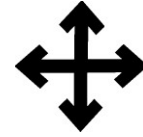




THE

# BEACON



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

Rev. Rebecca Erb Strang  
Senior Pastor



Dee Schroer Associate Pastor  
Faith Formation, Youth &  
Family Life Ministries

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### **FROM OUR PASTOR**

This summer at St. Paul we have focused on Community. We hosted a community-wide Art Camp for 165 children of all ages in early June. Added to that, we had 95 volunteers from a wide variety of churches and local villages. Art Camp ended with a festival on the last evening—inviting the entire community to share in our joy. We estimate that we fed between 300-400 people that evening.

Throughout the summer, during Sunday worship services, we are inviting to worship with us, folk who were confirmed at St. Paul. All part of our 185th anniversary celebrations, we are recognizing the gift St. Paul Church has been to the community for nearly two centuries.

Our Blessing Cabinet Ministry reaches many folk in our community who are unable to afford toilet paper, laundry detergent, diapers or other toiletries.

And why do we reach out to the community so often? Because of Jesus. He challenges us to move outside the sanctuary walls and into the community that we might care for the least and the lost. That we might help bring the Kingdom of God here on earth as it is in heaven. That, my friends, is our sacred calling.

Blessings, Becky

### **185TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

#### **July 15 - Confirmation Celebration 1980's**

Pastor Becky Preaching  
Tom Braun Sharing St. Paul/New Bremen History

#### **July 22 - Confirmation Celebration 1990's**

Dan Busch Preaching  
Tom Braun Sharing St. Paul/New Bremen History

#### **August 12 - Confirmation Celebration 2000's**

Pastor Becky Preaching

#### **August 19 - Confirmation Celebration 2010's**

Pastor Becky Preaching

#### **September 9 - 185th Anniversary Celebration**

Worship, with picnic following  
Dedication of restored German-language Bibles

#### **September 15/16 - Rev. John Dorhauer preaching**

President and General Minister of UCC  
Celebration of Busy 12's 110th Anniversary in worship!

### **COMMUNION WORSHIP AT ELMWOOD**

St. Paul will lead worship with Holy Communion at Elmwood Community on Tuesday July 10 at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome to share in worship with our friends and neighbors!

### **HOME COMMUNIONS IN AUGUST**

Beginning August 7, Pastor Becky will bring communion to the homebound members of St. Paul. If you or a loved one would like to receive communion, please contact the church office.

### **PRAYER CHAIN**

If you have a joy or concern you would like lifted up in prayer, the Prayer Chain is ready and available. Please contact Pastor Becky at 419-953-1152 or [berbstrang@stpaulnb.org](mailto:berbstrang@stpaulnb.org) with your prayer request. You are also invited to join this growing ministry.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY JULY 4 FOR THE HOLIDAY.**



### **APPLYING BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES**

Let's play an old game called "Let's Pretend." Let's pretend that we are poor, dirt poor, as poor as proverbial church mice. Suddenly, without warning, a financier crosses our path and makes a startling announcement. Today, the financier is creating a special bank account for us. Starting tomorrow, and continuing every day for the rest of our lives, she will deposit into our account \$86,400 that is ours to use as we like.

There is only one catch. Every day, whatever we do not use will be lost at the end of the day. No balance can be carried forward in this account. Given that prospect, each of us would no doubt draw out every cent every day.

Rev. Dr. R. G. Lee from Memphis writes:

Well you have such a bank, and its name is "Time." Every morning it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it rules off—as lost—whatever of this you have failed to invest to a good purpose. It carries no balances. It allows no overdrafts. Each day, the bank named "Time" opens a new account with you. Each night it burns the records of the day. If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours.

God entrusts to each of us 86,400 seconds seven days a week, 365 days a year. How we use this resource is up to us. We can waste those seconds, minutes and hours in pursuit of things that don't matter in the light of eternity or we can invest them by using as many of them as possible in serving the Lord, especially here at St. Paul UCC.

How do we value one year?

Ask a student who failed a grade.

How do we value one month?

Ask a mother whose baby arrived prematurely.

How do we value one week?

Editors of weekly newspapers know.

How do we value one hour?

Ask someone who is terminally ill, waiting for a loved one who is late.

How do we value one minute?

Ask someone who missed a plane, a train, or a very important engagement that cannot be rescheduled.

How do we value one second?

