

## THE EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL



October 2021



St. Paul United Church of Christ 6997 Hamilton Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45231

Ph. 513-931-2205 Fax 513-931-2206 Email: office@stpaulnch.com Website: www.stpaulnch.com Worship Opportunities <u>Sundays:</u> 10:00 AM Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

# What's Happening

October 1 thru November 6th Coat Drive @ St. Paul

October 8th Cookie Dough Orders are due. You may order online or send an order to the office.

> October 11th Church Fundraiser Begins. Catalogs on the kiosk table.

October 17th Congregational Meeting followship Worship Children's Sabbath Begins

> October 18th Council Meeting 6:30 PM

November 15th UC Mobile Mammography Van @ St. Paul

#### 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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## News and Updates Council News

The next Council meeting is Monday, October 18th, 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 Re-SCHEDULED**

The council members have completed the proposed changes to the Operations Manual and the By-Laws. Copies will be available on Sunday October 10 for your review.

The next Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, October 17, 2021. We will hold the meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

The agenda is available on the kiosk table.

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

#### ONLINE GIVING

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

#### NOVEMBER EPISTLE DEADLINE



The Epistle deadline for

the November edition is Wednesday, Oct 20, 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.

9-13-202) J want to thank you for pending me the bulletin each week. J have been blessed with kind priends, a long life and relatively good and relatively good 9-13-2021 health. I count the people of St. Paul among those blessings. Hope all goes well for the future of our Church. Sincerely' Jomiller

Many Thanks for all the prayers, curds & were wishes pent to me, during my recent purgenies

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Thank You

#### 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.

Coffee Hour on October 10th and October 17th will have items featured from the catalog for your tastings. Cheeseball Flavors: Tuscan Herb and Garden Vegetable Party Dip Flavors: Cucumber Onion Dill and Bacon Cheddar Cheesecake Flavors: Lemon Drop and Celebrations Birthday Cake Sweet Dip Flavors: Cookie Dough and Cinnamon Roll Soup Mixes: Chicken w/ Wild Rice, Baked Potato and Cheddar Broccoli Soup

We will also have a paring knife and a tomato knife for you to see as well.

#### 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.

#### We will officially start the sale October 11th!



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"Until I used this knife, I didn't know it was so easy to cut tomatoes without smashing them." – Cassie E.





Happy Fall! The weather is getting cooler and the leaves are starting to change! Fall is an exciting time in preschool! There is so much fun and learning which can take place around nature! The children are beginning to settle into classroom routines. We are seeing friendships being formed and lots of fun taking place.

Our first fundraiser of the year is underway! We are selling Cookie Dough! Please consider purchasing as a way to support St. Paul Early Learning Center. It is easy to order online or through Anne Zimmer in the church office. Anne will be sending out info. Orders are due October 8th. Thank you in advance for your support.

I appreciate all of you who toured the Learning Center on Rally Day! I was excited to show you the finished product of our summer project. A huge thanks to those of you who spent endless hours with me as we patched, painted and replaced. This project started out of necessity but it ended up being so much more! The partnership between St. Paul UCC

and St. Paul Early Learning Center is truly the work of Jesus. The friendships, laughter, and sweat were worth it! I am excited to see the love of Jesus grow inside these walls!

Judy Staudigel and Staff



#### SCOUTING NEWS

We are still holding sign up nights for Cub Scouts.

The troop is planning on going to the Ohio Renaissance Fair and then helping out at a Council event Spook-O-Ree event for the Cubbies and their families.



The crew is still planning events. With school back in session, it has become a little more difficult with a couple of the youth who are now actually at college.

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

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St. Paul United Church of Christ Winter Coat Drive Oct 1st – Nov 6th

Everyone deserves a warm coat

6997 Hamilton Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45231 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

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Anyone is welcome to call and make an appointment.

There will be a drawing for a gift backet. 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.

