



# Life Together

- + Fellowship
- + In-Depth Discussion
- + Bible study

## 1. Theology on Tap

*Have a beverage;  
talk about important things.*



### **"Good and Bad Ways to Think About Religion and Politics"**

with Rev. Lance and Carrie O'Donnell

This may be the craziest presidential election ever. How should I think about it? In particular, how does a Christian think about it? Join in discussion of Robert Benne's *Good and Bad Ways to Think About Religion and Politics*. Benne calls common positions on the relationship between religion and politics "separationism" and "fusionism." He argues Christians ought to reject both.

**Buy the book and read the *Introduction* for the first meeting.**

*Lance and Carrie O'Donnell spent a good part of their twenties running political campaigns and helping write and pass legislation. They left that life for service in the Church but continue to advocate for active engagement in civic life.*

Crafty Cow Restaurant  
153 E Wisconsin Ave, Oconomowoc  
Wednesdays, Sept 14 – Nov 16, 2016

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## 2. Gifted for Service

***Learning how God has prepared you to help others***  
with Carol Allen

During our current study of "Living as a Minority" we are discovering that the church is much more than the building in which we worship God. Following the example of Paul we have learned that the Church is the people of God, feeding others with the Word of God, and caring for them through the love of Christ. If we are part of the Church we are called to help further its growth and mission, but how?



God has a unique plan for each of us, including how we can best further his Kingdom. He has given us each a package of special gifts and talents. These gifts are designed to be used as part of the body of Christ in furthering the Gospel and caring for His world. Even though we may be aware of our "natural gifts" we do not always understand what our Spiritual Gifts are and how they can be used.

We are offering a series of classes that will help you discover your own special Spiritual Gifts and learn how they can be used both within the church and out in the world.

A workbook will be used that costs \$15.  
Preregistration is needed so that we can be sure to have enough workbooks available for you!

St. Paul's "Upper Room" (#219)  
Wednesdays, Sept 14 – Nov 16, 2016  
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

*If you are interested in signing up for either of the Wednesday night Life Together Bible Studies, please contact Heather in the church office at [heather@splco.org](mailto:heather@splco.org) or 262.567.5001.*



**Family Promise Volunteer Sign up  
for our next host dates**

**September 25<sup>th</sup> - October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**

**Please go to our website and click on the  
Family Promise logo to see what you can do to help-  
buy food, make dinner, serve the meal, spend time  
with the families, setup  
<http://www.splco.org/>**

**Or contact one of the St. Paul's coordinators:**

Deb Prange	<a href="mailto:djprange@gmail.com">djprange@gmail.com</a>	414-418-4953
Wendy Griepentrog	<a href="mailto:lablover59@yahoo.com">lablover59@yahoo.com</a>	262-844-4032
Mary Hickenbottom	<a href="mailto:mary@splco.org">mary@splco.org</a>	414-333-3421

**IMPORTANT:** All volunteers who are directly serving guests are required to complete a Family Promise volunteer orientation session and complete a volunteer application. If you have not yet completed this training please contact one of the volunteer coordinators. *Training is encouraged but optional for those donating food items or preparing meals for drop off.*

**New Volunteers are invited to attend a training session on Sunday, September 18th at Oakwood Church in Delafield from 12noon - 2 pm.**



**We Are Now  
Family Promise of Waukesha County Inc.!**

**Now that our doors have been open for 21 months and we have been operating at full capacity for most of 2016, there is growing interest throughout the County in what we're doing here. There are growing numbers of churches wanting to get involved, guests looking for service and third-party providers looking to help out.**

**WE ARE NOT LOOKING TO MOVE OUR WESTERN COUNTY DAY CENTER OR REPLACE OUR WESTERN COUNTY CHURCHES, but we are looking at opportunities to expand the program to other parts of the County so that more congregations can be involved and more homeless families with children can be served. Changing our name to Family Promise of Waukesha County sends a more welcoming message to the rest of the County and better comports with our mission statement that Every Child Deserves a Home!**

**We hope that you will continue to support us as we look to serve homeless families with children throughout the County.**

# Talk About the God You Know

by Rev. Steven Scharnell, Senior Pastor  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

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John 5:36b-39; Acts 17:16-18:21  
4 September, A.D. 2016

Paul is in \_\_\_\_\_. There he finds many  
\_\_\_\_\_ to false gods.

Paul wasn't angry, he saw it as an opportunity. The  
\_\_\_\_\_ had opened a door for him.  
He finds an altar to an \_\_\_\_\_.

Paul proceeds to tell the people the Truth about this  
altar.

The knowledge of God and what is right and wrong is  
written by God on our \_\_\_\_\_.

Because God is perfectly holy, we need to repent and  
receive forgiveness. The reason we are forgiven is  
through the death and resurrection of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Tell me a little about the God you know:

Now go share that with others!!

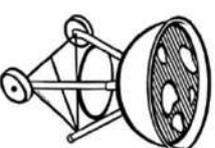
# MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ

We are so excited for a fun year of youth groups! Join us for yard games, food, a bonfire and a devotion. We will also be brainstorming some ideas for future youth events, so make sure that you are there!

Hot dogs will be provided, please bring a side or dessert to share.



SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 FROM 5:30-7:30 P.M. • ST. PAUL'S BACKYARD



Parents & Volunteers: Please join us for an informational meeting during the youth event and then feel free to stick around for dinner and some yard games!

For more information or for any questions contact Wendy Petersen at [wmpetersen@gmail.com](mailto:wmpetersen@gmail.com) or Adam Tanney at [adam@splco.org](mailto:adam@splco.org)

## **A LAST GOOD-BYE**

St. Paul's Stephen Ministry is offering a presentation of what services funeral homes and St. Paul's offer to families. Our presenter is Keith Pagenkopf. He will have a question and answer time during the presentation.

Date: Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: St. Paul's Fellowship Hall

If you have specific questions that you would like addressed, please fill out the form below and give it to an usher or Stephen Minister after a worship service.

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For further information, please contact Carol Allen at 262-468-4292 or Bobbie Scheuer at 262-354-0033.

**CULVER'S DAY  
FOR  
ST. PAUL'S A.C.T.**

**TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>  
SUPPORT A.C.T.**

Culvers of Oconomowoc will donate 10% of your purchase to St. Paul's ACT the **first Tuesday of every month from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.** Coupons will be distributed through the church bulletin, school newsletter, church office and the youth. Please share these with family, friends and neighbors. **Simply present the coupon when ordering (inside or drive-thru) and St. Paul's ACT will receive the credit. Please help St. Paul's ACT and enjoy wonderful food and a family night out!**



*Flavor of the day:*  
**BUTTER BRICKLE**

**Culver's/St. Paul's Oconomowoc A.C.T.  
"Family Night Out"**

Present this coupon when ordering, inside or drive-thru

**10% of your purchase will be donated to:**

**St. Paul's A.C.T.  
Valid Only: Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 4p.m. - 8p.m.  
Oconomowoc Location, 262-567-8860**

*Cashier to complete:*

**Sale Amount:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_