



July Calendar

Wed., July 20th

9:30 A.M. Prayer Van, meets in the upper parking lot
6:00 P. M. NO Choir Practice/ NO Praise Team Practice

Saturday, July 23rd

9 AM - 11 AM Administrative Council Leadership Retreat/St. Andrews
Service Over Self Youth Mission trip participants, return in the afternoon

Sun., July 24th

8:45 A.M. Choir Practice; Praise Team Practice
9:05 A.M. Sunday Grind (coffee & fellowship)
9:30 A.M. Worship Service
10:45 A.M. Sunday School
4:00 P.M. Youth
4:00 P.M. Reading Helps Training/St. Andrews Classroom

Wed., July 27th -

6:00 P.M. Praise Team Practice
NO Choir Practice

Sun., July 31st

8:45 A.M. Choir Practice; Praise Team Practice
9:05 A.M. Sunday Grind (coffee & fellowship)
9:30 A.M. Worship Service
10:45 A.M. Sunday School
4:00 P. M. Youth Group

Looking ahead . . . into August . . . Things to mark on your calendar

- August 2nd - Trustees meeting/ 5:30 PM/ Conference Room
August 3rd - Youth Community Time/ 6 PM
August 7th - Blessing of the Backpacks during the worship service
End of Summer Church-wide Family Picnic/ 4-6 PM/ in the Gym
August 10th - The Springs in the Fall (see schedule on page 3)
Wednesday evening Choir Practices Return/ 7 PM
August 11-12 - Global Leadership Summit for Staff and Church Leadership
August 13th - Youth 2nd Saturday Missions (Habitat for Humanity)/ 8 am - 3 pm
August 14th - Tea Party for girls 2nd-5th grade at 12:00/Noon/after Sunday School
Reading Helps (for K-3rd grade)/ 4-5 pm
August 16th - Finance Meeting/ 5:30 PM/ Conference Room
August 17th - Prayer Van (10:30 am) and Lunch Bunch (noon)

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES:

Isaiah: Hope from Hopelessness (finishing up)
Jeremiah: Planning for the Future
Ezekiel: Fear Not

August Birthdays

- 4th Peggy Baldwin
Kathy Pigott
Lyda Tingle
5th Jake Joyner
Mindy Mendiola
6th Fleta McElroy
9th Joey Bates
10th Jean Harrison
12th Gavin Broome
Addison Epting
13th Robbie Hales
Cricket Hodges
15th Whitney Rhett
17th Scott Dickey
Lynn Dooley
18th Charlyn King
Ryan King
20th Jamie McInnis
21st Taylor Burt
24th Butch Shannon
25th Semmes Partridge
26th Shelby Dickey
28th Suzanne Grafton
29th Leigh Ann Smith
Becky White
30th Polly Little
31st Jim Autry

Prayer Requests:

Please review the Prayer Request Listing on Sunday's Bulletin. Let us know if there is anyone who may come off of that list. Unless specified otherwise, names will remain on the list for two weeks. - To add a name to the Prayer Request listing please fill out a prayer request card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate or email your request to info.psdumc@gmail.com

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

** NOTE THE CHANGE **

The **Lunch Bunch** is moving to a new day, each **third Wednesday** starting **August 17 at NOON**, and will partner with the Prayer Van (see below). The Lunch Bunch will meet in the Conference Room at the church for a time of devotion and sharing joys and prayer concerns. You are welcome to bring your lunch or eat ahead and pick up a cup of coffee or smoothie to enjoy while we fellowship and pray.



The **Springs in the Fall** begins **August 10th**. Details on the next page.

WORSHIP

Scripture Readers for July/Aug:

July 24: Betsy Littleton

July 31: Dianne Shannon

August 7: Kristi Brown

August 14: Benny Egglar

Ushers for August

David Litton, Grady Coleman, Don Wheeler, Casey Ridinger, Tommy King

Alternate: Billy Ashcraft, Steven Brown

Greeters for July:

	<u>Sanctuary</u>	<u>40th Street</u>	<u>Downstairs</u>
July 24	Jean Harrison	Carrol Barham	Teresa Anders
July 31	Mary Anne Catlett	Judy Hartzler	Cindy Lang

Communion Celebrants for August 7, 2016

Bessie Kent, Neldia White, Billy & Teresa Anders

MISSIONS

Karissa Both - in mission in the Czech Republic. Follow her ministry at kboth@mobilizingstudents.com or go to her blog at karissaboth.blogspot.com.

Prayer Van Ministry – next date - August 17th

leaves the PSDrive parking lot at 10:30 am each **THIRD** Wednesday of a month to drive around Meridian and pray for schools/businesses/people. **Beginning in August**, plan to join the **Lunch Bunch at noon** in the Conference Room. (see above under Intentional Faith Development)

Meals on Wheels – HELP NEEDED - We can always accommodate someone else who would like to serve with this ministry. Contact Nancy for more info.

Health Kits - 20 Monthly Health Kits needed

(for Care Lodge) Drop your donations of completed kits off at the altar any Sunday or in the Staff Work Room; a Health Kit listing can be found in the Gathering Place and online. Complete kits are always welcome.

NEW !! - other than a complete kit, all items needed except NO combs and NO washcloths. Especially

needed: **toothbrushes**, must be individually wrapped **and toothpaste**, must be in a box; **soap** and **hand towels**. Also needed: emery boards/nail files, nail clippers. Monetary donations are always welcome. **** Care Lodge** will also accept **books for children**, used or new, that can be shared within the center and also so a child can take a book with them when they leave.

