



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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November 2013



Set clocks back
1 hour at 2am
on Sunday,
November 3rd!

Fall Back

*Come Ye Thankful People
to the 4th Annual*

Community Thanksgiving Eve Service

*Join together with friends and neighbors of
our downtown churches,
here at St. Paul Lutheran Church,
Wed. November 27th at 7 pm
Looking for volunteers
to bake and donate cookies
to be served along with fellowship
after the service*



The Annual Budget and Elections Meeting Sunday, November 17, 2013

At this meeting we will vote on the 2014 Church budget and elect our 2014 Church Council. It would be great if every voting member of the congregation would attend the Worship service on this day.

See proposed budget in this newsletter on page 9.



Pastor: The Rev. David Brobston
WORSHIP: Sunday School at 9:00 am
Worship/Communion at 10:00 am
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GET TO KNOW OUR NEW PRESIDING BISHOP



+Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

- Native of Cleveland, Ohio
- Bishop of Northeastern Ohio Synod
- +Bp. Eaton is a graduate of Harvard Divinity School and the College of Wooster. Her husband, the Rev. Conrad Selnick, is an Episcopal priest.

Some quotes from recent interviews:

A few quotes of note:

"We say we depend upon God," she said. "Now we are being tested to see if we really believe that. Are we engaged in prayer in this? Do we believe that if it's God's will to raise up a Lutheran witness to the gospel, then it's going to happen?"

"You've heard of people who are spiritual but not religious? I would describe myself as religious but not spiritual," she said. Her goal, she said, is to learn to let go and let God work through her, which is what she believes congregations need to do as well.

"The ELCA is already calling its congregations to be missionaries to their neighborhoods, but that doesn't mean acting as if the church has all the answers"

"We need to go out and meet our neighbors and listen to them about what's going on in their lives. Tell us about the God you believe in or don't believe in."

When her college-age nephew told her that he didn't believe in God, she asked him to describe the God he didn't believe in, she said. After listening to his description of a wrathful, anti-science, anti-intellectual deity, she told him, "I don't believe in that God either." We got to the point where I was able to say this is the God I believe in, this is why Jesus makes sense in my life."

A FEW THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR

It has been a while since I have uttered the phrase, "I am excited about the Church." I, like many, have been discouraged for these past few years about being the Church. External criticisms, internal divisions, people leaving, sides being chosen. It's been a difficult few years to get excited about the Church. Mind you, not faith in God – but about what it means to be in the Church.

I am happy to say that these past few weeks I have been excited about where God is leading this outpouring of his Body, about the change that is afoot, about the new Spirit that seems to be moving. In meetings with brother and sister pastors, in conversations with folks spread throughout the ELCA I sense an excitement that I have not felt in years. I have felt walls of uncertainty begin to be taken down, I have felt a renewed zeal for mission and ministry. I am excited about the Church.

+Bp Eaton will begin her duties as Presiding Bishop on 01November. I would ask that you join me on that day and the days following to keep her in your prayers. We never know what our prayers mean to another. A friend of mine tells the story of going through a struggle in ministry. As he was visiting a member who was just coming out of a coma after a car accident the patient asked, "Pastor, how are you and how are things at church?" The pastor was honest with his struggles and that it seemed like the momentum at the congregation has slowed down. The member smiled, reached out and touched his hand and said, "Pastor, thank you and everyone for their prayers for me – but now it's time for me to do the job God has called me to do.

The Pastor was a bit puzzled when the person said, "My call is to pray for you, by name every day. My call is to pray specifically for one area of our ministry every day. Since the accident I haven't been able to do that, but it's time again."

Nothing we do happens without prayer folks. Nothing we do is of our own making. We must be a church, a congregation that is undergirded in prayer. The First Sunday in Advent starts a new liturgical year... may it be a year of prayer for all of us.

***In Christ
Pastor +***

St. Paul Lutheran: Council Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2013

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

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm. by Jim Martin.

Pr. Dave opened the meeting by reading Luther's Letters, concerning the 'Simple Way to Pray';
The 10 Commandments, the Apostle's Creed, Psalms, The Lord's Prayer.

