



Mission Statement Of St Paul Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit we will

REACH out to those in need

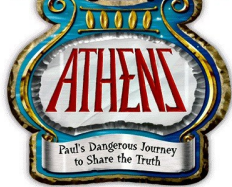
PREACH the Good News of Jesus Christ

TEACH the grace of a loving God

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June/July 2013

Coming July 2013



Defiance Community Vacation Bible School (DC-VBS)

JULY 8th-12, 6-8:30 pm
On the campus of Defiance College
Partnering
St. Paul Lutheran
St. Paul United Methodist
First Presbyterian,
and Zion Lutheran
in ministry to the youth of Defiance

ON LINE REGISTRATION
(for volunteers and youth)
HAS BEGUN!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK:

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/DCVBS/>

OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/defiancecommunity/gpgs/Home.aspx>

These links are also found on the St. Paul Facebook group and Facebook page.

(see page 11 for more information)

2013 Defiance High School Graduates

Anthony Martinez

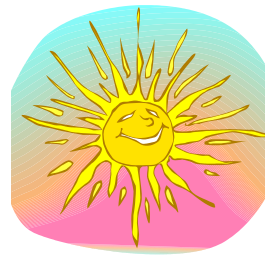
Ryan Voll

Robert Zeigler

Congratulations from your St. Paul family!

May God light your path
as you continue on your journey.

REMEMBER!



**Sunday
Worship
IS NOW AT
9:30 a.m.**

Mid-Week Worship on
**Wednesdays at
12:15 p.m. Eucharistic Service**

**7:00 p.m. Holden Evening Service
beginning Wednesday, June 5th.**

(Wednesday services are in Luther Hall)

Please come join us!

Take a break in the middle of the week to give
thanks to the Lord for all He has blessed you
with. ***The hall is air conditioned.***

Pastor: The Rev. David Brobston

WORSHIP: Sundays at 9:30 am

Wednesdays: Eucharist Service @ 12:15 p.m.

Holden Service @ 7:00 p.m.

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Simulcast on 102.7 FM

*From
Pastor Dave*



June-July 2013

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

I want to begin by saying thank you to the Bishop, our Council, to my family, and to the congregation for the wonderful celebration of my 20th Anniversary of Ordination. It was a wonderful celebration with a few surprises thrown in. Thank you to the folks in the congregation who took the time to stop and congratulate me or to send a card. Looking back on the last 20 years the words of Jimmy Buffett come to mind, "Some of it's magic, some of it's tragic but I've had a good life all the way."

What I hope to do in this month's article is highlight the Summer Worship Schedule at St. Paul. I also want to call special attention to the Wednesday Service of Holy Communion that happens each and every Wednesday throughout the year at 12:15 PM.

Sunday Mornings: Worship is at 9:30. This is our traditional worship service utilizing the Lutheran Book of Worship.

Wednesday Afternoon: On Wednesday afternoons at 12:15 we gather for a liturgy of Holy Communion. There are no hymns or singing. This service includes Confession and Forgiveness, Lessons, a short Sermon, the Creed, prayers, and Holy Communion. During the summer worship will be in Luther Hall

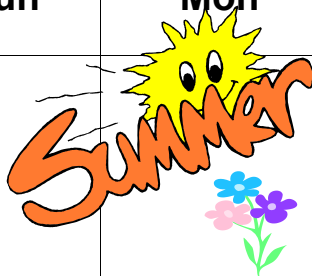



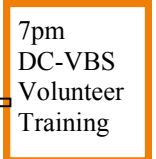
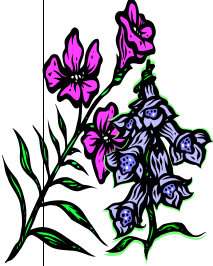
Wednesday Evening: Again on Wednesday evenings in the summer we will gather at 7:00 for Holden Evening Prayer. Luther Hall is also the location for this service. We will be using texts from Paul's Epistles as food for thought.

I hope to see many of you at our various worship opportunities throughout the summer.

