



September Calendar

Wed., August 31st

- 5:30 P.M. CFN Supper/ Reservation Encouraged
6:00 P.M. The Springs Classes for Adults
Children's Activity Time/ Youth Community Time
7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Sun., September 4th

- 8:45 A.M. Choir Practice; Praise Team Practice
9:05 A.M. Sunday Grind (coffee & fellowship)
9:30 A.M. Worship & Communion Service
10:45 A.M. Sunday School
4:00 P.M. Youth Group
4 - 5 P.M. Reading Helps
4 - 6 P.M. 1st Sunday Mission - Themed Birthday Party Paper Products (wrapping paper, plates, napkins)

Mon., September 5th - Labor Day/ Church Offices Closed

Tues., September 6th

- 5:30 P.M. Lay Leadership Meeting/ Conference Room

Wed., September 7th

- 5:00 P.M. Youth Council/ Banquet Room
5:30 P.M. CFN Supper/ Reservation Encouraged
6:00 P.M. The Springs Classes for Adults
Children's Activity Time/ Youth Community Time
7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Sun., September 11th

- 8:45 A.M. Choir Practice; Praise Team Practice
9:05 A.M. Sunday Grind (coffee & fellowship)
9:30 A.M. Worship Service
'What Matters Most?'/ The Minor Prophets sermon series
10:45 A.M. Sunday School
3:30 P.M. Baby BOY Shower Honoring Audrey Otto/ home of Nancy Crews
4 - 5 P.M. Reading Helps
4 - 6 P.M. Youth Group
5 - 6 P.M. Moms Support Group

Looking ahead . . . Things to mark on your calendar

- September 12th - Deborahs/ 6:30 PM/ home of Carrol Barham
September 18th - Journey Service/ 5-6 PM/ Sanctuary
September 21st - Prayer Van/ 10:30 AM, followed by Lunch Bunch/ noon
September 25th - Sunday School / Round Table Discussion

SERMON SERIES: Ezekiel: Fear Not

UPCOMING SERIES: The Minor Prophets: What Matters Most?

An Application for the PSDUMC App ...

On the go and can't remember what is for supper. If you have the church app, open it, choose calendar, agenda style (because it is easier to read for this), find the correct Wednesday, tap on it and you will see the day's menu.

September Birthdays

If you have a September Birthday and your name does not appear, please call the church office so we can update our files.

- 1st Ainsley Ashcraft
2nd Neldia White
4th Kelly Epting
6th Toby Bates
Lori Berrey
Irby Lang
Dianne Shannon
Vivian Wright
8th Emery Kate Chatham
Francine Long
Nancy McElroy
9th Kathy Price
Samantha Thames
10th Sharon Beemon
11th Joey Coxwell
12th Becky Cook
14th Grady Coleman
15th Nancy Crews
21st Eric Fera
Adele Graham
23rd Kim Ridinger
24th Lucy Autry
25th Jason Anders
26th Ramone Hopson
27th David Litton
28th Jonathan Meador
30th Wanda Haynes

Prayer Requests:

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 (especially the verbal requests on Sunday mornings so we can be sure to have the correct name and information) or email your request to info.psdumc@gmail.com or send a request through the Church App

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

** NOTE THE CHANGE **

The **Lunch Bunch** is partnering with the Prayer Van, each **third Wednesday** of a month. The Lunch Bunch will meet in the South end of the Parlor at the church, at **NOON**, 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 continues. Class information can be found at psdumc.org under the Connect Tab

WORSHIP

Scripture Readers for September:

September 4: James Carson
September 11: Raymond King
September 18: Billy Anders
September 25: Ken LaBruyere

Ushers for September

Jason Payne, James Weeks, Bill Selman, Jerry Long
Alternates: Steven Brown, Raymond King

Greeters for September:

	<u>Sanctuary</u>	<u>40th Street</u>	<u>Downstairs</u>
Sept. 4:	Martha Hudson	Cathy Ellis	Sue Gerwert
Sept. 11:	Jean Harrison	Carrol Barham	Polly Little
Sept. 18:	Teresa Anders	Judy Hartzler	Cindy Lang
Sept. 25:	Mary Anne Catlett	Fayne Walker	Carolyn Wall

Communion Celebrants for September 4, 2016

Carrol Barham, Janet Barham, Bobby Sims, Karin Both

Communion Celebrants for October 2, 2016

Samantha Thames, Dianne Shannon, Sandi Pupa,
Jennifer St. John

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. If you are able plan to join the **Lunch Bunch at noon** in the South Parlor. (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 is a women's ministry group focused on local mission opportunities, ongoing or immediate, and is open to all women. **N E X T** meeting is **September 12th, 6:30 pm**, at the home of **Carrol Barham**. Their mission focus for this quarter is Wesley House (see psdumc.org).

Grace Circle (UMW) N E X T meeting, **September 13/ 2 pm/Banquet Room/Host Evelyn Samuelson**

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

Youth Council/ Wednesdays 5 PM/ Banquet Room

Wednesday Community Time/ 6 PM/ If youth want to eat supper, please sign up on the attendance sheet or email nancy.psdumc@gmail.com

Children

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

The children are learning about the kings of 1 & 2 Samuel. Get a key ring of cards so you can talk with your child about their lesson at home.

