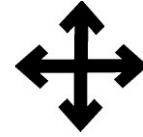




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"Agree to Differ, Unite to Serve, Resolve to Love"

Rev. Rebecca Erb Strang
Senior Pastor

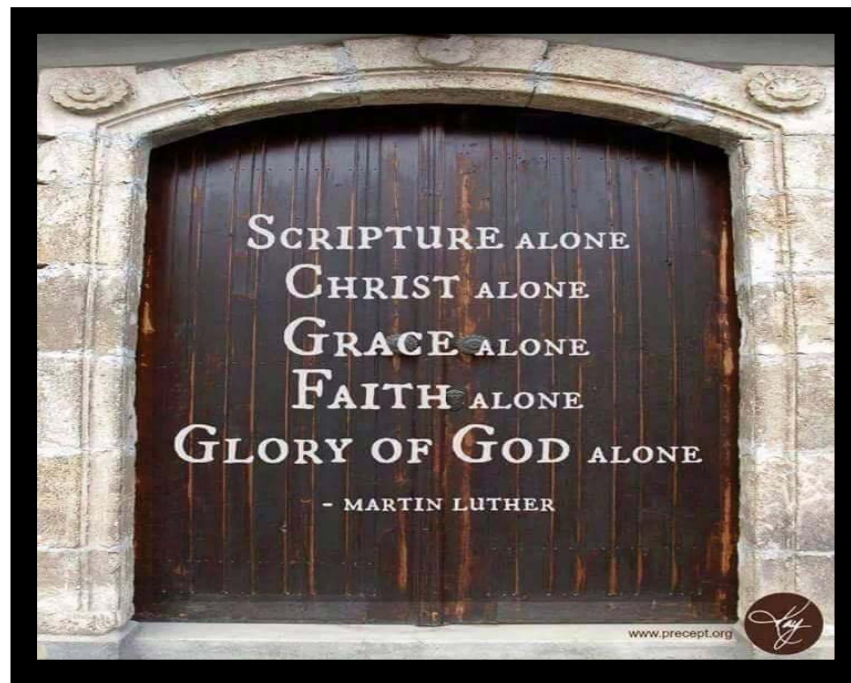


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FROM OUR PASTOR

DISCIPLESHIP TEAM-UNITED TO SERVE

Vibrant Faith Ministries is a resource for congregations who are particularly focused on equipping families, congregations, and individuals in multi-generational ministry. In a recent catalog, a survey is given for Christians to consider how well we welcome young people into our midst. Some of the questions for churches to answer include:

- Adults regularly greet young people by name and ask about their interests.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)
- Adults personally invite young people to participate in congregational events.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)
- Young people can name three or more adults from our congregation who care about them.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)
- Our worship styles and formats speak to multiple generations.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)
- Our congregation offers many opportunities for all generations to serve together.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)
- Families talk about how faith impacts their financial decisions.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)
- There is a sense that God is active and doing things in the life of this congregation.
(Agree/Disagree/Not Sure)

My sense is that most congregations are challenged by how they welcome and affirm young people. (And by “young people” I mean anyone from infancy to young adulthood.) Truly, God is Still Speaking at St. Paul United Church of Christ—in the voices of our children and youth.

During the month of October, I encourage you to reach out to a young person in our congregation. Listen to him. Let her know you care. Invite him to participate in worship. Include her in your prayers.

Blessings,
Becky

ELMWOOD COMMUNITY WORSHIP

You are invited to join our friends and neighbors at Elmwood Community on Tuesday, October 2, at 2:30pm for worship and Holy Communion. All are welcome!

HERITAGE CENTER WORSHIP

You are invited to join our friends and neighbors at Heritage Center on Thursday, October 4 at 10:15am for worship. If you would like to participate in the worship service, please be at Pastor Becky's office by 9:30am so we can coordinate the service and rides. All are welcome!

WORLD COMMUNION WEEKEND

Along with Christians around the globe, we will celebrate World Communion Weekend on Saturday October 6 and Sunday October 7 during worship services. Pastor Christian Chavarria from El Salvador will worship with us and share in the Sacrament. All are welcome at Christ's table of grace!

ALL SAINTS WEEKEND

During worship services on October 27-28, we will celebrate the saints in our lives: those who have gone before us to the Church Triumphant. Candles will be lit in memory of loved ones. All are welcome to these meaningful services. (Saturday at 5:00pm in the Chapel. Sunday at 10:15am in the Sanctuary.)

BECKY'S BOOK CLUB: OCTOBER 28

Everyone is welcome to the Parsonage for dinner at 6:00pm on Sunday, October 28. Following the meal, we will discuss Wm Paul Young's Eve. Copies are available at the church office. Questions? See Pastor Becky.

PASTOR BECKY'S COFFEE SHOP HOURS

Throughout October, Pastor Becky will have Coffee Shop Hours from 2:00-4:00pm on Mondays. Come: join the conversation and laughter!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL/THURSDAY BIBLE STUDIES

This academic year, the Adult Sunday School Class and the Thursday evening Bible Study will follow the same curriculum. This way, if you miss a Sunday morning, you can catch up on the next Thursday night. Beginning Sunday September 30 at 9:00am and Thursday October 4 at 7:00pm, we will begin a five week series following Bob Goff's Everybody Always. We will meet in the Library each week. After the first five week session, we will spend late fall and winter on the Gospel of Luke. Questions? See Pastors Becky or Dee. All are welcome!