Pastor's Report:

- a. Pastor's Sunday School Class is focusing on Current Events and WIGIAT (where is God in all that). Please join in.
- b. Pastor is offering a study of the Greek language on Sunday evenings, Wednesday evening Catechism and Wednesday noon Eucharist.
- c. Fall Stewardship Meeting: Mission Support Connector. Our Conference cluster will gather at St. Paul's on Sunday, October 20, from 6:00pm-8:00pm. for our annual stewardship consultation. Please join in for a video presentation, finger food, and coffee.
- d. Reformation Day Events: Sunday, October 27. Please wear red.
- e. Pastor will be going to Continuing Education Classes November 4-7, in Pittsburg. The study will concern Transitional Ministry.
- f. Pastor will be out of the office November 12-16 to celebrate family events.
- g. Sunday, November 17, after service, is our annual budget and elections meeting.
- h. St. Paul's will be hosting a community Thanksgiving Eve Service again this year.
- i. Pastor reports that Sept. and Oct. have been busy with funerals and hospital visits.

Youth and Family Report:

- a. Junior Luther League: Attended an Anti-Bullying event at Defiance College and Leader's Corn Maze in addition to weekly meetings.
- b. Mission: Recharge (formerly CRHP) Fall Fundraisers: Apple dumpling orders are on sale now. There will also be caramel and plain popcorn and hot cocoa sold, under the awning at the handicapped entrance, during the Halloween Parade.
- c. Parish Education: Quarterly Bible School Classes have been scheduled. These evening classes will offer our youth an in depth look at Bible stories or concepts. The dates are:
 - Wed. November 20-Advent Bible School
 - Wed. February 19-Grace Bible School
 - Wed. April 9-Easter Bible School
- d. Stephen Ministry: There will be a new Stephen Ministry class. The three new members are building a class schedule and welcome any more who are interested. There are three trained Stephen Ministers who are ready to take a referral.
- e. High School Youth Group: This group will begin meeting the second Wednesday of each month from 6:15-7:15, and will be led by Stacy Barker. There will be a joint meal with the JLL. Julie is asking for parents and other volunteers to help provide meals.
- f. Living on the E.D.G.E.: This is the name of our new youth newsletter. It is the youth outreach to families and church members to keep all interested and involved. This monthly newsletter is written by Stacy Barker, Julie, Pastor Dave with youth contributions. Please let the office know if we missed you or you just want a copy!
- g. F.Y.I. : Slime Time : The Defiance Community Churches are offering a Halloween alternative Sunday, Nov. 2, at St. Paul United Methodist Church. The event will include carnival games, crafts and snacks to all in the Defiance, Ayersville, and Tinora communities. Please contact Julie if you want to help donate items for the event.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the September 17, 2013 meeting were approved.

Dave/Tim

Treasurer's Report:

- a. Total Income September -\$24,827.93
- b. Total Expenses September-\$26,124.99
- c. We are negative for the month of September, -\$1,297.06 Tim/Jason

Discipleship Report:

- a. Deacons: No Report.
- b. Outreach: No Report
- c. Stewardship Report:
 - a. The Mission Festival was a success. Thanks to all who helped.
 - b. October 19th , 9:00am, Fall Grounds keeping Day at the church. (weather permitting)
 - c. The Annual Budget and Elections Meeting will be November 17, directly following church services.

Trustee Report:

- a. The sealing of the exterior stone on the church is 2/3 completed. This was completed by \$2000.00 in special giving and matching funds from the service guild. Thank you to all who helped with this project.
- b. There are still more building maintenance projects that need to be funded and completed. We still need to finish sealing the remainder of the stone, work on water leaks in the back kitchen entrance, and begin tuck-point work on the brick exterior of the church. We also need to be aware of moisture leaking into our stained glass windows. We are considering using special giving envelopes so our congregation can earmark money for building projects.
- c. A mason is being contacted regarding tuck-point estimates.
- d. Three new trees have been planted near our parking lot by the city. There are three more to come.

Old Business:

- a. The Bishop's Fall Conference is October 16 at New Creation Lutheran in Ottawa.
- b. The Mission Support Connector meeting is October 20 at St. Paul, Defiance.
- c. The Budget and Elections Meeting is November 17, immediately following service.

