set is currently on display at the mall in front of the St. John's Lab.

## Crosslines Back To School Program!

During July, Crosslines will purchase supplies for its annual Back-To-School program. Crosslines will provide basic school supplies, underwear, socks and a voucher for a discount on a pair of school shoes, or a new pair of blue jeans to approximately 700 school-age children of our regular shoppers. We expect the cost to be between \$7,000 and \$8,000 for this program. We need your help!

You may donate through your church (make sure to mark your donation "Crosslines Back to School Program") or you may send your donation directly to Crosslines at P.O. Box 1242, Joplin, MO 64802.

## Prayer Concerns

### Military Troops & Families

Becky Felts  
 Tammy Jones & family at the death of her father  
 Tom Gibson  
 Carrol Skelton  
 Amy, Emily, & Tucker Edmonson  
 Barbara O'Dell  
 Edna & Ervin Dill  
 Patrick Hamilton & Family  
 Kaitlin Hamilton

### Chathen Roth

Ted Moore  
 Betty, twin sister of Bob Clifton  
 Randy Hopkins  
 Felicia Foster  
 Emily Shannon  
 Zachary  
 Brandie  
 Ed

## Kitchen Team & Family Cookout!

The Kitchen Team and their families are invited to attend a cookout at Saint Paul's on Friday, July 21st at 6:00 p.m. Just bring a covered dish, come and enjoy! If you have questions or would like more information, please call Becky Burress at 825-9710.

## Get In Shape and Join the Family...

Joplin T.C.O.B. School of Tae Kwon Do would like to invite you to come join the family. Come learn karate every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Affordable, no contracts or initiation fees, \$30 for all church members and additional \$10 per family member. For more information, contact Mick Sweeten at 317-9449 or Sandi Capen at 483-9038 or visit [www.joplintcob.com](http://www.joplintcob.com).

## WOMAN TO WOMAN

### The Ruby Circle

#### R(each) U(p) B(eyond) Y(ourself)

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 19th at 11:30 a.m. in Room 51 at Saint Paul's.

The guest speaker, Sherryl Weeks, will present a very timely message concerning SCAM(s) that are so widespread today. All women of the church are invited to attend - bring a guest and bring your lunch if you desire.

If you would like further information, call Loretta Crim at 623-5415.

### The Lamplighters Circle

The Lamplighters Circle is a group of women at Saint Paul's that meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in members homes. The meetings are for all ages of women - they study, pray and have lots of fun.

The next meeting will be July 25th and we will be dining out at the Olive Garden at 6:30 p.m. Anyone is welcome to attend. If you have questions, call Joyce Hair at 781-4648.



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## Kids' Corner

### Third Graders to Receive Bibles

On Sunday, August 13th, at all services, the third graders will receive their very own Bibles. We encourage all third graders to attend the 8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. worship services or the 6:45 p.m. Mosaic service at the Salvage Yard. On that day we will honor your child by presenting them with the gift of a Bible. We ask that the third grade parents join their children for this very special day. If your third



grader will not be able to attend any of these Sunday services, please contact Todd Taylor, Director of Children's Ministries at 623-7090.

### Awesome Adventure Preschool

Saint Paul's Weekday Preschool is a program that is an important part of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church's ministry which serves its church members and the community. The preschool is available for children ages 3 to 5 years old.

For more information about enrolling your child, give us a call at 623-7090.

**NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE JULY 24**

## Opportunities to Serve God's Children...

### Volunteer Opportunities...

Below is a list of opportunities to respond to God's love in your life by serving our children.

If you are interested in any of these ministries, please contact Todd Taylor at 623-7090 or email [toddtaylor@fastfreedom.net](mailto:toddtaylor@fastfreedom.net) for more information.



### Opportunities

- Teaching Sunday School
- Teaching Preschool Sunday School
- Volunteering to work in the Nursery
- Helping with Children's Worship (KidMo)
- Becoming a Substitute Teacher
- Serving on the Children's Ministry Team
- Parent's Night Out
- Child Care—Salvage Yard

