

SPwired E-News

September 2, 2010

Give us your input...

We are on a mission as a church and we continue to grow, so we need to make significant plans for our future. All of our leaders have been specifically invited to take part in two meetings to give input into the future of our church but we also want to extend an open invitation to all our members. We will have two meetings and we invite you to take part in **both** of them. The dates are **September 19 and 26, at 3 p.m.** in the Family Life Center. Pastor Aaron will provide an overview of critical and exciting things to come in 2010 and 2011. More importantly, he will ask for your input on some key possibilities about our future. Your feedback is crucial as to how we proceed.

Please RSVP to the church at 623-7900 or email stpauls@fastfreedom.net. **Childcare** will be provided, let us know if you will need it when you RSVP.

Wednesday Nite Live!

The current session of WNL started on September 1st, but it's not too late to get into some courses. Take the initiative and get yourself into a group! Try the *Starting Point*--an excellent course to develop, renew or strengthen your faith AND a great way to make some new friends! Call the church office @ 623-7090 for all the options!

REMINDER: In order to avoid scheduling conflicts please be sure to fill out a Building Use Form for any events your group is planning. Building Use Forms are available outside the office door and are reviewed every Monday.

Four States Idol Competition Needs Your Donations!

At the Four States Idol competition, which will be held Friday, September 24th, there will be a silent auction! Currently, we are looking for anything that you or your business might be able to donate to the cause. ASCENT Recovery Residences is a 501© corporation, so all donations are tax deductible. If you or your business has a donation, this will also be mentioned at the event and in the program as a contributor. Donations can include new items and business services such as hair care, massages, car services, dental, etc. All donations can be brought to Saint Paul's by Sunday, September 12th. For more information, contact Lou Ann Capra at 782-6048. Please join us on September 24th for this evening of fun and entertainment.

Join the Choir!

The choir has taken a break for the summer, but it is now time to gather again to "make a joyful noise!" 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 September 9th. We would love to see some new faces! Please contact Janet Brown (623-7090, ext. 31) if you need more information or would like to join.

Tai Chi is coming back to Saint Paul's!

Are you stressed? Is your balance becoming an issue? Arthritis creeping in? Breath work a bit shallow..or have you even thought about it? Classes will begin Tuesday, September 14th and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:30-2:30 p.m. This class is cumulative, so you must begin when the class starts! If you have questions or would like more information, contact Becky Browne at www.taichiwithbecky.com or call 624-2466.

Bright Futures...

On Sunday, August 15th, we introduced our partnership with Cecil Floyd Elementary School through Bright Futures, a movement that partners Joplin R-8 with the Business, Faith-based, and Human Services communities. The goal is to help all students have a "bright future" through educational and relational support. You can be part of this amazing adventure by volunteering to be on our prayer team; be a "lunch buddy" who shares lunch with the same student every week; or be a mentor/tutor in the TREK program (about one hour/week). For more information, call Pastor Mark at 623-7090, or volunteer by signing up on the Connection Form this Sunday.

Salvage Yard...

CHECK US OUT! Enjoy an evening of live music every weekend featuring both local and national talent and various genres. This is the perfect opportunity for you to have a great night and not regret it the next morning! We are located at 1402 South Main, Joplin, MO or visit us online at www.thesalvageyard.com. Our September and October schedules are as follows:

September 11th Colton and Zara with Jackie Durbin
September 18th Strangers Unaware With Ten and Nine
September 25th Will James
October 9th Eden Bound
October 16th Trinity's Cross
October 23rd Saltbox with Surrender 7
October 30th GT Spoke

GET CONNECTED

Interested in joining? **The Newcomers 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 1 time course also covers what we believe membership in the church means. Attendance is highly recommended before joining Saint Paul's. Come join us Sunday, September 12th at 10:30 a.m. in Room 53.

MISSIONS

Hearts and Hammers...

Saturday, September 25 is the annual Hearts and Hammers date! Hearts and Hammers is a great opportunity to help our Joplin neighbors. It is a day spent doing home improvement projects such as painting, minor home repair and yard clean up. This is a great way to serve the world and make a difference! Sign up on the church connection form to help.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

ONE BIG NIGHT....

Everybody mark your calendars for September 15th for our "ONE BIG NIGHT" event. Come out for one big night of big food, big prizes from your favorite stores at the mall, big games "come challenge your friends with our big oversized boxing gloves, and big excitement around the skate park that will be set up while we watch the guys from "Autumn Skate Park" get big air. So grab your friends and hop in the car, bike, or plane whatever it takes to get here. Did I mention it's going to be BIG!

For more info, call Josh Jackson @ 623-7090 or email thezone.spumc@gmail.com

KidSPace

JUMP

A Family Worship Experience!

September 26, 2010 at 11:00 AM

Saint Paul's KidSPace presents JUMP ... plugging parents into a kid's world! JUMP is an entire worship service devoted to families having a blast together! This family experience consists of a 60 minute production that will offer high-energy praise and worship, incredible storytelling that has real-life, applicable for families with kids kindergarten thru fifth grade. A different Bible based value is emphasized each month. Parents will be challenged to participate in a kid's world.

Families, be sure to mark your calendars and invite all of your friends to join us at JUMP! JUMP is always the last Sunday of each month.

CrossTraining—Invite a Friend Fun Night!

Looking for a great way to spend some time with your friends? Then join us on Wednesday, September 15, 2010. CrossTraining is back and Saint Paul's KidSPace has just the event that you won't want to miss. Mom and Dad can attend a class at Wednesday Night Live and you and your friends will have an enjoyable time racing on our team challenge inflatable, sliding down the 24 Ft. high slide, getting all twisted up in a game of inflatable twister or bouncing in our moon room. We will also be serving pizza and other treats throughout the night. Come join us for a great time at CrossTraining!

LifeChoices' 2010 Banquet...

This year the LifeChoices' Banquet will be held on Thursday, September 16th at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. Our special guest is Christian recording artist and actress Rebecca St. James. For more information or to register to attend the banquet, visit our events page at www.lifevoices.org or call Tasha at 417-623-0131.

Thursday Morning Bible Study will start again on September 9th in Room 51, 10:-11:30 a.m.

We will study Ephesians and what it means to live responsibly in God's grace. Anyone is welcome to be a part of this Bible study group, so bring your Bible and join us. If you have any questions, call Carolyn Schemahorn at 782-0039.

Scrapbooking Group Will Meet Again, Monday, September 13th...

Do you like to scrapbook or enjoy making cards or perhaps you would like to learn! Come join the new scrapbooking group which meets on the 2nd Monday of each month from 5:00-8:00 p.m. The next meeting will be September 13th. Bring your own scrapbooking supplies or just bring a few pictures to get started. It is a fun evening and it's free! If you would like more information, please call Jodi Ketron @ 499-6977.