In Christ
Pastor Dave +

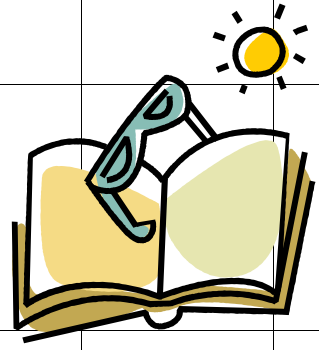
St. Paul Lutheran ~ June 2013

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:30 am worship/ Communion Food Pantry items collected	3	4	5 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 7:00 pm Holden Worship	6	7 1st Friday JLL Welcome!	8
9 9:30 am worship/ Communion Graduation Reception after service RECHARGE! After reception	10	11 9-2 Project Day	12 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 1 pm Martha Circle@ Mary Barnes/Hosted by Virginia Prucha 7:00 pm Holden Worship	13	14 	15
16 FATHER'S DAY 9:30 am worship/ Communion	17	18 Alpha Circle @ 9:30 am 6:45 pm Church Council Mtg.	19 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 7:00 pm Holden Worship	20	21  <i>Summer begins!</i>	22
23 9:30 am worship/ communion 1:30 pm Gentle Worship @ DC Hubbard Room	24 	25	26 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 7:00 pm Holden Worship	27 7pm DC-VBS Volunteer training @ DC Mandatory!! <i>All volunteers attend either 6/27 or 6/30. See Julie if you cannot.</i>	28	29 
30 9:30 am worship communion						

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> VBS Set-up week Can U volunteer??	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> Office is open 	<i>5</i> Office is closed in observation of the 4th.	<i>6</i>
<i>7</i> 9:30 am worship/ Communion Food pantry items collected	<i>8</i> <div style="border: 2px solid orange; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">DC-VBS 6-8:30 PM → ALL WEEK</div>	<i>9</i> 9-2 Project Day	<i>10</i> 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 1pm Martha Circle 7:00 pm Holden Service	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">DC-VBS FINALE Carnival 6-8:30 pm</div>	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> 9:30 am worship/ Communion RECHARGE!	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i> Alpha Circle @ 9:30 am * 6:45 pm Church Council Mtg.	<i>17</i> 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 7:00 pm Holden Service	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i> Rehearsal @	<i>20</i> wedding 2:30 pm Jacob Schultz & Lindsay Hannon
<i>21</i> 9:30 am worship/ Communion 1:30 pm Gentle Worship @ DC Hubbard Room	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 7:00 pm Holden Service	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> 9:30 am worship/ Communion Men's Retreat Planners meet	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 7:00 pm Holden Service			

SCHEDULES FOR JUNE & JULY 2013

LECTOR **JUNE:** **JULY:**
 Shirley Keller Jane Parker

GREETERS: JUNE
 02 Steve & Peggy Kammeyer
 09 Jim & Cathy Martin
 16 George & Ann Essex
 23 Joe & Teresa Hiler
 30 Steve & Peggy Kammeyer

JULY-all Sundays available

USHERS: JUNE
 02-09 Team 1, Bruce Griffith, Captain
 16-23 Team 2, Buggs Sierra, Captain
 30 Team 3, Ned Ewers, Captain

JULY
 07 Team 3, Ned Ewers, Captain
 14-21 Team 4, Dan Tuttle, Captain
 29 Team 1, Bruce Griffith, Captain

FLOWERS:
 JUNE
 02 Charlie & Dee Jewell
 09 Jim & Dianne Kline
 16 Al & Laurie Lucas
 23 Jean Gaskill
 30 Mary Frost, Esther Reimund, Fern Reimund

JULY
 07
 14
 21
 28

When you have flowers, please ask that days usher captain to remove them from the altar for you. Thank you.

BULLETINS: JUNE
 02 Mary Barnes
 09 Don & Carol Samuelson
 16 Joe & Teresa Hiler
 23 OPEN
 30 OPEN

JULY
 07
 14
 21
 28

AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT 2013

January -	131	April -	151
February -	213	May -	143
March -	228		

COMMUNION SET UP & PRESENTERS

JUNE : 02 Jason Frederick

JULY: 07 Jim Martin

ASSOCIATE DEACONS

JUNE: Jason Frederick

JULY: Jim Martin

If you would like to help with communion set-up, associate deacon, or be a lector, please contact Cathy Martin.