Wednesdays - Children's Community Time @ 6 pm
If your family would like to eat supper, please sign up on the attendance sheet or email nancy.psdumc@gmail.com

1st Sunday Mission/ Sept. 4/ Collecting Themed Birthday Party Supplies for Wesley House

Reading Helps Volunteers/Sundays 4-5 pm

No degree required, just a heart to help! We will get you started with the necessary tools to be a reading mentor! Background checks are required. We will take care of that process once you have signed up. Contact Katie Meador.

Baby BOY Showers on Sunday September 11th

Honoring Christy (Plummer) Hales @ 2 PM

Given by Friends at the home of Dixie LaBruyere

Honoring Audrey Otto @ 3:30 PM

Given by Friends at the home of Nancy Crews

Diaper/Wipe Drop-off Honoring Kim Ridinger

Sunday, **September 25th** - In the Parlor

OPEN INVITATION

to all who don't have specific plans on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:30 AM until 11:30 AM and maybe or a little later . . . the Prayer Van is a wonderful and important ministry when we pray for our town, our leaders, teachers, students, policemen, firefighters, etc. and church and church members as a van drives around Meridian, stopping to pray for those on the route for that day. The small group that has been faithful to this ministry welcomes any newcomers to join them to see what a blessing the ride is for our community and those in the Prayer Van. And if you have a little more time, Lunch Bunch meets in the South end of the Parlor for lunch and a devotion and a sharing of personal concerns and joys.

Prayer Requests- We want to know what prayer concerns are on your heart. It would be very helpful to us to receive an email (info.psdumc@gmail.com) with the name and the concern (which doesn't have to be published) so we have a name attached to a prayer request so we can follow up after a few weeks. Even if you voice a request on a Sunday morning, fill out a prayer request card found in the pew with the name, the reason and your name and drop it in the offering plate. - You can always send us your prayer request through the Church app.

It's that time again! To start thinking about planning for the FALL FESTIVAL

October 22 - 10am - 1pm

Needed: Festival Coordinator(s) ~ Team Leaders ~ Church Family Participation

A day of Fun, Fellowship and Pork Plates. The funds from the Festival will again go to Securing the Legacy/Building Fund and local charities (to be determined). Each of us can be involved from selling tickets to preparing Baked and Frozen Goods ahead of time and also giving some time to work the morning of the Festival. This is one of our biggest fundraisers for the year. **We need your help to make this a success.**

Lay Leadership Meeting

Tuesday, September 6th - 5:30 PM

Conference Room

Upcoming Lay: Tuesday, September 27th
Leadership Meetings Tuesday, October 11th

Memorials:

Robbie Lynn Jackson Grace Circle - Missions

Tom Walters St. Andrews S.S. - Missions

John W. Lang, Sr.

Mr. & Mrs. Donald A. Malmo, Jr. - STL

Ouida Sims Sherman & Celia Muths - STL

Jan & Andrew Townes - STL

Becky Vance - STL

Aubon Ishee - STL

Raymond & Carron King - STL

Dr. & Mrs. John McEachin - STL

Mr. & Mrs. Wink Glover - STL

Louise Bush Wynn - STL

Jim & Sylvia Autry - STL

Helen Sharp

Minnie Bryan - STL

Martha Hudson - STL

Mary Ann Catlett - STL

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT SUPPERS MENUS

(a reservation is required)

\$6 Adults, \$3 Child's Plate/Menu

- Aug. 31st** - Lasagna, Green Salad, French Bread, Yellow Cake/Chocolate Icing,
Sept. 7th - Baked Chicken, Potato Salad, 7-Layer Salad, Roll, Peach Cobbler
Sept. 14th - Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes/ Tomato Gravy, Green Peas, Roll, Chocolate Éclair Dessert
Sept. 21st - Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Green Salad, French Bread, Banana Pudding

For our Diabetics: Green beans will be available each week as needed

(Menu subject to change without notice!)

There is not a separate child's menu. A child's portion (half) of the regular menu is \$3.00.

Sign up on the attendance sheet, or email or call Nancy before 3 pm on Monday



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August 31, 2016

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

God, Thank you for:

What Matters Most...

On Sunday, September 11th, we begin the sermon series related to the Minor Prophets that we're calling, "What Matters Most." We are continually bombarded with information and people that tell us what should be most important in our lives. Through this series we want to focus on discovering what really matters in life. You are invited to attend "Journey" on Sunday night September 18th. The purpose of that Sunday night experience is to intentionally seek God's direction in your life around what Matters Most. In addition, next week you should receive, by mail, the brochure offering ways you can serve Christ within this congregation. We would like for you to return the brochures by bringing them to the altar as part of worship on Sunday, September 25th. Then during the Sunday School hour on September 25th we invite you to join us in the Gym to participate in the discussion about how we can corporately move toward Christ's vision of this faith community.

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