

St. Paul's News

May 2014



From the Pastor's Pen:

People of St. Paul's,

Blessed Easter Season to you! In our church calendar Easter is not just one day but an entire season which we celebrate from Easter Sunday until Pentecost which this year is on June 8th. As we go through this season as a church there are several upcoming worship and mission opportunities for you and your family to be involved in as we celebrate and live out being people of the resurrection.

There are several special Sundays to note in May. May 11th is Mother's Day and will also be Youth Sunday. Be sure to attend worship and support our youth and the many gifts God has given them. On May 18th we will honor our high school graduates. And finally Memorial Sunday is May 25th. Please join us as we take time to remember the members of our congregation who have passed on to the heavenly life in the past year.

Also as a church during the month of May we will be working to raise money for Imagine No Malaria, a United Methodist ministry which works to eliminate malaria in Africa through providing bed nets, as well as improving education, infrastructure, and communication in countries through Africa. Special calendars were distributed during worship on the last Sunday of April which challenges you and your family to collect small amounts of money each day based

on blessings we all have in our lives that many people in our world do without. So one day you may be challenged to give five cents for every drinking glass in your home and another day you will give \$3 for each television you own. It is my hope that by completing this challenge together we will all be a little more thankful for the blessings we do have while also serving those in need. Calendars will be available at church throughout the month of May and you may also contact the church if you would like one sent to you.

Let us continue together this month to live as Easter people, those who strive to love Christ and others in all that we do.

Peace,

Pastor Hannah



A graveside service for Pauline Reuwee will be held on June 21st at 11:00am at Fairmont Cemetery. St. Paul's members are welcome to attend.



Special Birthdays

May

10 – Mildred Durst (Karen Kinstler's mother. She lives at Good Shepherd in Fostoria.

If you are over 80 and would like your birthday listed, contact the church office.



Lunch Bunch

(includes women **and men**)

May 27—at noon
Golden Crown



Table Favor Committee

We will meet Tuesday, May 13 1:30 pm to assemble several table favors to be used this summer for Friedman Village, Ruffing Care Center & Seneca House. By working ahead we will have some free time over summer.

Thank you!

We received a recent note from Ruffing Family Care: Thank you for the table favors you send to our residents. They are very much appreciated and enjoyed! God bless you all and Happy Easter!



ST. PAUL'S IN MISSION

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
March 30 \$145

21 jars of **peanut butter** were collected for **Haiti** during the month of March. Our donations were added to Faith UMC before delivery.

April Mission Giving—

Third Sunday Ingathering Offering: \$86
(Given to First Call For Help to use in the Tiffin Community)

Donations given in our special Easter Offering Envelopes will go to **Flat Rock Home**. We collected \$657 on Easter Sunday. They will use these funds to assist their residents in many areas.

During the season of Lent we collected non-perishable food items for the **FISH**

Food Pantry of Tiffin. We were pleased with the many donations left on the table in the sanctuary and filled six large boxes to deliver to FISH along with a cash donation of \$100 from the Missions Committee Funds.

Thanks again for your continued support for St. Paul's Church Mission Projects!

Kathy Daniel for Missions Committee



Thanks to everyone who donated candy for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Thanks to everyone who helped prepare for the event on Friday evening and thanks to everyone who helped with all the activities on Saturday morning. There were 32 children who participated in the activities and heard the Easter Story told to them by Pastor Hannah.



ALIVE FESTIVAL 2014

The Youth Fellowship is planning a trip to the Christian Music Festival, Alive. The festival is to be held June 18-21 at Atwood Lake Park. We are inviting anyone who is interested in attending to join us. If you were not able to make the meeting we had in January and did not receive the information we emailed to those we knew were interested, please let us know. To view the artists and speakers scheduled, as well as the other activities available at Alive,

visit www.alive.org For more information, contact Rob Ochier.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

June 7th?? – Car Wash

June 8th – 6:30 pm – Meeting for participants. We will be going over last minute details and practice putting up the tents in the gym.



In April, the youth planned their skit and music for the youth service that will be held on May 11th. Because the 3rd Sunday of the month fell on Easter Sunday, we did not meet.

Meetings are 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month unless we have a special activity taking place. Youth Fellowship is open to anyone in grades 6-12. Contact Rob or Amy Ochier for more information. Bring a friend or two!!

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, May 4th @ 6:30pm – Youth Service Planning

Saturday, May 10th @ 7pm – Final run through for the Youth Service

Sunday, May 11th @ 9am – Youth Led Worship Service - be at the church to get ready for the service and greet the congregation as they arrive for worship.

Friday, May 16th @ 5pm – 8pm – Relay for Life (We have been asked to work at the

Welcome tent on the Coe St. entrance)

Sunday, May 18th @ 6:30pm – Final Meeting of the school year. We are planning on having a cookout/picnic in the church yard. If the weather does not cooperate, we will be inside. Bring a side dish/dessert to share and your own drink. Rob and Amy will provide the meat for the grill. Please let us know how many are coming so we have enough.



Health Kits

The Youth are once again collecting items to send Health Kits for UMCOR to Annual Conference. The following items are needed for each health kit and are to be placed in Ziploc bags. You may donate a complete health kit or any individual items and we will assemble them for you. Last year St. Paul's sent 24 health kits! Boxes will be located at the back of the sanctuary until May 25th. Thanks!!

1 hand towel (15" X 25" up to 17" X 27", no kitchen towels)

1 washcloth

1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)

1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)

1 bath-size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)

1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-sized brushes)

6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages

\$1 included to pay for toothpaste (which UMCOR purchases)



Newsletter deadline for June
Newsletter is May 19th

Please ***email or place on disk*** in MS Word format (.doc) to amynuala@yahoo.com