New Business:

- a. The 2014 budget was discussed and approved by council. Jason/Denise
- b. The St. Paul Employee Handbook was voted and approved by council. It will become effective January 1, 2014. Tim/Jason
- c. The draft of the church secretary's job description was reviewed and discussed.
- d. The Nominating Committee is still looking for candidates. Please prayerfully consider serving when they call.

For The Good of the Church:

- a. We will be scheduling a meeting with the Endowment Committee to discuss ongoing projects in 2014.
- b. Thank you to all who have given to help with the building projects.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Jason/Jim

Adjournment with the Lord's Prayer

The next council meeting will be November 19, at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Krouse

SCHEDULES FOR NOVEMBER 2013

LECTOR: Marge Slocum

USHERS: 03 Team 4, Dan Tuttle, Captain
10 Team 4, Dan Tuttle, Captain
17 Team 1, Bruce Griffith, Captain
24 Team 1, Bruce Griffith, Captain

FLOWERS: 03 Rog & Mert Grogg
10 Phil & Pat Fogt
17 Phil & Pat Fogt
24 John & Evey Boesling

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

BULLETINS: 03 Barb Warncke
10 Mary Geiger
17 Glen & Mary Vogel
24 Mike & Lynne Rittenour

COMMUNION SERVERS:
03 Jason Frederick, Jim & Cathy Martin
10 Jim Kline
17 Jim Martin
24 Cathy Martin

GREETERS: 03 Barb Warncke
10 Barb Warncke
17 John & Mary Dale
24 Phil & Pat Fogt

LAY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTORS:

Jim & Mary Ehlinger
Mert Grogg
Mary Ann Iliff & Jan Sisco
Tim Moog
Bill & Jane Parker
Lowell & Sharon Ricker
Don & Carol Samuelson
Dan & Jane Tuttle

ACCOLYTES

03 Kaylee Brashear, Caroline Turner
10 Emma Fedderke
17 Joe Melia
24 Kaylee Brashear, Lauren Melia

CRUCIFERS:

Mark Barrett
Julia Yeager

AVG WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT 2013

January - 131	April - 151
February - 213	May - 143
March - 228	June - 134
July - 119	August - 138
September - 127	October - 148
November -	December -

FINANCIAL REPORT 2013

January	Income	\$ 16,984.95
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 26,199.94</u>
	Total	(\$ 9,214.99)
February	Income	\$ 19,104.35
	Endow. fund	\$ 10,500.00
	Total Inc.	\$ 29,604.35
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 23,192.48</u>
	Total	\$ 6,411.87
March	Income	\$ 26,852.22
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 20,375.65</u>
	Total	\$ 6,476.57
April	Income	\$ 28,160.20
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 24,260.88</u>
	Total	\$ 3,899.32
May	Income	\$ 17,046.75
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 19,507.73</u>
Neg.	Total	(\$ 2,460.98)
June	Income	\$ 22,503.15
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 21,191.72</u>
	Total	\$ 1,311.43
July	Income	\$ 14,944.12
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 20,027.70</u>
	Total	(\$ 5,083.58)
August	Income	\$ 21,358.57
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 20,400.57</u>
	Total	\$ 958.00
September	Income	\$ 24,827.93
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>(\$ 26,124.99)</u>
	Total	(\$ 1,297.06)



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671 CLINTON STREET
DEFIANCE, OH 43512-2654

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Sunday School
for all ages

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STAFF

Presiding Bishop	Rev. Elizabeth Eaton
NWO Bishop	Rev. Marcus Lohrmann
Pastor	Rev. David Brobston
Dir. of Youth & Family	Julie Sasseeen
Secretary	Lynn Roth
Sexton	Jane Tuttle
Organist	Lori Schultz
Music Director	Jeremy Davis
Nursery Attendant	Kim Alvarado