VETERAN'S RECOGNITION: NOVEMBER 10 AND 11

Military veterans and active duty personnel will be honored at the beginning of the worship services November 11 and 12. Since, we plan to list the names of veterans and active duty folk from St. Paul UCC in the bulletin that Sunday, please call or email the church office to give us your name.

Letter to the editor

My name is John Dorhauer, and I serve as the President of the United Church of Christ.

This past Sunday, my wife and I spent the weekend in your part of the state. We worshiped with St. Paul's in Bremen, and visited many of the shops, restaurants, and historic sites in and around New Bremen and St. Marys.

I just want to express to the entire community what a delight it was to visit your hometowns. Everywhere we went, we were treated with kindness and hospitality. The people we ran into were proud of their heritage and their history, and delighted us in talking about what it was like to grow up there. We learned a bit about life that stretched back through generations of families whose roots run deep in the county.

The Church we spent time at was especially kind and gracious. They talked to us about how committed they are to reaching out in kindness and love to all. The Rev. Becky Strang, pastor of St. Paul's, showed great courage and faith by making sure all who came to her doors would receive a warm welcome. If others receive the kindness and grace and hospitality we did, then it is no wonder their church is growing and there are so many active families and children there.

As we drove in and through both New Bremen and St. Marys, we found historic sites that intrigued us: cabins fully restored from settlers who arrived here a century and a half ago, community art telling the stories of the canal workers,

refurbished buildings that reflect the character of a day long past while infusing the curious traveler with a tinge of nostalgia that tugged deeply at the heart strings.

We learned of the many places where the townspeople would gather for their daily coffee and gossip sessions, card games, political debates, or fretting over the weather. We ate in the places that the local folk most loved. I'm always encouraged to know that such places still exist – for they create a strong sense of belonging in a community that values friendship and camaraderie.

The school yards we passed suggested communities with strong investments in good education. We passed signs in both towns celebrating the achievements of the youth, including an impressive array of state championships in various competitions.

We didn't get to do everything we wanted, missing out on some of theaters and museums – but that will wait for another trip. You have whetted our appetite for more, and we hope soon to return to again experience your warm welcome.

I hope you can all be proud of the place you call home. From two strangers who spent a delightful weekend among you – we offer a word of thanks for helping us feel less like strangers and more like family.

Shalom,
The Rev. Dr. John C. Dorhauer

ST. PAUL TRUNK-OR-TREAT

- Who? Everyone please! Join us!
- What? Trunk-or-Treat
- Where? EAST parking lot of St. Paul UCC
- When? Thursday October 25 - 6:00-7:30pm
- Why? Fellowship & Fun for anyone who wishes to handout candy, but have few visitors to their own homes.
- How? Bring a comfortable lawn chair & plenty of candy



(LET'S SEE IF WE CAN FILL ALL THE PARKING SPOTS AROUND THE CHURCH!!!)

WONDERING WHAT THE DISCIPLESHIP TEAM DOES?

We coordinate the monthly Open Table Community Meals and keep the Blessing Cabinet stocked each week. We march in the Bremenfest parade and make Pumpkin People happen. We host monthly health seminars and weekly workout sessions. We put together the Community Picnic each August and Kick-Off Festival each September. We apply for grants to fund these ministries.

For the Discipleship Team, there are no “silly ideas.” If you come with a passion for ministry in our community, we will help make your idea come to fruition. We are a large team with diverse interests. You don’t need to participate in each event to be part of the Discipleship Team.

The Discipleship Team meets next on Monday October 22 at 6:30pm in the Fourth-Fifth Grade Classroom. We would love for you to join us! All are welcome!

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY: BEGINNING OCTOBER 21

Need to get your budget under control? Drowning in debt? Do you want more tools in your financial toolbox for the future?

St. Paul Church again will be hosting Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University beginning Sunday October 21. We will meet from 6:30-8:00pm each Sunday evening through December 16.

Financial Peace University will be taught by Jim Kronenberger and Amy Fullenkamp. Cost is \$100/per couple/household. See Pastor Becky for scholarships, if cost is an issue.

You can sign up by contacting the church office or by going online: <https://fpu.com/1072496> Questions? Contact Pastor Becky or Barb Holdren.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Someone you know could be experiencing a mental illness or crisis. You can help them. You are more likely to encounter someone—friend, family member, coworker, neighbor, member of the community—in an emotional or mental crisis than someone having a heart attack. Mental Health First Aid teaches a 5-step action plan to offer initial help to people with signs and symptoms of a mental illness or in a crisis and connect them with the appropriate professional, peer, social or self-help care.

In response to the two young adult suicides in our area last fall, the Discipleship Team applied for a Make a Difference Grant from the United Church of Christ. We were granted funds to host Mental Health First Aid courses.

One course will focus on adult leaders, teachers, youth workers, parents—anyone who works with youth. A second course will focus on the mental health of adults.

