

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017

CHURCH COUNCIL will meet today following the 11 am service.

A SPECIAL OFFERING in support of Murphy-Harpst Children's Center will be received Sunday, July 16th. Murphy-Harpst serves severely abused and neglected children, providing therapeutic and residential programs, specialized foster care and transitional living programs. Please be generous.

THE ENTRY CODE FOR THE SYDNEY ST. DOOR has been changed. The old one no longer works. Church Council will be determining the distribution list for the new code. Please use keys for entry until that list is compiled.

YOUTH GROUP SUMMER ACTIVITIES. Trea (catladyfemme@gmail.com) needs to know if your youth is interested in participating in any or all of these. Put them on your calendar!

- STAYCATION MISSION TRIP July 18-20th with the Inman Park UMC youth group. From Cecilia about the event: "We will be staying at IPUMC, serving at local nonprofits, and doing fun ATL things. The premise is based off of Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." So we will focus on serving globally, locally, and then family. I've already got a few service opportunities set up. We also will be doing activities like tubing the river and having worship nights."
- SIX FLAGS WHITEWATER on Sunday July 30th! Group discount for 15 people or more. Lunch after church and then head to the park for summer fun before school starts!

CANDLELIGHT TOUR OF HOMES 2017 is December 9-10. The tour needs a director and an organizing committee. If you feel led to serve, please contact Pastor Ellen (ellen@stpaulgrantpark.org) as soon as possible.

YOUTH GROUP is accepting donations of furniture for the renovated (in process) youth room. Of particular interest are couches. Please contact Trea Caldwell (catladyfemme@gmail.com) to verify that your donations are suitable.

THE SUNDAY SHEPHERD needs volunteers 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>.

THE LOVE OF GIVING is the organization founded by Katherine Miller who cooks two meals a month in our kitchen for the homeless. This year Katherine is adding a back to school drive and supply giveaway to her list of services. The school supplies collected will be given to refugee and other impoverished students at an identified metro Atlanta elementary school. The goal is to supply 1,200 children in need. Please consider making a donation of school supplies suitable for students in grades pre-K to 5. Supplies themselves can be brought to the church office, or a cash donation can be made (clearly marked **LOVE OF GIVING**) through the Sunday offering, or through PayPal using the email address Miller.Katherine@yahoo.com. Donations are being accepted now through July 31st. The Love of Giving is a 501(c)(3) organization and donations are tax deductible.

SPONSOR A CHILD FOR SUMMER CAMP The Andrew P. Stewart Center (Clayton Davis, Director) will welcome over 60 children to this year's Summer Camp in the Pittsburgh community of southwest Atlanta. Campers will experience a curriculum designed to build character, develop faith and spur intellectual growth. Campers only pay \$10 for the entire summer camp, so we need your help to provide a high quality experience for each child. Sponsor a child or sponsor a meal \$149.50 sends a child to camp for a week. Please consider signing up to provide meals for a day or week of Summer Camp. Lunch and snacks for 60 children a day needed. We are excited to hold this year's camp at Ariel Bowen United Methodist Church at 384 Arthur St, SW, Atlanta, GA 30310. Your CLEARLY MARKED check can go in the Sunday offering, or give online at stewartcenter.org.

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.

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.