

We are collecting school supplies that will benefit local children in grades K-12 in our community at VBS this summer. However, we'd also like for members of the congregation to participate in this mission so that we can bless more children. If you'd be willing to help out with this project, please bring your donations to the church and place them in the large School Bus displays in the FLC and Narthex. All donations are due by August 7th. Thank you for your support!

We are collecting any of the following items:

- backpacks (new or VERY GENTLY used)
- crayons
- colored pencils
- markers
- 1 subject notebooks
- pencils (mechanical or wooden)
- pens (blue, red)
- erasers
- highlighters (any color)
- glue sticks
- pencil boxes or zippered pencil pouches
- 3 prong folders
- headphones for laptops

St. Paul will be hosting a "Back to School Giveaway" for any child in grades K-12 on Sunday, August 16th. This event begins at 4:00 pm and ends at 5:30 pm. In order to receive a backpack and school supplies, children MUST be pre-registered (see link below). Children MUST ALSO BE PRESENT at this event in order to receive supplies.

Parents can register their child(ren) at: <https://st-paul-united-methodist-church-504146.churchcenter.com/registrations/signups/3708909>

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 19

- 8:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)
- 9:45 am Sunday School Children's Education(A2), Youth, Faithful Remnants(Lib)
- 10:45 am Decorate FLC and classrooms for VBS and pizza
- 4:00 pm Bible Study (Martha)
- 5:00 pm Youth

Monday, July 20

- 7:00 pm Al-anon (A24)

Monday, July 20 – Friday, July 24 5:45 – 8:15pm – Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, July 21

- 10:00 am Pastor Mindi time with children (Sanctuary)

Wednesday, July 22

- 12:30 pm Combined Worship planning meeting (Martha)

Sunday, July 26

- 9:00 am Combined Vacation Bible School Celebration (Family Life Center)

Offerings for the week of July 12, 2026

Current Envelopes (Budget is \$4,746)	\$ 3,804.70
Loose Plate (Budget is \$145)	\$ 182.00
All Other Giving (Designated)	\$ 1,565.75
Attendance (8:30 am and 9:45 am)	60,35
Online viewers July 5	127

VBS is COMING SOON!! Please read the important info below:

* It is NOT too late to sign up to come to VBS! Our Preschool class is full, but we still have plenty of spots available for students who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade. Please continue to spread the word and help us advertise!

*Register at: vbspro.events/p/stpaulvbs2026

*VBS Training Dates for Youth and Adult Volunteers:

- a. Thursday, July 9 at 6:30 pm in A2
- b. Sunday, July 12 at 11:00 am in A2

* You only need to attend ONE of these two training sessions. Choose the one that suits your schedule the best.

*Please plan to stay and help decorate the FLC and classrooms on Sunday, July 19 following the 9:45 service. We need to transform our church into the Rainforest and we need your help! Many hands make light work. Pizza will be provided for lunch.

*Rainforest Falls VBS runs July 20-24 from 5:45-8:15 pm each evening. At this time, we are fully staffed! THANK YOU for your faithfulness and willingness to help!!

*Please continue to bring in donations for VBS-- there are still many orange leaves hanging on the supply bulletin boards for items that we need at our stations.

*PRAY for a wonderful week for the children and adults who are going to be in attendance. Pray that God becomes known to those children entrusted to us.

*We will be collecting school supplies for local kids as our Mission Project (see other info in bulletin). The supplies will be distributed to local students on August 16th.

*Join us on **Sunday, July 26 at 9:00 am in the FLC** for our VBS Celebration Service! It will be lots of fun! Don't miss it! (Combined service this day)

HUNGRY HEARTS CLOTHING ROOM at FUMC

First and Third Thursdays of the month 1:00 - 3:30

Second and Fourth Thursdays of the month 3:00 - 5:30

Clothing Room Donations We are accepting gently used clothing, bedding, small appliances and kitchen essentials. Please place your items in the shopping cart in the office. Thank you for your support of the ministry.

Camper Mail

One of the most exciting things to receive as a camper is mail from home. St. Paul is sending two kids to camp this summer! Theo Gochnaur and Kaedenn Frater will be headed to Wacky Week Mini Camp July 26-28 at Wesley Forest. Please consider taking a moment to send them an email! Follow this link: <https://suscrm.org/prepare/#email-camper> . Thank you for supporting our children!

American Red Cross Premier Blood Partners Program

St. Paul UMC was recognized with a Certificate of Recognition on Tuesday, July 14. 256 units were collected at the blood drives held here in the year 2025! The Red Cross representative said there were only 32 blood drives that collected over 100 units and we were one of those 32. Thanks to Frances Badman, Pat Horn and volunteers who make this possible. Please help to continue this by donating at our next blood drive on September 15.