St. Paul United Church of Christ will host its first Youth Mental Health First Aid Course from 8:00am-4:30pm on Saturday, October 13. All materials and lunch will be provided.

There is a limited amount of people who can register for this course. To register, go to www.mhfa.care. Any questions? See Pastor Becky or any member of the Discipleship Team.

MISSION NEWS

The October mission project will be Neighbors in Need. Neighbors in Need is the UCC's annual offering to support ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States, including the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM), justice and advocacy efforts and direct service projects funded by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries.

Mission Team

EL SALVADOR MISSION TRIP

An El Salvador Mission Trip is planned for February 25 - March 5, 2019. The cost of the trip should not exceed \$1300. The trip is sponsored by the Northwest Ohio Association of the United Church of Christ and is open to anyone, sixteen years of age or older. This will be the fifteenth annual trip, to El Salvador, led by John and Joyce Gilberg.

Each traveler will carry two suitcases, hopefully, filled with clothing for this warm country's climate. We are mentioning this opportunity now, while summer clothes are on sale, and as we clean out closets and prepare for the winter season. Please consider the needs of this country during this time. A box will be placed on the stage for collection of items.

We invite members, of our church, to consider this life changing experience. Contact John or Joyce Gilberg at 419-629-2947 or e-mail jjgilberg@nktelco.net for more information.

LOCAL AID EXPENDITURES AUGUST 21-SEPTEMBER 20	
GIFT CARDS DISTRIBUTED	
21	\$25 MARATHON
2	\$50 KROGER
4	\$50 ALDI
2	\$100 ALDI
6	\$10 RESTAURANT
OTHER	
\$392	RENT/MORTGAGE
147.25	WINDOW AIR CONDITIONER
\$125	HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS
\$108.42	THERAPY AIDS

When: Monday, October 15
Where: Assembly Room
Who: Everyone
Serving: 4:00pm-6:00pm
Menu: Shredded Chicken Sand
Cheesy Potatoes, Gr Beans & Cookies
Carry Outs Available
Cooked by Magnified Giving
Hosted by Discipleship Team
Free Chair Massages
Indoor Park for the Kids





Washington United Church of Christ

2950 Sidney Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45225

Phone (513) 541-7757 Fax (513) 541-7579

July 27, 2018

St. Paul UCC
Franklin & Second St.
New Bremen, OH 45869

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for the many and wonderful outfits you gave to the children in our Summer Youth Program, and in lovely gift bags. Your generosity is overwhelming.

Because we were able to get the clothes on July 24 (thanks to Bev Poppe for meeting me halfway), the children received them that afternoon. Notes went home in the bags, stating that your wonderful church members were the givers.

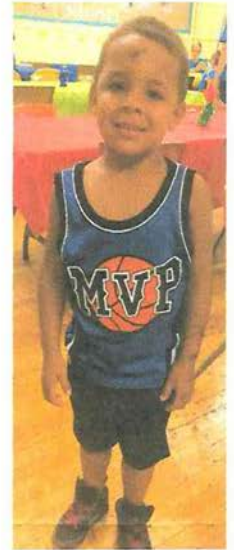
Many of the children proudly wore their new outfits to graduation on Thursday, the last day of our 8-week, Monday-Thursday program. I wanted you to see several of their pictures.

Thank you again, on behalf of the children, their families, and Washington UCC.

Laurel Humes

Laurel Humes
Church Council





More smiling faces
 dressed and ready for
 Camp Washington's
 Summer Youth program!
 Thank you St. Paul!

MEETINGS

The Busy Twelve will meet at Bolly's for lunch at 11:30am and move to the Assembly Room for their meeting on Tuesday, October 2.

The Men's Club will meet at 8:00am at Speedway Lanes on Saturday, October 6.

Discipleship Team will meet Monday, October 22 at 6:30pm.

The Women's Service Group will be going to Vosh Eyeglasses Sorting Center in Pandora OH to help with sorting eyeglasses on October 11. Husbands and other church members wishing to join us are welcome. We will work until noon and then go out for lunch. We are leaving the church parking lot at 7:30am. Please contact Phyllis Fledderjohann @ 419/394-5351 to arrange for carpooling.

THANK YOU

The family of Louise Dicke would like to thank Rev. Becky, Pastor Dee, and Ann Hoelscher for their visits and support during Louise's homebound years. To all those who participated in her celebrations of life a special thank you. Our family and friends enjoyed the fellowship at the luncheon prepared by our Luncheon committee. Sincerely, Dan and Sally Dicke, Jack and Beckie Dicke, Lois Herman

CHURCH DIRECTORY & RECORDS

Called Home:

Sandy Thieman died Sunday, August 26, 2018 at 74 years of age. Services were held in the sanctuary on Sunday, September 2, 2018 at St. Paul United Church of Christ. Inurnment will be held at a later date.

Louise Dicke died Sunday, August 26, 2018 at 98 years of age. Services were held in the sanctuary on Thursday, August 30, 2018.

Interment will follow in the German Protestant Cemetery of New Bremen.