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



November

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

11/1 Karen Stack
 11/2 Brad Brandt
 Amy Grogg
 Brock McDowell
 Grant Miller
 11/4 Kristy Proudfit
 Dyle Roth
 11/5 Denise Moog
 11/6 Fran Brown
 Lisa Eberly
 Dianne Kline
 11/8 Shauna Beardsley
 Lindi McBride
 Lynn Miller
 Nancy Plassman
 Destiny Woodward
 11/9 Caleb Crawford
 Matt Haviland
 Mary Vogel
 11/10 Jeff Fogt
 11/11 Riley Cooper
 Pat Proxmire
 11/12 Mary Bennett
 Alayna Yarger
 11/14 Phillip Block
 Brandon Glock
 11/15 Jeannine Diemer
 Jackson Replogle
 11/17 Stan Hartzell
 Jane Tuttle
 Steven Ziegler
 11/19 Zach Huner
 11/21 Andrea Hancock
 11/22 Melissa Melia
 Tim Moog
 Steven Rittenour
 11/25 Deb Hancock
 Bonnie Wilfong
 11/26 Ron Childress
 Amy Von Deylen
 James Yeager
 11/29 Pauline Cordray

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

11/05 James & Yvonne Yeager
 11/11 Jay & Joanie Woodward
 11/12 Dennis & Julie Steele
 11/13 Kevin & Brandee Florence
 11/17 Phil & Pat Fogt
 11/20 Rog & Mert Grogg
 11/23 John & Evey Boesling
 William & Nora Westrick
 11/24 Larry & Kris Heilman
 11/29 Tim & Denise Moog

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARY:

11/01 Kim Alvarado
 11/03 Joe Melia
 11/04 Adelia Engel
 11/05 Hailee Keirse
 11/08 Tyler Bauer
 11/09 Lisa Eberly
 Cody Harris
 11/10 Cathy Martin
 11/11 Harry Brown
 Jennifer Maag
 Andrew Plassman
 Wyatt Zachrich
 11/14 William Smith
 11/15 Stacy Brashear
 Sarah Gutman
 Shirley Keller
 Rob Plassman
 11/17 Carrie Fedderke
 11/18 Lisa Burrell
 11/19 Jim Ricker
 11/20 Richard Grunden
 Patty Proxmire
 11/21 Lucille Erbskorn
 11/22 Lindsey Bailey
 Jason Woods
 11/23 Don Samuelson
 11/27 Kristy Proudfit
 11/28 Calib Brashear
 11/29 Kamron Debina
 Josie Maag

CONFIRMATION ANNIVERSARY:

11/01 Brenda Leonard
 11/10 Cathy Martin
 11/11 Harry Brown
 11/24 Dan Tuttle

Help me keep our records accurate!!!!

If your birthday or anniversary is not here or is not correct **PLEASE** let me know 419-782-5771 or stpauloffice@stpaulcadedefiance.com
Thanks, Lynn



Prayer list information

Next time you're about to submit a request for inclusion on the prayer list please ask the following questions. Did that person give permission to the office? 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	
Lonnie Budd	June Burke	Kenny Frost	
Mary Frost	Bernadine Fry	Roger Grogg	
Kathy Hohenbrink	Eleanor Huner	Ruth Johnson	
Al King	Roger Lamb	Tammy McCoy	
Mary McMillen	Jodie Mellos	Don Moore	
J.T. Nusbaum	Rob Plassman	Esther Reimund	
Sandie Saxton	Marjorie Seifert	Margie Slocum	
Jackie Stone	Bishop NGowo	Alexis Alice	
Anne	Betty	Carol	Cassie
Chris	Dean	Doug	Eric
Gabrielle	Glen	Grace	Greg
Jerry	Jim	Jodi	John
Jon	Les	Maddie	Marlene
Marty	Pat	Phyllis	Roland
Sally	Scott	Sheena	Steve
Sue	Thelma	Tim	Zoey

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

Delene Cooper, William Cooper, Alberta Gilliam,
Marilyn Mehring, Rachel Sontchi,

Members of the military in active service and their families.

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 the entire 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) Dodt,

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

PFC E-3 Cole Jennings,

Grandson 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.

BETA CIRCLE

On Monday, November 4th, at 9:00 am, there will be a WELCA board meeting for the officers and the circle leaders held in the church lounge.

Jane Parker - W.E.L.C.A. President

Other BETA CIRCLE news:

1:00 pm November 18th @ home of Susan McDowell

11:30 am December 9th—Christmas Luncheon

W.E.L.C.A.

Just a reminder, our Thank Offering collection will be on Sunday, November 17th. The monies will be divided between Lutheran Social Services (Western Office) and the Filling Home in Napoleon. Your donations will be collected and brought forward during the church service.

