

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2015**

**SPOT MARCH SCHEDULE** St. Paul on Tap is an informal Bible study of upcoming scripture readings. Open to all ages! Upcoming Meetings at Vickery's: **Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm** and **Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm**. Contact: [waite.ashley@gmail.com](mailto:waite.ashley@gmail.com).

**ST. PAUL YOUTH** We are launching a new youth (6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade) schedule in March! Because of the busyness of everybody's schedules, we are going to now meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month from 6pm-8pm for Youth Supper Club (where we will gather at the home of a St. Paul member to share a meal together.) We will continue to be in conversation about adding on an additional monthly activity...we are brainstorming some fun ideas!

**Youth for March** - Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>: 6:00-8:00pm. Dinner at a church member's home: Location TBD.

**HANDBELL CHOIR** Ringers and Ding-Dongs wanted! We are trying to re-start our handbell choir at St. Paul. If you can read music and would like to be a part of this group, contact Harold Putnam at [Harold.putnam@comcast.net](mailto:Harold.putnam@comcast.net). The rehearsal schedule will be determined by the members, but will probably take place on Mondays at 7pm. Other options would be Saturday mornings or Sundays before worship.

**THE PHOENIX FLIES: A CELEBRATION OF ATLANTA'S HISTORIC SITES** will take place March 7<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. Our own historic building will be on the tour schedule Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-3pm, and Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 2pm-4pm. The Sunday date is scheduled in conjunction with an open house at the Grant Manson from 3pm-5pm. Volunteers are needed both dates to give tours and answer questions from tour goers. A wealth of information about the congregation and the building are available. If you always wanted to be a *docent* and will be available either of these dates, please let the office know.

**MEAL TRAIN** Thanks to everyone who has responded to the need for meals for our friends. Weekly meals have been planned through April, and there are only a couple dates available through May. Please do check the link <http://www.mealtrain.com/view/?id=59Ow7aZPP%2bs%3d> if you can bring meals on those available dates. Rachel ([rachel\\_rq@yahoo.com](mailto:rachel_rq@yahoo.com)) is the contact for questions about food, delivery, and so forth. Thank you for your kindness.

**GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY** will be celebrated during the 11 am service on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for details.

**WELCOME OUR OVERNIGHT VISITORS** We are hosting three groups of college students during successive weeks in March who are making service trips to Atlanta during their colleges' spring breaks. Volunteers are needed to meet the groups on their arrival, show them around and get them settled. A group from Southern Illinois University will arrive Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> in the evening. A group from the University of Maryland will arrive Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> in the evening. You will be given detailed instructions about what they need to know and see. We will have you exchange cell phones with a member of the group and we will ask them to call you when they are an hour away, and again when they get off the expressway. That way, you won't be chained to your house all afternoon and will have plenty of notice of their imminent arrival. If you think you can be available to offer hospitality to one of these groups, please let the office know.

**THE 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GREAT DAY OF SERVICE** is March 21<sup>st</sup>. Volunteers from Peachtree Road UMC will work with St. Paulers to perform various repair, maintenance and cleaning tasks at our church. We need your help to take full advantage of these dedicated laborers. A list of projects is forthcoming. To say you will help, contact [marcusmeritt@comcast.net](mailto:marcusmeritt@comcast.net).

**ST. PAUL T-SHIRTS FOR SALE** \$10, sizes adult S-M-L-XL. Contact the office.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

\*Toren Solberg (and parents Tori Zimmerman and Michael Solberg, and big sisters Lucy and Mae)

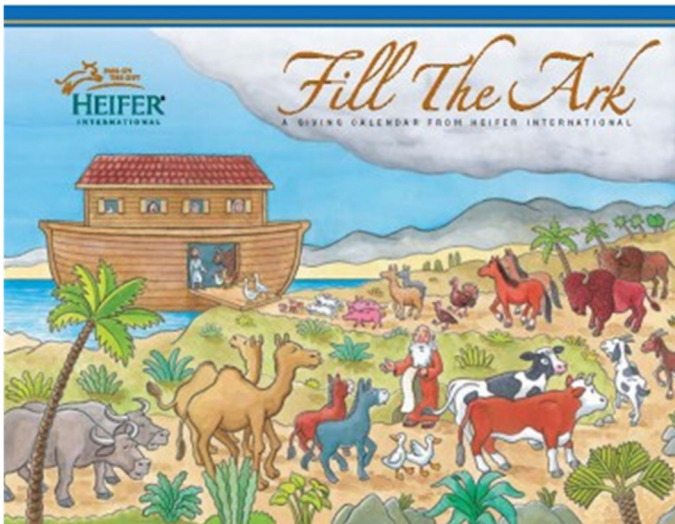
**CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?** We would like to hear from you if there are any people in your lives struggling with faith, finances, health or relationships for whom St. Paul can pray.

## Fill the Ark for Lent

Join congregations around the world to help end hunger and poverty in four weeks with a daily, missions giving program, to benefit Heifer International, a nonprofit organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The mission of Heifer International is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and care for the Earth.

Each family will receive a Fill the Ark kit, which is a calendar and paper bank that families fill with loose change for collection. As the Ark gets full, you learn how Heifer animals help families in need. Each Saturday night, empty your ark into an envelope or a baggie inscribed with your name and designated “for Heifer Project.” Return your Heifer gifts to church each Sunday in Lent. Help buy a cow, pig or some chicks to end hunger for a family in need.

One person, one family, one congregation is all it takes to Fill the Ark and make a difference in today's world!



Timeline:

March 1: initial distribution of Fill the Ark Calendar and banks

March 8: First day to begin readings on your Fill the Ark Calendar, week 1, and using the Ark bank.

March 15: Begin week 2 readings in the Calendar.

March 22: Begin week 3 readings in the Calendar.

March 29: Begin week 4 readings in the Calendar.

April 5: Easter Sunday! Return the Ark bank to the church during worship, and celebrate the glories of Easter!

For more information: <http://www.heifer.org/about-heifer/index.html>