HOME COMMUNION DISTRIBUTORS

JUNE

Al & Dee King
 Jim & Cathy Martin
 Doug & Mary Davis
 Dyle & Eleanor Roth
 Chris Turner
 John & Mary Dale

JULY

Alex & Collette Knight
 Dan & Jane Tuttle
 Jim & Mary Ehlinger
 Mert Grogg
 Tim Moog
 Bill & Jane Parker
 Lowell & Sharon Ricker
 Mary Ann Iliff & Jan Sisco

Please call the church office or sign up on the sheets at the handicapped entrance if you would like to have altar flowers or bulletins on available dates.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2013

January	Income	\$ 16,984.95
	Expenses	\$ 26,199.94
	Total	(\$ 9,214.99)
February	Income	\$ 19,104.35
	Endow. fund	\$ 10,500.00
	Total Inc.	\$ 29,604.35
	Expenses	\$ 23,192.48
	Total	\$ 6,411.87
March	Income	\$26,852.22
	Expenses	\$20,375.65
	Total	\$ 6,476.57
April	Income	\$ 28,160.20
	Expenses	\$ 24,260.88
	Total	\$ 3,899.32
May	Income	\$
	Expenses	\$
	Total	\$

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DEFIANCE, OH 43512-2654

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Summer Worship Schedule

Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Mid-Week Worship

Wednesdays at
12:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

June-July
2013

Agencies Supported By St. Paul

Lutheran Home Society
Lutheran Social Services
LSS- Western Region Office
Filling Home
LOMO
Aya Secondary School- Dodoma Diocese,
ELC Tanzania
RAVENS
Project Share
Northwestern Ohio Synod
WELCA
Habitat for Humanity

2013 Church Council

President	Jim Martin
V. President	Jason Frederick
Treasurer	Denise Moog
Secretary	Nancy Krouse
Discipleship	Barbara Warncke
Trustees	David Iliff
Stewardship	Tim Moog

STAFF

NWO Bishop	Rev. Marcus Lohrmann
Pastor	Rev. David Brobston
Dir. of Youth & Family	Julie Sasseen
Secretary	Lynn Roth
Sexton	Jane Tuttle
Organist	Lori Schultz
Nursery Attendant	Kim Alvarado



June Birthdays

6/1 Diana Horzelski
 6/2 Kristen Fett
 6/3 Nick Beardsley
 Carl Fairchild Jr.
 Andrea Wardinski
 6/4 Lois Eis
 Jessica Seimet
 Laura Weaver
 Richard Yeager
 6/5 Randy Bond
 6/6 Rosemary Mehning
 6/7 Emily Plassman
 6/9 Kathryn Brashear
 6/10 Caitlin Flickinger
 Denver Roth
 6/11 Kristin Keirse
 Lois Oberhaus
 Wyatt Zachrich
 6/12 Dustin Parks
 6/14 Al Moll
 6/16 Jeanne Bond
 6/17 Claire Davis
 Riley Stack
 6/18 Ward Replogle
 Terri Ruyle
 6/19 Ned Ewers
 6/20 Charlotte Barnes
 Kevin Florence
 6/22 Pat Cooper
 6/25 Pam Florence
 Alberta Gilliam
 6/26 Eleanor Huner
 6/28 Wilma Seip
 Janis Thomas
 6/29 Teresa Hiler
 Craig Frisinger

