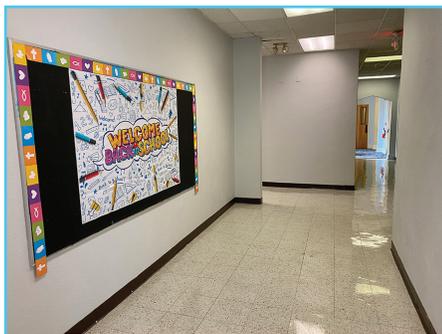


THE TOWER

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Stop by the third floor to see the renovated Children's Ministry area!



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- Bill Dickinson - October 14, 2020
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- Bob DeWeese - November 25, 2020
- Sharon Horn - December 11, 2020
- Helen Barrier - December 18, 2020
- Gloria Wenz - December 20, 2020
- Don Bierman - December 24, 2020
- Allan Morris - December 27, 2020
- Dan Challman - January 13, 2021
- Margaret Shepherd - February 1, 2021
- Clarke Megill - February 4, 2021
- Les Black - February 12, 2021
- Joyce Roos - February 14, 2021
- Betty Frank - February 26, 2021
- Beth Challman - March 22, 2021
- Mary Helen Zimmerman - April 12, 2021
- Gerry Snyder - April 16, 2021
- Jan Deaton - April 24, 2021
- Pauletta Matthews - June 4, 2021
- Helen Kuhn - July 24, 2021
- Linda Goulder - August 5, 2021
- Marilyn Bierman - August 21, 2021

TOWER DEADLINE SCHEDULE!

- October Tower: Thursday, Sept. 16, 5pm**
- November Tower: Thursday, Oct. 14, 5pm**
- December Tower: Thursday, Nov. 11, 5pm**

Submit articles and/or pictures to Sara Ferebee at sara@stpaulchurchky.org.



St. Paul Weekly Email - Stay informed!

Stay informed about the news and happenings at St. Paul. Subscribe at our website or email info@stpaulchurchky.org.



Pastor Darren's Weekly Phone Message

Each Wednesday, Pastor Darren sends an uplifting phone message. To receive these calls, email info@stpaulchurchky.org or leave a message at 459-1595.



WEBSITE: The St. Paul website is our communications hub! To keep up with all the St. Paul news and activities, visit StPaulChurchKY.org. Bookmark it!



Connect with St. Paul Church on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

Prayer Requests: Send prayer requests or sign up to receive the Prayer Chain by emailing prayer@stpaulchurchky.org or by filling out the form at the **St. Paul website**. *The Prayer Chain is emailed throughout the week as prayer requests are received.*

Worship Recordings: Our Sunday morning worship service is video-recorded. Find the recordings at StPaulChurchKY.org/sermons, or follow the link under **Recorded Worship Services!**
Podcast: We've also restarted our [St. Paul podcast](#), where the sermon will be available each week.

BE THE HANDS AND FEET OF CHRIST

SARA FEREBEE, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH



"Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours." - Teresa of Avila

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, St. Paul hosted a weekly Resource Center where we invited the unhoused, underemployed, and in-need members of our Highlands community into our church for a hot meal, clothes, shoes, toiletries, bus tickets, showers, and conversation. As with so many other things, the Resource Center was forced to close in March of 2020 due to the pandemic. For a few weeks, we put together bag lunches and placed them on a table just outside the Resource Center doors for those in need of a meal, with the hope we'd reopen soon, but that didn't happen. Despite our closure, one of the men who regularly came to our weekly Resource Center stopped by the church recently to drop off a card.

It had been signed by a half-dozen or so of our regular attendees, thanking us for all we had done for them and expressing their hope that we can gather again when the pandemic ends. Nearly 18 months after the Resource Center closed its doors, those we served reached out to let us know they still think of us and appreciate us. It was wonderful to see those familiar names and feel their love.



Despite the pandemic, the St. Paul congregation has continued to faithfully support the Resource Center with donations of clothing, toiletries, and shelf-stable foods. Bob Helvey made numerous connections with other area ministries, such as Highlands Community Ministries, to distribute those resources during a time when we couldn't serve our in-need population at our church.