Thank You...

Once again, we at Zion's Innkeepers are overwhelmed with your generous contribution for our guests. they are appreciative and often let us know with words and smiles. while we are a small part of serving their daily needs, they depend on Zion's to fulfill these needs. St. Paul's remains in our prayers.

Dick Anderson



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE
DOWNTOWN CHURCHES PARTICIPATING

ALL ARE WELCOME!

NOVEMBER 27TH AT 7:00 PM
LET US WORSHIP TOGETHER

All Saints Day Observance

Today we will remember during the prayers the lives of our members of this congregation who have died since our last

All Saints Day Observance 2012.

Floyd Melia	December 18, 2012
William Maass	December 27, 2012
Charles Wahl	June 30, 2013
Valeda Welch	September 11, 2013
Marilyn Jeanne Kuhn	September 12, 2013

We also remember those who are part of the extended family of our congregation.

We also celebrate those with new life in Christ through baptism as of All Saints Day Observance 2012...

Wyatt Zachrich	November 11, 2012
Piper Parks	December 1, 2012
Isaac Davis	March 27, 2013
Zacharia Knight	April 14, 2013
Mollie Roberts	April 21, 2013
Rorey Garces	June 16, 2013
Ella Suderman	August 11, 2013
Aubree Hartzell	August 18, 2013
Cameron Bowen	October 20, 2013



Memorials



In Memory of Valeda Welch
Service Guild Fund

Mr. & Mrs. Wally Westrick

In Memory of Jeanne Kuhn
Endowment Fund

Mr. & Mrs. John Boesling



Christmas Program Practice

STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY

NOVEMBER 6th

6:00-6:45 pm

***Come on out!!!
Get your part, your script,
your music!***

Lisa Beardsley will be directing the program.

***The practice schedule is:
Wed. November 6th 6-6:45
Wed. November 13th, 6-6:45
REMAINING TIMES TBA!***

***ALSO kids will be working on the music and lines
in Sunday school.***

***So your efforts to have them here are
GREATLY APPRECIATED!***

***The program will be
December 22ndth during
worship at 10:15 am.***

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN NEWSLETTER

Proposed 2014 Budget as approved by Church Council		
	Budget 2013	Budget 2014
Salaries:		
Pastor	\$46,000	\$ 46,000
Youth & Family	\$14,100	\$ 14,100
Secretary	\$20,000	\$ 20,000
Custodian	\$16,000	\$ 16,000
Organist	\$17,620	\$ 17,620
Choir	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200
Nursery Attendant	\$ 1,470	\$ 1,470
Supply/Temp Help	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Allowances:		
Pastor:		
Housing	\$20,000	\$ 20,000
Auto	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500
Cont. Ed.	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Pension & Health	\$30,822	\$ 28,908
Continuing Ed Youth & Family	\$ 500	\$ 500
Benevolences:		
ELCA (Mission)	\$ 6,000	\$ 7,500
Filling Home	\$ 750	\$ 750
Ravens	\$ 750	\$ 750
LSS	\$ 3,800	\$ 2,000
Lutheran Home	\$ 300	\$ 300
Habitat for Humanity	\$ 670	\$ 670
Defiance Area Hospice	\$ 600	\$ 600
Local Outreach	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Christ Renews His Parish	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,000
Utilities:		
Natural Gas	\$12,500	\$ 10,000
Electricity	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Water	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Phone	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,000
Other Utilities		
General Expenses: General Expenses:		
Custodial Supplies	\$ 800	\$ 800
Maintenance	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Office Supplies & Equip.	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,250
Music	\$ 200	\$ 200
SS/Parish Ed.	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,000
Postage	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
Church Supplies	\$ 5,500	\$ 4,500
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,400	\$ 2,500
Youth Ministry	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Capital Improvements	\$12,000	\$ 20,000
Taxes/Insurance:		
Payroll	\$ 5,400	\$ 6,000
Workers Comp.	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,200
Real Estate	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,500
Property/Liability	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Loan:		
Mortgage Expense	\$21,877	\$ 0
Totals	\$295,659	\$275,818

A High School Youth Group
WILL begin

on Wednesday, November 13th
from 6:15 pm-7:15 pm

High school youth we invite you to come have dinner on the
2nd Wednesday of each month.

