

ST. PAUL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE ST. PAUL EPISTLE

Consecration Sunday is Coming October 30

This is an exciting time for St. Paul. We are moving forward and the Administrative Commission has been dissolved. We are a Church on the Rise and we have a mission. We see exciting things that are happening at St. Paul such as: the upcoming Fall Festival with a Wild West theme, great attendance at Vacation Bible School, a new music director and accompanist, increased worship attendance, a new Bible study curriculum for the adults and the youth of our church and increasing use and support of the food bank.

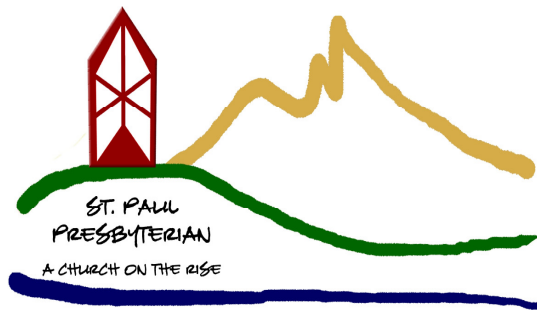
One of our areas of growth has been in our giving. Our Church approaches financial stewardship from a biblical perspective and does not view the money we give to our church merely as a way to pay our bills. Rather, we see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting our church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our stewardship program is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. We encourage people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, **"What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"**

During morning worship on Consecration Sunday on October 30th, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

World Communion Sunday October 2

This will be a great day of celebration and fun. Our **Special Worship** service will celebrate our relationship with our members from Cameroon. The music and service will be reflective of the worship from our African Brothers and Sisters. A **Fellowship Potluck Lunch** will follow, sponsored by the Ministry of Belonging. Bring a dish to share from your ethnic background. Because we expect wonderful and unknown treats for the palette we ask you to label the dishes and bring a copy of the recipe to share. We can make copies as needed. Be here and bring a friend!



Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge all people to attend including those who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our **guest speaker, Reverend David VanDeren**, will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, followed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

You are encouraged to participation in Consecration Sunday events. **Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.**

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

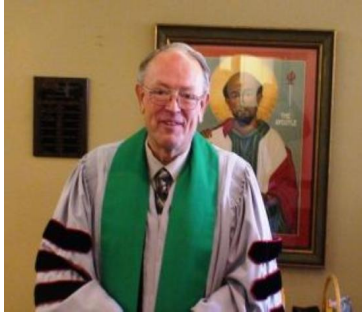
Stewardship Committee,

Martin Cobb Gary Hizer Emily Reh
Robbie Robertson Cheryl Wetzel



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PASTOR'S PAGE



October 2nd is World Communion Sunday

We at St Paul have communion on the first and third Sunday of every month. But in October it takes on a special meaning. The first Sunday in October is World Communion Sunday. On that Sunday every Christian community around the world celebrates the meal that our Lord instituted before his death.

World Communion Sunday (originally called World Wide Communion Sunday) originated in the Presbyterian Church (USA). In 1936, for the first time, the first Sunday in October was celebrated in Presbyterian churches in the United States and overseas. From the beginning, it was planned so that other denominations could make use of it and, after a few years, the idea spread beyond the Presbyterian Church. Now the table of our Lord is extended all the way around the world on this day.

In the middle east today, and at the time of Jesus, a meal was a very special and healing thing. If there was a blood feud between two families the way the feud was ended was by a member from each family sitting down to eat a meal together. Doing so indicated that they and their whole families were bound to each other and could no longer do each other harm. When Jesus instituted this sacrament he called us to remember him. In this meal we do that, but we also re-member one another into the common family of God. At World Communion we are bound with others around the world and thus promise to do each other no harm.

Today World Communion has taken on new relevancy and depth of meaning in a world where globalization often has undermined peace and justice—and in a time when fear divides the peoples of God's earth. On this day we celebrate our oneness in Christ, the Prince of Peace, in the midst of the world we are called to serve—a world ever more in need of peacemaking. Eating this meal together calls us to live with one another in peace in the midst of our differences.

Join us on October Second. We will use prayers and music from Africa led by our Cameroonian Brothers and Sisters. We are then gathering for a special potluck lunch with ethnic dishes from our diverse backgrounds. Let's join together and celebrate our unity in Christ and make this a special day!

Yours in the Peace of Christ,

Stan

Stan's October Schedule

Stan is here beyond Sundays:

His office, visiting, and meeting hours are 10 AM to 8 PM Mondays & Thursdays.

If you need something please call or e-mail:

Stan's Westminster Home: 303-421-5568

Stan's Cell: 720-209-6700

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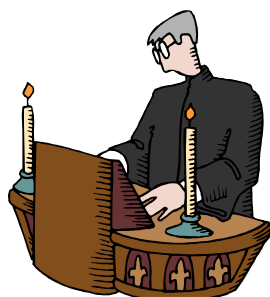


OUR CHURCH AT WORK

SEPTEMBER SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Information from the September 22 meeting:
 Pastor Emeritus Mac MacFerran bequeathed St. Paul with a Life Income Charitable Interest account at his death.
 The Nominating Committee has begun its search for elders and deacons.
 The Adult Church School teachers were approved: Martin Cobb, Deanna Gordon, Tom Moe, Sue Warner, Chuck Fleming, Gary Hizer.
 The Stewardship Campaign will culminate with a luncheon on Consecration Sunday, 30 October 2011. We would like everyone to attend as the pledges for 2012 are tallied and announced at the lunch.