In June of this year, St. Paul launched its Mobile Resource Center and partnered with Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church to serve the unhoused and underemployed in the Old Louisville neighborhood. Fourth Ave UMC's Open Door Community Ministry has been feeding those in need five days per week for many years. Before the pandemic, they invited the community into their church for a hot, sit-down meal, as well as occasional dental and medical services. During



the pandemic, they had to shift to offering sack lunches on the sidewalk.

On the second Saturday of the month, St. Paul loads the church bus with men's and women's clothing, undergarments, socks, shoes, toiletries, and more and sets up a sidewalk Resource Center during the Open Door lunch service. As folks arrive to receive their lunch, they can peruse our resources and receive the items they need from a group of devoted, friendly volunteers.

In addition to the Mobile Resource Center, St. Paul's on-site Resource Center continues to serve those in need, though in a different format. On Mondays and Wednesdays, from 10:00am to 1:00pm, those in need can stop by the church to receive the resources they need. Bob Helvey and I meet them at the Resource Center door, find out what they need, and bring the items to them. During that process, we have conversations with them and try to learn a bit about them and their story. We have some regular visitors whom we have gotten to know fairly well. While we have a couple of troublesome folks who stop by occasionally, the majority of those we serve are gracious, friendly, and appreciative. Many of them just need to feel seen and heard - a friendly smile and a listening ear means so much to them.

Recently, on a Friday evening, Tony Fowler and I were the last people at church. We saw a man we did not know taking a nap on our bench, so we approached him to make sure he was OK. He was very friendly - and very tired. I got him some food and water, while Tony talked with him. When he got up to leave, he said, "Thank you for seeing me as a person." A week later, when I saw him again, he seemed surprised when I greeted him by name. I reminded him of our previous encounter and enjoyed another lovely conversation.

I'm reminded of my favorite campfire song, "*They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love*," by Peter Scholtes. Originally written during the Civil Rights era, it speaks to the Christian call to treat everyone with love and dignity.

*"We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that our unity will one day be restored
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love
Yeah they'll know we are Christians by our love*

Amazon Wish List: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2KBB4ZUB5F8QJ?>

Dollar Days Wish List: <https://www.dollardays.com/stpaulresourcecenter/wishlist.html>

Staff Spotlight

Cullen Hornaday, Director of Spiritual Formation

Seasons of Life

It's almost September as I write this, a new month and a new season is upon us. I look forward to each change of season as it comes but autumn is especially welcome with its refreshing temperatures, bright colors and associations with a new school year. I've been reflecting on how our lives have seasons too. Ten and a half years ago I was invited to join the St. Paul staff in the part time position of Director of Spiritual Formation. The invitation came at the perfect time for me after the long season of parenting two children to adulthood. I had been praying for some clarity and feeling a calling to a more active role at St. Paul after experiencing the small group spiritual formation study, Companions in Christ, both as a participant and a leader. In fact my small group was instrumental in the discernment process. I had had no formal training for the position and little experience in leading retreats or contemplative worship experiences, practicing the spiritual disciplines, or guiding others in spiritual growth opportunities. In fact, I wasn't even clear on what 'spiritual formation' meant! Yet with the encouragement and support of the St. Paul community I said yes to the invitation. Needless to say, it has been the greatest blessing of this season of my life. I am deeply grateful for all the support and encouragement I've received from the staff and congregation at St. Paul over the past 10 years. You are the body of Christ in ministry to the world. Through you I have felt connected to God and to neighbor. It has been a transforming experience of loving relationship, and now I understand what spiritual formation is!

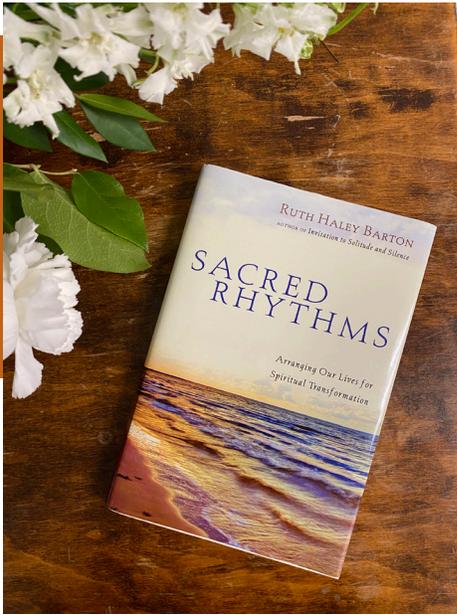
However, a new season has arrived for me with the birth of our first grandchild as well as a strong sense of calling to be available for his family and for elderly family members needing more care. I'll be hanging up my St. Paul staff hat this month but plan to stay connected and active in the St.