Take a Meal is an online, easy to use, scheduling calendar to arrange a meal or series of meals for church family members who may need a help for a short time due to a new baby, an illness, a broken bone, etc. **You may add someone to the schedule by contacting the church office**. A Take a Meal link is on the website. **We also have meal items available for distribution at the church for an unexpected need.**

FELLOWSHIP

The Deborahs - (women's ministry group) next scheduled meeting is August 8th, 6:30 pm

Grace Circle (UMW) next meeting, September 13, 2:30 pm

Youth

Sunday School: 10:45am - 11:45 am

Grades 6-12 Third Floor Youth Lounge

UMYF: Youth Group **Sunday's 4pm-6pm**

Grades 6-12 Third Floor Youth Lounge

2nd Saturday Missions w/ Habitat/ 8 am - 3 pm

Summer Activities:

July 30/ Water Activities @ the Kings/ 4-7 PM

Wednesday Community Time returns Aug. 3rd

Children

Sunday School starts at 10:45 each Sunday morning using The Gospel Project curriculum

For the next few months the children will be learning about the kings of 1 & 2 Samuel. Be sure to get a key ring of cards so you can talk to your child about their Sunday school lesson.

August 7th - Bring your school backpack to church for the **Blessing of the Backpacks** during the worship service

August 7th - End of Summer Picnic/4-6 pm in the gym. Bring a friend to enjoy Hot Dogs ~ Games Blow Up Jump House & Slide ~ Crafts ~ Desserts

August 10th - Children's Community Time on Wednesday nights will resume @ 6 pm

Reading Helps Training for Volunteers/July 24/ 4 PM

NOT needed: a degree in teaching, reading expertise All that is needed are adults who will read to children who want the undivided attention of an adult for almost an hour on Sunday evenings. Meet in St. Andrews classroom.

End of Summer Church-wide Picnic/Aug. 7th/4-6 pm Ouida Sims

In the Gym/ Hot dogs will be served. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Games, Blow Up Jump House & Slide, and Crafts for the children and plenty of fellowship for the adults

BEGINNING AUGUST 10TH

The Springs, in the Fall

Church Family Night Suppers @ 5:30 pm - menu info is on our website, **reservations highly encouraged**

Adult meal \$6 - Child's plate \$3 - Family max \$23

The Springs Connect Groups @ 6:00 pm

(childcare is provided)

The Grand Sweep: Connect with the God's Holy

Word, led by Chuck Meador, Sanctuary

The Mayberry Bible Study: Connect with Primetime

Parables, led by Grady Coleman, St. Andrews

Faith in Color: Connect to Scripture through Journaling,

led by Courtney Ashcraft/Charlyn King - We will have sample supplies to "try out" to see which type fits best with your journaling style before you purchase your own. In the South Parlor.

Children's Community Time- for ages 3 yrs - 5th grade

Join us for supper at 5:30 pm in the gym or meet us in the children's wing at **6:00 pm (until 7 PM)** for a time of bible study, music, and activities.

Youth Community Time/ 6-7 PM

1st Wednesday/ Ekklesia Praise and Prayer Service

Other Wednesdays/Study of Prayer through the Psalms

Choir Practice & Praise Team Practice/ 7 PM

LOST & FOUND:

Found during VBS week. Set of keys. Please call the church office to identify.

Memorials:

In Memory of:

David Sawyer

(Angie Sherrill's Brother) Ron & Jennifer St. John - STL
Irby & Cindy Lang - STL
Ken & Dixie LaBruyere - STL

Skeeter Lang Butch & Vivian Wright - STL

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Jean Harrison - STL
Grady & Vicki Coleman - Choir
Martha Holt - STL
Ken & Dixie LaBruyere - Choir
Butch & Vivian Wright - STL
Berneice Barham & Family - STL
Ouida Bruce- Missions
Senita Webb - STL
Sam & Aline Forbert - STL
Laurie Hughes - STL
Martha Hudson - STL
Robert & Martha McNeil - STL
Ann Dennis - STL
Patricia Jordan - STL
Mrs. Cecil German & Barry - STL
The "Sisters of Source, Inc." - STL
Irby & Cindy Lang - STL
Gladys & Red Stewart - STL
Wilburt Easom - STL
Ron & Carol Burton - Choir
Harry & Joyce Mayer - STL
Barbara Walker - Choir
John & Vance Lewis - STL
Robert & Nell Harrod - STL

2016 Budget	517,679.41
Needed each month (Budget/12 months)	43,139.95
Contributions for month	<u>31,614.67</u>
Difference for month	-11,525.28
Budget Balance at end of month	-1,105.87
<u>Miss Annual Conference Mission Shares Budgeted</u>	69,134.00
Amount Paid to Date (14.46%)	10,000.00
<u>Meridian District Mission Shares Budgeted</u>	8,517.00
Amount Paid to Date (50.69%)	4,317.00
<u>Building Fund</u>	
Note balance	539,317.03
Monthly note payment	6,381.03
Received in April	5,197.50
Building Fund Balance	28,933.69

NOTE: Parsonage Renovation Loan Paid in Full



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

God, Thank you for:

Reading Helps:

Last March through May we offered a pilot reading mentor program. Because of the success, we are broadening the program to run during the entire school year. The program is open to children who are in Kindergarten through Third Grade. We offer this on Sunday nights from 4:00 until 5:00. It will start on Sunday, August 14th. This Sunday, July 24, we will have a training and informational meeting for volunteers from 4:00 until 6:00, at the latest. We would love for you to be a Reading Helps volunteer. You do not have to have a background in education or be able to teach reading. The most important thing is that you care and are willing to read to a child. Join us this Sunday afternoon to find out more.

Thank You:

THANK YOU, to all the volunteers who assisted with Vacation Bible School. We had a wonderful week. Your hard work was so appreciated. It was a wonderful opportunity to share the Light of Christ with so many children.

Sincerely, Katie Meador

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