Eat. Talk. Leave to do homework by 7:15 pm.

This group will be led by Stacy Barker.

Parents and/or congregation volunteers will take turns providing dinner. This meal will also be offered to JLL and Confirmation youth although those groups will meet in separate areas. If you can help provide a meal for approximately 20 people, please contact Julie Sasseen.

A volunteer has already signed up for November!

Please continue to pray for this and all ministries of St. Paul.

JLL UPCOMING EVENTS:

Calling all JLL and Confirmation Youth!

November 17th we will go Roller-skating!!
details TBA.

November 19th we will attend the NOCAC Hunger Banquet where we will learn more about hunger and poverty in Northwest Ohio.

We will meet at 5:15 at the UAW Hall, Baltimore Road.

This event ends at 8 pm.

November 20th we will help with and participate in the Anticipating Advent event.

THRIVENT - November 2013

I don't know about you, but I don't think November should be here yet. Commercial businesses and television commercials rush the seasons and when it comes to November, they are putting out the Christmas decorations (if they haven't already gotten them on the shelves) and making us feel we are on the fast track to the end of the year. I want to slow down the activities and take the time to think about the change of seasons. I love the fall colors but I'm not ready to wear winter clothing even though the temperatures are getting very



chilly. The rustle of leaves, the taste of pumpkin foods and apple cider, the smells of spice filled cookies and pies are all part of the joys of this fall season. No matter how busy we are, it is important to keep in touch with those who mean the most to us. Make the time to touch base with your close family and friends. And make the effort to keep your prayer time a part of each day. Like a recent email I received said, 'God is the one person you can call on and not get an answering machine or His voicemail. He is ready to listen whenever we call.' As Pastor Dave told us recently in his sermon on Samuel, we should listen for His calls.

The Mission Festival Dinner was delicious and we had a good time for a good cause. Thanks to Tim and Denise Moog, Jane Tuttle, Jim and Mary Ehlinger, Tim and Cheryl Rosebrock and everyone who helped for such a good job. The recipients will be grateful for all your donations.

November brings elections for our new Council at St. Paul for next year. I hope each of you who have been asked to serve will take the time to consider prayerfully helping fill the positions on the ballot. It is also time to vote for your national Thrivent board of directors. All benefit members can select three candidates—fellow members from around the country who are elected to lead and govern this membership-owned organization. You should cast your vote between now and November 30 by voting online or via the paper ballot that was mailed to you. You can return the ballot or scan the QR Code. You can learn more about the candidates and the board election process by checking the details on the Thrivent website.

May you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday, enjoy the time with those who are an important part of your life, and be thankful for the many blessings God has brought to each of our lives.

God bless you all,
Cathy Martin,
Thrivent Congregational Advocate

Tuesday
November 19, 2013

5:30-8 p.m.

UAW Hall, Baltimore Road
Defiance, Ohio

Tickets*: \$10.00 Adults

\$5.00 Students & children 12 and
under

* Meal and beverage provided

SAVE THE DATE!



Presents.....
THE HUNGER BANQUET
*An evening to expand the under-
standing of and provide illustrative
experiences about hunger, food
insecurity and poverty in
Northwest Ohio.*

Facts.....

Ohio is the 10th worst State in our nation for
"food insecurity.

☐ Ten years ago 29 States had larger num-
bers of residents that were suffering over-all
food insecurity than Ohio, Now only 9 do!

☐ The percentage of families forced to
skip meals, eat less or unable to afford
nutritious meals has grown more in Ohio
over the past 10 years than all, but two other
States.

☐ Like the families they serve, food
pantries are feeling the pinch as hunger be-
comes more prevalent in middle-class and
even affluent areas where many
continue struggling to get back on their feet
after the recession, even if they
have a job.



For more information about NOCAC or this
event please visit us on the web at
www.nocac.org

The Filling Homes Women's Guild presents

The 9th Annual Filling Fall Fling

November 2, 2012

11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

**N160 State Route 108
(2 miles south of Napoleon on SR 108)
Come enjoy lunch or take out!**

For more information:

419-592-6451, ext. 1236

www.fillinghome.org

**Proceeds to support Filling Homes services
to persons with developmental disabilities**

Free Admission-Freewill Offering Accepted!