Paul community. I look forward to facilitating a small group spiritual formation study of Sacred Rhythms on Zoom starting September 19. I know how life changing these small group experiences of practicing spiritual disciplines together can be! Who knows what God has in store for me and for you in the next season of our life? We do know that we never need to stop growing spiritually and St. Paul is a wonderful place to grow.

Thanks be to God that "we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work." - Ephesians 4:15-16

Cullen's last day on the St. Paul staff will be September 19. She will participate in both services as liturgist. We will have a card shower, so please send your cards of appreciation to St. Paul, and we will get them to Cullen.



Church-wide Book Study *Sacred Rhythms*

September 19-October 24

"Your desire for more of God than you have right now, your longing for love, your need for deeper levels of spiritual transformation than you have experienced so far is the truest thing about you...Spiritual disciplines open us to God's transforming love and the changes that God can bring about in our lives."

- from *Sacred Rhythms*

Establishing a Sacred Rhythm Centers Us in Christ.

Beginning September 19, St. Paul will embark on a church-wide study, using the book *Sacred Rhythms*, by Ruth Haley Barton.

Each Sunday worship service will introduce a chapter and spiritual discipline. During the week, small groups will explore these in more detail. We encourage all St. Paul churchgoers to read the book with us, attend worship, and join a small group study.

You can purchase your own book at Amazon, Cokesbury, or a local bookseller. The book costs from \$15-22, depending on retailer.

If you would like St. Paul to order a book for you or you need financial help with the cost, please contact Rev. Darren Brandon at darren@stpaulchurchky.org.

Cullen Hornaday will facilitate a Zoom discussion of *Sacred Rhythms* after the Traditional worship service, from 12:15-1:15pm.

Topic: Sacred Rhythms Small Group
Time: Sundays 12:15-1:15pm
September 19--October 24

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87511293526>

Meeting ID: 875 1129 3526
One tap mobile
+16465588656,,87511293526# US (New York)

Dial by your location
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

REAL Good News

Local Action for Climate Care

A Virtual Conversation

Saturday, September 18 • 7:00-8:30pm

Join the members of **REAL**, the **Renewable Energy Alliance of Louisville**, to learn more about what Louisville is doing for the sake of our climate.

Keynote speakers:

Sam Avery

REAL, Renewable Energy Alliance of Louisville

Lane Boldman

Kentucky Conservation Committee

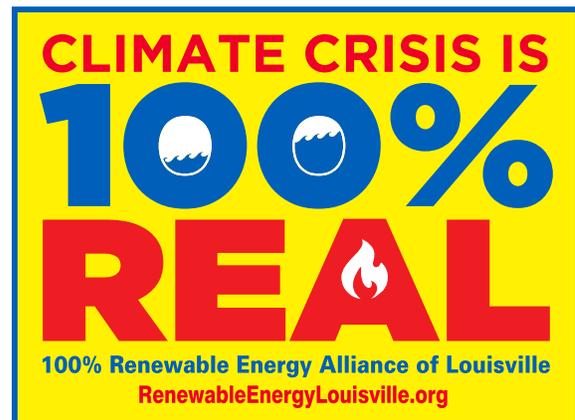
Andy McDonald

Kentucky Solar Energy Society

Cathy Clement

Kentucky Solar Advocacy Network

Music by John Gage



Register for this free Zoom event:
www.stpaulchurchky.org/real-good-news/



Sponsored by St. Paul United Methodist Church and
Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light



Save the Date!

Saturday Nov. 13, 9:30am-3:00pm
McAdams Hall



Spiritual Life Retreat with Joe Grant, Engaging Wellbeing

Guided Meditation

Guided Meditation resumes September 15

Guided Meditation will resume on September 15 at 10:30am on Zoom. It will also be offered on Sept 20 at 7:00pm on conference call and Sept. 29, 10:30 am on Zoom.

In October, it will be on the 1st and 3rd Mondays and Wednesdays.

