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October

# OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2018

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**From the Pastor...**

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## ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

As the anniversary year draws to a close, it is important to note all the events that have shaped this special occasion. We began in February with a “Movie Night” which was well attended. The next event was a special celebration of the anniversary date on Sunday, March 11 followed by a dinner in the fellowship hall. A special booklet was produced with the various organizations within the church contributing to its content. Steve Maurer did an excellent job of researching the church archives for historical information that was used in the booklet.

Early in the Spring a tree was planted and dedicated on the church property. The tree was donated by Ted & Marcia Howenstine. This was followed by a homemade “Ice Cream Social” and 5K Run at Fort Laurens in early June. The attendance was beyond our expectations. A special “Youth Sunday” was held on August 12. The youth of the church did a wonderful job of leading us in worship that day.

A few weeks ago there was a steak dinner and square dance held at the Sears’ barn. There were approximately 70 people who participated and danced into the early evening hours. Recently a decision was made to offer church funds to support individual contributions to various charities. St. Paul Lutheran Church gave \$1,750 in \$20, \$25 and \$30 amounts to church members to match and donate to a charity of their choice. Once again, our church has demonstrated a generous spirit and a willingness to help others. At least \$3,500 was given to charities as a result.

The closing of the anniversary year will take place on Sunday, October 21 with a special service at 10:30 am followed by a swiss steak dinner in the fellowship hall. The time capsule will be then be placed in a yet to be determined location in the church.

I want to thank the anniversary committee and chairperson, Linda Clugston for all of their hard work in organizing the activities that comprised the anniversary year. Our church did receive recognition from the State of Ohio as well as the North American Lutheran Church with documents marking the 175th anniversary of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

I want to add a closing comment on an article by Sue Bahr that is found in this newsletter. Please take the time to read it and reflect upon the importance of her words. We are called to serve others in the name of Christ. I pray that this anniversary year will continue to lead you to answer the Lord’s call to discipleship.

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## Worship Ministers- Please note the new "Nursery" listing

DATE	TIME	ASSISTANTS	DATE	TIME	LECTORS
10/7	8:00 am	Pam Ward	10/7	8:00 am	Jen Ward
	10:30 am	Dee Garrison		10:30 am	Cheryl Simers
10/14	8:00 am	Jim Ward	10/14	8:00 am	Sandy Ritter
	10:30 am	Mark Cunningham		10:30 am	Richard Dudash
10/21		No 8:00 Service	10/21		No 8:00 Service
	10:30 am	Steve Maurer		10:30 am	Skip Steward
10/28	8:00 am	Charlann Young	10/28	8:00 am	Pam Ward
	10:30 am	Randy Simers		10:30 am	Steve Maurer
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10/7	8:00 am	John & Sandy Bolitho	10/7	8:00 am	Tyra Hampton
	10:30 am	Lisa & Bailey Keane		10:30 am	Michael Eberly
10/14	8:00 am	Dave & Charlann Young	10/14	8:00 am	Kayla Majors
	10:30 am	Tom & Tammy Huggins		10:30 am	Izaak Matthews
10/21		No 8:00 Service	10/21		No 8:00 Service
	10:30 am	Jerry & Carol Hoskinson		10:30 am	Tripp Fabianich
10/28	8:00 am	Jim & Jen Ward	10/28	8:00 am	Shawntel Hafer
	10:30 am	Skip & Jean Steward		10:30 am	Vivianne Eberly
		<u>Altar Guild</u> Dave & Linda Clugston	<u>Fellowship</u> Church Dinner		<u>Community Meal</u> Kathy Pozzuto, Dee Garrison, Judy App
Screen Monitor			Nursery		
10/7	8:00 am	Whitney Ward	10/7	8:00 am	Linda Blazina
	10:30 am	Jerry Hoskinson		10:30 am	Barb Shine
10/14	8:00 am	Cameron Majors	10/14	8:00 am	Majors Family
	10:30 am	Dee Garrison		10:30 am	Hope Sears
10/21		No 8:00 Service	10/21		No 8:00 Service
	10:30 am	Lisa Keane		10:30 am	Lisa Keane
10/28	8:00 am	Julie Majors	10/28	8:00 am	Pam Ward
	10:30 am	Rick Caughey		10:30 am	Deanna McMaken

## Offering and Attendance

Date	9/2	9/9	9/16	9/23	9/30
Offering	\$1,926.00	\$8,178.00	\$3,811	\$5,122	n/a
Attendance	55	78	89	86	n/a

## Readings:

10/7	10/14	10/21	10/28
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>21<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>22<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>
<u>Genesis 2:18-24</u>	<u>Amos 5:6-7, 10-15</u>	<u>Isaiah 53:4-12</u>	<u>Jeremiah 31:31-34</u>
<u>Psalm 8</u>	<u>Psalm 90:12-17</u>	<u>Psalm 91: 9-16</u>	<u>Psalm 46</u>
<u>Hebrews 1:1-4: 2:5-12</u>	<u>Hebrews 4:12-16</u>	<u>Hebrews 5:1-10</u>	<u>Romans 3: 19-28</u>
<u>Mark 10:2-16</u>	<u>Mark 10:17-31</u>	<u>Mark 10:35-45</u>	<u>John 8:31-36</u>



