

# St. Paul Lutheran Church Weekly Updates & Announcements for July 19, 2023

## WORSHIP

### Sunday Worship: 10:00 am (in-person and livestreamed)

- **TO VIEW LIVESTREAMED OR RECORDED SERVICES ONLINE**, go to: <https://www.stpaulmissoulamt.org/watch-live> This page provides a link to the worship service, a link to the bulletin, and a way to make your offering online.
- **OFFICE HOURS, ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH:** 10:00 am until 4:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, or by appointment by calling (406) 549-4141.
- **PREACHING AND PRESIDING JULY 23, 2023:** Rev. Dan Dixon.
- **PASTOR MARK IS AWAY FOR A FAMILY VISIT** from July 21st to the 29th.
- **PREACHING AND PRESIDING JULY 30, 2023:** Pastor Mark Galbraith
- **READINGS FOR JULY 23, 2023:** Isaiah 44:6-8; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
- **ST. PAUL SERVICES** are broadcast weekly on MCAT: Wednesdays, 4 pm, Spectrum cable channel 189.
- **WATCH A REPLAY of Sunday's service** at: <https://www.youtube.com/live/Odr2tQktYc8?feature=share> There have been 40 views of this video since Sunday.
- **UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Ron Mueller, August 4, 12:00
- **CONFLUENCE** is a creative and contemplative community grounded in Jesus' vision for liberation; being fed and formed through art, music, poetry, contemplation, and the natural world. Join us on 1st & 3rd Sunday nights at 5pm at UCC Missoula (405 University Ave). If you have questions or are curious about Confluence, Colter is a member of their leadership team and would be excited to talk!

- **GARNET GHOST TOWN TRIP** Sunday, July 23rd, 12pm  
**Youth of all ages, parents, and any interested adults invited!!** We'll meet in the St. Paul parking lot.  
Explore this historic Montana mining town, now abandoned but well-preserved. Bring your lunch, water and sunscreen, and be prepared for some walking/hiking. We will be back in Missoula by 6pm. May drive own vehicle or ride in St. Paul van (limited space). Please RSVP as soon as possible to: [colter@stpaulmissoula.org](mailto:colter@stpaulmissoula.org)



**SPLASH MONTANA FUN:** We had gallons of fun playing in the water at Splash Montana last week! **There is one more opportunity this summer to go to Splash Montana FOR FREE: August 9. Must RSVP TO** [colter@stpaulmissoula.org](mailto:colter@stpaulmissoula.org)



- **SOCK SOCKS!** Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, immediately after worship, Lower Level Hall  
Join Colter and Jan Turbak as we sort socks for the Gary Turbak Memorial back-to-school clothing drive. Those socks aren't going to sort themselves! Everyone is encouraged to take part, especially kids and families. Let Colter know if you can make it: [colter@stpaulmissoula.org](mailto:colter@stpaulmissoula.org)

- **HIGH SCHOOL SILVERWOOD THEME PARK TRIP** Wednesday, August 16, 8:30am Meet in the St. Paul parking lot Experience the thrills and fun of Silverwood! We will leave in the morning and return late in the evening. Trip cost is \$80, scholarships available upon request. Parent chaperones/drivers who volunteer go for free! Please RSVP: [colter@stpaulmissoula.org](mailto:colter@stpaulmissoula.org)

- **WE NEED HELP TO FEED BIKE AND BUILD cross-county cyclists:** St. Paul and St. Anthony churches are planning to host this team of cyclists who use Missoula as a day of "rest" during their cross-country adventure. The 24 participants use their rest days to help build affordable housing, usually for Habitat for Humanity. St. Paul provides meals and St. Anthony provides a place to stay.

This year, Earl Owens and I are sharing the task of coordinating the food preparations. The "Bike and Build" group plans to arrive the afternoon of Sunday, July 30, work and play on Monday, July 31, and head west on Tuesday morning, August 1. While here, we will help them stage a Bike Rodeo for children in the church parking lot (see notice below) and celebrate their presence with a supper of fish! There are many ways to help. Please contact me, Phil, at (406) 728-8262 or Earl if you would like to be a part of this stop in their journey. *Phil Stauffer*

- **BIKE RODEO** Monday, July 31, 7pm Church parking lot  
The young adults from Bike and Build are stopping in Missoula and offering a fun, informative session for kids and families all about bikes and how to ride safely. Bring your bikes, your helmets, and leave some room for ice cream dessert after biking.



