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St. Paul United Church of Christ



THE EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL

February 2022



What's Happening



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SHOE DRIVE

We will be collecting for shoes for NCH Elementary. The goal is go purchase those in February and to deliver to the school at that time. Please continue to bring in your aluminum cans. Cash donations can be made as well. Please mark your donation for the Shoe fund.

**February 27th
Mardi-Gras Luncheon
After Worship and All are Welcome**



INTEREST IN JOINING CRAFTY CRITTERS

The Craft Critters are interested in starting to meet again.
Is anyone interested in joining the critters for fun and fellowship?

Let the office know if you are interested. A new date and time will be determined once they know who all is interested in joining the group.

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Worship

Opportunities

Sundays:

10:00 AM Traditional

Worship in Sanctuary

News and Updates Council News

The next Council meeting is Monday,
February 21, 2022

We have new members in the Church Council. We have many things going on in the church at this time. We are always striving to make St. Paul a place you can definitely call YOUR church HOME. If you find that you have questions or concerns in a particular area of the building or within a committee, please be sure to talk with the chairman of the committee with your question or concern. Here is the list of all members of the Church Council.

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The Council is still in need of a Secretary. If you are interested, or know of someone who is interested, please contact Judith or the office.

MARCH EPISTLE DEADLINE



The Epistle deadline for the March edition is Wednesday, February 23rd.. Please submit the information either by email to Anne or drop it in the Epistle box in the main office. There is also a folder in the blue mailbox outside the office.

COMMUNITY DINNER

Our weekly community dinners are continuing as CARRY OUT only.
Tuesday's 5:00-6:30 PM

It will be carry out for awhile until we are allowed to have bigger groups of people indoors. Stay tuned for updates.

FACEBOOK PAGE

We started a new Facebook Page. Here is the new link!
<https://www.facebook.com/St-Paul-UCC-North-College-Hill-OH-116458329993166>

St. Paul received this special letter to share with the Congregation:

Hello everyone, my name is Mousie, and I am cousin to the former Church Mouse from several years ago. I have been wandering around, looking here and there and keeping my big ears clean and open. I wanted to share with those of you who haven't been able to attend S. Paul Church lately, for whatever reason, and share with you a few tidbits I have learned. First of all, while hiding in a corner during Council Meetings, (which by the way are open to all members), I learned there are different faces on some of the committees. Louise Pitcher is now chairman of Nurture and has bonded with Robin Lighthall who is chairman of Care/Mission and together they are planning many new and interesting events for the coming year. During the month of December, they planned the "Breakfast with Santa" (a wonderful success by the way) with the help of many elves. Breakfast was served, cookies were decorated, ornaments were painted and to top it all off, Santa showed up and listened to each little boy and girl, who told him what they wanted for Christmas. Santa even gave each one a gift for being on their good behavior all year long. One of Santa's super helpers (Steve Lighthall) even built a new sleigh for Santa to sit in while listening to Christmas wishes. He said Rudolph would love to guide Santa and the sleigh back to St. Paul next year. The best part of this entire event was that it cost St. Paul absolutely nothing. There were so many elves who gave of their time, talents, and gifts, it was possible to enjoy this entire event with no worries about cost.

A Yard Sale/Rummage Sale" is in the works for sometime in the late Spring. Date to be announced later. If you have "treasures" you would like to donate, bring them up to church. If you need help, give the office a call and we will do our best to help you with pickup.

The Tuesday Night Dinners have continued. They are on a carry out basis at this time and we are averaging around 80 dinners each week. Hoffner Chapter, OES has been offering a bag of non-perishable groceries the first week of each month. On the third week Kim Ferry and her crew also offer a bag of groceries to those in need. There are several angels who (Erma, Dot, and Laverne to name a few) make periodic monetary donations which are a great help towards purchasing meat and containers for the dinners.

Coffee Hours are very interesting these days. Too bad the clean-up crew doesn't leave a few crumbs laying around for this hungry mouse. I'd like to see a few more people sign up to help out each week. Even special angels can use a little help now and then.

I've noticed a really nice lady who steps in and helps Anne in the office whenever help is needed. I also appreciate the fact that she feeds those church kitties who run around the courtyard, climbing trees and playing with toys. If it weren't for her care (she is blonde and soft spoken) those same kitties would be chasing me around, and I don't have nine lives like they do.

Then there is a really energetic, funny lady who loves and cares for all those little people downstairs EVERYDAY. She and her helpers are great at teaching those guys all kinds of fun things, getting them ready to go to school as soon as they are old enough. She has many great, fantastic ideas and is constantly on the move. I must be careful when I'm creeping around down there. Between her and those little guys I could very easily get stepped on or trapped somewhere. Whew!