Remove:

Sandra Thieman – deceased

Louise Dicke - deceased

Address Changes:

Mary Mohrman
%Celina Manor
1001 Myers Rd.
C41-2
Celina, OH 45822

Rev. Jim Egbert
8930 Road N8
Ottawa, OH 45875

ALTAR FLOWERS

October 7	Marlene Ahlers
October 14	Myra & Mike Hanenkratt
October 21	Deb Gibson & Gary Wehmeyer
October 28	Ann Young

(The 2019 flower chart will be posted in the east Narthex by October 7. You can sign up for as many dates as you like. Cost is \$30.00.)



SATURDAY EVENING ACCOMPANISTS

October 6	Bev Plattner
October 13	Cheyenne Olt
October 20	Bev Plattner
October 27	Bev Plattner

OCTOBER GREETERS

October 7	East:	Dorothy Wilkens & Kim Wiehe Taylor
	North:	Angela & Steve Zirkle
	South:	Sue Shockney & Vernita Wellman
October 14	East:	Kathy Topp
	North:	Jennifer Wolters & Donna Jacoby
	South:	Kay, Mike & Paige Webb
October 21	East:	Marlene Ahlers
	North:	Jerry & Sue Maxon
	South:	Gene Topp
October 28	East:	Shelly, John, Hayden & Sieanna Zeller
	North:	Ralph & Bev Plattner
	South:	Michelle & Tom Ziegenbusch

Pastoral Care is very important! Please contact the church office when you, a family member or friend enter a hospital, or care facility, so Pastors & church family can be supportive.
Phone: 419-629-2502 Email: stpaulnb@nktelco.net

ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS

Elmwood Assisted Living, 711 Walnut, New Bremen, OH 45869

Joann Freeman
Anna Mae Hudson
Lois Moeller

Heritage Center, 24 N. Hamilton, Minster, OH 45865

Thomas Goodwin
Jill May
Mary Mohrman
Jean Waterman
Mary Ellen White

The Gardens, 505 Walnut, Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Louise Kettler (Room 222)

Swiss Village, 1350 W. Main St., P.O. Box 284, Berne, IN 46711

Mary Lou Campbell

St. Marys Living Center, 1209 Indiana Ave., St. Marys, OH 45885

Rosie Heitkamp
Annabelle Wenning

Otterbein, 11300 Yost Circle, St. Marys, OH 45885

Doris Blanke
Dan Chamberlin (11710 Kingfisher Lane)
LaRue Dicke
Miriam Donnerberg (11314 Bobwhite Lane)
Virginia Kuenning (11807 Mallard Lane)
Dorothy Wilkens (Room 330)

**ST. PAUL UCC COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Interim President Mike Holdren with 14 council members including: Rev. Becky Strang, Pastor Dee Schroer, Andrea Huber, Kirk Dicke, John Gilberg, Terri Mullins, Tracy Oldiges, Kathy Topp, Jim Mullins, John Mohrman, Barb Holdren, Jeff Quellhorst and Tom Brandewie. Devotions were provided by Jeff Quellhorst.

Secretary's Report: Secretary's Report reviewed. Terri Mullins moved to accept the minutes as read. John Gilberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report as of August 2018 was reviewed. Report shows year to date balance of -\$16,543.35 in General Fund. John Gilberg moved to accept Treasurer's report as read. Jim Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

We had a guest join us at the beginning of the meeting, Bev Plattner. She proposed that we consider installing a driveway on the north side entrance of the church with a new elevator for those who are with handicap and/or injured. We are not a handicap/injury friendly church to be a part of at this time. Council will add it to their new business for review.

Mission: The 2019 Project of the Year will be Ft. Wayne Children's home. The Mission Team will meet in October and will present to Council later this fall.

Worship: Next meeting September 30

Discipleship: Hosting this Sunday 9/16/18 the Busy 12, 150th anniversary. Doing a Youth Mental health day event on October 14. Blessing cabinet has been restocked. Also, in the works is an Adult Mental health day. The team is firming up details with local businesses. The Fall Wellness Events will coincide with community meals.

Stewardship: Stewardship weekend has been set for November 17/18, 2018.

Playground: Running 8 weeks behind.

Art Camp: Meeting Tuesday, September 18 at 6:30pm.

185th Anniversary: A huge success! Currently finishing up book of photos collected to share with the congregation. The church photo taken on September 9 will be the cover of the book, which turned out fantastic!

OTHER REPORTS

Deacon's Report: Filled 1 out of 6 needed positions. Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping us with these openings. This would be for the 2019 calendar year.

Elder's Report: No Report

MAINTENANCE REPORT

John Mohrman reports:

- Performed weekly and monthly preventive maintenance checks.
- Moeller Door repaired the door pivots of the north door of educational building.
- The trustees and I replaced the crumbling steps by the northwest sanctuary door with steps donated by Tim Bowers. Moved the door pivot closer so door would open wider.
- Replaced broken flush handle in sanctuary men's room toilet.
- Took recycles to the recycle center.
- Other small things taken care of as needed.

Trustees Report: No report

PASTOR DEE'S REPORT

I would like to begin by thanking all who took time out of their busy Bremenfest weekend to help the Senior High Youth in the food tent on Saturday afternoon and those who represented St. Paul by riding on or walking along with the float on Sunday. Again, a HUGE thank you to Shelly Zeller, Barb and Mike Holdren, the Willrath and Klein families for developing, painting, constructing, storing, and providing equipment and cleanup of the float!