Email Marilyn Stoner at marilynstoner@fastmail.fm for details on joining the groups. More info: www.stpaulchurchky.org/guided-meditation/



Adult Sunday School Classes

Several adult Sunday school classes have resumed in-person meetings. Here are just a couple extending an invitation to new members.

Aldersgate Class - Room 319

The Aldersgate Class is again meeting each Sunday at 10am. This is a friendly discussion group led by class members and using inexpensive study books by various authors.

We are beginning *Words of Life: The Promise of the 10 Commandments Today*, by Adam Hamilton. All are invited to join us around our beautiful, welcoming table in room 319. If you have questions about the class or wish to order a book, contact Ray Fore at papa.fore@gmail.com or 458-2702.

The Love One Another (LOA) Class Invites You to Join Them!

Seeking a Sunday School class? We hope you'll visit The Love One Another Class, also known as LOA! This is the oldest continuous class at St. Paul. We meet in the (air-conditioned) chapel!

The class uses the Cokesbury Adult Bible Studies Series. Each chapter's format is standard: a focal scripture and its context, a purpose for the lesson, a discussion of the scripture, and reflections. In two years, the curriculum covers most of the Bible. The three units of Bible lessons in this quarter unify around the theme, **Respond**. The lessons

move through various responses people of faith are called to make as they live out their faith in both good times and difficult ones. The material lends itself to growth and discussion. The class has socials periodically.

The class meets at 9:45am (between services). We hope you'll stop by on Sundays!

Want to learn more? Contact Kathleen Mynhier at 494-5678 or kathleenmynhier@gmail.com

Mission and Outreach

September Mission Focus: Smoketown Family Wellness Center

According to John Dewey, "What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child, that must the community want for all its children."

At Smoketown Family Wellness Center, we seek to provide comprehensive, evidence-based medical care for children and wide-ranging support for families by meeting them where they are. We hope to normalize emotional and behavioral health needs by acknowledging the impacts of stress on health and building upon the strengths of our families to promote resilience.

One of our dynamic team members is our family coach, Ramaia Coleman, with a background in social work. In addition to meeting with families in the clinic, she also now leads our parent advisory group that has participated in classes on topics of financial literacy and self-care. Ramaia has recently organized a series of yoga classes on Monday evenings.

Our founder and fellow pediatrician, Charlotte Stites, birthed SFWC with a vision to work upstream to prevent chronic health diseases and disorders that lead to shorter lifespans. Many of our families face barriers of poverty, housing instability, unreliable transportation, and food insecurity. These inequities often lead to health disparities. Social determinants of health can be overlooked or inadequately addressed in a traditional medical setting with pressures of "productivity" on physicians. At SFWC, we value spending more time with our families to build trust, listen, and respond to families' vital concerns.

Through partnerships with Dare to Care and New Roots, we offer shelf-stable food as well as fresh vegetables to our families. Our 365 Healthy Living Coordinator, Shawn Wright, engaged community youth this summer to help in our outside garden plots; the students grew watermelons, carrots, beets, corn, peppers, and tomatoes. They even had the opportunity to cook the beets they grew.

Shawn also led our youth empowerment club this past year; youth participated in a variety of activities including making stress balls, learning yoga poses,

and crafting bird feeders. We partnered with Peace Ed., and Durk Davidson led students in exercises on conflict resolution and cooperative games.

At SFWC, we believe in the importance of early literacy and the power of the written word; we participate in the national Reach Out and Read program which allows us to give free books to babies and children at their well checkups, ages birth through 5 years. Due to bountiful gifts from the library and donors including members of St. Paul, we are able to distribute books to older children and youth as well.

We are planning programming for the fall and hope to have volunteers available to help community children with their homework on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Please contact me if you are interested in tutoring.

We love collaborating with community partners that have similar passions to see communities thrive. I am grateful for St. Paul's generous support of SFWC this past year through monetary donations, culturally-appropriate books, and volunteers.

SFWC is a non-profit organization; though we bill insurances for our medical care, our operating costs for community programming come through grants and donations.

If you'd like to get more involved, or learn more about SFWC, please contact me, and I would be happy to connect with you. If you'd like to support our work financially, please consider reserving your donation for Give for Good on Friday, September 17: <https://www.giveforgoodlouisville.org/organizations/smoketown-family-wellness-center>. Every \$10 donation counts!