**Prayer Chain - This week remember in your prayers** – Peggy Dix, Carole Dean, Maddy Russell, Corinne Haney, Debbie Neorr, Bob Snyder, Peggy Keck, Paul Gosselin, Mary Pickens, Tom Bitticker, Anthony Carpinelli, Dan Levesseur, Danny Fisher, Judy Berger, Herb Siefert, Molly Bauer, Kelly McDaniel, Floyd McBeth, Jackson Kinsey, Jean Baker, Bill Tait, Ret Kendrick, Chuck Slaybaugh, Lauren Seifert, **Servicemen & Women-** Camren Taylor, Scott Fout, Jeremy Warfield, Gray Ashworth, Trent Garver, Andrea Gibson, Andy Jones, David Ward, Jordan Ritter, Adam Pohovey, William Robishaw, Paul Roley, Kyle Greiving

### *HAPPY BIRTHDAY!*

Debbie App	10/3	Beth Pirillo	10/23
Denise Garver	10/3	Peggy Dix	10/24
Josh Hafer	10/8	Rebecca Dix	10/25
Mary Simmons	10/8	Kory Inskip	10/25
Dee Garrison	10/10	Jean Steward	10/25
Kathy Pozzuto	10/10	Richard Dudash	10/27
Dave Garan	10/11	Laura Fortner	10/31
Jean Baker -100th	10/12	Greg Majors	10/31
Jennifer Smith	10/13		
Ron Richards	10/19		

### *HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!*

John & Lynette McClay	10/2
Greg & Julie Majors	10/12
Aaron & Meghan Woods	10/12
Rick & Lori Caughey	10/19
Jim & Jane Davis	10/26

**Christian Book Club :** The next scheduled selection for October is *“Help My Unbelief”* by Barnabas Piper. Almost everyone has experienced moments of doubt or uncertainty, especially given the anti-religious content of our current society. The subtitle, ‘Why Doubt is Not the Enemy of Faith,’ gives a peek at part of the underlying message. Contact Terry Tegtmeier if you’d like a book. (\$7.00 ea.) The next meeting will be on **October 2 at 7:30 p.m.**

### Youth News:

#### **TADPOLES Pre K thru 2nd grade - FROGS 3rd - 7th grade - GROGS 8th - 12th grade**

These grades are just guidelines - some students may attend youth group outside of their grade based on their unique situations. Please contact me if you think you or your child might benefit from attending a different group. Youth groups may meet separately or be combined based on the planned activities month to month.

Speaking of YOUTH GROUP!!!! Save the date for our first meetings of the year.....

**TADPOLES and FROGS** will meet **October 21st** immediately following the 10:30 service. Gather in the

Fellowship Hall for lunch and a lesson. We will then travel as a group to Akron Zoo for BOO AT THE ZOO!!! This is a non-scary Halloween event for your child to dress in costume and trick or treat at the Zoo while enjoying the animal exhibits. This is an outdoor activity so please dress for the weather. Anyone who would like to attend is asked to sign up on the Youth Activities board or RSVP to me by October 19th to allow time for pre purchase of tickets. Please let me know if your child will need to carpool or if you would like to chaperone and / or have an extra seat in your vehicle. Parents / guardians are always welcome to attend - just make sure to sign up to allow for purchase of food / tickets.

**GROGS** will meet **October 14th @5:00** for dinner and a lesson. We will then travel as a group to Canton's FACTORY OF TERROR! The Factory of Terror has won the Guinness World Record 3 times as the Longest Indoor Haunted Attraction in the world. The Factory is located inside an abandoned 160,000 sq. ft. aluminum foundry and feature 5 full length attractions. All combined, be prepared to journey over 1 mile of unbelievable scenery, jaw-dropping special effects, and terrifying monsters. Anyone who would like to attend is asked to sign up on the Youth Activities board or RSVP to me by October 12th to allow for pre purchase of tickets.

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### WHAT DOES CHURCH MEAN TO ME? -Sue Bahr

St. Paul Lutheran Church has been the most powerful influence in my life. Before coming to St. Paul, church was always just a place to go on Sunday. A place I went to because it was what I was supposed to do. Another move in my life was what led us to this church. It was 1991 and Dan Schaefer was the pastor. Upon meeting him and Holly, we decided to make St. Paul our home. For the first time, I was encouraged to study what the Bible says and to learn about God. As the years went by, I met people in the church and started participating in a Christian life. The people I have met became friends. They also became mentors, teachers, supporters, encouragers - family. People that are there for you no matter what life brings. These people, my church friends, have helped me to seek God. They have showed me how to live and walk a Christian life. There are many times that I fail miserably at that, but my church family is there to help with whatever it is I need; whether that be discipline, encouragement, support or love. I can count on this church, which is the people, to be there for me.

