

# THE EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL



November 2021



# What's Happening

November 7th Memorial Sunday

November 14th Stewardship Sunday Cowboy Chili Lunch

November 15th
UC Mobile Mammography Van @ St. Paul
1-3 PM Appt must be scheduled ahead of time

November 15th Council Meeting 7 PM

November 21st
Ingathering of Food
Please bring Canned Goods for service

November 25th Happy Thanksgiving Everyone

November 28th
Hanging of the Greens
Sign Up Sheet on Narthex Table

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Worship
Opportunities

### Sundays:

10:00 AM Traditional
Worship in Sanctuary

### 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.

# News and Updates Council News

The next Council meeting is Monday, November 15th, at 6:30 PM.

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.

### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Thank you to all who attended the meeting.

The Council members who were part of the preparation on the new
Operations Manual appreciate your vote of this new document.

If anyone would like a new copy of this document please let the office know.

### **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

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### **ONLINE GIVING**

We do have online giving set up for St. Paul. If you choose to use our online giving, here is the link, <a href="https://ca4b2388.churchtrac.com/give">https://ca4b2388.churchtrac.com/give</a>. 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

# DECEMBER EPISTLE DEADLINE



The Epistle deadline for the Deecember edition is Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021. 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.





# We Give Thanks to All

# St. Paul Fundraiser

Church fundraiser from Rada Cutlery. Profit to the church is 40%. They offer stainless steel cutlery, gift sets, kitchen tools and gadgets, spice mixes, mixes for cheeseballs, party dips and soup mixes. Items can be purchased through the catalog, or online.

We hope you enjoyed all the flavors that were offered during the coffee hours.

# Here is the online ordering link: https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=5997624.5fc674

Catalogs are available in the Office and will be on the Kiosk table for the first day of the sale.

The last day to order will be Wednesday, November 17th! Please share with family and friends.









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Happy November! The leaves have turned colors and are beginning to fall. This is one of my favorite seasons! I believe the transformation in Autumn is God's gentle reminder that change can be good!

Here at preschool, the children are settling into routines and friendships are being formed. The big hit for the month was Halloween! Our little friends dressed in costume, had a yummy snack, and enjoyed a dance party!

Next month we will focus on the important men in the children's lives. No matter if the special man is Dad, Grandpa, or someone else, Donuts with Dudes is currently being planned! This is a great opportunity for that special someone to get a glimpse of their preschooler's school day, enjoy some one on one time with the child, join in on some fun activities, and of course, enjoy donuts!

Great news! Our cookie dough fundraiser was a success and the final numbers are in! We sold 417

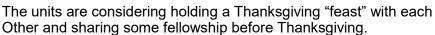
units of cookie dough. That gives us a profit of a little over \$2,000! The cookie dough will be delivered November 10th. Thanks to everyone who helped support St. Paul Early Learning Center. Together we can do great things!

Judy Staudigel and Staff



## **SCOUTING NEWS**

The troop spent the day at the Renaissance Fair and had a great time. They also helped at the Council event and shared their spooking skills with those who attended.

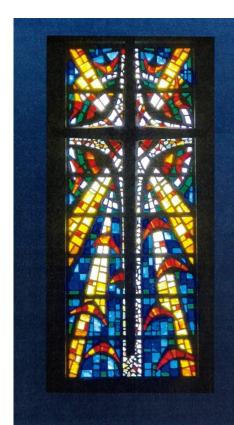


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The Scouts are still selling Meat Jerky sticks. If you are interested, there are order sheets on the kiosk table in the Narthex.



# Care/Mission Team



# St. Paul United Church of Christ Winter Coat Drive

Oct 1st - Nov 6th

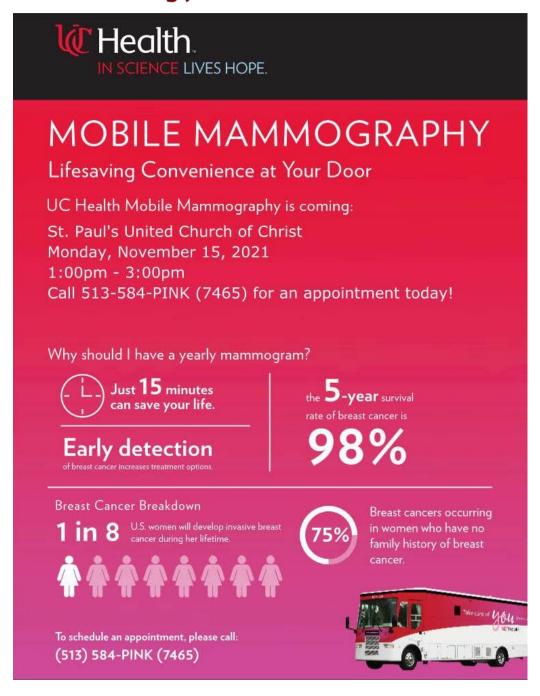
Everyone deserves a warm coat

6997 Hamilton Ave.
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Please drop off your new or gently used coats during office hours 9:00-2:00
513-931-2205

Pickup can be arranged if necessary



# Monday, November 15th



Anyone is welcome to call and make an appointment.

There will be a drawing for a gift basket. Every person who has an appointment will have their name entered into the drawing.

You must pre-register for an appointment.
There are no walk-ins.