Session has begun the Pastor Nominating Process.



FROM THE DEACONS

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,
 Our hearts are saddened by the loss of one of our faithful and hardworking Deacons. Tom Turpin's passing has left a hole in our hearts. Our sympathies go out to Karon and the family.

We are geared up for the business of Fall, Winter and Spring. Deacons serve on the many the committees that help our church run effectively. The Fall Festival is one of the events that we ask all church members to participate with supplies, time, talents and energies. Sheila gave out cards



with suggestions of things needed. Most of you have taken one or more. THANKS!!!

Sunday Morning Servant Program is Group 5 for the month of October. Please call Sue Robertson - 720-532-0920 or Deanna Gordon - 303-365-2838.

We know you have talents for Greeting, Ushering, or Liturgizing (?). The sign-up sheets are on the table by the kitchen in the Narthex.

From our Illumination song on 9/25, *Lord, Here Am I:*

Master, Thou callest, I gladly obey;
 Only direct me, and I'll find Thy way.
 Teach me the mission appointed for me,
 What is my labor, and where it shall be.
 Master thou callest, and this I reply,
 "Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

AUGUST FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	<u>August</u>	<u>Year to Date 2011</u>
Total Church Income	\$17,291	\$146,314
Mortgage Expense	\$ 4,155	\$ 33,603
Church Expenses	<u>\$13,432</u>	<u>\$123,169</u>
Total Church Expenses	\$17,588	\$156,772
Net Gain/Loss	\$(297)	\$ (10,458)
Net Gain/Loss without Mortgage Expense	\$3,858	\$ 23,145

CHURCH ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Elderberries

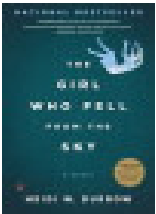
Elderberries' monthly gathering will be Thursday, 20 October at noon. If you have at least 50 years of "wisdom" you are an Elderberry. Join us at Old Chicago 16990 E. Iliff Ave. , near Buckley and Iliff. Call Sue Robertson at 720-532-0920 for reservations or if you need a ride.

Agape—Presbyterian Women

The Agape group will not meet in October, but will be very involved in the Wild West Fall Fest. On Thursday, 10 November, we will continue with lesson 2 of the Horizons Study, "Confessing the Beatitudes." Sue Robertson has ordered books and has them for anyone interested for \$8.00. If you have any questions or for a book, see Sue.

Books & Brunch

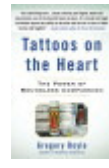
Books & Brunch will meet on 15 October in the home of Esther Hudson at 9 a.m. to discuss The Girl Who Fell From the Sky, by Heidi Durrow. Please RSVP to her at 303-693-3681.



If you have questions about our book club, please call Judi Garvey at 303-220-1055. We'd love to have you join us!

Mid-week Gathering

Mid-Week Gathering folks continue study of Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion, by Gregory Boyle, a Catholic priest in the heart of Los Angeles' poorest and crime ridden neighborhood, Dolores Mission. The story is filled with moving examples of the power of unconditional love in difficult times and the importance of fighting despair. Re-reading the benediction over our sanctuary doors can help us choose to look at those "whom God alone loves" in a new way because of this book.



It is never too late to join in—please join us Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. for a fellowship-filled potluck dinner or come to discuss this call to love all of God's people from 6:45–7:30 p.m.

Garden Club

Our annual Fall Foliage Frolic drive to the mountains will be Sunday, 9 October after worship. Bring a sack lunch and join us as we "catch" the colors of fall in Colorado. If you have questions, contact Matt Gobla.



Opportunity for Women —



Place: Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church
11500 W. 20th Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80215

Date and Time: Monday, October 10, 2011
1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

RSVP: mail@soth.net or 303-238-2482 by 4:00 p.m., Oct. 5

Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Nancy Young, Coordinator for Women's Leadership Development, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Deborah's
Daughters
A conversation
with women of faith
about the leadership and ministry
of women in the PC (USA)



MISSION and OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Aluminum Can Recycling to Support VBS

Keep saving aluminum to help the environment and Vacation Bible School. The container is in the celebration center as we raise funds for the 2012 VBS. Please rinse out any cans and crush them if possible and bring them to the church.



Support Aurora Interfaith Task Force Assistance Programs on 11 October

This month you can eat at Country Buffet at 1026 S. Sable. Ave. on Tuesday, 11 October from 5:00pm—8:00p.m. AITF provides people with food, utility and rent assistance in the city of Aurora.

Simply present the special certificate, available soon in the narthex, and a portion of your meal costs will go to support the Aurora Interfaith Task Force Assistance programs.