My life has recently undergone so many changes. With the birth of our second grandchild, who is here with us on this earth, our lives have shifted to living half the time in the Cincinnati area. I find myself unable to attend St. Paul on a regular basis. I am unable to participate in worship with friends, Sunday school, bible studies, outings, community service, Rebekah's Sisters and so much more. I am so very grateful for the time I have been able to spend with my grandson Theo, Jake and Jessie. It is a priceless gift. Through all this life change though, I have realized how much St. Paul has meant to me. How much of my life was centered around God and this family of believers to share faith with. I MISS IT! I long for it. I am struggling without it. However, I know I will always have support. As I move forward and we establish our lives in Southeastern Indiana, the family of St. Paul will be there to help me with my transition. I pray God leads us to a faith family there - and soon!

My question to you is this: What is St. Paul Lutheran Church to you? This faith family is a gift just waiting for you to open it, experience it, be blessed by it. It wants to make your life better. Get involved, participate. It changes lives. It certainly changed mine and I thank God every day for that!

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**ALL - YOU - CAN - EAT - COUNTRY BREAKFAST:** St. John United Church of Christ - **Saturday, October 6, 2018** - 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Breakfast will consist of: Scrambled eggs, ham or sausage, biscuits and sausage gravy, pancakes, juice, and coffee. Cost: \$6.00 ages 11 and up \$3.00 ages 6 to 10 under 6 – Free

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## **Prayer Focus for October 2018 - The Power of Faith**

### **NO DOUBT**

**But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt**

**because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea,**

**blown and tossed by the wind. *James 1:6***

**Lord, rescue me from my sea of doubt and fear.**

**I have lived with uncertainty and suspicion for too**

**long. I don't want to be like an ocean wave that**

**is blown and tossed by the wind.**

**I ask that You quiet my stormy emotions and help**

**me believe that You will take care of me.**

**When I'm tempted to be cynical, help me choose**

**to step away from fear and closer to faith!**



## ANNIVERSARY NEWS

The closing of the 175th anniversary of our church will be on Sunday, October 21. There will be one service that day at 10:30 am followed by a dinner in the fellowship hall. Please invite your friends to join us on that special occasion.

### Menu to include:

Swiss Steak, Mashed potatoes, Vegetables, Salad, Rolls, Beverage & Dessert. A Free Will offering will be taken. The proceeds will be used for the Christmas gift program. The committee would like any photos taken for events this year to be given to Rick Simmons to be used for the service on October 21.

## **SWISS STEAK DINNER AFTER 10:30 CHURCH SERVICE– OCTOBER 21**



## **JEAN BAKER'S 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY – OCTOBER 14 – 3:00 – 500 P.M. AT INN AT NORTHWOOD , DOVER, OHIO**

**Oct. 12 is Jean's Birthday. Here's the address if you want to send a card:  
Jean Baker, Inn at Northwood, Suite 101, 5799 N Wooster, Dover OH 44622**



## **Food Pantry: October is our time to support the local food pantry.**

Please place your donations in the shopping cart in the narthex. The weeks are as follows:

**Week One** – Breakfast Food

**Week Two** – Canned foods

**Week Three** - Quick foods (i.e. cake mixes, macaroni and cheese, etc.)

**Week Four** - Paper products, laundry products, hand soap, dish soap, etc.

## **Looking ahead...**


November 19<sup>th</sup> will be final collection for the  
Shoebox Christmas gifts.

Start your shopping now to be ready.





# Month of October 2018

<b>SUN</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>TUES</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>THUR</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>SAT</b>
	<b>10/1</b>	<b>10/2</b>	<b>10/3</b>	<b>10/4</b>	<b>10/5</b>	<b>10/6</b>
	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.	Book Club 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	Worship Meeting 6:30 p.m.		
<b>10/7</b>	<b>10/8</b>	<b>10/9</b>	<b>10/10</b>	<b>10/11</b>	<b>10/12</b>	<b>10/13</b>
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m.		Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. Sonshine Meeting 10:00 a.m.			Property Meeting 9:00 a.m.
<b>10/14</b>	<b>10/15</b>	<b>10/16</b>	<b>10/17</b>	<b>10/18</b>	<b>10/19</b>	<b>10/20</b>
Worship & Communion 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m.	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m. Council 7:00 p.m.		Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	Community Meal 5-6:30 p.m. 		
<b>10/21</b>	<b>10/22</b>	<b>10/23</b>	<b>10/24</b>	<b>10/25</b>	<b>10/26</b>	<b>10/27</b>
Worship & Communion 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Anniversary Dinner	Yoga Class 9-10:00 a.m. Hall Usage-Lion's Club 6:30 pm	Prayer Chain update due  Newsletter Deadline	Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.			
<b>10/28</b>	<b>10/29</b>	<b>10/30</b>	<b>10/31</b>			
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