I met with Sunday school teachers on August 20, and over the course of the next week, I intend to touch base and go over this year's curriculum and calendar. I have spent a lot of time preparing for Sunday school and youth this month. I have had a few days help from students. Elyssa and Julia Mullins, and Kyhra and Delaney Sexton contacted me looking for ways to help out so we set out to clean, organize and rearrange cupboards, closet and rooms. I also enlisted my daughter Tricia to come in for two days to help with last minuet preparations. Thank You Girls!

Sunday August 26 was a full day helping with preparations for the Community Picnic.

I began my Lay School classes in Tiffin September 4.

September 9 was our Anniversary celebration with kickoff for our Sunday school and youth programs. We had 45 students attend from preschool-8th grade. Our Youth programs will start this Wednesday September 12.

We presented Bibles to 17 children in worship and have requests for 6 more. If anyone in your family is in need of an age appropriate Bible please let me know.

We have changed our Senior High Youth Group meeting time to Wednesday evenings (same as Junior High Youth): Dinner at 6:30pm, lessons and activities 7:00-8:00pm, game time 8:00-8:30pm. If you would like to prepare a meal for any of our Wednesday evening youth groups, please contact Pastor Dee for Splash or Mimi Messick for Junior/Senior High.

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday, September 12 - Youth activities begin with Splash from 3:00-5:00pm, Junior/Senior High Youth Group and Confirmation from 6:30-8:00pm.
- Tuesday, September 18 - Lay School
- October 2 - Lay School

Pastoral Care August 14 - September 11, 2018

Nursing Home visits - 2

Notes written - 13

Teacher/ Youth leader meetings - 5

PASTOR BECKY'S REPORT

Worship:

- September 15/16 - Rev. John Dorhauer, President and General Minister of UCC to preach
- Celebration of Busy 12's 110th Anniversary in worship on Sunday
- October 6/7 - World Communion Weekend
- October 24 - Bailey Langenkamp baptism
- October 27/28 - All Saints Weekend
- Confirmation Classes begin on September 12

Pastor Dee and I will lead an adult Sunday school class AND a Thursday night Bible study, using the same curriculum for each of the two times. We will begin on Sunday September 30 and Thursday October 4 with Bob Goff's curriculum Everybody Always for five weeks. Then we will start a six-week series on the Gospel of Luke.

Working with the New Bremen Schools, I have arranged for the October 12 Teacher In-Service day to include a 2 hour presentation to faculty and staff about bullying and suicide.

On Saturday October 13, St. Paul will host a Youth Mental Health First Aid Course from 8:00am-4:30pm. We are able to offer this to the community at no cost due to grants given to the Partnership for Violence Free Families and a Make a Difference Grant St. Paul received from the United Church of Christ. I am working with the Chamber of Commerce to arrange an Adult Mental Health First Aid Course also.

- Art Camp Team meets next on Tuesday, September 18 at 6:30pm.
- Worship Team is scheduled for Sunday, September 30 at 11:30am.
- Playground construction is nearing completion. Still need to finish swing set, volleyball court and electric.
- I have resumed Coffee Shop hours in September.
- I keep gingersnaps in the cookie jar in the church office. All are
- I am trying to take Thursday mornings as professional reading time. I take Fridays off for personal time. I will return calls on Saturday or Monday.
- I am a facilitator for the Ohio Conference's Excellence in Ministry Program.

Vacation 2018 (5 weeks' vacation; 5 weekends)

- February 23-26 (4 days; one weekend) St. Louis for a concert with Jim
- March 14 (1 days; around Why Christian? Event)
- June 21 (1 day to visit family in Indiana)
- July 1-7 (1 week) Tennessee with Jim
- July 24 - August 2 (1 week and 3 days) Canada with Jim
- September 21-23 (1 weekend) Jim's High School Reunion in Chicago

Pastoral Care August 14 - September 11, 2018:

Hospital visits - 11	Phone calls - 20
Office visits - 11	Nursing Home visits - 27
Home visit: 5	Funerals - 3
Home Communion - 41	Notes written - 20
Weddings - 1	Coffee Shop attendees - 6
Attended funeral - 1	

OLD BUSINESS

2018 Project of the Year – will begin first week in October

Taylor Paul - Girl Scout Gold Award - we were presented an idea of planting a raised garden and dwarf fruit trees near the church. The idea and supporting paperwork has been submitted to the Girl Scout Council.

South Parking Lot Repair - this has been looked into and repaired, it will be sealed next spring. Item fixed by a community member who wanted to help.