Thank you for your gifts of love, generosity, and prayers for Smoketown Family Wellness Center and the strong, resilient families we have the privilege of serving.

Julia Lane Mitchell, MD

St. Paul Mobile Resource Center

at Fourth Avenue UMC's Open Door Ministry



Saturday, September 11
11:00am-1:00pm



We're taking the Mobile Resource Center back to Fourth Ave UMC to serve guests at their Open Door Ministry!

If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Sara Ferebee, Director of Communications & Outreach, at sara@stpaulchurchky.org.

Donations can be dropped off in the Resource Center donation boxes in the FLC lobby or the elevator lobby in the main building.



- **New solid-color men's t-shirts, sizes L-3X**
- **Men's and women's shoes and boots**
- **New white socks - men's and women's**
- **Larger-sized women's pants or shorts**
- **Fall jackets and rain coats**
- **Deodorant**
- **Individually-wrapped toothbrushes**
- **Toothpaste and dental floss**
- **Disposable razors and shave cream**
- **Body soap (bar soap)**
- **Shampoo and conditioner (both travel and full sizes are useful)**
- **Sunscreen**

Ongoing Onsite Resource Center Needs!

We continue to have people coming to St. Paul for clothes, food, and necessities. Here are some of the items we can use on a regular basis:

- Men's casual summer clothing - shorts, t-shirts, lightweight pants (gently used is acceptable, but please do not donate dirty, torn, or stained items)
- Men's and women's sturdy shoes and boots
- New Socks for men and women (esp. white)
- Easy-to-eat, non-perishable foods (tuna packets, cheese crackers, fruit cups, pop-top foods)
 - Bottled water
 - Gatorade / Sports drinks
- Backpacks or duffel bags
- Blankets (esp. those that roll or fold to fit in backpacks)
- Kroger and McDonald's gifts cards (\$5-10)

To make your donation shopping a little easier, you can purchase from our wish lists, which will ship the items directly to the church (you can access the lists at the St. Paul website):

Amazon Wish List: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2KBB4ZUB5F8QJ?>

Dollar Days Wish List: <https://www.dollardays.com/stpaulresourcecenter/wishlist.html>

Wesley Night Returns September 15!

New Baking Ministry for all ages | Wednesdays at 5:00pm | Common Cup | Details below.

Children's Choirs for ages three through sixth grade | All kids are welcome to join the fun!

- 6:00pm Music Milestones Class for ages 3-5

- 7:00pm Joyful Song Choir for grades 1-3

- Wesleyan Choir for grades 4-6.

Kids Club | Grades 1-6 | 6:30-7:00pm | Gym

Youth Jam and Hang Out | Grades 7-12 | 6:30-8:00pm | Youth Center

Wesley Night Bible Study | *Ephesians: Who We Are and How We Live in Christ* | The Wesley Night class offering will be a Bible study on the Book of Ephesians. This study will be a thematic study centering on God's plan of salvation for humanity, who we are in Christ through this salvation, and how we can live into our God given identity as Christians.

Led by Rev. Dustin Woods. In-person meeting in room 113 on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00pm.

The Option to Zoom in to join the study will be provided as well.



Join St. Paul's New

Baking Ministry

Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00pm, starting September 15

before Wesley Night



**"Called to feed Louisville,
called to feed the world!"**

Do you love to bake? Perhaps, the baking ministry is for you! The Baking Ministry is available for functions related to the church. Join us as we bake bread for communion, sweet treats and breakfast items for the Common Cup, and savory items for grieving families.

The group is open to men, women, youth, and children of all ages. Together we can gather at God's table. All are welcome at the table!

If interested, contact Tori Brown at tori@stpaulchurchky.org.

2021 St. Paul Boar's Head Festival Dedicated to Pauletta Matthews

This year marks the 42nd Anniversary of the St. Paul UMC Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival, an event that brings more than 2,000 people to our church to share in a unique depiction of the gift of Christ to the world.

As you know, the performance was created by a core group of visionary individuals and has continued with the leadership and commitment of a number of long-time St. Paul members and volunteers. Many have appeared on stage and worked behind the scenes over the years as the Festival has grown.

One of that core group of leaders was Pauletta Matthews, who served in key capacities for many years - Boar's Head Committee Chair, Backstage Manager, Seamstress, etc. Peggy Heimerdinger, also a long-time volunteer, said, "Pauletta just did anything anyone needed." We will be dedicating this year's performance to her, highlighting her service, along with the positive attitude and encouragement she shared among the cast and volunteers.

