

# Pathways September 2024





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Worship Opportunities <u>Sundays:</u> 10:00 AM Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

For an electronic version of newsletter please visit our website: www.journeyccc.com

What's Happening Sunday Fall September 22nd 11:30 Gathering

Indulge in the joy of tasty treats, good company, and shared laughter!

Burgers and Hotdog will be provided Please bring a side dish or dessert to share

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# Creativity

# Cottage

7426 Hamilton Ave. 45231

# Pastor Words of Wisdom

I recently helped my friend build a deck in her backyard. We had to design the blueprints ourselves because there were multiple obstacles in our way that would prevent us from getting a cookie-cutter one. This included a not-quite-straight sidewalk and a beautiful maple tree that ended up being in the center of the deck.

As we worked to figure out how to make it all come together, we talked a lot about the stability of the deck. We wanted to make sure that there was plenty of support, and that if one piece of the support failed, the deck would remain stable and whole.

It was a fun project that challenged us to be creative and to think about all of the various pieces that went into the structure.

It also (of course) made me think about faith.

Our faith should be thought of the same way we thought about the deck. Where is our support coming from? How do we see the whole picture? What happens if one piece disappears or breaks?

Faith is never done alone. It is not meant to be an individual thing, but rather something that is done in community. It's why we gather for church once a week with each other! We need support. Our faith can't rest on nothing. Where does your support come from? How can you build more of it?

We also need to be able to look at the bigger picture - our faith in its entirety. We can often get too focused on one specific part of our faith without realizing how much more there really is. It's never good to lose the forest for the trees. How do we make sure we recognize our faith as a whole, rather than getting hung up on one or two specific parts?

Finally, how stable is our faith? If one piece of our faith was taken from us, does the structure still hold? Or will it crumble? Our faith is meant to be based on many different parts so that it stays strong regardless of our circumstances. A poorly built home can be destroyed if it loses one brick. Our faith should never be that fragile. How can we bolster and strengthen it to endure?

Faith is both simple and complex, just like a deck. It's simple in the sense that it is simply a deck; but complex because of all its various parts and components.

We have to recognize those two truths to make sure we have a solid foundation on which to rest.

Because our faith, just like a well-built deck, can be the perfect place to relax and enjoy life.

### **Mt. Healthy Alliance Needs**

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



**Ilease Continue to Remember in Trayer:** 

Home Bound Members

Wm & Eileen ChurchAlice GraberDiane GriswoldRuth HoewelerLynn HoffmanEmmett IzerNancy LanzaDonald LerchMelitta MarxBob RunkMarlene ShewardElaine SloanAnne TimmeSharon 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 Mike Burriss Bill Carter Joyce Compton Danielle Coulton Shelley Dauderman Joe Clear Mercedes Dreier William DuPriest Dorothy Dumford Carrie Devine Rick Enderle Pam Farlow Paul Fuhr Sue Gearv Mary Enderle Theo Gruber Ken Handley Michelle Henn Becky Horning Mike Iverson Trudy Jester Kamaria Jessica Kerns John Koehler John Jester Rhonda Lahmann Rob Langdon Dan Mc Donald Harper Manning Vicki Newport Kathy Noble Roger Purcell Ruth Purcell Ricky Renier Steve Rogers Cherie Lynn Sauer Emma Sauer Jacob Sauer Dave Shannon Kari Shell Gary Smallwood Rhonda Stacey Tom Schumm Melissa friend of Trudy Paul Tensing Denise Tingle Amy Wadl AJ Walker Chad Wilcocks Karen Wilson Ann Winkler Leslie Washington Rick Zellner Paula Zellner Family of Kamaria Family of Jeff Taber

Family of Mike Kramer Family of Jim Cobb Family of Rommie Turner Family of Dave Huser

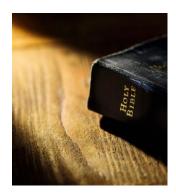
> Please keep the office informed when Names can be removed or need to be added Bold typed names were just recently added

# September 2024

# Worship Leaders in September

Bobbie Compton		
Vicki Celenza		
Linda Woods		
Margaret Maybury		
Jim Hutchison		

9/1/2024 9/8/2024 9/15/2024 9/22/2024 9/29/2024





# **Communion Servers in September**

Bobbie Compton	Steve Lighthall	9/1/2024
Vicki Celenza	Dee Iverson	9/8/2024
Linda Woods	Lois Bates	9/15/2024
Margaret Maybury	Ben Sauer	9/22/2024
Robin Lighthall	Louise Pitcher	9/29/2024

# **Greeters in September**



Lois Bates	9/1/2024
Judith Lewis-Combs	9/8/2024
Lois Bates	9/15/2024
Judith Lewis-Combs	9/22/2024
Vicki Celenza	9/29/2024

## PARISH NURSES

Our parish nurses, Vicki Celenza and Roxanne Reed, will have blood pressure screening on Sunday, September 22, 2024 9:15-9:45 AM before Worship. Their area is located in the Café area. All are welcome!

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## September 2024

#### OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE



The newsletter deadline

for the OCTOBER edition is Wednesday, September 18th. 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



Many thanks for all the school supplies. The Mt. Healthy Alliance was able to give more that 500 fill backpacks to the schools.



## **ZWOSTER SCHOLARSHIP NEWS**

First a Thank you -

Dear members of Journey Community Church,

Thank you so much for the Zwoster Scholarship from Journey Community Church. I am looking forward to starting my degree at Xavier University within the next few weeks. I am happy to report that I am going to declare a minor in Theological studies and Ministries. Your generosity in helping me to obtain my goal is greatly appreciated.

Thank you again,

Allie Staudigel

Let's now meet Allie! She is the daughter of our pre-school director, Judy Staudigel. Her major at Xavier University is Biomedical Science. She has a very strong servant leadership attitude and you may have or may see her around the building from time to time.



## **GIFTS TO THE CHURCH**

## In Memory of Darlene Reed

Anne & Skip Zimmer

In Memory of David Schleutker

Anne & Skip Zimmer





#### 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





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.

#### FACEBOOK PAGE

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

Saturday 21 Private Event Fellowship Hall AA - 8 PM AA - 8 PM AA - 8 PM AA - 8 PM 28 4 ~ 6 Head Start—1/2 day PM Friday AA - 8 PM AA - 8 PM AA - 8 PM AA - 8 PM 13 20 27 Thursday **October 2024** 19 12 26 ഹ Wednesday 18 Newsletter Articles Due 7 25 4 3 SPELC - Classes Begin Community Dinner 5:00 - 6:30 PM Community Dinner 5:00 - 6:30 PM Tuesday 9 17 24 Men's Bible Study 4 PM Location TBD 9 HS - No School Personnel Team Mtg 4:00 PM 16 HS - No School Monday Board Meeting 6:00 PM 23 HS - No School 30 HS - No School 2 Office Closed Labor Day Blood Pressure Screening Fall Gathering After Worship Creativity Cottage 8 George Theders Sunday 22 George Theders 15 Jazz Trio 29 Jazz Trio Jazz Trio

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