Ask an Olympic medalist, someone who just missed having an accident, or someone saying good-bye to a loved one they will never see again.

Last week you were given 168 hours or 10,080 minutes or 604,800 seconds. How many of each was used in pursuit of your interests and activities? How many were used in seeking God's kingdom and righteousness? How many were used following Jesus? In retrospect, what was the real value you placed on the time God gave you?

Teach us to number our days that we may gain a wise heart. (Psalm 90:12)

The Stewardship Team

## MEETINGS

The Busy Twelve will not be meeting during the months of July and August. Next meeting at Bolly's in September. Details to follow in September Beacon.

The Men's Club will meet on Saturday, July 7 at 8am at Speedway Lanes. There will be no meeting in August.

# Greeters



## IN JULY

July 1	East:	Amy Scheer
	North:	Dan & Sally Dicke
	South:	Marlene Ahlers
July 8	East:	Diane & Emily Gilberg
	North:	John Gilberg
	South:	Joyce Gilberg
July 15	East:	Brice, Brook, Eli & Mia Schmitmeyer
	North:	Melvin & Phyllis Fledderjohann
	South:	Carol Wilson
July 22	East:	Jason, Tracy, Jack & Elise Oldiges
	North:	Tom & Peg Brandewie
	South:	Jody Schaefer & Donna Jacoby
July 29	East:	Ralph & Bev Plattner
	North:	Vernon & Julia Paul
	South:	Dick & Sandy Watcke



July 1	John & Nancy Knost
July 8	Dan Chamberlin
July 15	Miriam Donnerberg
July 22	George Voress Family
July 29	Jim & Becky Erb Strang

## THANK YOU

Since 1955, when I first became a member of St. Paul, it has been a pleasure to be part of such an enthusiastic congregation who make a concerted effort to live their Christian faith. Very recently we have experienced first-hand just how much your expressions of caring and love meant when it became necessary for Duane to reside at Elmwood, as well as, his subsequent passing.

Pastor Becky, Assistant Pastor Dee and Visitation Minister Ann all visited Duane, prepared worship services for the Elmwood residents, and generally let Duane know that St. Paul people loved him and were praying for him.

The numerous cards, phone calls, gifts, flowers and memorials have been further evidence of the Christian love and caring you have shown our family. What a super job the funeral luncheon committee did preparing the luncheon buffet. To each of you who contributed a dish, we are indeed grateful.

To Steve Hartwig and Keith May, who coordinated the committal and funeral services, to Pastor Becky for these meaningful services, to Dick Hudson who provided the beautiful sacred organ music, Barb Holdren for the lovely program, the custodians and anyone who assisted with the funeral, we say, "Thank you so much." As is the tradition at St. Paul, you continue to display your Christian love.

Alice Hegemier, Brad, Ron and Brigid

## CHURCH DIRECTORY & RECORDS

### **Address Change:**

Harold Dammeyer  
% Miller House  
1506 Meadowview Dr.  
Celina, OH 45822

Brett Maurer  
455 Canal St.  
New Bremen, OH 45869

Lori Greber  
5218 Jacob Way  
Hilliard, OH 43026-2243

Jessica Quellhorst DVM  
260 E Flamingo Rd. Unit 233  
Las Vegas, NV 89169

Ron Greber  
115 Lindos Dr.  
Seneca, SC 29672-6748

Kaylyn & Tyler Regendanz  
202 N Spruce St.  
St Marys, OH 45885

Jack & Betty Hansbrough  
2895 Eckley Blvd.  
Dayton, OH 45449

Elaine Turner  
87 Linden Lane  
Medora, IL 62063-2135

Cody Manbeck  
207 N Herman St.  
New Bremen, OH 45869

**Called Home:**

Duane Hegemier died Monday, May 28, 2018 at the age of 85. Services were held in the sanctuary on Friday, June 1, 2018, and inurnment followed at the German Protestant Cemetery, New Bremen, OH.

**Remove:**

Duane Hegemier – deceased

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  
Louise Dicke  
Miriam Donnerberg (11314 Bobwhite Lane)  
Virginia Kuenning (11807 Mallard Lane)  
Dorothy Wilkens (Room 330)



**DISCIPLESHIP TEAM – UNITED TO SERVE**

Next Meeting Tuesday, July 17 at 6:30pm

**OPEN TABLE COMMUNITY MEAL**

The Discipleship Team wishes to thank all those who have volunteered their time, talents and treasures, making this monthly meal a success this past year. We are taking **July and August off**. We will **resume Monday, September 17**. We look forward to seeing everyone. Want to help with this great ministry? Give us a call 419-629-2502!