July Birthdays

7/4 Martha Cooper
 7/5 Blake Davis
 Eric Wardinski
 7/6 Wes Brown
 Amy Huner
 Gaylord Proxmire
 7/7 Paul Seimet II
 Derek Turner
 7/8 Marge Slocum
 7/9 Rhonda Haviland
 Ashley Martin
 7/10 Theresa Bowen
 Gabriel Wilfong
 Kristen Zachrich
 7/11 Christine Korhn
 7/12 Dillon Bidlack
 7/13 Sarah Benien
 Kay Frost
 Matt Plassman
 7/14 Anthony Martinez
 7/16 Jennifer Call
 7/17 Megan Turner
 7/19 Jacob Huner
 Lane Bailey
 7/20 Trevin Flickinger
 Bill Mendenhall
 Carol Stephenson
 7/21 George Roth
 7/22 Yvonne Dale
 7/23 Conor Brobston
 7/25 Marilyn Mehning
 Russell Seip
 7/26 Cheryl Hahr
 7/27 Lauren Hill
 Hailee Keirse
 Maci McDowell
 Robin Small
 7/28 William Cooper
 Kylie Crawford
 7/29 Jalen Nelson

**June Anniversaries**

6/1 Al & Laurie Moll
 6/3 Al & Jennifer Maag
 6/4 Charles & Dee Jewell
 Steve & Terri Ruyle
 6/5 Alex & Collette Knight
 6/7 Bill & Phyllis Mendenhall
 6/9 James & Dianne Kline
 6/10 Tim & Robin Small
 6/15 Joseph & Teresa Hiler
 6/17 Doug & Mary Davis
 6/19 Richard & Sherry Yeager
 6/20 Harry & Cheryl Hahr
 6/23 Paul & Sharon Gearing
 Jeff & Cheryl Pfund
 Dave & Marge Slocum
 6/24 Pastor Dave & Kayly Brobston
 6/25 John & Mary Dale
 6/27 Richard & Rhonda Haviland
 6/27 Dillon & Keri Kochel
 6/28 Howard & Brenda Schultz
 6/30 Eric & Andrea Wardinski

July Anniversaries

7/2 Paul & Terry Seimet
 7/8 Wes & Connie Brown
 Barry & Lynn Roth
 7/9 Coit & Karin Black
 7/11 Jeff & Lisa Burrell

Help me keep our records accurate!!!!

If your birthday or anniversary is not here or is not correct

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 email @ stpauloffice@stpaulcadefiance.com

Thank you, Lynn

Thank You...

I would like to express my appreciation to you for your on-going support of our programs and services here in Western Region. Your contribution helps us to continue helping people in need in our communities.

Thank you again for thinking of us!

In His Services,

Nancy Berkheiser

Director, Western Region

I give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

I also give thanks to the very kind and loving people at St. Paul Lutheran Church for all your prayers, cards, visits, meals, and covering the office for me. Barry really liked the food! You are very kind to me and I love and appreciate each of you very much! Thank you.

May God bless each of you,

Lynn

Thanks again for the wonderful generosity of the St. Paul's membership to assist Inn-keepers in serving our guests. As always, we appreciate your thoughts and prayers for our members and guests.

Dick Anderson, Zion Lutheran Church

On behalf of the members of the Filling Home community I wish to thank you for your recent financial gift in support of our services.

Warmest regards in Christ,

Reverend Jerald K. Rayl

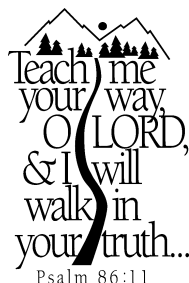
Director of Development and PR

Thank you so much for your generous gift to LSS in supporting our mission of helping others.

Sincerely,

Kyan Leal

Western Region Director



Assembly was a lot different than I expected it to be. I learned about a lot of wonderful things the church is doing. I saw many people we have helped through the medical mission in Tanzania, including one girl who has just come to the United States for surgery. I also got excited about Gentle Worship after experiencing it and watching St. Paul receive recognition for starting it. I would like to attend Gentle Worship the next time we do it. I hope to return to Synod

Assembly next year.

Alexandra Sasseen

A special and sincere thank you for all the cards, phone calls, and visits after my recent heart surgery. They all brought some much needed comfort on those days when there otherwise wasn't much comfort. Thank you again for keeping Cathy and me in your thoughts and prayers.

Special thanks to Pastor Dave for his time spent with us and the comforting words of encouragement.