Sanctuary Air Conditioning - working on getting a quote

WISH LIST:

Auditorium (flooring and window rework) Carpet Chapel,

Assembly room - \$8,500k

AC – Youth Rm - \$3,600k

Stain Glass Window Completion Project - \$60k

Announcements:

Next meeting – October 9, 2018 @ 7:00pm

Devotions – Myra Hanenkratt

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

Andrea Huber, Secretary

Mike Holdren, President









St. Paul United Church of Christ
Treasurer's Report August 2018 General Fund

	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining	Previous YTD
Income						
	Contributions	11,697.00	156,902.01			155,160.66
	Rent-Nursery School	0.00	1,650.00	2,850.00	1,200.00	1,550.00
	Rent-Misc. Building	0.00	124.00			200.00
	Contributions-Beacon	0.00	530.00			360.00
	Contributions-Misc.	0.00	275.00			1,904.92
	Stewardship	0.00	285.00			410.00
	Office Supplies	1.00	127.75			50.45
	Easter Offering	0.00	4,936.00			0.00
	Anniversary Gift	2,580.00	4,813.00			0.00
	Art Camp-VBS	0.00	0.00			2,014.00
	Interest-Checking	4.72	47.51			33.37
	Sr. Minister Endow Trans	530.00	4,240.00	6,360.00	2,120.00	4,240.00
	Visitation Ministry Endow Trans	444.60	3,603.60	5,382.00	1,778.40	3,513.00
	Youth Min Endow Trans	1,772.72	15,409.04	22,500.00	7,090.96	6,000.00
	Total Income	\$17,030.04	\$192,942.91	\$37,092.00		\$175,436.40
Expense						
	Senior Pastor Salary	5,133.44	41,067.52	61,601.00	20,533.48	40,170.36
	Senior Pastor Insurance	946.40	9,714.40	13,500.00	3,785.60	10,981.99
	Senior Pastor Pension	0.00	8,408.52	11,211.00	2,802.48	8,163.60
	Senior Pastor Disabil/Life	0.00	1,090.93	1,550.00	459.07	1,064.68
	Senior Pastor Cell Phone	50.00	400.00	600.00	200.00	400.00
	Sr. Pastor Continuing Ed	0.00	493.77	1,000.00	506.23	1,114.52
	Senior Pastor Business Ex	0.00	368.01	1,000.00	631.99	488.40
	Associate Pastor Salary	2,750.00	22,000.00	33,000.00	11,000.00	2,750.00
	Associate Pastor Housing	833.34	6,666.72	10,000.00	3,333.28	833.34
	Associate Pastor Pension	0.00	4,515.00	6,020.00	1,505.00	0.00
	Associate Pastor Insurance	918.83	6,204.35	12,000.00	6,714.48	554.00
	Assoc. Pastor Disabil/Life	0.00	161.25	645.00	483.75	0.00
	Assoc. Pastor Cont Ed	0.00	815.64	1,000.00	184.36	90.00
	Assoc. Pastor Business Ex	36.75	342.87	1,000.00	657.13	36.98
	Assoc. Pastor Cell Phone	50.00	400.00	600.00	200.00	50.00
	Youth Ministry Endow	0.00	0.00			3,000.00
	Organist Salary	412.00	3,908.00	6,386.00	2,478.00	4,026.00
	Music Director Salary	60.00	510.00	780.00	270.00	538.95
	Chancel Choir Director	125.00	1,225.00	2,200.00	975.00	1,074.00
	Chancel Choir Accompan	25.00	300.00	375.00	75.00	0.00
	Beacon Editor Salary	224.00	1,792.00	2,688.00	896.00	2,016.00
	Visitation Ministry Salary	448.50	3,588.00	5,382.00	1,794.00	3,509.52
	Bell Choir Director Salary	103.00	721.00	1,236.00	515.00	824.00
	Web Page Editor Salary	225.00	900.00	1,854.00	954.00	900.00
	Office Admin Salary	2,461.58	19,692.64	29,539.00	9,846.36	19,262.68
	Financial Secretary Salary	430.67	3,445.36	5,168.00	1,722.64	3,369.82
	Ed Bldg Custodian Salary	1,108.58	8,541.49	13,303.00	4,761.51	8,675.20
	Sanctuary Cust Salary	643.42	5,147.36	7,721.00	2,573.64	5,034.80
	Lawn Care Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,193.55
	Maintenance Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,203.72
	Sub Salary (All Positions)	0.00	450.00	4,000.00	3,550.00	2,403.00