When you think of 12 ... what comes to mind? The disciples? A Dozen? Eggs perhaps? Well, since Rally Day the combined giving of ALL Sunday School participants resulted in the donation and support of 12 units of chicks. Weekly we have reminded our youth that their giving helps to send chickens to children/families all over the world. These chickens will lay eggs for people to eat, cook or bake. Extra eggs can allow a family to start a small business by selling them for additional income. We are extremely proud to provide this opportunity for Outreach and Global Awareness. To celebrate, a Noisy Offering will be collected on October 27th. It is our hope to be able to support the purchase/donation of Honey bees. Lastly, the November-December Sunday School offering Collection will go to support a SHARE of a Cow.



*Calling all of St. Paul!!
Come take an adventure
through the Christmas story to begin your Advent!
You are invited to*

*Anticipating Advent
Wednesday, November 20th
6-8:00 pm.*

*We begin with a soup supper at 6.
Then at 6:30 we will be welcomed into the Christmas story
by costumed guides.*

*Come hear from Mary about her trip to Bethlehem,
Hear from the shepherds how they found out the news of Christ's birth,
and learn from the Wise Men about their search for the Christ Child.
The evening will end with the making of an Advent Wreath.*

THIS EVENT IS FOR ALL!!!!

*Let's see what happens at St. Paul when we light a home advent wreath
this season and take time each day to prepare to receive the Christ child.*

RSVP IS MANDATORY

*or your advent wreath supplies cannot be guaranteed.
Please call the church office or Julie Sasseen*



4th Annual APPLE DUMPLING Sale!

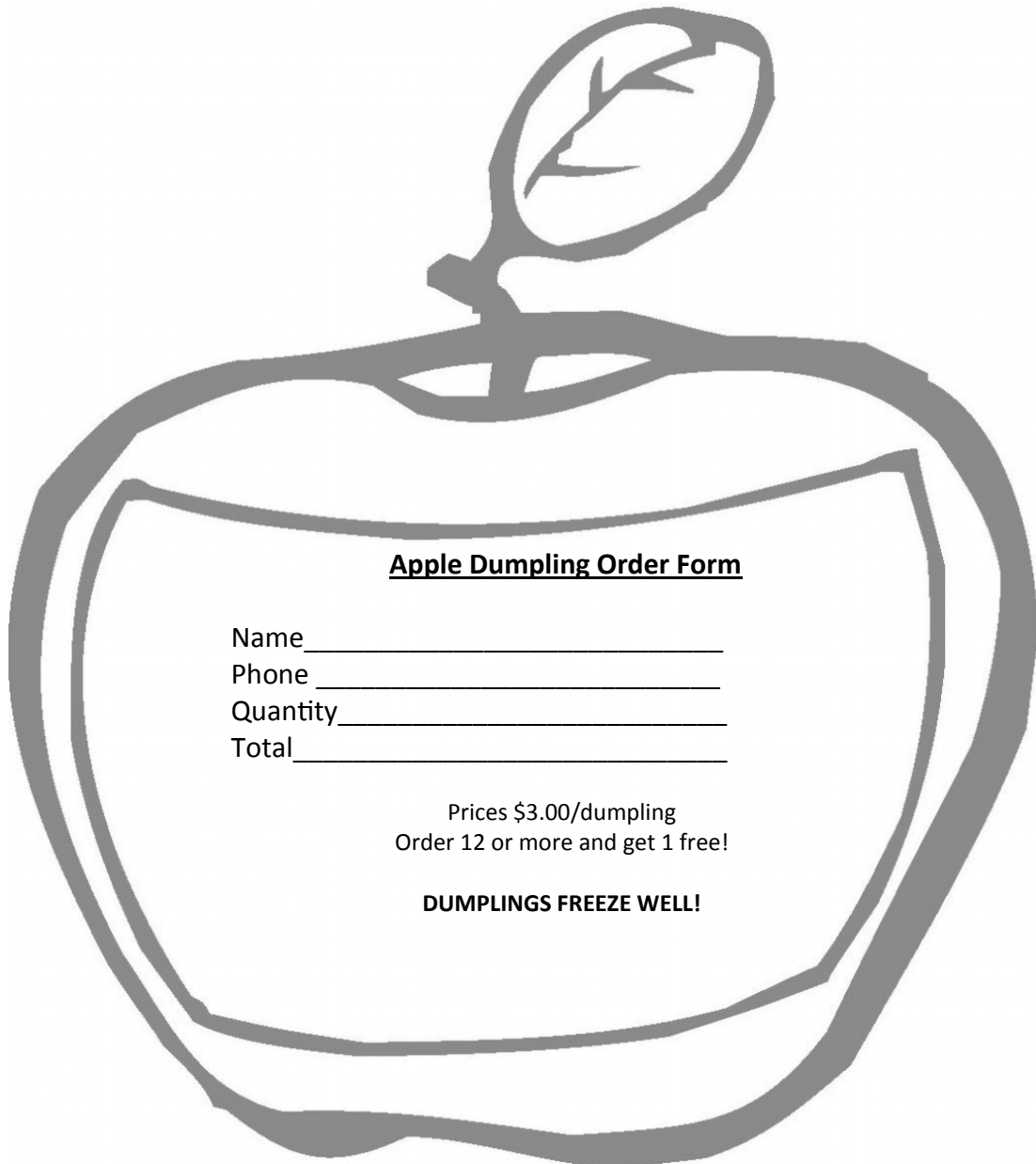
**to fund the Recharge Retreats...
(formerly CRHP)**