**BLESSING CABINET**

The Blessing Cabinet continues to be used on a daily basis. It has proven to be wonderful asset to our wider community. Thank you all for keeping the cabinet stocked so this ministry can continue.

**THINGS IN THE WORKS**

- Bremenfest Parade Float (we are looking for volunteers to help create and build. Like to help? Give the office a call and once we know days and times we will be in touch.)
- Community Picnic w/AC Swing
- 185<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (Kick-Off Sunday) September 9 Dementia Workshop, September 17<sup>th</sup> (in conjunction with the Area council on Aging)
- Community Thanksgiving Worship - November 19
- CPR Class, Honoring First Responders - October
- Mental Health First Aid
- Community Fruit Garden

<b>LOCAL MISSION</b>	
Local Aid Expenditures May 19 – June 20	
<b>Gift Cards Distributed</b>	
1	\$50 Aldi
1	\$100 Aldi
4	\$10 Restaurant
1	\$50 Kroger
9	\$25 Marathon
<b>Other</b>	
\$125.00	Household Products



## FROM PASTOR DEE

There are a few upcoming events and dates that I would like everyone to be aware of.

### FOR ALL YOUTH GROUPS: SPLASH, JR. HIGH AND SR. HIGH

- Beginning July 11  
Open Gym hours every Wednesday from 11am–1pm with lunch provided at noon. All are welcome! Bring a friend!
- Friday July 13  
1:00 pm - Scary Movie Matinee - For all Youth Groups
- September 30  
10am-1pm Junior/Senior High Car Wash Fundraiser

### FOR YOUTH, FAMILIES & ENTIRE CONGREGATION

The Discipleship team has a group of volunteers ready to get started on the Bremenfest float! We can use every type of gift and talent to make a beautiful float (We may even need some riders). All ages are welcome and encouraged to join us. Please see me if you and your family and friends would like to help with this fun creative commUNITY event!

Sunday July 22 at 11:30am I will be hosting Dinner and a Movie. All are welcome! We will be viewing "The Greatest Showman". We will begin with dinner in the Assembly room, and move to the Theatre room for the movie.

We now have more than 12 volunteers for the Nursery. We will be meeting to exchange contact information and choose dates for the year so our nursery will be staffed every week.

If you have any questions, or would like to get involved, please contact me at 419-733-8760.

Blessings and peace,  
Pastor Dee

# Art Camp 2018



**Love Your Neighbor!**



**Paper Mache Animals**



**Wren Houses**



**Canvas Painting**

**Hallelujah,  
Praise Ye the Lord!**

**All God's Critters!**



**Toad Houses**

**This is the Day!**



**Animal Masks**





Sparkle Fish

Genesis 1:24-31



Friendship Bracelets



Turtle Weaving



Origami



Bruckner Nature Center



Pom Pom Animals

Luke 10:25-37

Matthew 25:31-40



Earthworm Apartments



Library

Time



Art Camp 2018-The video is done! If you'd like to see a snapshot of what an amazing time Art Camp was for all, check out the video on YouTube put together by Nathan Poeppelman.

**ST. PAUL UCC COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JUNE 12, 2018**

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

Secretary's Report: Secretary's Report reviewed. Revisions to last month's minutes were needed. Terri Mullins moved to accept the minutes as read. Myra Hanenkrafft seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report as of May 2018 was reviewed. Report shows year to date balance of \$1,397.85 in General Fund. Tom Brandewie moved to accept Treasurer's report as read. Brad Holdren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mission: Make August-September mission "Project of the Year". Someone from council will need to speak at church in late July early August.

Worship: No report

Discipleship: Due to changes in the public pool reservations we will not be having a pool party. Due to no one signing up for porch parties this summer there will be no porch parties. It has been decided that in the fall we will have Health related workshops. September's topic will be dementia.

Stewardship: No report

Playground: Holding off due to weather.

Art Camp: Had a solid two weeks to prepare. Scheduling was wild. A giant thank you to Becky, Dee and Lisa. Couldn't have done it without Barb Holdrens efforts. Tracy Oldiges was the volunteer of the year handling all the snacks and allergy/dietary needs. 165 kids attended. It is estimated 300-400 were fed the final evening of this event.