Well, that's all I have time for now. Maybe next issue, I will have more to talk about. Right now, I've got to sneak on that bus going to Kansas City and get a great seat to watch those Bengals. WHO DEY! Gotta be careful around that Mascot of theirs though. I'll have to scurry back out to the bus so I can get back to St. Paul and find some more stuff to write about.

Mousie

SCOUTING NEWS

The troop has been busy working on advancements and their Rank requirements. They are beginning working on a New merit badge—Game Design. They recently spent a meeting sewing on their new rank badges and merit badges on their sashes.



The Scout “Friendsgiving” dinner was a huge success even though it rained. They set up large canopies to cook under and still cooked everything outside. Pictures will follow. It was a feast!

The Scouts are planning Scout Sunday for February 13th. They will be providing Scout Brunch after worship. Please join them!

The Crew is planning on attending an Escape Room after Scout Sunday Breakfast. They have been busy making new plans!

Registration is open for the 2022-2023 school years. The Early Learning Center is offering several new options for parents and new programs for next year. Please share this information with family and friends. Anyone can call the preschool office, 513-931-9062, to get information.

The Early Learning Center also has a brand new website. Please visit our new site at www.stpaulearlylearningcenter.com. All new programs and options are available on the website.

Judy Staudigel
Director and Staff



ONLINE GIVING

We do have online giving set up for St. Paul. If you choose to use our online giving, here is the link, <https://ca4b2388.churchtrac.com/give>. Once in the system, you can input your envelope number and it records directly to your record. If you have questions, please let us know. All financial help at this time is much needed and appreciated.

Thanks so much,
Finance Team



2/2 Eileen Church
2/6 Vicki Celenza
Lois Manifold

2/11 Rob Nungester
2/12 Erma Amrein

2/14 Bonnie Rogers
Pat Sutton
2/15 Kim Ferry



3/1 Doris Dunn
3/7 Gay Steinhauer

3/8 Sharon Frazier
Anne Zimmer
3/9 Elaine Sloan
3/15 William Reed

3/19 Jann Apro
3/20 Cheryl Davis
3/29 Rick Tallarigo



**Home Bound Members and
Special Prayer Request**

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Brown Wm & Eileen Church Doris Dunn Sharon Frazier Mary Heineke
Ruth Hoeweler Nancy Lanza Melitta & John Marx Jo Miller Dave Schleitker
Elmer Seesing Marlene Sheward Elaine Sloan Gay Steinhauer
Anne Timme Sharon Wagner Del Yung

Our Service Men and Women

Peggy Adams Chad Wilcocks Kathy Aker Alice Graber Tony Mancini Gay D. Smith
Elaine Sloan James Stokes Howard Seaman June Ward Kim Caudell Rhonda Lahman
Barb Nuckols Jesse McIlhaney Ann Way Harper Manning Judy Brown Lindsey Niehaus
Kim Gutnecht Cathy Criswell Becky Blount Mike Kennedy Verna Cowan Theo Gruber
Don Beinke Gloria Stagman Suzanne Lohbeck Andy Campbell Diane H. Laura Kristal
Judy Boyce Paulette Lawrence Trudy Jester Donna Jee Sandy Seevers Debbie Grimes
Bonny Pollard Nathan Bierkan Cherie Lynn Sauer

*Please keep the office informed when
Names can be removed or need to be added*

Care/Mission Team

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Breakfast with Santa was a GREAT day. The families had a great time having breakfast, decorating cookies, making ornaments and visiting with Santa in his sleigh. All the children received a present from Santa. Robin Lighthall and her team had a lot of fun with this event. This event was fully funded by donations. Enjoy these awesome pictures





February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Community Dinner	2 ELC Chapel Chat MHCC Mtg 6 PM	3 HS-No School AA-PM	4 HS-No School AA-PM	5 AA-PM
6	7 Scouts	8 Community Dinner	9 ELC Pre-K Valentine Party	10 HS-No School ELC 4's Valentine Party AA-PM	11 HS-No School AA-PM	12 AA-PM
13 Scout Sunday Scout Breakfast	14 ELC 3's Valentine Party Nurture Mtg 6:30 PM Scouts	15 Community Dinner	16	17	18 HS-No School AA-PM	19 AA-PM
20	21 HS-No School ELC - No School Exec Mtg 5:30 PM Council Mtg 6:30 PM Scouts	22 Community Dinner	23 Epistle Articles Due	24	25 HS-No School AA-PM	26 AA-PM
27 Mardi-Gras Luncheon Coffee Hour	28 Scouts	FH = Fellowship Hall ELC = Early Learning Center HS= Head Start	Standing Dates: Mondays: Scouts:6:30 - 9:00 PM Tuesday: Community Carry Out 5:00 PM weekly Fridays/Saturdays: AA Meeting 8 PM			