The Festival is a wonderful opportunity to showcase St. Paul's youth and children. Even college-age young people look forward to participating in the Festival as part of their holiday plans. Approximately 75 volunteers serve in various roles and have a wonderful time of fellowship in rehearsals and shows. Many adults have stories of when they first participated as a child.

Watch for news about the preparations for the Festival over the next few months, and look for a request for contributions, as we depend on your support to put on the show.

Performances will occur Dec. 29, 30 and 31. We will be monitoring the developments regarding COVID-19 and official recommendations regarding holding gatherings safely.



St. Paul Church

Kids & Tweens

KICS & Tweens

KICS & Tweens meets every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 4:00 to 5:30pm.

Kids Club

Kids Club meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm during Wesley Night.

Sunday School!

Sundays from 10:00-10:50am. Email Ms. Tori at tori@stpaulchurchky.org or an online Sunday school if your family would like an online option!

Children's Chapel

During the 9:00am and 11:00am service! Join Ms. Tori after the children's moment for sacred circle time! We will return for the closing song/hymn.

Zoo Scavenger Hunt September 19, 4-6pm

The Children's Ministry at St. Paul would love to invite our kids, tweens, and families to our monthly Family Game Night! Our game nights are held on the third Sunday of every month from 4:00 to 6:00pm!

This month, we will be having a Zoo Scavenger Hunt! We will load the bus at St. Paul at 3:30pm sharp!

Registration Required! Please register by September 15th using the link below, or scan the QR code to access the form! Ms. Tori will email the ticket cost after registration ends!
<https://tinyurl.com/2t7j8yct>



Parents Night Out

September 17 -- 6:00-8:00pm

St. Paul Children's Ministry hosts a Parents Night Out (PNO) the third Friday of the month as a resource for families. We understand the stresses of parenting and feel PNOs are a valuable way to give back. PNOs are open to parents of infants through fifth-graders for all families in our community!

Free Event! Registration Required!

Scan the QR code with your phone camera or visit the St. Paul website.
www.stpaulchurchky.org/parents-night-out/





Youth News!

Sunday Night Youth Group is Back!

We are going back to our previous schedule which will be as follows:

5:00pm - Youth Choir

6:00pm - Dinner outside on the lawn provided by youth families.

6:30pm - Activity in the Gym / Parking Lot / Youth Center

7:00pm - Group Worship in the Youth Center. This will include a lesson as well as small group time.

Remember, this is subject to change per local, state, and church guidance and we appreciate everyone's flexibility!

If you have not done so yet please fill out the [Student Info Form](#) as well as the [Parent Info Form](#) (these forms are also available on the Youth page of the St. Paul website). Parents, there is also a paper photo release and general release form. We only need one of these per family. If you would like it electronically please let us know and we will email it to you. You will need to fill it out and scan/email it back to us please.

Sign up via SignupGenius for Sunday meals:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f-4ca9a82eaafdc52-sunday>

Fall schedule:

September 5 - No Youth Group (Labor Day)

September 12 - Sunday Mornings resume

September 12 - Regular Youth

September 15 - Wesley Night begins

September 19 - Regular Youth

September 26 - Regular Youth

Fall Break Service Project & Soccer

On Sunday October 3rd we will be doing a service project after church then going to a Lou City match! We'll meet at 9:00am and go to Koinonia as a group. Soccer match is at 3:00pm. Lunch and transportation will be provided. This is subject to change based on health and safety recommendations.

Sunday Morning Service Projects

Formerly known as Sunday School. The Youth Ministry Team has decided that instead of traditional Sunday School, we will use that time to do service projects. These could include Resource Center sorting/organizing, prayer beading, card making, etc. We need parent volunteers to make this work! If you are willing to lead a project one Sunday per month, please respond to this email and let us know! We need at least 2 more people. Sunday mornings will start on Sunday September 12 (the week after Labor Day).

Recent Graduates!

For all of you recent (or recent-ish) high school graduates, please fill out the College Student Info Form on the youth page of the St. Paul website: www.stpaulchurchky.org/youth/



To stay up-to-date on Youth events, please:

- subscribe to our mailing list - at the bottom of the St. Paul Youth webpage:

www.stpaulchurchky.org/youth/

- join the [St. Paul Youth Facebook Group](#)

- follow @stp_youth_group on Instagram

- follow @stpaulumc_youth on Twitter

VOLUNTEER!

