



# Newsletter for February 2023



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Worship  
Opportunities

Sundays:

10:00 AM Traditional  
Worship in Sanctuary

Website and email will be  
updated soon!

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of newsletter  
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## **Pastor Words of Wisdom**

We are in the throes of winter now, a time when the world around us seems to slow down as if frozen all over. People tend to stay inside more, preferring the comfortable warmth of a blanket on the couch rather than braving the wind and snow outside (I am one of these people!).

But at Journey Community Church, we don't have time to slow down, at least not yet! We are rapidly moving forward into a new world and a new church, one that is full of potential and opportunities and needs. One of the greatest needs we have right now is leadership. In essence, we need YOU!

Leadership, especially in a new and growing community, can feel scary and overwhelming. You might be thinking to yourself that the church definitely needs good leaders, but that you aren't one of them. And I am here to push back against that and say that you are exactly the type of leader we need moving forward.

The interesting thing about leadership is that it is as varied as the people who are called to lead. Leading might mean standing up in front of the church and organizing people and projects. It might mean joining a team or the board in order to offer your time, energy, and expertise to our programs. It might mean starting a ministry that aligns with your passions. And it might mean that you are the person people can call when they need prayer.

Leadership is not limited to only one or two specific roles. The type of leadership God calls us to - one of servant leadership - encompasses every role imaginable within a church. And God created you to be good and do good, which means you are capable of positively impacting our church, our community, and our neighbors - in whatever way fits best with your skills.

So if you think that you are not meant to be a leader, I challenge you to redefine what it means to be a leader in your mind. A leader can lead from home, from work, from church, or from a coffee shop. Before you outright dismiss stepping into a leadership role in our new church, ask yourself this - what am I good at? And how can I use that to build the Kingdom of God?

The answer might surprise you, and before you know it you'll be a leader in some form or fashion. Just the way God intended!

Pastor Brian

**Worship Leaders  
in January**



**Communion Servers  
in January**



2/5/2023	Linda Woods	2/5/2023	Linda Woods	Vicki Celenza
2/12/2023	Judith Lewis-Combs	2/12/2023	Judith Lewis-Combs	Louise Pitcher
2/19/2023	Missy Sauer	2/19/2023	Missy Sauer	Roxanne Reed
2/22/2023 Ash Wednesday	Vicki Celenza	2/22/2023 Ash Wed	Vicki Celenza	Linda Woods
2/26/2023	Roxanne Reed	2/26/2022	Roxanne Reed	Margaret Maybury

**PARISH NURSES**

Our parish nurses, Vicki Celenza and Roxanne Reed, will have blood pressure screening on Sunday, February 26th, from 9:15 - 9:45 AM before Worship. Their area is located in the Café area. All are welcome!

**TAKING THE QUESTIONS/FEARS OUT OF HOSPICE CARE**

Harmony Hospice is offering a dedicated seminar to the members of Journey Community Church. Even if you do not have an immediate need, they would like to hold a gathering to help you to get a better understanding of how Hospice Care actually works and to take away the fear of hospice with a loved one.

I have used Harmony Hospice personally, the nurses, social workers, and liaisons are wonderful to work with and the communication they have with you and your loved one was great.

If you are interested in attending a gathering, please let Anne know so that a meeting can be scheduled.

**ST. PAUL EARLY LEARNING CENTER**

Happy February! The children and staff are always eager for fun and learning! We are continuing to work on age appropriate skills in addition to learning classroom behaviors and social skills. We are busy!

A huge thanks to Santa who paid a visit to the children back in December. Your visit made their day!

We are pleased to announce that registration is open for the 2023/2024 school year. If you, or someone you know is interested in a tour, please contact the preschool, 513-931-9062. Please spread the word. Even if you do not have a preschooler, feel free to stop in and see what we are all about!

Judy Staudigel  
Director  
St. Paul Early Learning Center



**Scouting News**

The Boy Scouts are busy working on their Cooking and First Aid merit badges. Lots of hand on practice and learning is happening with these 2 merit badges.

The Venture Crew is holding a game lock in at the church of Friday, February 10th to February 11th. They are having a game marathon which will guarantee lots of fun and laughter.



The Crew is finalizing all their travel plans to get to and from Florida Sea Base this summer. Florida Sea Base is a High Adventure Base located in the Florida Keys. Their expedition is taking them to an island out in the gulf for several days. To get to this island they will be using Polynesian type war canoes to get to their island. On this island, they will camp, go fishing, snorkeling, and kayaking. They still have a Pancake Breakfast scheduled for next month and a car wash in May which are fundraisers to help with the cost of travel. Information will be available soon for both of these.

Scout Sunday is next Sunday, February 12th. The scouts, leaders and families will be with us.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Special Congratulations to John-Allen Phillips, son of Todd and Jeanne Phillips. He will graduate this month from the police academy. He has successfully passed his state test and will be employed by the Cincinnati Police Department. Congratulations and wishes for a safe and productive career in law enforcement.