Jim & Cathy Martin

Dear St. Paul Parish Ed.

Thank you for the medallions you presented to Jacob & Justin commemorating their First Communion. They look at them often and are very proud to show them to friends and family! We appreciate your ongoing love and support. Joe, Julie, Ryan, Jacob & Justin Voll

The collection taken up on Sunday, May 12th, to benefit the Quilting/ Project days was \$380.00.

We thank you so much for donating to the project. Nora Westrick and her quilters appreciate your generosity!



Our love and prayers go out to...

Prayer list information

Next time you're about to submit a request for inclusion on the prayer list please ask the following questions.

- 1 Did that person give permission to the office?
- 2 Does that person wish the information to be shared publicly?

If the answer to either question is "NO" your prayer request violates the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA).

If we do not have personal permission for inclusion we will only publish first names. *These are the guidelines from the ELCA provided at last Fall's Synod Conference meetings.*

Our love and prayers go out to...

Coit Black	LeAnn Bohn	Brad Brandt	
June Burke	Kenny Frost	Mary Frost	
Bernadine Fry	Roger Grogg	Kathy Hohenbrink	
Eleanor Huner	Ruth Johnson	Roger Lamb	
Tammy McCoy	Mary McMillen	Jodie Mellos	
Dani Merillat	Don Moore	J.T. Nusbaum	
Rob Plassman	Kenney Rakestraw	Esther Reimund	
Sandie Saxton	Marjorie Seifert	Margie Slocum	
Jackie Stone	Bishop NGowo	Al	
Alexis	Anne	Betty	Chris
Dean	Eric	Grace	Greg
JC	Jenny	Jerry	Jim
Jodi	John	Jon	Maddie
Marlene	Marty	Pat	Phyllis
Roland	Sally	Scott	Sheena
Steve	Thelma	Tim	

Those who are in nursing homes, assisted living and extended illnesses:

Delene Cooper, William Cooper, Alberta Gilliam, Marilyn Mehrling, Rachel Sontchi, Chiz Wahl, Valeda Welch

Members of the military in active service and their families. (For the complete list, please see the newsletter.) We are honored and pleased to pray for those in need. We do ask that persons asking for non members to be listed will keep us updated monthly.

Also, please be aware that the pastor and church office are not automatically notified of your admission to a hospital, due to the HIPPA laws. If your stay is a planned one please contact the church office or have a relative contact us. In some cases, even if you tell the hospital it is all right to contact us, it may not occur. You personally contacting the church office should be the primary way the message of your hospitalization reaches the pastor. Thanks for your help in this matter.

Please continue to raise our nation, its leaders, and our personnel "in harm's way" in your prayers. Let us not forget to pray for them and to thank God for His blessings. We, as Christians, should also witness God's love by praying for our enemies in all this. Keep in mind Christ died and was raised from the dead for them also and we were called in our Baptism to witness to all the world. We particularly commend the following who are members of our congregation:

Major Tamara Funari,

Daughter of Ron and Connie Allgire

Sgt. Kerry Schnitz,

Son of Larry and Cheryl Burroughs

We also remember in prayer those relatives of members.

St. Sgt. Mark Beck,

Son-in-law of Wayne Davis

Buck Sgt. Joshua T Bell, USAF,

nephew of Laurie Moll

Chief Petty Officer John (Russ) Dotts,

Son of Susan McDowell

Sgt. David Dunlap,

Grandson of Chuck & Jan Sisco.

SSG James Fluechtling,

Grandson of Mary Frost

USAF Jason Griffith,

Grandson of Howard and June Burke

USM 2nd Lt. Dustin Hughes,

Grandson of Norm and Barb Bibler

Sam Jennings,

Son-in-law of Roger and Mert Grogg

Master Sgt. Scott Koch,

Nephew of Charles and Dee Jewell

Sgt. Chad McDaniel,

Grandson of Norm and Barb Bibler

Carl Melton,

Nephew of Al and Dee King

Sgt. Kendra Oehlerich,

Granddaughter of Ray & Charlotte Warncke

OS2 Tim Rau,

Nephew of Joe and Theresa Hiler

SFC Frank Steed,

Step-brother of Pastor Dave

Sgt. Gaylord Proxmire III,

Son of Gaylord & Pat Proxmire

If you wish to send a card or note to any of our members in the service contact the church office for addresses. If you have address corrections for members in the military, please contact us. Thank you.

