

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2009

APRIL FIRST SUNDAY is next weekend, April 5th:

- Please remember we will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishables for the Georgia Avenue Food Coop. Can we do better than the 85 items we collected last month?
- Our First Sunday Fellowship lunch will be served following the 10:55 am service. Please bring a dish to share (enough for your family and 5 or 6 others) and plan to stay to enjoy the fellowship and the meal.

VOLUNTEER AT HISTORIC OAKLAND CEMETERY with other St. Paulers April 18th from 9am until 12pm. This will be a great way to live out our Good Neighbor claim and to show our gratitude for years of Easter Sunrise services held in the cemetery. If you are available to assist, please contact Jonathan Kidwell at Jonathan@toolbank.org for information on parking and the meeting location.

2009 PALOOZA BONANZA EXTRAVAGANZA was a smash hit! Thanks to your support for this youth fund raiser, we will be able to offset a significant portion of the cost of the upcoming youth Spiritual Life Retreat. Bless you for your generosity.

ST. PAUL ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT will be a hopping good time! Please join us Saturday, April 11th from 11:00am-1:00pm at the Milledge Fountain in Grant Park. Volunteers are still needed - please contact Doug Hollis (doug@stpaulgrantpark.org) if you can help.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Calling all volunteers! St. Paul needs talented and willing volunteers to help support our double session Vacation Bible School Program June 1st through the 12th. We can use your help for a day or for a week, or for any time that you can give us. Please contact Laura Wells (lauraandtalley@mindspring.com) or Doug Hollis (seedoug@hotmail.com) to volunteer.

- We invite all children ages 2 through 5th grade to go "the edge" this summer for Vacation Bible School June 1st through June 5th. Camp E.D.G.E.: Experience + Discover God Everywhere is an extreme adventure camp taking kids on exciting Bible treks to experience and discover God everywhere, every day. The fun begins on June 1st and ends June 5th from 9:00 a.m. until noon at St. Paul United Methodist Church at 501 Grant Street. Each Bible trek is supported with science activities, songs, crafts, games and snacks. A small supply fee of \$20 (\$35 max per family) will be collected on the first day to cover snacks and craft supplies for the entire week. To be a part of all the fun at Camp E.D.G.E., email jessgaines@gmail.com or register online. Registration forms can also be emailed to you, or picked up at St. Paul at the side entrance by the GPCP.
- Our Evening VBS program, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" runs from Sunday evening, June 7, 2009 through Thursday evening, June 12, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Paul UMC. It is designed for family, teen, and adult participation. "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" opens on Saturday, June 6, 2009 with a family picnic in Grant Park. Beginning Sunday evening, June 7, come visit with "Mr. Rogers and his friends" to explore a different neighborhood topic each night. There will be opportunities to have a great buffet supper, and participate in music, skits, games, arts and crafts, learning and discussion groups about our neighborhood and our commitments, and lots of just plain fun! Some activities are unified and some are for children, teens, and adults separately, but all are designed as an experience that you can share together. If you are a child 3 and over, a teenager or a teenager at heart, a single adult, or an adult couple, St. Paul has a place for you at Evening VBS!

MEAL MAKER COORDINATOR NEEDED The Meal Makers ministry prepares meals for new mothers, the sick, the bereaved, or anyone needing temporary assistance getting meals on the table. One of our coordinators is forced to give up her position because of work issues. If you can serve the church by filling her spot this year, please contact the church office.