185<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Off to a great start completing the 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's confirmation classes being honored. The outreach has been fantastic. Numbers are up in all church services. Feedback has been very positive.

**OTHER REPORTS**

Deacon's Report: No report

Elder's Report: No Report

**MAINTENANCE REPORT**

John Mohrman reports:

- Performed weekly and monthly preventive maintenance checks.
- After finding a screw on the floor under an old folding table, I checked all the old tables, and tightened or replaced loose and missing screws. Welded broken legs for one table and touched up paint.
- Replaced missing rubber feet on some tables.
- Continuing basement windows and frame repair.
- Fixed a leaking faucet.
- Helped Tom Brandewie remove four short pews to make room for refreshment tables in the sanctuary. Pews are presently stored on the stage.
- Helped trustees hang two 185<sup>th</sup> anniversary banners by the East entrance of the sanctuary.
- Talked with Van Wert Fire Equipment Company and NuWave Technology about the upgrade to the fire suppression system for the range hood. We have to follow certain state codes for this process. The old system is obsolete and no one will service it any longer.

- Met with trustees.
- Took recycles to the recycle center.
- Other small things taken care of as needed.

Trustees Report: Crew came and pulled 40+ bushes out to clean up the grounds around the church. Flowers were thinned out and given away to interested members of the congregation. Pews were removed to accommodate the cookies and coffee after services. Banners were hung outside the church to celebrate the 185<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We received an estimate from Van Wert Fire Company to upgrade fire system. Motion was made by Tom Brandewie to go with Van Wert Fire Company for an estimate of \$1,644 out of the building and property care fund. Tracy Oldiges 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried.

### **PASTOR DEE'S REPORT**

Even though April and May concluded our Youth Groups and Sunday school programming for the summer, there is no time to slow down!

On Saturday May 12, Ashley Bowers, Ashton Ritter, Cindy Schemmel, Madeline Burch, Elyssa Mullins, Julia Mullins and Kim Hemmelgarn washed, dried, vacuumed and polished cars from 10am-1pm. Thank you to all who brought your cars in for some TLC and for your donations to our Youth Activities Fund. \$450.00 was raised. Thank You Sr. High Girls (and Julia!) for stepping up for this fundraiser. Thank You Della Conradi for the lunch pizza and Terri Mullins for helping with clean up.

On Sunday May 13 (Mother's Day) the Sunday school classes led our 10:15am Sunday worship. All of our students did A GREAT JOB and everyone participated in some way. Thank you to our teachers as well as our students!

We ended our Sunday school year on May 20 with a doughnut Pentecost party in the auditorium, and then led all classes outside to break in the new playground equipment at the St. Paul Community Park.

I met with the Sunday school teachers after church on May 20 to assess this year and plan for the upcoming year. Several changes are being discussed.

- This coming year our Sunday school offering will go towards supporting our Sunday school programming. We would like to incorporate more music/ songs into our weekly classes to create a "children's choir". For the last two years we have found that we have paid for expensive curriculum that, in the end did not work for us. The content of the lessons were thin, the activities became repetitive and each room was working on different topics and stories at different times.
- With council's blessing we would like to develop a multi-year curriculum that will create a more cohesive structure for our students. All classrooms would be studying the same topics or stories each week at an age/grade appropriate level including Bible lessons, music, activities, and arts and crafts to reinforce the lesson topic. We feel this will help with retention of information and connection at home with siblings studying the same topics.
- The Preschool class proposed that they move their room to the Nursery and the Kindergarten - 1<sup>st</sup> grade class move to the current Preschool room. With this change there would be no need to move or modify the nursery with its sound system. The preschool students could utilize the toys as part of their play time and only a couple small tables with chairs would need to be added for use during Sunday school. This would keep all Sunday school classrooms together in the South hallway.

I took a week of vacation time from May 21 - May 27.

After the Memorial Day holiday, it was time to set up for Art Camp. May 29 - June 3 was consumed with final preparation and organization for our four-day Art Camp which was held June 4-7 from 6-8pm.

### Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday, June 11 - Jr. & Sr. High Youth have been invited to participate in Open Gym time from 11am-1pm with lunch at noon.
- Thursday, June 21 – Saturday, June 23 – Sr. High outing to Spirit Song at Kings Island
- Saturday, August 11 - Jr. /Sr. High outing to the Mercer County fair with a Newsboys concert (depending on feedback and availability of tickets)
- Saturday, August 18 - Waynestock free Christian concert at Skip Baughman stadium in St. Marys

### **PASTOR BECKY'S REPORT**

#### Worship:

\*Saturday Deacons have been doing a GREAT job with Media Shout! Thank you!

June 17 - Confirmation Celebration 1960's

Pastor Becky preaching

Tom Braun sharing St. Paul/New Bremen history

June 24 - Confirmation Celebration 1970's

Pastor Becky preaching

Tom Braun sharing St. Paul/New Bremen history

Rev. Joyce Schroer to send words of greeting.

July 15 - Confirmation Celebration 1980's

Pastor Becky Preaching

Tom Braun sharing St. Paul/New Bremen history

July 22 - Confirmation Celebration 1990's

Dan Busch, Preaching. Tom Braun Sharing

August 12 - Confirmation Celebration 2000's

Pastor Becky preaching

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Pastor Becky preaching

September 9 -185<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in worship with picnic following.

Dedication of restored German-language Bibles

September 15/16 - Rev. John Dorhauer, President and General Minister of UCC to preach

Celebration of Busy 12's 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in worship

185<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Paul Planning Team: John Gilberg, Jeff Quellhorst, Andrea Huber, Sue Maxson, Gen Conradi, Cindy Newman, Tom Braun, Mike Holdren

- Playground construction is nearing completion. Still need to finish swing set, volleyball court and electric.
- Art Camp was a resounding success, culminating with a Picnic/Festival last Thursday evening in which we fed hundreds of people. We had 165 children enrolled and 95 volunteers!
- I will be at New Bremen Coffee Company on Mondays from 2:00-4:00pm in June.
- Pastor Dee and I will take time in June to map out the year of Adult Bible Studies.
- I keep gingersnaps in the cookie jar in the church office. All are welcome to stop in!
- 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.

- 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.
- I am serving on the New Bremen/New Knoxville Rotary Board. I am a facilitator for the Ohio Conference's Excellence in Ministry Program.
- Pastoral Care May 8-June 12, 2018
 

Hospital Visits: 20	Office Visits: 4
Phone Calls: 22	Home Communion: 18
Nursing Home Visits: 37	Weddings: 1
Home Visit: 7	Baptism: 1
Coffee Shop Attendees: 20	Funerals: 2
Notes Written: 44	

**OLD BUSINESS**

2018 Project of the Year: A Clock Tower promotion will be shared at Saturday and Sunday worship services, visible for all to view. A suggestion was made to add the clock face on the Beacon for additional sharing.

Landscape beds: A huge shout out to Dan and Kathy Nedderman for all their help in the flower beds moving things around. Your help is greatly appreciated. We appreciate all those who took time out of their busy schedules to assist in the clean-up of the church grounds. We will now start to assess the trees around the property to ensure safety. We would also like to have mulch on all flower beds. Mulch has been added to the wish list.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Park Sign: Kathy Topp made a motion to use memorial money to pay for the new church park sign. Betty Dietrich 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried. Sign cost \$1,600.

**WISH LIST**

Auditorium (flooring and window rework) Carpet Chapel, Assembly RM - \$8,500  
 New computers for offices \$3,000  
 AC – Youth Rm - \$3,600  
 Sand for playground  
 Mulch \$1000 -\$1200  
 Landscape \$250

Announcements: Next meeting – July 10, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. Devotions – Betty Dietrich  
Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

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Andrea Huber, Secretary

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Mike Holdren, Interim President

