

2025 Fall Events at SPD



PATHFINDERS

Walking Together in Your 20s and 30s

Pathfinders is a group for young adults. Whether you are making your way in your first career, going through a transition in a romantic relationship, or growing your family, this ministry is for you. We worship, serve and enjoy fellowship together. Join Pathfinders at spdcl.org/groups.



- **Sept. 11—Utepils Brewing**
- **Sept. 25—Pig Ate My Pizza & Nouvelle Brewing**
- **Oct. 5—Fall Festivities**
- **Oct. 23—Spiritual Formation at SPD**

THE SIX NEEDS OF MOURNING

Tuesdays, Sept. 30, Oct 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 6:30 p.m.

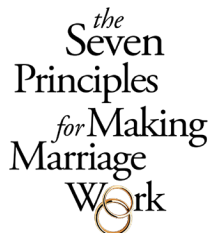
The death of someone loved changes our lives forever. How can we journey through the grief we feel inside in a healing and meaningful way? The journey requires mourning—expressing our thoughts and feelings in a variety of ways. Dr. Alan Wolfelt identifies six basic human needs around mourning, which we will explore together. These sessions are more about learning and less about support, but we will be tender with each other's experience of loss. Contact Pastor Valerie Strand Patterson, vstrand@spdcl.org or 763-475-7126. Sign up at spdcl.org/register.



THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES FOR MAKING MARRIAGE WORK

Saturday, Sept. 27, 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

The Seven Principles Couples Program is a one-day workshop. It is a marriage enrichment and pre-marital prep workshop for couples based on the scientific research published in the book *The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work* by Dr. John Gottman, with Nan Silver. No need to read the book before attending. Seven Principles Couples Program format includes lectures and private couple exercises. Participants will NOT share their personal problems in front of others. Sign up at spdcl.org/register.

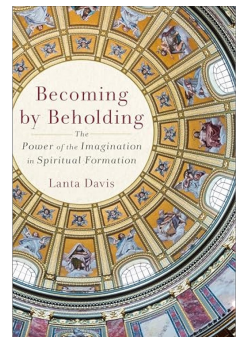


BECOMING BY BEHOLDING: THE POWER OF IMAGINATION

Mondays, Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Four-week class exploring art, Christian history and faith using the book, *Becoming by Beholding*, by Lanta Davis. Davis will be our Faith & Life speaker on Oct. 9.

Dinner will be available beginning at 5:15 p.m. Childcare will be available. Sign up at spdcl.org/register.



HERALD SERIES 2025-2026

*Free and open to the public.
No registration needed.*

The Lazarus Band

Sunday, Oct. 12 at 3 p.m.

**Martin Schemding,
Organ Concert**

Sunday, Nov. 9 at 3 p.m.



ALPHA CLASS

**Sundays, Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26,
Nov. 2 and 9**

Alpha is a series of group conversations that explore the basics of the Christian faith. Everyone's welcome. Childcare is available. You're invited, no matter your background or beliefs. No registration needed. Contact Jen Galley, jgalley@spdcl.org.



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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, Sept. 28 at 2 p.m.

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis, please join us for this annual liturgy where we ask God's blessings upon our animal family members. Bring your pet to receive a special blessing for their health and well-being. Open to all.



ENCOUNTER: SOUTHERN MINNESOTA CHURCH TOUR

Wednesday, Oct. 8 from 8:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

Join us as we visit several churches in Southern Minnesota to learn about their varied history, traditions, and architectural style. Our tour will include a visit to churches in the Welch and Red Wing area. The cost of the tour is \$55 per person, and includes lunch. Sign up at spdcl.org/register. Contact Cindy Carlson at ccarlson@spdcl.org.



FAITH & LIFE LECTURES

*Free and open to the public.
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Lanta Davis

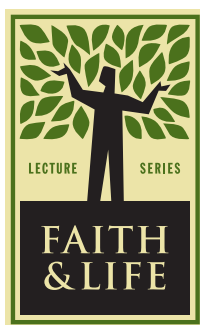
**Faith & Imagination:
Art for the Soul**

Thursday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m.

John Hendrix

**Faith & Illustration:
The Art of the Visual Storytelling**

Thursday, Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY—EXTENDED BUILD

Tuesday-Thursday, Oct. 21, 22, and 23

This summer several of our build dates were cancelled due to weather and poor air quality. We were able to schedule additional dates at the same location for later this fall. Please sign up for your volunteer day and complete our online waiver at: tchabitat.volunteerhub.com. Questions? Contact Pastor Mark Schmid at 763-475-7127 or mschmid@spdcl.org.



FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL/TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, Oct. 25 at 10:30 a.m.

A harvest-themed fun, including Trunk-or-Treat, games, fellowship, and food.

Free and open to the public, but please register at spdcl.org/register by Thursday, Oct. 23.



A DAY AWAY FOR MOMS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Saturday, Nov. 8, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

An opportunity for moms of young children to have fellowship with other moms in a Christian environment, participate in activities, join in conversation around and meal, and enjoy quiet time as needed. Limited space available. Contact Kathy Hagedorn at khagedorn@spdcl.org or 763-475-7138. Sign up at spdcl.org/register.



St. Philip the Deacon
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