	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining	Previous YTD
Expense	(continued)					
	Telephone	278.87	1,158.86	1,500.00	341.14	904.46
	Staff Cell Phone Reimbursement	50.00	400.00	600.00	200.00	400.00
	Internet Services	159.95	1,279.60	2,000.00	720.40	1,286.60
	Natural Gas-Church	111.61	6,060.74	7,500.00	1,439.26	4,733.04
	Natural Gas-Parsonage	27.58	698.27	1,000.00	301.73	578.17
	Electric/Water/Sewage	727.84	5,509.96	8,000.00	2,490.04	4,836.57
	Trash/Dumpster	61.35	488.02	750.00	261.98	462.53
	Worship Materials/Supplies	295.23	2,045.55	3,000.00	1,045.21	2,503.40
	Worship-Saturday	250.00	1,890.00	3,120.00	1,230.00	1,770.00
	Pastoral Care	0.00	364.20	800.00	435.80	769.40
	Music	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	147.92
	Delegate's Expense	0.00	28.00	100.00	72.00	0.00
	Membership Dues	0.00	375.00	500.00	125.00	677.61
	Stewardship Material	129.08	1,244.01	2,500.00	1,255.99	923.21
	Church Growth & Development	437.01	2,826.20	3,500.00	673.80	2,501.42
	Postage	289.33	3,239.86	3,500.00	260.14	2,066.51
	Shipping	7.98	181.75	500.00	318.25	219.17
	Mileage/Travel	960.55	5,691.42	10,000.00	4,308.58	5,438.55
	Payroll Services	125.00	377.47	650.00	272.53	499.47
	Office Supplies	122.13	2,316.59	4,000.00	1,683.41	2,527.63
	Custodial Supplies	7.00	729.92	1,500.00	770.08	827.30
	Office Equipment Maintenance	677.91	6,477.73	8,000.00	1,522.27	5,342.77
	Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00	425.28	1,200.00	774.72	101.00
	Sunday School/Youth Programs	357.29	1,992.39	7,000.00	5,007.61	0.00
	Sunday School Educational Material	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,664.74
	Sunday School Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,139.75
	Camperships	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	600.00
	Bibles	200.75	200.75	250.00	49.25	0.00
	Program Materials-Grade School	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	260.60
	Program Materials-Junior High	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	787.88
	Program materials-Senior High	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	764.07
	Confirmation	0.00	783.86	1,000.00	216.14	828.03
	Library	0.00	24.53	0.00	0.00	0.00
	SALT Programing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	193.18
	FICA/FIT (Employer)	1,139.80	9,093.47	15,000.00	5,906.53	7,611.64
	Worker's Compensation	0.00	700.00	1,000.00	300.00	940.00
	Art Camp-VBS					2,387.95
	Total Expenses	\$23,414.77	\$209,486.26	\$324,829.00	\$115,446.50	\$189,923.68
	Difference	(\$6,384.73)	(\$16,543.35)			(\$14,487.28)

October Birthdays & Anniversaries



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
		Thomas Ziegenbusch	Karen Fox Lee Lampert		David Kramer Lindsay Quellhorst		10/1 Bob & Cami Davis 10/5 Tim & Teresa Maurer 10/6 Carl & Betty Hatfield 10/6 John & Nancy Knost
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
Debra Greber Jessica Scheer Annabelle Wenning	Cole Hemmelgam Neal Voress	Nina Meyer Cora Ryan	Donald Klein	Rob Rismiller James Scheer	Nelson Erb Michael Manbeck Jeffrey Paul	Nora Aumick Susan Harrod Debra Klein Michael Swackhamer	10/7 Clint & Ragan Miller 10/7 James & Patricia Moeller 10/8 Tony & Christine Schott 10/9 Mike & Joyce Topp
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
Gary Jones Max Messick	Jack Hansbrough Riley Scheib Kara Timm Lucy Whitten	Landon Davis Brian Swackhamer	Joyce Ruedebusch	Cody Manbeck Eli Schmitmeyer Logan Topp	Dot Koeper Brett Winner	Cara Miller Kelli Muether Brian Rismiller Cresta Ritter	10/14 Thomas & Rhonda Puthoff 10/16 Bartt & Michelle Suchland 10/16 Kendall & Emily Willrath 10/17 Brett & Amy Howell 10/18 Brian & Amber Tontrup
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
Keith May Ashton Ritter	Lloyd Schroer	Cassandra Albers	Mark Dicke Madeleine Erb Sherry Meckstroth Rob Meyer Kale Quellhorst	Allison Hays Andrea Huber Makena Pfenning Lori Winner	Kim Quellhorst Logan Suchland Andrew Topp Elizabeth Winner	Charles Gamble Karli Staton Kim Waterman	10/26 Andrew & Stacy Dudas
28	29	30	31	<h2>May God Bless You On Your Special Day!</h2>			10/29 Dave & Debra Kramer 10/29 Brian & Jennifer Schemmel 10/30 Matt & Jennifer Quellhorst 10/31 John & Carol Mohrman
	Susan Conradi-Toomey Don Dammeyer Kenneth A. Dicke Curtis Elson Pamela Philipot	Ann Young	Betty Bushman Amy Felver Ron Hegemier Barbara Tostrick				