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- 10/1 Bob Combs 10/2 Ruth Meissner
- 10/3 Jenny Frost-Cornish

10/6 **Judith Lewis-Combs** 10/11 Lilly Bierkan 10/12 Carolyn Push



**David Schleutker** 10/14 10/22 Joe Jester 10/25 **Dick Manifold** 



- 11/2 Logan Bierkan
- 11/8 Jeremy Overholts 11/9 Margaret Maybury
- 11/14 Laura Bierkan 11/15 **Dorothy Kahle**
- Gerald Stegman 11/2511/30 Adele Yung

<b>Please Continue to Remember in T</b>	<sup>n</sup> rayer:	
Our servicemen and women	Ann Way	Nola Apro
Peggy Adams	Carol Schroer	Wendy Blust
Chad Willcocks	Harper Manning	Eric Dearing
Kathy Aker	Terri & Walt Schoch	Adele Yung
Alice Graber	Judy Brown	Joann Ernst
Tony Mancini	Lindsey Niehaus	Don Beinke
Gay D. Smith	Kim Gutnecht	Gloria Stagman
Elaine Sloan	Cathy Criswell	Scott Waltz
James Stokes	Becky Blount	Carol Bayersdorfer
Howard Seaman	Mike Kennedy	Bonny Pollard
June Ward	Verna Cowan	Suzanne Lohbeck
Kim Caudell	Richard Huff	Andy Campbell
Rhonda Lahmann	Theo Gruber	Diane H.
Marlene Sheward	Lois Manifold	Laura Kristal

#### **Please Continue to Remember in Prayer our HomeBound:**

Doris Dunn Nancy Lanza Elmer Seesing Sharon Wagner

Barb Nuckols

Jesse McIlhaney

Mary Heineke John & Melitta Marx Gay Steinhauer

**Bill Richter** 

**Dick Manifold** 

**Ruth Hoeweler Ruth Meissner** Anne Timme

Please keep the office informed on the status of those you have placed on the prayer list.

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17 MHCC - FH Congregational Mtg Rev. John Specht	18 Exec Mtg. 5:30 PM Council Mtg 6:30 PM	19	20 Epistle Articles Due ELC - Picture Day	21	22 Head Start– No School	23
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24 MHCC- FH Pastor Joan		26 3's Halloween Party	27	28 Pre-K Halloween Party	29 4's Halloween Party Head Start– No School	30
Rev. John Specht Halloween 31	Scouts 6:30 PM	Dinner			AA - 8 PM	AA - 8 PM

#### October 2021

Thank you to Ben, Missy, and Mt. Healthy Christian Church for a wonderful picnic! A beautiful day with good food and fantastic fellowship!

Pictures from Robin Lighthall



## **From Pastor Joan**

I would like to begin this month with a simple request, prayer.

As fall begins, we find that we are headed into the holiday season, when time becomes a scarce commodity. Worry about job, family, holidays and how to make everything perfect for everyone. Time, enough to get everything done. Time, to find everything that is needed to fulfill all the needs of everyone around us. Time, to work, and accomplish the never ending list of things that we have to get done. Time to worry. Time to plan. Time!

How do you put God in our very, very busy schedules when there is no time left at the end of the day? Prayer. Simple, huh? No, not simple at all. My husband has told me over and over again, "If God gave you 36 hours in a day, you would fill it with 40 hours of stuff." How true! Isn't that what holidays are all about, fulfilling the iconic moments, the stuff that "Hollywood" would want, perfect family moments. Great decorations, awesome food, and lots of laughter and love. We are at a point in our lives where that is what we crave, perfect moments. Eternal happiness and love.

So, I ask you. How do you find that kind of happiness and love? How do you look at yourself in the mirror at the end of the day and say, "Did I do everything I could do today?"

I implore you to look in the mirror and ask a different question. "Did I do everything that my Father in heaven needed me to do today? Did I hear His voice over mine? Did I put down the decorations long enough to hear Him? Did I make time for Him?"

Isaiah 41:10 - "**So do not fear**, for I am with you, do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

God will always find time for you, will you find time for Him? He will wait. He will be there. He will make everything as it is meant to be. God, the alpha and omega, our Eternal Father.

So here comes that request. Take a moment and pray, not your normal prayer, but a prayer in silence. Let God speak to you. Hear His voice, know His peace and love. It will make the decorating more fun and fulfilling when God helps you carve the pumpkin, cook that turkey, and hang that wreath. When we stop long enough to hear God, faces around us become more important than all the stuff we have to accomplish. Time to pray, to listen, to follow the peace of God the Father.

October is a wonderful month to walk outside and see the colors of God's universe. We hope you take a moment and join us on Sunday for services and special events. St. Paul will be sending out messages the next couple of months about plans and events coming up. Please mark your calendars and join us for these events. We would love to hear your ideas about ways to celebrate the holidays with your church family, as we welcome everyone back home.

Blessings, Pastor Joan