- **LOCAL EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND:** A large number of recent requests for emergency assistance has put a noticeable dent in the Emergency Fund. Everyone is invited to donate to this fund which is used to help those who come to the church office in emergent need of a night's lodging, gas, or food. This is for immediate assistance only and those making these requests are directed to other resources for further assistance. Thanks for your generosity!



***THE SIGN-UP CHART IS NOW IN THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY....2023 GARY TURBAK MEMORIAL BACK-TO-SCHOOL CLOTHING PROJECT UPDATE: PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: MONDAY, AUGUST 14, FOR THE 37<sup>th</sup>!! BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING STORE. WE'LL NEED HELP TO SET UP THE STORE AND ASSIST SHOPPERS WHO WILL BE COMING TO PICK OUT CLOTHES.*** Please look in the back of the church for the sign-up chart! Last year was bigger than ever, both for donations *and* recipients of clothes. This year we are again applying for and receiving grants from the United Way and many Missoula businesses; if you have or know of a business or foundation that may want to donate to this project, please contact me (406-251-3649) as soon as possible!

Your help is needed in several ways. Of course, we need money, and it's never too late to donate! ☺ Just write a check to St. Paul Lutheran and write "clothes" in the memo line. Then, check the "Socks and Underwear" notice below for details about our socks and underwear drive. Next, explore the sign-up chart at the back of the church for opportunities to help. (Helping in any way with this event is SO rewarding!) Finally, and most importantly, we need your prayers as we reach out to help the children in need in our community. Thank you. *Jan Turbak*

**WANTED: NEW SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR**

There is a large box at the back of the church for packages of new socks and underwear for kids in Missoula who come to the Gary Turbak Memorial Back to School Clothing Store. Watch for those upcoming great sales and start picking up some packages when you're out shopping; the box will be there until the second week in August. Thank you! *Jan Turbak*



- **COFFEE HOUR SIGN-UP:** To volunteer to help serve or provide treats for Coffee Hours, scan this QR code with your smartphone or tablet. You can sign up to bring treats or host the coffee hour either on the whiteboard in the Lower-Level Fellowship Hall or (cntrl click) on our Signup Genius Coffee Hour website:



[St. Paul Coffee Hour](#)

Or cntrl click to go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094ea9ae2ca2fb6-coffee#/> or call the office and we'll sign you up to host and/or furnish treats!!

- **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY BREAKFAST, WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, WOMEN OF SPIRIT** book group and **MENS' QUILTING GROUP** are taking a summer hiatus and will resume in the fall.

- **WOMEN'S QUILTMaking MEETS THURSDAYS AT 9:00 AM IN THE LOWER LEVEL FELLOWSHIP HALL.** All women are invited to come and help tie quilts. No experience is necessary.



**PRAYERS**

**This week we pray for:** † continued healing and recovery for Darrel Fite; † for successful treatment and complete recovery for Hazel's daughter Kaati; † continued recovery for Kristin's cousin Delana; † comfort for those who have lost loved ones to gun violence; † people of all ages to embrace stewardship of the planet's life-giving resources; † safety for Josh during deployment; † healing and recovery for Kate M., Peggy, and Chuck's sister-in-law Debbie; † strength for all caregivers; † for all who are recovering from heat waves, wildland fires, flooding, tornadoes or extraordinary rainstorms; † young people experiencing mental illness and for guidance and patience for their families; † all who contend with addiction, anxiety, depression, or PTSD; † support and strength for all health care workers, first responders, and all serving their country in the military; † all refugees who are fleeing their homelands; † for peace in Sudan, the Middle East, and Ukraine; † peace for the dying; † all who are incarcerated; † for people to recognize truth and discard misinformation; † peace and comfort for Kathy's Aunt Ruth, Diane's mother, and Bonnie; † all who are a challenge to love, lonely, unhoused, or hungry; † for a profusion of common sense and kindness. **Amen.**

**GIVING**

**Your support of the ministry of St. Paul is greatly appreciated.** A donation can be made on our website at [www.stpaulmissoula.org/give](http://www.stpaulmissoula.org/give), by choosing "Give" in the church app, or by mailing a check to the church office. Thank you for your continued generosity!

God's Healing Hope and Peace,

St. Paul Staff  
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