	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining	Previous YTD
Income						
	Contributions	18,622.10	108,794.70			110,095.10
	Rent-Nursery School	0.00	1,200.00	2,850.00	1,650.00	1,200.00
	Rent-Misc. Building	0.00	124.00			150.00
	Contributions-Beacon	0.00	530.00			350.00
	Contributions-Misc.	0.00	275.00			70.00
	Stewardship	0.00	280.00			395.00
	Office Supplies	1.50	126.75			37.45
	Easter Offering	0.00	4,836.00			0.00
	Art Camp-VBS	0.00	0.00			830.00
	Interest-Checking	6.57	31.51			22.57
	Sr. Minister Endow Transfer	530.00	2,650.00	6,360.00	3,710.00	2,650.00
	Visitation Ministry Endow Transfer	444.60	2,269.80	5,382.00	3,112.20	2,175.00
	Youth Ministry Endow Transfer	1,772.72	10,090.88	22,500.00	12,409.12	3,000.00
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$21,377.49</b>	<b>\$131,208.64</b>	<b>\$37,092.00</b>		<b>\$120,975.12</b>
Expense						
	Senior Pastor Salary	5,133.44	25,667.20	61,601.00	35,933.80	24,919.60
	Senior Pastor Insurance	1,045.85	6,384.06	13,500.00	7,115.94	8,293.51
	Senior Pastor Pension	0.00	5,523.97	11,211.00	5,687.03	5,442.38
	Senior Pastor Disability/Life	190.00	781.86	1,550.00	768.14	773.12
	Senior Pastor Cell Phone	50.00	250.00	600.00	350.00	250.00
	Sr. Pastor Continuing Ed	0.00	493.77	1,000.00	506.23	1,114.52
	Senior Pastor Business Ex	100.64	338.76	1,000.00	661.24	402.94
	Associate Pastor Salary	2,750.00	13,750.00	33,000.00	19,250.00	0.00
	Associate Pastor Housing	833.34	4,166.70	10,000.00	5,833.30	0.00
	Associate Pastor Pension	0.00	3,010.00	6,020.00	3,010.00	0.00
	Associate Pastor Insurance	918.83	3,447.86	12,000.00	8,552.14	0.00
	Assoc. Pastor Disability/Life	0.00	161.25	645.00	483.75	0.00
	Assoc. Pastor Continuing Ed	175.86	815.64	1,000.00	184.36	0.00
	Assoc. Pastor Business Ex	306.12	306.12	1,000.00	693.88	0.00
	Assoc. Pastor Cell Phone	50.00	250.00	600.00	350.00	0.00
	Youth Ministry Endowment	0.00	0.00			3,000.00
	Organist Salary	409.00	2,572.00	6,386.00	3,814.00	2,600.00
	Music Director Salary	60.00	315.00	780.00	465.00	330.00
	Chancel Choir Director	150.00	900.00	2,200.00	1,300.00	1,025.00
	Chancel Choir Accompanist	50.00	225.00	375.00	150.00	0.00
	Beacon Editor Salary	224.00	1,120.00	2,688.00	1,568.00	1,087.50
	Visitation Ministry Salary	448.50	2,242.50	5,382.00	3,139.50	2,177.10
	Bell Choir Director Salary	103.00	515.00	1,236.00	721.00	500.00
	Web Page Editor Salary	225.00	225.00	1,854.00	1,629.00	750.00
	Office Administrator Salary	2,461.58	12,307.90	29,539.00	17,231.10	11,949.60
	Financial Secretary Salary	430.67	2,153.35	5,168.00	3,014.65	2,090.40
	Education Bldg Custodian Salary	1,108.58	5,215.75	13,303.00	8,087.25	5,381.70

St. Paul United Church of Christ  
Treasurer's Report May 2018 General Fund (continued)



	Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining	Previous YTD
Expense						
	Sanctuary Custodian Salary	643.42	3,217.10	7,721.00	4,503.90	3,123.30
	Lawn Care Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	852.00
	Maintenance Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,468.80
	Substitute Salary (All Positions)	0.00	318.75	4,000.00	3,681.25	1,342.25
	Telephone	114.21	572.19	1,500.00	927.81	563.25
	Staff Cell Phone Reimbursement	50.00	250.00	600.00	350.00	250.00
	Internet Services	159.95	799.75	2,000.00	1,200.25	804.75
	Natural Gas-Church	571.96	5,736.14	7,500.00	1,763.86	4,212.15
	Natural Gas-Parsonage	64.74	615.53	1,000.00	384.47	479.26
	Electric/Water/Sewage	516.75	3,438.96	8,000.00	4,561.04	2,998.37
	Trash/Dumpster	60.98	303.79	750.00	446.21	289.22
	Worship Materials/Supplies	44.07	1,143.04	3,000.00	1,856.96	1,502.94
	Worship-Saturday	270.00	1,100.00	3,120.00	2,020.00	1,020.00
	Pastoral Care	0.00	60.00	800.00	740.00	304.20
	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	150.00	500.00	350.00	242.61
	Stewardship Material	120.58	793.33	2,500.00	1,706.67	702.89
	Church Growth & Development	262.35	2,082.32	3,500.00	1,417.68	1,321.03
	Postage	621.22	1,741.70	3,500.00	1,758.30	1,013.72
	Shipping	20.29	119.48	500.00	380.52	158.19
	Mileage/Travel	1,343.13	3,725.13	10,000.00	6,274.87	2,945.93
	Payroll Services	127.47	252.47	650.00	397.53	374.47
	Office Supplies	376.73	1,794.42	4,000.00	2,205.58	2,055.49
	Custodial Supplies	73.92	552.53	1,500.00	947.47	670.68
	Office Equipment Maintenance	802.53	4,299.62	8,000.00	3,700.38	3,565.90
	Miscellaneous Expenses	100.00	425.28	1,200.00	774.72	50.00
	Sunday School/Youth Programs	261.75	1,573.51	7,000.00	5,426.49	0.00
	Sunday School Educational Material	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	673.75
	Sunday School Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	988.12
	Camperships	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	600.00
	Bibles	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	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	165.18
	Program materials-Senior High	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	516.21
	Confirmation	19.84	525.86	1,000.00	474.14	614.03
	Library	0.00	24.53	0.00	0.00	0.00
	SALT Programing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	FICA/FIT (Employer)	1,139.85	5,674.06	15,000.00	9,325.94	4,611.35
	Worker's Compensation	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
	Art Camp-VBS					297.28
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$24,970.31</b>	<b>\$134,456.18</b>	<b>\$324,829.00</b>	<b>\$190,372.82</b>	<b>\$117,523.21</b>
	<b>Difference</b>	<b>(\$3,592.82)</b>	<b>(\$3,247.54)</b>			<b>\$3,451.91</b>

**SERVING ST. PAUL**

## **STAFF**

Senior Pastor: Rev. Becky Erb Strang  
Associate Pastor: Dee Schroer  
Lay Minister of Visitation: Anna Hoelscher  
Office Manager/Bookkeeper: Barb Holdren  
Financial Secretary: Janet Eilerman  
Organists: Dick Hudson & Cheyenne Olt  
Director of Music: Tim Olt  
Bell Choir Director: Open Position  
Educational Building Custodians: Dennis & Linda Hainline  
Sanctuary Custodian: Greg Hainline  
Groundskeeper: Mike Holdren  
Building Maintenance Technician: John Mohrman  
Beacon Editor: Terri Goodwin  
Webmaster: 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 Hanenkrafft, Emily Langenkamp, Kelli Muether, Elyssa Mullins, Terri Mullins, Kristen Nelson, Tracy Oldiges Amy Opperman, Michelle Voress, Neal Voress

## **2018 CHURCH COUNCIL**

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

President: Mike Holdren  
Vice President: Jeff Quellhorst  
Recording Secretary: Andrea Huber, 1st Year  
Treasurer: Myra Hanenkrafft, 2nd Year  
Sr. Elder: Terri Mullins; Jr. Elder: John Gilberg  
Trustees: 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, Open Position

## **MISSION TEAM**

(Raises awareness/promotes mission programs)

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

## **STEWARDSHIP BOARD**

(Secures pledges; promotes stewardship programs)

Church Council President: Mike Holdren

Church Council Vice President: Jeff Quellhorst

Church Council Senior Trustee: Tom Brandewie

Senior Pastor: Becky Erb Strang

Church Council Treasurer: Myra Hanenkratt

Financial Secretary: Janet Eilerman

Representatives: Roland Dicke, 3rd Year; Open Position, 2nd Year; Open Position, 1st Year

## **WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

(Sounding board for future worship service opportunities)

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: Open Position

Head Deacon: Jim Mullins; Members: Brenda Haynes,  
Anna Hoelscher, Ann Kuhn, Bev Plattner, Gary Wehmeyer

## **FINANCIAL ADVISORY TEAM**

(Consults with bookkeeper regarding church investments)

Church Council President: Mike Holdren

Church Council Vice President: Jeff Quellhorst

Church Council Sr. Trustee: Tom Brandewie

Senior Pastor: Rev. Becky Erb Strang

Office Manager/Bookkeeper: Barb Holdren

Church Council Treasurer: Myra Hanenkratt

Members: Don Scheer, John Voress & John Wierwille

## **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

(Meets in August; prepares church budget for following year)

