

St. Paul's News

November 2014



From the Pastor's Pen:

St. Paul's,

Over the last month we have been spending our time together during worship talking about the practice of testimony. We have talked about how testimonies are true stories about us and God and how we all have these stories. We have discussed testimonies of praise and gratitude and ways in which we can share the good things that God has done for us. We also explored testimonies of failure which we learned are really testimonies of God's grace. Our final week together in October covered testimonies of providence or stories about the times that God provided for us.

We are going to be continuing this series throughout the month of November as we look at our true stories of community, forgiveness, and call. Then as many of you have heard during our worship on Sunday November 23rd we are going to have a special Sunday of sharing testimony. I will be looking for several of you who will be willing to share brief (think 2-5 minutes) testimony. Remember as we have been discussing there are several ways that you can share testimony. Maybe you want to sing a song, or make a movie, or perform a family skit, or show some artwork, or get up and talk to the congregation. However, you do it is all testimony and it is important to be shared. If you think that this is something that you are interested in doing please let me know. You can talk to me in person,

email me (tuckerhe1@gmail.com), or call the church (419-447-1743).

I hope and pray that this time we have been spending learning and sharing testimony is fruitful in your own faith life and we all continue to discover the many ways God has and is working in all of our lives.

Peace,
Pastor Hannah



Lunch Bunch

4th Tuesday Lunch Bunch
(includes men & women)
November 25—at noon
G.W.'s
Sandy Ritter is the contact
(419) 618-7075



Table Favor Committee

November 11, 1:30 pm
If time allows we will work
on two projects this
month.



Cleaning angels in need of help...please consider an area of the church you might like to clean on a regular basis. Jobs can be adapted to the amount of time you have available. Call the church office or Rich Kinstler to volunteer.

ST. PAUL'S IN MISSION

October Mission Giving—

\$103.00 was collected for Youth Club expenses at the September 28 Missions Committee sponsored coffee hour. The committee voted to add \$200.00 from the Leanne Wolff Mission Fund to be used for Youth Club expenses.

\$190.00 was collected for World Communion Sunday. This money is used for scholarships for national and international students dedicated to changing the world through service for Christ.

Third Sunday Ingathering Offering:
\$87.00 (Given to First Call for Help to use in the Tiffin Community)

“Shoe Box Ministry—Operation Christmas Child” Samaritan’s Purse—

Red & green shoe boxes are being filled with items to be sent to needy children around the world at Christmas. Boxes are available on the Prayer Card table on Sunday mornings and in the church office during the week. **November 9 is the deadline** to return boxes. Postage for each box is \$7.00. If you want to make a donation for postage, checks should be made out to St. Paul’s Church and marked for shoe box postage on the memo line. We will include one check to cover postage for all the boxes when they are delivered to the drop off site.

Special Thanksgiving Offering Envelopes include with your giving envelopes will be designated for F.A.C.T. again this year. If you do not use giving envelopes you can put your donation in a plain envelope and mark it for F.A.C.T.

--Kathy Daniel for Missions Committee



THANK YOU! A sincere thank you for your contribution to the First Call for Help Program! It is because of the caring individuals, agencies, and organizations like you First Call for Help can aid families in need!

First Call for Help assisted almost 300 children start the school year prepared and confident with all the supplies they needed! Thank you for your support to the programs for First Call for Help! We are working hard to promote accountability and sustainability to the individuals of Tiffin and rural Seneca County who request assistance!

Christine Courtney, Program Coordinator

ANNUAL CHURCH THANKSGIVING DINNER

November 23, Noon

FELLOWSHIP HALL

Provided: Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, pumpkin pie, bread and tables service

Please bring a salad or vegetable to share.

RESERVATIONS: Can be made on Sundays November 9 and 16 or by calling the church office at 447-1743.

A freewill offering will be taken to cover expenses.

Join us for this annual event.



In the fall, we will be meeting on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. In October, we celebrated the beauty of fall with a visit to Reihm's Farm in Old Fort and with our annual fall costume party. Youth Fellowship is open to anyone in grades 6 – 12. Contact Amy or Rob Ochier with any questions or concerns.

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, Nov. 2nd @ 6:30pm-8:00pm - We will be planning the events for our lock-in, as well as the events for the rest of Nov. and Dec.

Save the date for our annual Lock-in! It will be **Saturday, Nov. 8th** from 6:30pm-after Sunday school the next morning. Please contact Rob or Amy for an information letter and emergency form.

Sunday, Nov. 16th @ 6:30pm-8:00pm – We will be meeting and doing whatever we decide to plan for this meeting.

The youth requested that we start a Remind 101 account for the youth fellowship. To subscribe: send a text to 567-404-5941 with the message @stpaulsyf or email stpaulsyf@mail.remind.com with the subject blank. Note: It is connected to Rob's account for the TC soccer team, so messages will say they are from Coach Ochier.



Newsletter deadline for the November Newsletter is November 21st

Please **email or place on disk** in MS Word format (.doc) to blindhorst@att.net.



Christmas Program

Please mark your calendars for the St. Paul's Children's **Christmas Program-Sun., Dec. 21, 2014, 10 A.M.** and the **dress rehearsal Sunday, Dec.**

14, immediately following Sun. School, with light lunch provided--Noon-1:30 P.M.

Parent & grandparent volunteers welcome, especially with pre-school age children. (Adults are also included for lunch!)

Costumes provided. ***Rehearsal for all speaking parts Sun., Nov. 23-** bring your **scripts!** Questions: church office 419-447-1743 or 419-447-8527.



Once again the Missions Committee will be getting the Angels for our Christmas tree from the Salvation Army. We requested twenty-five Angels and they will all be children. They will be put on the tree near the elevator before the end of November.

It will be just like last year. The age, gender and a few suggestions will be listed on the front. On the back I'll put some guidelines, such as gifts should cost \$20 or less, don't wrap, and the date of December 8th is when they need to be turned in by. Thank you so much for helping to bring joy to our local children. If you have any questions, or would like me to do the shopping for you just let me know.

Thanks,

Sandy Arnold
419-447-6145