

Pathways August 2024





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Worship Opportunities Sundays: 10:00 AM Traditional Worship in Sanctuary













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Pastor Words of Wisdom

I was on a walk a few days ago, trying to meet my steps goal for the day.

It was a bright, sunny day and it seemed like the perfect time to get outside for a bit. For the most part, I was right. Until about halfway through my walk when a dark cloud suddenly passed overhead and a downpour began that lasted only a few minutes.

Those few minutes were enough to soak me to the bone. I then had to finish the second half of my walk in wet clothes and squishy shoes. I was annoyed and frustrated at first.

But as I walked, I saw water glistening on the grass, on the ground, and the leaves of nearby trees. I saw flowers in full bloom, coming back alive as the sun peaked around the clouds.

Which made me realize that while I didn't particularly enjoy being wet, I do overall enjoy rain. It's something that is necessary to make the world as beautiful as it is. Without it there would be no lilies or daisies or giant oak trees for us to enjoy. Rain is a requirement for things to grow.

It also gave me this story to tell you.

And all of that got me thinking about the things in our lives that might happen - the moments when we get caught in the proverbial rain - that we are annoyed with at first until we see the ways it makes us grow.

I am not talking about terrible, horrible things that happen for no reason and cause trauma rather than growth.

I mean the parts of our lives that might make us struggle for a bit, but which helps us learn valuable lessons and grow as people - the challenging new job we just got, the people in our lives who push us to be better, the green vegetables we don't want to eat but know we have to.

All of it makes us stronger, smarter, and better.

Besides, the struggles in our lives are where God can work through us. A perfect person with an easy life has no need for God. But we are not that, and so we can use these moments to also see God showing up in our lives as we grow closer to Him.

So the next time it rains - whether literally or metaphorically - stop to think about how that rain might help you grow.

And then watch as you blossom in ways you never thought possible.

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

Toothpaste Laundry Detergent Toothbrushes

Spring Cleaning Supplies



Personal Care Items





- Vicky Ritz 8/5 Patricia Yung 8/15 Isabella Dahm 8/18 8/20 **Kim Bruce**
- Don Dumford 8/21 8/23
 - **Deborah Beresford**
- Melitta Marx
- 8/27 Skip Zimmer

8/28	Patti Hornback
	Bonnie Reed
8/30	Doris Foster
	Ruth Hoeweler
	Tommie Jenkins



9/3 Jessika Combs 9/6 Dolly Johnson

9/7 Jazzman Johnson 9/15 Bill Luke

9/22 Aidan Dahm **Darwin Yung** 9/25 Amanda Iverson **Please Continue to Remember in Prayer:**

Home Bound Members

Wm & Eileen ChurchAlice GraberDiane GriswoldRuth HoewelerLynn HoffmanEmmett IzerNancy LanzaDonald LerchMelitta MarxBob RunkMarlene ShewardElaine SloanAnne TimmeRommie TurnerSharon WagnerDel Yung

Special Prayer Request Our Service Men and Women The Country of Ukraine Civil War in the Sudan Victims of Children Trafficking

Jan Apro Nola Apro Aunt Lee Erma Amrein Jerry Baird LaRue Baker (Estie's Sister) Victoria Baumstead Barb - friend on Doris Foster Barb Brewer Bill Carter Joe Clear Jim Cobb Joyce Compton Danielle Coulton Shelley Dauderman Carrie Devine Lynn Dorn Mercedes Dreier Dorothy Dumford William DuPriest Sue Geary Marv Enderle Rick Enderle Pam Farlow Paul Fuhr Ken Handley Michelle Henn Becky Horning Theo Gruber Mike Iverson Trudy Jester Kamaria John Koehler Jessica Kerns John Jester Dan Mc Donald Harper Manning Dick Manifold Rhonda Lahmann Vicki Newport Kathy Noble Roger Purcell Ruth Purcell Ricky Renier Cherie Lynn Sauer Steve Rogers Emma Sauer Jacob Sauer Dave Shannon Tom Schumm Kari Shell Gary Smallwood Melissa friend of Trudy Paul Tensing Denise Tingle Amy Wadl AJ Walker Leslie Washington Chad Wilcocks **Rick Zellner** Paula Zellner Karen Wilson Ann Winkler Family of Jeff Knabb Family of Rick Hampton Family of Kamaria Family of Jeff Taber Family of Mike Kramer