THRIVENT – JUNE/JULY 2013

Warm greetings to everyone as the summer temperatures have finally arrived. With summer comes scams of many kinds, we should all be alert and cautious when we are approached by someone or some company we do not know to stay safe. Help your family, neighbors and elderly friends understand and learn how to protect themselves. Keep a look out in your neighborhood and let the police know if you see something that just doesn't seem right.

Credit card theft and identity fraud are also a problem that sometimes increases during the summer. Thrivent offers several tips on their website that can help you worry a little less and keep yourself safer during your travels. Here are a few suggestions:

Pack less: You usually won't need all your favorite jewelry; just a few will do. Never take very expensive or valuable jewelry with you. Larger bags are more difficult to handle and may distract you and make you an easier target for thieves. And don't take every credit card with you—leave most of them at home. Also keep a copy of those card numbers written in a safe place at home. And put the phone numbers to call in a separate place in your luggage so you can call right away if you do have a lost or stolen card. You may want to keep your cards protected in a special protective wallet (RFID) so others can't scan your information in coffee shops, restaurants, crowded malls or airports.

Keep yourself protected while you are out sightseeing. Avoid carrying the very large purse with an open top or having your wallet stick out of your back pocket. Keep your valuables in your sight at all times if you are on the beach. These can be an easy target for the thieves.

Learn your surroundings. Do your homework before you leave and know where the local bank is located nearest to your hotel so you won't be caught driving around in search of an ATM late in the evening if your cash runs low. You can get maps online and check with the local Visitors Bureau or Chamber of Commerce for best and safest areas to stay.

When you get home, check your bank statements and credit card accounts to verify all purchases are your own. Check your credit report to make sure nothing unusual or fishy shows up.

Thrivent members are eligible for identity protection membership. You can learn more from your local representative or on the Thrivent website. They also have a checklist on what to do if you have had your identity stolen and names, phone numbers and websites for the three credit reporting agencies to contact.

Special congratulations to the new confirmands, Sheldon Harris, Kendra Perez and Alexandra Sasseen. A gift of a cross from Thrivent was presented to each of them.

Community Vacation Bible School is coming very soon and Julie can still use some help. This will be a great event and a fun time for the whole family. Let's join in and show our St. Paul spirit and have a wonderful turnout.

May you all have safe travels and summer activities you enjoy. May God watch over you and help you find relaxation and joy together. We will love to hear your stories when you join us in worship when you are home. Remember to look for those 'God sightings' as you visit others or go to new vacation places.

Thank you for your continued support of our Thrivent events.

Cathy Martin, Congregational Advocate
Thrivent for Lutherans

**St. Paul Lutheran:
Council Meeting Minutes May 21, 2013**

Attendance: Pastor Dave Brobston, Jim Martin, Nancy Krouse, Denise Moog,
Tim Moog, Dave Iliff, Jason Frederick, Barb Warncke.

Meeting called to order at 6:45pm. by Jim Martin.
Pr. Dave opened the meeting in prayer.

1. Pastor's Report:

For devotions, Pastor read from Luther's Spirituality.
God's love provides grace to strengthen us during aging.
Summer worship schedule will be, Sunday mornings at 9:30.
Wednesday service at 12:15, and beginning on June 5, 7:00pm Holden Service.
Our Gentle Worship service and donations to Tanzanian Hunger Relief were recognized at the Synod Assembly.
We will be welcoming Pr. Tamara Wood to speak occasionally as our supply pastor during Pastor Dave's vacation weekends.
Pastor suggests a long range task force on intentional evangelism to address the topics of planned giving and attendance.
Pastor Dave has been appointed to the LOMO Board-meeting June 17 in Columbus.
He has also been appointed to the NWOS Ecumenical Relations Board.
Special Offerings for the Oklahoma Tornado Disaster Fund will be gladly accepted during the month of June.
Pastor will be on vacation June 28-July 6, 2013.

