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St. Paul United Church of Christ



# THE EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL

July 2021



## What's Happening

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### WORLD'S LONGEST YARD SALE August 7, 2021 - Saturday Only

The church will be having a space for the yard sale. If you have any like new items that you are not using any longer, please consider donating them to the church. Any items can be brought in and placed in the Café. Any items that are left at the end of the day, will be donated to St. Vincent DePaul. Help is needed.

If you are interested in having your own space, spaces are available for \$25. Please contact Joan Allen if you are interested.

### FUNFEST August 12, 2021 - 6-8 PM

We will be holding Funfest this year. Lots of games are planned for the kids, food, and of course fun.

We are looking for Pringles Cans and 2 liters. If you are able to pick some up and bring them to church, it would be greatly appreciated. If you would prefer to donate money, please give to Joan Allen.

Thanks in advance!



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Worship  
Opportunities

Sundays:

10:00 AM Traditional  
Worship in Sanctuary

# News and Updates Council News

The next Council meeting is Monday,  
July 19, 2021, 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

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SCHEDULED

The council members will continue to update and revise the Operations Manual. With those changes could possibly lead to an update for the Church Bylaws and also the Constitution.

The next Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, October 10, 2021. As soon as the proposed changes are complete, copies will be made available to all members so that everyone can review prior to the meeting. The Council will keep you updated on their progress over the next few months.

### 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

**AUGUST  
EPISTLE  
DEADLINE**



The Epistle deadline for the August edition is Wednesday, July 21, 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.

**ZWOSTER SCHOLARSHIP**

Congratulations to our 2021-2022, Zwoster Scholarship recipients, Madyson King and Mandi Cornish. Your St. Paul family wishes you all the best in your upcoming academic school year!

**SCOUTING NEWS**

Our Arrow of Light scouts crossed over to the troop. They are eager to learn lots of new stuff and our current boy scouts are Looking forward to teaching them new skills.

The troop did not attend summer camp this year due to Covid... However, they are planning a 4 to 5 day trip to go hiking and camping either the end of July or early August. We have a scout who is beginning his Eagle project this month and will be building picnic tables for his school, Christo DePaul.

The Venture Crew is meeting on a sporadic schedule, but hope to get back to a normal schedule soon. Due to Covid, they have had to push back their trip to Washington DC until next summer. In the meantime, they will do more planning and figuring out exactly what they want to do while there, and of course fund raise for the trip.

Miciah Thacker, one of our Venture Scouts, has completed her project for her Summit Award. Summit Award is the highest award in the Venturing Program. We are just waiting on the official paperwork from the National Office on the final approval. She hopes to be holding her award ceremony in August.

The Scouts are still selling Meat Jerky sticks. If you are interested, there is an order sheet on the last page of the Epistle. Thank you in advance.





7/1 Carol Lommer  
7/6 Isaiah Johnson  
7/6 Don Lerch

7/8 Brittney Heitman  
7/12 Roxanne Reed  
7/19 Alice Blum

7/23 Nancy Klusmeier  
7/27 Kristen Woods  
7/28 Lyndelle Murphy  
7/29 Sonya Heitman



8/5 Vicky Ritz  
8/22 Travis Johnson  
8/23 Deborah Beresford

8/23 Melitta Marx  
8/27 Skip Zimmer  
8/28 Bonnie Reed

8/30 Ruth Hoeweler  
8/30 Tommie Jenkins

*Please Continue to Remember in Prayer:*

Our servicemen and women  
Peggy Adams  
Chad Willcocks  
Kathy Aker  
Alice Graber  
Tony Mancini  
Gay D. Smith  
Barbara Williamson  
Elaine Sloan  
James Stokes  
Howard Seaman  
June Ward  
Kim Caudell

Rhonda Lahmann  
Marlene Sheward  
Barb Nuckols  
Jesse McIlhaney  
Ann Way  
Carol Schroer  
Harper Manning  
Terri & Walt Schoch  
Judy Brown  
Lindsey Niehaus  
Kim Gutnecht

Doug Thueneman  
Becky Blount  
Mike Kennedy  
Verna Cowan  
Richard Huff  
Alberta Temming  
Theo Gruber  
Lois Manifold  
Bill Richter  
Bob Vogeler  
Dick Manifold

*Please Continue to Remember in Prayer our HomeBound:*

Doris Dunn  
Nancy Lanza  
Elmer Seesing  
Sharon Wagner

Mary Heineke  
John & Melitta Marx  
Gay Steinhauer

Ruth Hoeweler  
Ruth Meissner  
Anne Timme

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

# July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Communion Pastor Joan Fourth of July MH Chr Ch –FH	5 Office is Closed 	6 Dinner- Drive Thru	7	8	9 AA - 8 pm	10 AA - 8 pm
11 Rev. John Specht MH Chr Ch –FH	12 Scouts 6:30– 9 pm	13	14	15	16 AA - 8 pm	17 AA - 8 pm
18 Pastor Joan	19 Council Mtg 6:30 pm	20	21 Epistle Articles Due	22	23 AA - 8 pm	24
25 Rev. John Specht MH Chr Ch –FH	26 Scouts 6:30– 9 pm	27 Dinner- Drive Thru	28	29	30 AA - 8 pm	31 AA - 8 pm

## From Pastor Joan

We are turning pages here at St. Paul. Won't you come and join us? We just finished our 1<sup>st</sup> VBS in 5 years and what a great job Robin Lighthall and her committee did. You can tell by the photos that laughter and God's light shined brightly on our week. Lots of smiles and songs were shared by all. We were excited to praise God and asked for healing in our service on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Moving forward is always God's plan, but for us, moving forward with God is the only plan.

We are working on our Funfest, as you read from page one. This is a community based free festival. All the games are free as we reach out to the community. We will need workers to run our games and hand out prizes, as well as serving food, prepared by the top chef, Judith. OK, it's hot dogs, popcorn and festival food, but it's still fun. Please consider helping out or just stop by and say "Hi" on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm.

We pray for the members of St. Paul continuously, in the hopes that God will watch over each member, every day in every place. We would love to hear from you and know how you are doing. We are still under some covid protocols but as soon as we can, we would like to begin doing home visits and home communion with our members who can't be with us on Sunday. Until then, don't hesitate to contact the church and let us know how you are doing and if you are in need.

With our election of council officers at the congregational meeting, we are looking forward to new and exciting things to come. We thank those who have heard God's call and are willing to help move St. Paul into tomorrow.

But in everything we do, we ask God to walk with us and show us His vision for St. Paul. There are so many possibilities. Finding tomorrow means to leave yesterday behind and move in a way that not only makes us happy, but God happy. When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12) Coming into the light of God's love is the greatest joy for us Christians and to do that as a family is even more of a blessing. Understanding and forgiveness is the only way to travel from here to eternity. God's Love, could you ask for anything more?

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,  
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;  
That's how it is with God's Love,  
Once you've experienced it,  
You spread the love to everyone  
You want to pass it on.

Pastor Joan



VBS was a HUGE success. A huge thanks goes to Robin Lighthall, her family, and her team. They served 57 children who had great fun with science, outdoor fun, crafts, danced and learned about God and Jesus.