Look for the October certificates on the guest table in the narthex soon.



Peacemaking Offering Sunday October 2

Don't forget this important special offering.



Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.

Colossians 3:14-15

Food Pantry

Please remember our food pantry as you shop—our visitors to the pantry have increased greatly now that we are connected to the Hunger Free Hotline. Our new "Totes for the Pantry" program will help increase our supplies, but you don't have to have an official "tote" to shop for the food pantry.



WILD WEST FALL FEST

Well Howdy Partner! Real soon it'll be time to round up the whole family in your chuck wagon or mini-van and head on over to the Wild West Fall Fest for a knee slappin' good time!

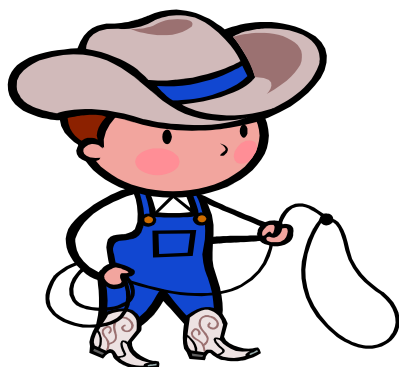
All the cool kids will be showing off their dusty cowboy hats, shiny boots and other gear. Will you be a Lone Ranger or a dark desperado? With all the exciting activities, there will hardly be time for a showdown!

We put this together as a great way to bring the families of the community together for a chance to cut loose without spending money!

- Tons of Exciting REAL Carnival Games
- Pinatas Loaded with Candy!
- Create Fun Crafts!
- Custom Airbrush Tattoos!

- Win Prizes to Take Home!
- Free Food and Drinks!
- Gather 'Round for Storytelling!
- Face Painting!

-Much, Much More!



***The Wild West Fall Fest is coming
Friday, 14 October, from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.!***

YEE HAW!! I can hardly wait! See ya soon cowboy!

If you would like to help set up on Tuesday or Thursday, or at the event, call Sheila Moskowitz at 720-530-8936.

DID YOU KNOW?

Leaving a legacy through St Paul?

If you haven't, here are three different ways it can be done. Contact Pastor Jewell and he can help you be in touch with a person who can help you with these options:

Charitable Bequests

These are made through a donor's will. A will can be written to accomplish a variety of needs, such as benefitting family and friends. It can also fulfill a desire to support a particular mission or program. Individuals have several options to consider when making a charitable bequest. Bequests can be made directly to the church or made to the Presbyterian Foundation to establish a permanent endowment fund to benefit the church. The bequest can be made for a stated amount, a percentage of the estate or the residual of the estate (after all other bequests and expenses have been paid out).



Life Insurance

Naming a church as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy allows a gift to pass outside of probate. Policies may no longer be needed or serve the purpose for which they were originally intended, such as a business that no longer exists, or for children or loved ones who may not need the additional income. Bank and other investment accounts can also name a church as the beneficiary.

Charitable Remainder Trust

This trust provides lifetime income, or income for a fixed term, to the donor or other recipients. When the income payments end, the remaining trust assets become available for the work of the church according to the donor's wishes.

Please prayerfully consider making plans to leave a legacy.

COMMUNION AT HOME



Last spring, the Session approved training for Elders and Deacons to serve communion to our members who may not be able to attend worship due to illness or other incapacity. Elders and Deacons are available to serve communion when commissioned to do so on a communion Sunday. If you are homebound (or hospital bound) or temporarily unable to attend worship and would like to receive communion, simply let the office know of your wishes by the preceding Wednesday so we can line up servers and be prepared to commission them at the Sunday service.

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Worship Schedule for October

Worship Time 10:15 a.m.

October 2: **World Communion Sunday** – *Are You Bearing False Witness?*

Matthew 21:33-45

Communion Sunday

Peacemaking Offering received

Potluck after worship

October 9: **17th Sunday after Pentecost** – *Does God's Grace Have Boundaries?*

Matthew 22:1-14

October 16: **18th Sunday after Pentecost** – *Your Money or Your Life?*

I Thessalonians 1:1-10 & Matthew 22:15-22

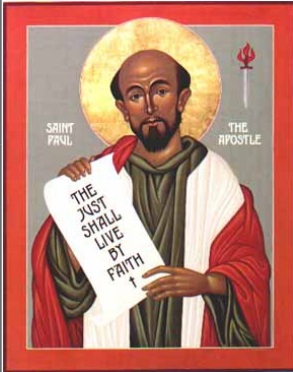
Communion Sunday

October 23: **19th Sunday after Pentecost** – *Why Consider Tithing?*

Deuteronomy 14:22-23, 2 Corinthians 6:1-5, Luke 18:9-14

October 30: **Consecration Sunday** – Guest preacher, Rev. David Van Deren

Celebration Lunch after worship



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Sunday Morning Schedule:

Christian Education	9:00 a.m.
Social Time	10:00 a.m.
Worship	10:15 a.m.

A Congregation of
the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.),
the Synod of the Rocky Mountains,
and the Presbytery of Denver.