

WELCOME STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, believe that God's love is expansive and unconditional and that, through Christ, God calls us to love one another as God loves us. We welcome all people, regardless of gender, race, age, cultural or religious heritage, ethnic background, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, economic circumstances, family configuration, or difference of ability. **We celebrate the worth, dignity, and gifts of every person as a child of God.**

MISSION

The mission of St. Paul's UMC is to **LOVE** God and all others unconditionally, **SEEK** answers to our questions, and **SERVE** God by serving others.



ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN



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AS YOU READ, REFLECT...

- How would you respond to a particular proverb if you saw it in public on a chalkboard or bumper sticker or in a fortune cookie?
- Pick a proverb that seems like good, wise advice.
- Pick a proverb that contradicts conventional wisdom, or that you struggle to find wisdom within.
- Pick a proverb that speaks to a specific decision, action, or circumstance for you. What would it look like to follow that advice?
- Consider sorting the proverbs into themes according to the contrasts they highlight. Some possibilities might be: - foolishness and wisdom - poverty and wealth - selfishness and generosity - friends, family, and enemies - true speech and false speech - fear and love
- Try writing your own proverbs, using images or metaphors from our context. For example - "The glory of the Lord outshines the sun. Even if God's light seems to be overshadowed, only the fool forgets their eclipse glasses." or "Wisdom comes in the shower, and mercy on a walk, but those who stay dirty and inactive miss both gifts."

APR 15 - MAY 18, 2024

Week 1

- Apr 15: Proverbs 1
- Apr 16: Proverbs 2
- Apr 17: Proverbs 3
- Apr 18: Proverbs 4
- Apr 19: Proverbs 5
- Apr 20: Proverbs 6:1 - 19

Week 2

- Apr 22: Proverbs 6:20 - 7:27
- Apr 23: Proverbs 8
- Apr 24: Proverbs 9
- Apr 25: Proverbs 10
- Apr 26: Proverbs 11
- Apr 27: Proverbs 12

Week 3

- Apr 29: Proverbs 13:1 - 14:4
- Apr 30: Proverbs 14:5 - 35
- May 1: Proverbs 15:1 - 16:8
- May 2: Proverbs 16:9 - 33
- May 3: Proverbs 17
- May 4: Proverbs 18:1 - 21

Week 4

- May 6: Proverbs 18:22 - 19:14
- May 7: Proverbs 19:15 - 20:4
- May 8: Proverbs 20:5 - 21:3
- May 9: Proverbs 21:4 - 22:16
- May 10: Proverbs 22:17 - 23:35
- May 11: Proverbs 24

Week 5

- May 13: Proverbs 25
- May 14: Proverbs 26
- May 15: Proverbs 27:1 - 28:11
- May 16: Proverbs 28:12 - 29:27
- May 17: Proverbs 30
- May 18: Proverbs 31

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