2018 October Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
 October 27/28	2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop	11:30am Busy Twelve at Bolly's	3-5:00pm Splash 6:30-8:30pm Dinner - Confirmands Jr. High & Sr. High Youth	10:15am Heritage Center Worship		8:00am - Men's Club at Speedway Lanes WORLD COMMUNION WEEKEND
		2:30pm Elmwood Worship w/Holy Communion	Bell Choir Chancel Choir	7:00pm Bible Study in the Library		5pm Worship w/Holy Communion
	7	8	9	10	11	12
	9:00am Youth & Adult Sunday School	2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop		3-5:00pm Splash 6:30-8:30pm Dinner - Confirmands Jr. High & Sr. High Youth	7:30am Women's Service Group - Trip to Vosh Eyeglasses Sorting Center	
WORLD COMMUNION WEEKEND			Bell Choir Chancel Choir	7:00pm Bible Study in the Library		5pm Worship
10:15am Worship w/Holy Communion		7pm Council Meeting				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:00am Youth & Adult Sunday School	2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop		3-5:00pm Splash 6:30-8:30pm Dinner - Confirmands Jr. High & Sr. High Youth			
10:15am Worship			Bell Choir Chancel Choir	7:00pm Bible Study in the Library		5pm Worship
11:30am Worship Team	4-6:00pm - Open Table Community Meal					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00am Youth & Adult Sunday School	2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop		3-5:00pm Splash 6:30-8:30pm Dinner - Confirmands Jr. High & Sr. High Youth	6-7:30pm Trick or Treat around the Church Parking Lot(s)		ALL SAINTS WEEKEND
10:15am Worship			Bell Choir Chancel Choir	7:00pm Bible Study in the Library		5pm Worship
6:30-8pm Financial Peace	6:30pm Discipleship Team					
28	29	30	31	TRICK OR TREAT 6:00-7:30PM BRING LOTS OF CANDY TOO!! PARK AROUND THE CHURCH BRING LAWN CHAIRS		
9:00am Youth & Adult Sunday School	2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop	3-5:00pm Splash 6:30-8:30pm Dinner - Confirmands Jr. High & Sr. High Youth				
ALL SAINTS WEEKEND		Bell Choir Chancel Choir				
10:15am Worship 6:00pm Becky's Book Club & Dinner						

SERVING ST. PAUL

STAFF

Senior Pastor	Rev. Becky Erb Strang
Associate Pastor	Dee Schroer
Lay Minister of Visitation	Anna Hoelscher
Office Administrator	Barb Holdren
Financial Secretary	Janet Eilerman
Organists	Dick Hudson & Cheyenne Olt
Director of Music	Tim Olt
Bell Choir Director	Cheyenne Olt
Educational Building Custodians	Dennis & Linda Hainline
Sanctuary Custodian	Greg Hainline
Groundskeeper	Mike Holdren
Building Maintenance Technician	John Mohrman
Beacon Editor	Terri Goodwin
Website Editor	Cindy Schemmel

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(Partnering with Families, the St. Paul UCC Christian Education Program strives to guide children through weekly educational opportunities and ongoing mission outreach.)

Pastor Dee Schroer	Haley Dicke
Katie Dietrich	Morgan Felver
Leah Gilberg	Myra Hanenkratt
Emily Langenkamp	Elyssa Mullins
Terri Mullins	Kristen Nelson
Amy Opperman	Michelle Voress
Neal Voress	

MISSION TEAM

(Raises awareness/promotes mission programs)

Roland Dicke	John Gilberg (chair)
Joyce Gilberg	Connie Friemering
Kim Hemmelgarn	Jeff Paul
Bev Poppe	Gary Wehmeyer
Lori Winner	

SERVING ST. PAUL 2018 CHURCH COUNCIL

(Meets 2nd Tuesday; Transacts routine business of the church)

Interim President
Vice President
Recording Secretary
2nd Year Treasurer
Senior Elder
Junior Elder
Trustees

Mike Holdren
Jeff Quellhorst
Andrea Huber
Myra Hanenkratt
Terri Mullins
John Gilberg

Tom Brandewie, 3rd Year
Kirk Dicke, 2nd Year
Tim Bowers, 1st Year

2nd Year Deacons

Betty Dietrich,
Theresa Hemmelgarn
Brad Holdren
Kathy Manbeck
Kathy Topp
Jim Mullins - Head Deacon

1st Year Deacons

Dana Bornhorst
Elyssa Mullins,
Tracy Oldiges
Jeff Paul
Shelly Zeller

STEWARDSHIP BOARD

(Secures pledges; promotes stewardship programs)

Interim President
Vice President
Senior Trustee
Senior Pastor
Treasurer
Financial Secretary
Representatives

Mike Holdren
Jeff Quellhorst
Tom Brandewie
Becky Erb Strang
Myra Hanenkratt
Janet Eilerman

Roland Dicke, 3rd Year
Open Position, 2nd Year
Gary Wehmeyer, 1st Year

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

(Sounding board for future worship service opportunities)

Interim President	Mike Holdren
Vice President	Jeff Quellhorst
Senior Pastor	Rev. Becky Erb Strang
Associate Pastor	Dee Schroer
Senior Elder (Chair)	Terri Mullins
Director of Music	Tim Olt
Organists	Dick Hudson
	Cheyenne Olt
Bell Choir Director	Cheyenne Olt
Head Deacon	Jim Mullins
Members	
	Brenda Haynes
	Anna Hoelscher
	Ann Kuhn
	Bev Plattner
	Gary Wehmeyer

FINANCIAL ADVISORY TEAM

(Consults with bookkeeper regarding church investments)

Interim President	Mike Holdren
Vice President	Jeff Quellhorst
Senior Trustee	Tom Brandewie
Senior Pastor	Rev. Becky Erb Strang
Office Administrator	Barb Holdren
Treasurer	Myra Hanenkratt
Members	
	Don Scheer
	John Voress
	John Wierwille

BUDGET COMMITTEE

(Prepares church budget for following year)

Interim President	Mike Holdren
Vice President	Jeff Quellhorst
Secretary	Andrea Huber
Treasurer	Myra Hanenkratt
Senior Elder	Terri Mullins
Senior Trustee	Tom Brandewie
Stewardship Board	Roland Dicke