As things open back up and the fall programming gets started at St. Paul, we will need the help of lots of volunteers! There is a place for you in one of our many ministry areas!

WE NEED YOU FOR OUR STREAMING MINISTRY!

Calling All Techies! | Do you have an aptitude or interest in audio or video technologies? We are building our new streaming ministry team and are in need of willing hands to run the audio and video aspects of our streaming service. We need people to run cameras in Koinonia as well as people who can run the streaming broadcast and mix the audio for our online church family. We will train you if you have the interest but not the experience. Contact Lori at lori@stpaulchurchky.org.



We are also looking for **Online Worship Greeters** to act as a welcoming presence in the online comment area, greeting those worshipping online, sharing relevant website links, answering questions, and communicating technical issues to the streaming team. Currently, each greeter takes one Sunday per month. If interested, please contact Sara at sara@stpaulchurchky.org.

Other volunteer needs

Sunday Morning

Ushers are needed for both the 9:00am Koinonia and 11:00am Traditional services. If interested, please contact Rev. Darren Brandon at darren@stpaulchurchky.org.

Wesley Night

Wesley Night begins September 15, and we will need volunteers to serve the meal and act as cashier. If you would like to help out, please contact Dustin Woods at dustin@stpaulchurchky.org.

Special Events and Services

Communion stewards who prepare for and clean up after the traditional service.

Ushers and greeters are occasionally needed for special events that are advertised to the public, such as labyrinth concerts, retreats, and Wesley night forums.

If interested, please contact Rev. Darren Brandon at darren@stpaulchurchky.org.

Empty Bowls Hunger Benefit Reimagined for the 25th anniversary!

Sunday, September 26, 4:00-7:00pm
Highlands Community Campus
Barret @ Breckinridge

Soup & Chili Cook-off!

A simple meal for a simple cause, picnic style! A big tent will be setup outside in the grassy area of our parking lot where we can enjoy the great outdoors while we endeavor to wipe out hunger in our neighborhoods. Tickets include tastings of all the soups and includes bread, fruit, desserts, and a drink:

\$25: Adults 18+

\$10: Teenagers 13-17

\$5: Kids 6-12

Free! Munchkins 5 and under

Locally-crafted brews by Chimera Brewing/V-grits will be available for sale. Inside the HCC Event Hall, a wide variety of locally hand-crafted artisan pottery bowls will be for sale. Theme baskets by our Member Congregations will be for raffle, and a few top-shelf items will make up a silent auction. Cash, credit card, and checks accepted.



Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. Visit our website for ordering information:

www.hcmlouisville.org.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Seeking pots of soup and chili!

Do you like to make soup or chili? Perhaps a group in your congregation, neighborhood, or organization would be willing. Perhaps a group of HCM parents, volunteers, or staff?

Our event attendees will be voting on their favorite tastes and your group may end up as "Master Soup Chefs"!

They are hoping for 12 to 15 different soups and chilis. If interested, contact Soup Cook-off chair, Tom Herman, at therman76@gmail.com or 502/741-5714.

Scout Activities for Summer 2021

In June, a group of seven scouts and three adult leaders from Troop 40 spent a week at Camp Daniel Boone in North Carolina. The scouts earned lots of merit badges and went whitewater rafting at the end of the week.

In early August, a different group of six scouts and three adult leaders went to the Philmont Scout Ranch. We first spent a couple days in Albuquerque, adjusting to the higher altitude. Then we had seven days of backpacking in the mountains of northern New Mexico. The highest peak was Mt. Baldy at 12,441 feet elevation. While we did not see any bears, we saw bison, mule deer, turkeys, and many ground squirrels. The trip was both exhilarating and exhausting!

The summer closed with a special ceremony honoring two Eagle Scouts, Sean McInnis and Michael Gardner. With these two new additions, our troop has produced 190 Eagle Scouts.



Next year, 2022, will be the 100th anniversary of Troop 40 and we are starting to plan a celebration. We are grateful for the century of support from St. Paul UMC.

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The St. Paul staff took a break to go bowling and had a great time!

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