2. Youth and Family Report:

Junior Luther League:
May 22, JLL met at St. John UCC to deliver food and pack back packs.
Meetings will resume again in the fall.
Plans are being made for monthly JLL events throughout the summer.
Mission: Defiance Community VBS; Planning is moving quickly. The website is up and running. Expenses are being split equally between all churches. Fliers have been sent home and registrations are coming in.
Stephen Ministry: Recruitment information is found in the May newsletter.
Parish Education: Sunday School has ended a low attendance year. A letter will be sent out regarding Rally Day and fall Sunday School.

3. Secretary's Report:

a. Minutes of the April 16, 2013 meeting were approved. **Tim / Dave**

St. Paul Lutheran:
Council Meeting Minutes May 21, 2013
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4. Treasurer's Report:

- a. Total Income April- \$ 28,160.20
- b. Total Expenses April- \$ 24,260.88
- c. We are **positive** for the month of April, +\$3,899.32

Tim/Barb

5. Discipleship Report:

- a. Deacons: No Report.
- b. Outreach:
 - 1) Char Flickinger joins Outreach Committee-Thanks Char!

6. Stewardship Report:

- a. No Report

7. Trustee Report:

- a. Building use requests: none currently requested.
- b. Oven in rental/Parker House is not working. Motion passed to buy a new oven.
Tim/Jason
- c. Air Conditioning in Lounge is not working. Calling to repair.
- d. Sealing the stone on the church, plans in progress.

8. Old Business:

- a. Sound System: organize a sound system team and electrical workers to run wires to shotgun mic and activate downstairs speakers.
- b. Contacting our sound system contractors to discuss, tuning wireless mics, hum, feedback, other tuning issues.

9. New Business:

- a. Development of an 'Employees Manual'.

10. For The Good of the Church:

- a. Grounds keeping Day: June 8, Sat. 9:00 am.
- b. Welcome to Mary Bonaventure visiting from Tanzania.
- c. Youth for Christ sends gratitude to our church for letting us use our space. They plan to resume meetings in our church next September.
- d. Celebration of Pastor Dave's 20th Anniversary of his Ordination, with Bishop Lohrmann, special music, a bagpiper, gifts and great food.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Tim/Jason

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

The next council meeting will be June 18, at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Krouse

Get ready to make the Bible come to life!



What children will learn at Athens VBS

Community VBS
2013 News

In Paul's tent making house, children learn what happened to Paul when he and a friend were thrown in prison, his escape from an angry mob, his commitment to Jesus and his further dangerous plans to share the truth. Paul also interacts with a member of the Athens Council, Dionysius who – as the voice of tolerance – thinks it doesn't matter what you believe. Dionysius actually becomes a believer after listening to Paul!

Day 1 – Paul and Silas are put in prison. Key Verse: "Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you."

Day 2 – An angry mob searches for Paul and Silas. Key Verse: "The Lord is for me, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me? "

Day 3 – Paul preaches about Jesus. Key verse: "For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

Day 4 – Paul continues his journey. Key Verse: "Just as I have loved you, you should love each other."

*SEEKING
volunteers to join
Paul's team. Play the
role of Paul or his
friends. Each day
you welcome kids in-
to your "home" for
Bible story time and
interactive fun and
games!*

Sponsor a Child for VBS 2013



Just \$10 per
child helps us
keep VBS free
by covering
the cost of our
family cook-
out and t-
shirts.

Thank you! Donate today, please
write "VBS" in the subject line of

Athens anyone? Here are items we need!