*Please Continue to Remember in Prayer:*

**Home Bound Members**

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Brown   Mary Jane Burgess   Wm & Eileen Church   Doris Dunn  
 Alice Graber   Sharon Frazier   Ruth Hoeweler   Emmett Izer  
 Nancy Lanza   Melitta & John Marx   Hilda Meier   Bob Runk  
 Dave Schleutker   Elmer Seesing   Elaine Sloan   Gay Steinhauer  
 Anne Timme   Rommie Turner   Sharon Wagner   Del Yung

**Special Prayer Request**

*Our Service Men and Women*

*Those Affected by Hurricane Ian*

*The Country of Ukraine*

*Those suffering from Covid, their families and caregivers*

*US Wildfires*

*Cities affected by any and all Violence*

*Police Officers in all cities that are having to deal with any and all Violence*

Nola Apro   Ray Bates   Bob Bechtold   Pat Bonaccorso  
 Brother of Doris Foster   Andy Campbell   Bill Carter   Kim Caudell  
 Emmalynn Colins   Rob Condo   Verna Cowan   Wm. Church   Cathy Criswell  
 Debbie   Brian Drinnen   Carolyn Dykes   Doris Foster  
 Diane Griswold   Theo Gruber   Gael Gruenwald   Nick Helton   Michelle Henn  
 Estie Hutchison   Jim Kobb   Jackie Petrocelli   Kim Manifold  
 Harper Manning   Barb Nuckols   Bill Richards, Jr.   Ed Ross  
 Emma Sauer   Jacob Sauer   Kari Shell   Gloria Stagman   Karen Street  
 Ann VanderMolen   Treacy Bates Webb   Chad Wilcocks   Mike Woeste  
 Family of Bruce Bures   Family of Mary Heineke   Family of Michael Page  
 Carol Boyce-Martinez   Colleen Smith

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



2/2 Eileen Church  
 2/6 Vicki Celenza  
 Lois Manifold  
 2/9 Mandi Cornish  
 2/11 Robert Nungester  
 2/12 Erma Amrein  
 2/14 Mike Iverson, Sr.

2/14 Bonnie Rogers  
 Patricia Sutton  
 2/15 Kim Ferry  
 Patrick Lewis  
 2/16 Jill Carter  
 2/20 Drew Hauer  
 Randy Hauer

2/21 Cherie Lynn Sauer  
 2/23 Pat Sprong  
 2/25 Kathy Jauer  
 2/27 Bart Sauer  
 2/28 Gary Sprong



3/1 Doris Dunn  
 3/2 Patrick Marshall  
 3/3 Kevin Lewis  
 3/4 Robert Jensen  
 3/5 Andy Iverson  
 3/7 Emma Sauer  
 Gay Steinhauer

3/8 Sharon Frazier  
 Venessa Mittler  
 Anne Zimmer  
 3/9 Elaine Sloan  
 3/11 Karen Chalfin  
 3/15 William Reed  
 3/19 Jann Apro  
 Mike Hornback

3/19 Julie Shockley  
 Alex Tietsort  
 3/20 Cheryl Davis  
 3/25 Nathan Bierkan  
 3/29 Rick Tallarigo

**Mt. Healthy Alliance Needs**

Mt. Healthy Alliance is in need of the following items:

Deodorant  
 Hand Soap  
 Dishwashing Liquid  
 Non-Perishable Foods

Shampoo  
 Toilet Paper

Personal Care Items

Toothpaste  
 Laundry Detergent

Spring Cleaning Supplies

Toothbrushes



**March  
NEWSLETTER  
DEADLINE**



The newsletter deadline for the February edition is Wednesday, February 16th. 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 have resumed with inside seating.  
Dinner is served 5:00 - 6:30 PM

**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, <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

**BOARD CHAIR AND TEAM LEADERS NEEDED**


We are another step closer to having the merger complete. The merging committee is currently looking for those who are interested in being a leader in the new church committee. Positions to be filled include the following:

- Board Chair (1 person)
- Personnel Team (3 people)
- Spiritual Team (3 people)
- Building Team (3 people)
- Finance Team (3 people)

The merging committee is looking to fill the above 13 positions. Please know that each team listed can ALWAYS use additional people to help their teams for specific tasks. The 13 positions will be elected people to the new overall BOARD.

If you are interested in an elected position, the sign up sheets are in the Narthex where you can sign up for the Team(s) of your choice.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Head Start Program 8 AM - 3 PM Monday - Thursday			1	2	3 HS - No School AA - 8 PM	4 AA - 8 PM
5 Communion Crew Mtg - 1:30 PM	6 AARP Tax Prep Scouts	7 Dinner	8	9	10 HS - No School Crew Lock In AA - 8 PM	11 AA - 8 PM
12 Communion Crew Mtg - 1:30 PM	13 AARP Tax Prep Scouts	14  Dinner	15	16 Newsletter Articles Due	17 HS - No School AA - 8 PM	18 AA - 8 PM
19 Communion Crew Mtg - 1:30 PM	20 ELC - No School AARP Tax Prep Scouts	21 Dinner	22 Ash Wednesday Service 6:30 PM	23	24 HS - No School AA - 8 PM	25 AA - 8 PM
26 Communion Crew Mtg - 1:30 PM	27 AARP Tax Prep Scouts	28 Dinner				