11/2	Logan Bierkan
11/8	Jeremy Overholts
11/9	Margaret Maybury

11/14	Laura Bierkan
11/15	Dorothy Kahle

11/25 Gerald Stegman11/30 Adele Yung



12/6 Melissa Holmes	12/18	Janet Lerch
Debra Nungester	12/20	Cheryl Bartholomew
12/11 Stephen Rogers	12/23	Terry DuPriest
Trecy Webb	12/26	Jesse McIlhaney
12/14 Lynda Stagman		-

12/29	Lois Bates
	Louise Pitcher
12/30	Vickie Bryant
	Brian Tobergta

# Please Continue to Remember in Frayer:

Nola Apro Wendy Blust Adele Yung Don Beinke Gloria Stagman Carol Bayersdorfer Bonny Pollard Suzanne Lohbeck Andy Campbell Diane H. Laura Kristal Judy Boyce Trudy Jester Jerry Oberjohann Huletta Smith's Family Donna Jee

# Please Continue to Remember in Frayer our HomeBound:

Doris Dunn Nancy Lanza Elmer Seesing Sharon Wagner Mary Heineke John & Melitta Marx Gay Steinhauer Ruth Hoeweler Ruth Meissner Anne Timme

# November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	-	2 Election Day	m	4	5 HS –No School	9
	Scouts 7:30 PM	Community Dinner 5-6:30 PM			AA- 8PM	AA- 8PM
7 Memorial Sunday Communion Pastor Joan	8 ELC Donuts w/Dad Each morning	9 ELC Donuts w/Dad Each morning	10 ELC Donuts w/Dad Each morning	11 ELC Donuts w/Dad Each morning	12 HS –No School ELC Donuts w/Dad Each morning	13
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Dear St. Paul Family,

Stewardship Sunday is quickly approaching. Stewardship Packets will be available beginning Sunday November 7th, and will include the Time and Talent and Financial pledge cards. As Peter said in 1 Peter 4:10-11, "God has given each of you a gift....Use them well to serve one another." The more we give of ourselves, the more God's generosity flows through us!

St. Paul's ministries/missions are alive and flourishing, positively impacting the lives in our Church, neighbors, and community. To name just a few;

- -Weekly community dinners
- -Church coffee hour
- -Community Easter egg hunt
- -Summertime VBS and Funfest
- -Upcoming after church "Cowboy chili Lunch"
- -Upcoming "Breakfast with Santa"
- -Next year's Craft Fair

And lets not forget how well the Learning Center has rebounded from the COVID impacts, increasing in total enrollment and diversity!

Your individual commitment to our pledge campaign is an essential gift that fuels the necessary funding to keep St. Paul alive and capable of delivering these missions in North College Hill and beyond.

Faithfully yours, Steve Lighthall Finance Leader



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# **From Pastor Joan**

"I am. Fear not" (John 6:20) Jesus told this to his followers, however we could use that today, Fear Not, what a wonderful way to begin anything. Trust in the Lord, and fear not. We would like to let you know that God hears you, understands you and loves you. "For the Bible tells us so." Faith it what makes us continue the path that we are on. There is plenty of fear on that path. The What If's, How Do We? and the scariest of all, The Unknown... We at St. Paul, hear the cries and understand the fear, but forward is the only way to go. Let God control the outcome, we just need to hear the cry and move forward.

We will be celebrating our 100 Anniversary in a few years and a committee has been formed. Chairs, Judy Boyce and Vicki Celenza have started their homework. They are checking out our history and there is a lot of history. Can you imagine if our charter members were afraid or said what if? With all endeavors, we need the brave to be ok with trusting God.

We are very proud of the hard work the council of the last couple of years for taking on the task of updating the operations manual. We have managed to condense the manual to an easy to read and understandable manual for the council and membership of our church. Less governing and more praising, less rules that make it hard to outreach and more missions for God's people. If you need a copy of the approved manual contact the office.

We have a long way to go to fulfill God's will. We know that He is calling you, to step up, come back home to St. Paul and continue the quest. Yes, the mission of St. Paul is still alive and needs you, Fear Not, you are needed and wanted.

Please check out our fund raiser Rada Cutlery. We have been serving some of the dips, soups, and cheesecakes the last couple of weeks, and have been very impressed with the mixes and the ease of making them. They also have great gift ideas and with Christmas right around the corner, what a great way to support St. Paul and help with the shopping.

We continue to need help with the Tuesday night dinners. Please consider giving a few hours and help with this much needed on going missions of the church.

November 7th we will be holding the memorial service for our members who have been welcomed home in the arms of our Heavenly Father. We will also be praying for all that have lost someone this last year, if you like a mention of a loved one in the November 7th service, please call the office and give the name to Anne or leave a message for me.

We also want to begin home bound visits. If you have done these in the past or would like to help, again, call the office and leave a message with Anne or leave a message for me.

November 21st, is our Ingathering Sunday where we will be collecting can goods or boxed items to give out at our dinners (the 3rd Tuesday of each month). Please bring in items to share that Sunday.

Hanging of the greens is right around the corner, November 28th. We will be decorating the church after the service and need your help.

Please remember to Fear Not, God is our Savior and salvation.

Blessings, Pastor Joan



# ChoirFest 2021

Presented by local United Church of Christ musicians

# Sunday, December 5 2:00pm

First United Church of Christ 5808 Glenview Ave.

Come get in the holiday spirit with great music, free refreshments, and support the Mission Priority Board by bidding on raffle baskets!