Don't delay!

***Order your homemade Apple Dumplings now
and they will be ready for pick-up on
November 10th!***

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!

Please share this order form with friends and neighbors!



Apple Dumpling Order Form

Name _____

Phone _____

Quantity _____

Total _____

Prices \$3.00/dumpling
Order 12 or more and get 1 free!

DUMPLINGS FREEZE WELL!



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Kids of all ages are invited to celebrate FALL with a night of slimy fun for the whole family!

This **Halloween alternative** festival is full of games, lots of sticky slime, science experiments and a wonderful positive message.

Dress up and join the fun 6 to 8 p.m.

*This is a FREE family fun community event.
Sponsored by Defiance Community VBS Churches.*

Register online at www.defiancestpauls.com

St. Paul's UMC – 400 Wayne Avenue – Defiance
419.782.3751 / 419.618.5582
defiancecommunityvbs@gmail.com

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! COMING SOON!!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
set clocks back 1 hour at 2am! 	Thanksgiving				1	2 Slime Time 6-8 (pg. 16)
03 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/comm. Food Pantry items collected	4 WELCA Board Meeting	5	6 12:15 pm Eucharistic Service 6-6:45 Christmas Prg. practice 6:45-7:30 JLL/Conf. 7:00 pm Choir Practice	7	8	9 Apple Dumpling Bake
10 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/comm. RECHARGE meeting Apple Dump- ling Pickup	11	12 9-2 <i>Project Day</i>	13 12:15 pm Euch. Serv 1:00 pm Martha Circle @ Mary Barnes; hosted by Mary Frost 12:15 pm Euch Serv. 6-6:45 Christmas Prg. practice 6:45 JLL 7:00 pm Choir Practice	14	15 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	16
17 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/comm. Thankoffering LSS Western Region JLL Roller skating	18 BETA Mtg. @1pm Susan McDowell	19 5:15 JLL Youth meet @ UAW Hunger Banquet 6:30 pm Church Council Mtg.	20 12:15 pm Euch. Serv. 6-6:45 Christmas Prg. practice 6-8 Anticipating Advent JLL & Confirmation kids attend NO Choir Practice	21 11:30-1:00 pm Area Church Staff luncheon	22	23
24 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/comm. 1:30 pm Gentle Worship @ DC	25 6-8:30 pm YFC	26	27 12:15 pm Euch. Serv. NO Choir Practice NO JLL 7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Eve Service	28 <i>Happy Thanksgiving Church Offices are closed</i>	29  <i>Church Offices are closed</i>	30
<i>Dec. 01</i> 1st Sunday of Advent	2	3	4- 6pm soup supper 6:45 Holden Service 7:30 Choir JLL eat together before worship	5	6	7