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

Bold typed names were just recently added

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Worship Leaders in August

Terry DuPriest	8/4/2024
Roxanne Reed	8/11/2024
Kathy Terrell	8/18/2024
Ben Sauer	8/25/2024





Communion Servers in August

Terry DuPriest	Linda Woods	8/4/2024
Roxanne Reed	Margaret Maybury	8/11/2024
Kathy Terrell	Missy Sauer	8/18/2024
Ben Sauer	Louise Pitcher	8/25/2024

Greeters in August



Judith Lewis-Combs	8/4/2024
Steve Lighthall	8/11/2024
Ben Sauer	8/18/2024
Trudy Jester	8/25/2024

PARISH NURSES

Our parish nurses, Vicki Celenza and Roxanne Reed, will have blood pressure screening on Sunday, August 18th, 2024 9:15-9:45 AM before Worship. Their area is located in the Café area. All are welcome!

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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE



The newsletter deadline

for the SEPTEMBER edition is Wednesday, August 21st. 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 will be held on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Tuesday's of the month.

Dinner is served 5:00 - 6:30 PM

ZWOSTER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Scholarship Committee is happy to announce the recipients of the Zwoster Scholarship.

This year the scholarship has been awarded to

Dylan Poynter and Allie Staudigel

Congratulations to them both. We wish them the best in their next academic school year!

FACEBOOK PAGE

We started a new Facebook Page. Here is the new link! https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100025889658215

ONLINE GIVING

We do have online giving set up for Journey Community Church. If you choose to use our online giving, here is the link, https://journeycomchurch.churchtrac.com, or you can also use the CR code below. 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



REACHING OUT

Calling for all Home Bound members!

Are you someone who unable to come to church? Would you like a member of our Home Bound Ministry team to come and visit? Would you like to receive communion?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please contact the office so that you can be added to the Home Bound list so that a member of the visiting team can come and visit.



Office can be reached at 513-931-2205.



If you have a Kroger Community Rewards Card, you can select our church for receiving rewards. The name has officially, in Kroger's records, been changed to Journey Community Church, but it still may say St. Paul United Church of Christ on the website. They associate more by account number than name of business.

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR THOSE ON PRAYER LIST

Our prayer list is an ever changing necessity for our members, friends of our members, and those on the prayer list. If you have placed someone on the prayer list, who is not a member of this church, and would like for them to receive a card from the church, please call the office and give to Anne the address of the person you would like to have a card sent to.

Our team of card writers will be happy to send a card to let them know the church is thinking about them and praying for them.

Information can be called in to Anne during office hours at 513-931-2205 or it can be emailed to her at office@journeyccc.com.

Thanks in advance!

Thank you!

What a lovely surprise to win the tea basket at the church raffle. I drink more tea than coffee, so it is appreciated. Also many thanks for the gift cards and candles.

Thanks to everyone who prepared it. I miss going to church and seeing everyone.

Thank you, Erma Amrein



August 2024	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	1 2 3 AA - 8 pm AA - 8 pm	5 4 pm - Men's Bible Study Brink Brewery 6 pm - Finance Team meeting 6 pm - Spiritual 6 pm - Spiritual 5:00 - 6:30 pm 5:00 - 6:30 pm 7 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 7 8 pm 8 pm 7 8 pm 8 pm 7 8 pm 8 pm 7 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 7 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm 8 pm	12 13 14 15 16 17 4 pm - Personnel 16 17 17 Team meeting 6 pm - Board AA - 8 pm AA - 8 pm	19202122244 pm - Men's BiblePeach Truck 12:30Newsletter Articles2223244 pm - Men's BiblePeach Truck 12:30Newsletter ArticlesSPELC - Meet the24TeacherTeacher10am - 12pmHead Start BeginsSchoolA. 8 pmA. 8 pm5:00 - 6:30 pm5:00 - 6:30 pmA. 8 pmAA - 8 pm	26 27 28 29 31 SPELC Parent Mtg. 59 31 6:30 pm - 8 pm. Sanctuary AA - 8 pm
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