

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017

THE MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING in support of the Foundation at Wesley Woods will be received this morning. Please be generous.

BISHOP'S VISIT All ADOX District church members are invited to meet with Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson tomorrow evening, May 15, 7 pm at Decatur First UMC.

BACCALAUREATE This year's graduates (kindergarten, elementary, middle, high school, bachelor, masters or doctoral degree) will be honored during the 11 am service on Sunday, June 4th. Please send to the office by Wednesday, May 31st the names, schools and level/degree of any member of your household who will be graduating this year.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUND has been named by Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson as the 2017 Annual Conference Special Offering. The Ministerial Education Fund has helped thousands of men and women become pastoral leaders in The United Methodist Church. Chances are our contextual education interns or our pastors were recipients of MEF. It is nurtured and funded by United Methodists to provide scholarships to seminary and undergraduate students, course-of-study for local pastors, and license to preach school. MEF is a general church apportioned fund of which 25 percent is retained by our conference. But 100 percent of the giving to the Annual Conference Special Offering will go to United Methodist seminary and course of study students in the North Georgia Conference. You can place your donation in the regular offering **CLEARLY MARKED MEF** any Sunday between now and June 11th. One person from each local church will present a check from their church during the Service of Remembrance on Wednesday, June 14, at 2 p.m. Please give generously to the Annual Conference Special Offering.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL **Calling all Heroes! Register now as spots are limited. Registration closes on May 20th.** St. Paul Vacation Bible School this year will be held June 5-9th from 9am to 12pm. The theme for 2017 is Hero Central! During Hero Central, we will take kids on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. **VBS Hero Central** uses epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids (and leaders) discover their strength in God! Children ages 3 years (who are potty trained) through 5th grade are welcome to attend. The cost for the week is \$25 for one child, and \$40 for a family of 2 or more. Aftercare is available for a cost of \$15 per child per day, but must be reserved in advance.

Please visit www.stpaulrec.com and register today. Share with friends, neighbors and extended! St. Paul welcomes all children to our loving summer bible school.

Also, mark your calendar to help decorate the church for VBS on **Saturday, June 6th at 9 am**. Many hands make light the work!!

COME HOME TO ST PAUL! Many thanks to the members who have volunteered to help out with preparations for Homecoming: Set-up/ Decorations- Bill Erickson, Dinner - Angela Russell, History and Storycorps - Rachel Quarterone, Children's choir - Laura Magistro Wells, Coffee and Welcome - Nancy Erwin, Music - Kevin Hill, worship - Tally Wells, PR and communications - Rebecca Wallace. This is only a partial list. Please let Leslie (kansasheart@gmail.com) and Candace (nanista@aol.com) know how you would like to help! Spread the word, look for some old photos and share ideas. Most of all, prayer for our committee, our pastor and our congregation, as we prepare to celebrate 110 years of St. Paul!

2nd ANNUAL INMAN PARK UMC MERRY ARTISTS MARKET will be held from 10am to 2 pm Saturday November 4th, 2017. The market will feature local artists with an assortment of crafts, jewelry, ceramics, and edible treats that will be perfect for Christmas gifts. There will be a kid zone so kids can stay busy creating fun Christmas crafts while the parents can relax and shop at the market. **It's not too early for you to sign up if you are interested in showcasing your craftsmanship.** Fill out an application at www.merryartistsmarket.com.

THE SUNDAY SHEPHERD will take children ages 4 years old to 2nd grade up to the 3rd floor Sunday School room after children's time during the 11AM service. There will be 2 Adults at all times and programming provided to help educate and entertain the children. Please use the link below to sign up. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4caba62ea2fd0-sunday>.

REGISTER THE GAC ON YOUR KROGERPLUS CARD You can register the St. Paul Golden Age Center on you KrogerPlus Card and the GAC will receive donations from the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Go to krogercommunityrewards.com to create an account and register your card. The GAC's new NPO number 41641.