

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- John Watts (David & Kristin Watt's uncle; sepsis as complication of surgery after Christmas; slight improvement)
- Beverly Burrows (Leslie Truman's family member; 98 year old in hospice)
- *Wanda Messina (cancer diagnosis)
- Julia Azeez (mother of Khalid Ramoo, St. Paul custodian)
- Janice Wayte
- *Jan Gore (assisted living)
- Maggie Sweeney (pituitary tumor)

THE ST. PAUL UMC STAFF would like to extend their deep gratitude for the generosity of the congregation and SPRC for the Christmas Love Offering. Your gifts brought an extra dose of joy to our Christmas and reminded us how blessed we are to serve this community.

PASTOR CASSIE'S OUT OF OFFICE HOURS will be Thursday, January 24th, 9-11am at Grant Park Coffee House.

THE CALLED GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH will take place in St. Louis, Missouri from February 23-26th. The Council of Bishops have called for all United Methodists to be in prayer for the gathering. In addition, the North Georgia Conference has given us the opportunity to write a letter to our delegation telling the story of St. Paul and our hopes and concerns for the Conference. If you are interested in helping St. Paul to craft this letter, please let Pastor Cassie know.

END OF YEAR DONATIONS Please note that checks dated December, 2018 received through the end of January will be posted to your 2018 giving record.

LOOKY LOO NEEDED We need someone to briefly visit a food distribution ministry which operates near the church on Saturdays. If you would be available to do this on behalf of St. Paul between 12 noon and 2 pm this Saturday or one coming up soon, please contact the office for details.

GRANT PARK SERVICE OPPORTUNITY St. Paul UMC will be joining the Grant Park Conservancy's (GPC) MLK Work Day on Jan. 21 from 9am to noon. Dr. King Day is a day on and not a day off. Let's spend the day working with each other and our neighbors to help our Park. GPC would like all volunteers to register which can be done on their website. <https://volunteer.handsonatlanta.org/opportunity/a0C1H00001DpW6GUAV>

BLESSING BAGS St. Paul UMC strives to be a good neighbor in so many ways! Though, if we look around us, we will notice that many of our neighbors are unstably housed! Too often we see folks and know they are in need, but we aren't sure what to do. Therefore during the month of January we will be collecting supplies to put into "blessing bags" in order to help our neighbors in need. Below you will find a list of items needed. Please consider signing up to donate these much needed items! Later this month, on January 27th, the St. Paul UMC Youth Group will assemble the items collected. Items can be placed in boxes in the Fellowship Hall.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0444aca82daafe3-blessing>

ADOX DISTRICT 3D JOURNEY TRAINING will be at Mountain Park United Methodist Church, Feb. 9, 2019, 10am – 2pm. *During the February training, we will continue the Journey* started in September. We first gathered to Discern our church's core values; now we will take that knowledge and move forward to Develop the first two steps on the Healthy Church System Cycle: INVITE, CONNECT, INSPIRE, SERVE, IMPACT. If you are interested in going, let Pastor Cassie know (cassie@stpaulgrantpark.org).

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