CRAFTS SUPPLIES

5 bags dried beans
200 small water bottles, 8-10 ounce size,
empty with lid
300 paper tubes
aluminum pie tins, any size
Masking tape, 1 roll regular tan
Masking tape, 15 rolls various colors
Duct tape, 1 roll traditional color
Wax paper, 2 rolls
Tempera paint, 1 quart each - red, yellow, green,
blue
Tacky glue, 15 bottles
Crayola Markers, 30 packages of assorted colors
Permanent markers, 30 various colors, medium
size tip (chisel)
Fabric markers, 2 packages of assorted colors
Bingo markers, 20 assorted colors
Calligraphy markers, 12
Calligraphy pens, tips and ink
Fine point sharpies, 30 various color
1 yard heavy canvas fabric
Plain cotton fabric
400 green pipe cleaners
Brown wrapping paper, 5 rolls
Straws, 300
Large beads
Lanyard lacing
Thin elastic (for beaded bracelets)
Copper or gold embossing foil from JoAnn
Fabrics, 3 packages
Shoe polish, 2 brown paste
Shoe polish, 2 black sponge applicator
Cardboard, cereal or gift box thickness
8 rolls of paper towels
8 baby wipes

FOOD SUPPLIES



DECORATION SUPPLIES

(to borrow)

10 Canopy style tents (will be set up in-
doors as photo above)
Wicker Baskets
Colorful blankets
Plain white sheets
Greek Flag
Greek or Roman themed items

WANTED!! VOLUNTEERS!!

Drivers

Cashier
Pricing Room Assistant

Driver's Helper

If you are interested in helping out, please contact:

Tom Hurst at 419-785-4456 at the Habitat for Humanity

ReStore or Charlie Jewell at 419-393-4421.

Hours are Wednesday-Friday starting at 9:00 am. to 5:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Any and all help is welcome!



**The Altar Flowers, Bulletins, and Greeters
sheets for July-December 2013 are now
posted outside the handicap entrance on
the bulletin board.**

Please sign up for your special date soon!

Thank you, Lynn

The next **FIRST FRIDAY's** event is **June 7th @ 6:30pm** at
St. Paul.

We'll make Chinese food,
try our hand at fortune cookies,
and enjoy watching
"Freaky Friday" (PG).

The movie's premise: Dr. Tess Coleman and her 15 year-old daughter, Anna, are not getting along. They don't see eye-to-eye on clothes, hair, music, and certainly not in each other's taste in men. One Thursday evening, their disagreements reach a fever pitch and everything soon changes when two identical Chinese Fortune Cookies cause a little mystic mayhem.

YOUTH/JLL are welcomed and all are encouraged. Plan now to attend.
RSVP to Collette Knight @ 419-956-2412 by June 5th!

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S OWNERSHIP

One morning before Sunday school, a mother gave her little boy two quarters. "This one is for God," she said, "and this one is for you." As he walked to Sunday school, the little boy played with his money (as little boys are apt to do) and his money came tumbling out of his pocket, with one quarter landing at his feet and the other one going down the sewer drain. Perplexed over this turn of events, the little boy came to a decision about what he would do. "Sorry, God," he said. "There goes your quarter."

This story probably makes us smile. However, are we still smiling when we face similar choices in our daily lives as the boy just made? For example, when we receive our earnings for the work that we do, we must decide how much we will give to God and how much we will keep for ourselves. The boy didn't think that God deserved his quarter or, at least, that he deserved it more! Do we believe that we should be returning to God a generous portion of the money He has given us? To find out how we answered that question, we can look at our checkbooks. Our checkbooks will tell us what we really love and what is important to us. "Follow the money," as the popular saying goes.

When we cling to earthly wealth, we ask, "What do I have?" When we aspire to serve the Lord, we ask, "What can I give?" As God's children, we don't hoard treasures, but rather we willingly seek ways to share God's blessings with others. As we do so, we are given the assurance that God has given us "*moneybags that do not grow old*" and a "*treasure in the heavens that do not fail*" (Luke 12:33)

Jesus says, "***Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also***" (Matthew 6:21). What is more important to you? Does your treasure lie in the temporary wealth of this world or the eternal inheritance of God? It really is an "either/or" situation. Either we think we are the owners of al. that we have, and, therefore, we owe God nothing, or we acknowledge that everything we are and have comes from His gracious hand. There is no middle way!