Church Council President: Mike Holdren

Church Council Vice President: Jeff Quellhorst

Church Council Secretary: Andrea Huber

Church Council Treasurer: Myra Hanenkratt

Church Council Sr. Elder: Terri Mullins

Church Council Sr. Trustee: Tom Brandewie

Stewardship Board: Roland Dicke

# JULY BIRTHDAYS &

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
Barb Holdren Marissa Sharp Judy Voress	Elizabeth Henry Ellen Topp	Adam Bushman Lauren Hemmelgarn Eric Smart William Young	Kendra Bonifas Stacey Dudas Jamie Hanna John Knost
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
Nancy Moots Susan Quellhorst Glen Whitten		Peggy Henschen David E. Kuck Chloey Nelson	
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
	Carson Wyatt	Greg Ahlers	Jeff Weigandt
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
Lily Buettner Gayle Howell Keri Knueve	Dan Chamberlin Dan Nedderman	Lucy Beake Jan Holcomb Dustin Howell Mark Hudson Michael Tontrup	Robin Anderson
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	
Kay Makley Jeff Quellhorst Thomas Stuhlemmer	Elliot Leshner Susan Wicker	Alexander Dicke Theresa Hemmelgarn	

# ANNIVERSARIES



Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
5	6	7	
Lori Froning Toni Goodwin	Raymond Barr Adam Leshar Thomas Topp	Briana Hemmelgarn Ben Howell	John & Kara Timm - July 2 Edmund & Sharon Fiely - July 5 Craig & Kristen Nelson - July 5 Jim II & Janet Dicke - July 6
12	13	14	
Zachary Fry Johanna Schroer Brian Tostrick		Amy Howell Kaelen Reed Mark Sharp	Roger & Cheryl Barlage - July 9 Daniel & Michelle Voress - July 9 Lance & Debra Lear - July 10 Douglas & Jody Schaefer - July 10 Ron & Kathy Tontrup - July 10 Mark & Tonya Fledderjohann - July 12 Karl & Ethel Mesloh - July 14
19	20	21	
Gary Farley Terri Goodwin Beverly Hickerson Nicholas Stamas	Jen Snider Liam Toomey	Joshua Fledderjohann Amelia Fox Sue Maxon Nathan Rindler	Roger & Kristi Voisard - July 15 Don & Debra Klein - July 18 Brice & Brook Schmitmeyer - July 18 Michael & Vicki Brackman - July 21
26	27	28	
Cathy Ahlers Tina Fontanini Bill Opperman	Andrew Bushman Wyatt Miller	Greg Maurer Elly Puthoff David Waterman	Bill & Karen Blumhorst - July 23 Robert & Linda Rump - July 23 Brad & Amy Felter - July 24 Ray & Nancy McMaster - July 25 Jacob & Elinda Schwable - July 25 Tom & Evelyn Wenning - July 27 Jim & Becky Erb Strang - July 28

***"For I know the plans I have for you",  
declares the LORD,  
"plans to prosper you and not harm you,  
plans to give you hope and a future."***

***Jeremiah 29:11***

# JULY 2018

1	2	3
10:15am Worship	 <b>Office Closed</b>	 <b>Office Closed</b>
8	9	10
10:15am Worship w/Holy Communion		<b>2:30pm Elmwood Worship w/Holy Communion</b>
		<b>7pm Council</b>
15	16	17
10:15am Worship		
<b>1980's Confirmation Reunion</b>		<b>6:30pm Discipleship</b>
22	23	24
10:15am Worship		
<b>1990's Confirmation Reunion</b>		
<b>11:30am Dinner &amp; a Movie</b>		
29	30	31
10:15am Worship		

# Scheduled Meetings & Events

4	5	6	7
 <b>Office Closed</b>			8am Men's Club
			5:00pm Worship w/Holy Communion
11	12	13	14
11am-1pm Open Gym Lunch Provided		1pm Scary Movie Matinee	5:00pm Worship
18	19	20	21
11am-1pm Open Gym Lunch Provided			5:00pm Worship
25	26	27	28
11am-1pm Open Gym Lunch Provided			5:00pm Worship

**Additional Summer Events:**

**Wednesdays 11am-1pm OPEN GYM**  
**Friday, July 13 - 1pm Scary Movie Matinee**  
**Sunday, July 22 - 11:30am Dinner & a Movie**  
**Confirmation Reunions: Sundays, July 15 & 22**

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