

# St Paul Connections

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### 2018- 2019 Theme Scripture:

The Holy Spirit said to Philip, "Go Over and walk beside the carriage." Philip ran over and heard the man reading from the prophet Isaiah. Philip asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" The man replied, "How can I, unless someone instructs me?" And he urged Philip to come into the carriage and sit with him. The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, was the prophet talking about himself or someone else?" So beginning from this same scripture, Philip told him the Good News about Jesus. ~ Acts 8:29-31, 34-35 (NLT)

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### Achieving Maximum Impact In 2018-2019

Our vision for 2018-2019 is to study God's word, pray for God to show us how to incorporate that word into our lives and then move in harmony with God—Creator, Son & Holy Spirit so that we represent God well and nothing we do is wasted. Our goal is to do whatever it takes to strengthen our relationships with God, each other and those God puts us in contact with so that each one of us is able to actively partner with God to fulfill God's mission of drawing people back into right relationship with God. We plan to accomplish our goal by:

- Helping people actively engage in ways that they can be God Church in the world

- Studying God's word and incorporating what we learn into our lives



### Theme: "Moving In Sync With God's Spirit for Maximum Impact"

- Doing a Church Fellowship activity once a quarter
- Partnering with other churches and community groups to preserve the legacies of those who came before us and make

room for those who will come after us

- Hosting workshops on issues that affect our congregation and the community around us

- Restoring and/or re-viving church ministries that positively impact God's people inside and outside the church

- Identifying and implementing ways for the congregation to move with God's spirit to positively impact the world around them for God

### Member & Visiber Birthdays for October



Michael Narcisse—6th

Nasia Holland—12th

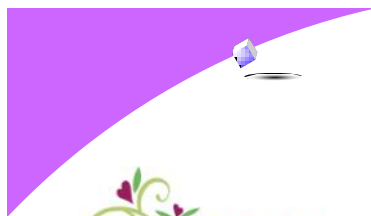
Sam Harris—13th

### Church Meetings

Sunday School	10:00-10:45am
Bible Study	Tuesday Noon
Prayer Meeting	Tuesday 1:15pm
Steward Board	1st Saturday 10:30am
Trustee Board	1st Saturday 1:00pm
WMS	3rd Saturday 10:00am
Lay Sunday	2nd Sunday
Official Board	3rd Saturday 1:00pm
Youth In Action	4th Saturday 1:30pm

Visit us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/HistoricStPaulIndependence>



Bible Study or Love Feast is on Tuesdays at noon in the lower level. This is a "Lunch & Learn" experience so feel free to bring your meal with you.

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**Bible Study Lessons for October**

- Oct. 2nd**—Pressure Points I: "The Pressure of Trials" - James 1:1-4
- Oct. 9th**—Pressure Points II: "The Pressure of Temptation" - James 1:13-18
- Oct. 16th**—Pressure Points III: "The Pressure of Partiality" - James 2:1-13
- Oct. 23rd**—Pressure Points IV: "The Pressure of Words" - James 3:1-18
- Oct. 30th**—No Bible Study because Pastor at 5th District Planning Meeting in St. Louis, MO.

**Sunday School Corner**

The General theme for the Fall Quarter (Sept.-Nov. ) 2018 is *God's World and God's People*. The theme for the month of October is *God Destroys and Recreates*.

- Oct. 7th**—"Noah's Steadfast Faith" - Genesis 6:9b-22
- Oct. 14th**—"God Is Always Working" - Genesis 10:1; 11:10, 27, 31-32; 12:1-4
- Oct. 21st**—"Abraham and Sarah Birth God's People" - Genesis 18:9-15; 21:1-7
- Oct. 28th**—"Isaac and Rebekah Continue the Legacy" - Genesis 24:12-21, 61-67

**Bible Trivia Questions**



Submit your answers to the weekly Bible Trivia questions by email, text or in person. If submitting in person, please submit at the beginning of the noon Bible Study begins.

- Oct. 2nd**—1) What prophet of Moab had a talking donkey? 2) What woman used mandrakes to gain a night in bed with Jacob?
- Oct. 9th**—1) What is the only Gospel to mention Jesus' riding on a donkey? 2) What kind of tree did the weary Elijah sit under?
- Oct. 16th**—1) Who took his wife and sons and set them on a donkey when he returned to Egypt, his boyhood home? 2) What plant had such a bitter taste that it became a symbol for justice being perverted in the Old Testament?
- Oct. 23rd**—1) Who traveled by donkey to inform Elisha that her son had died? 2) What did God make spring up to give shade to the prophet Jonah?
- Oct. 30th**—1) Who gave his upset brother 20 female donkeys as a goodwill gesture? 2) What, according to the New Testament, produces the smallest seed of any plant?



**Prayer Corner**

Our weekly prayer meeting is on Tuesdays immediately following our noon Bible Study. It usually begins at 1:15pm. in response to every prayer request card that's completed.

In addition, a prayer of the week is usually posted to our church Facebook page on Wednesday.

Finally, prayer request cards and a prayer request box are available in the vestibule of the church. Pastor will send a card, email or text message



*It's A St Paul Thing*  
Local Church & Independence Area Activities!

**Sunday, Oct. 14th** ~ Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday.  
(Everyone is asked to wear pink)

**Thursday, Oct. 18th** ~ October Fellowship meal at Court-  
house Exchange (113 W Lexington) at 6pm

**Saturday, Oct. 20th** ~ Heritage Festival from noon-6pm at the  
Uptown Market

**Sunday, Oct. 28th** ~ St. Paul hosts the early morning Lay Ser-  
vice at 6am and breakfast will be served immediately following  
service. (*This will be the only worship service that day*)

*Come to St. Paul to make  
a connection with God &  
God's will for your life  
that allows you to walk,  
talk, think, live and act in  
ways that honor God &  
God's will for the world.*



*Midwest North District Calendar*  
<http://www.amec-midwestnorthdistrict.com>  
<http://www.ame5.org/>

**Monday, Oct. 29th to Tuesday, Oct. 30th** ~ 5th District  
Planning Meeting in St. Louis at the St. Louis Airport Hilton





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GOD orders our steps YESTERDAY, TODAY &  
TOMORROW!



We're on the WEB!

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### **A Little About Us...**

St. Paul A.M.E. Church is a Pastor-led historically black church within the Methodist tradition. It was founded in 1866 and continues to minister to the social, spiritual and physical needs of all people.

St. Paul has been part of the Independence community for 153 years and counting. We seek to connect people with God in a way that helps them reach their full potential in God, family and community. We seek to be useful to God in every way that we can to as many people as we can for as long as we can.