



## 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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February 2015



## WOMEN'S RETREAT February 7-8, 2015

This weekend is all  
about God, faith,  
and fun!

For more information,  
please see pages 8-10.

Come and feel the presence  
of God and love in this place.

It's not too late to sign up!

## Path Center Meal

The youth of St. Paul will be serving  
food at the Path Center on  
Monday, Feb. 23, 5-6 pm.

We could use two volunteers to assist the  
youth that evening.

We will be cooking and freezing our  
main dish on Sunday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>  
immediately after worship.

**PLEASE NOTE THIS DATE CHANGE**

Youth stay after church and enjoy a lunch.

We will cook together and then enjoy  
bowling after we are done!

All are welcome to join us!

Pastor: The Rev. David Brobston

WORSHIP: Sunday School at 9:00 am

Worship/Communion at 10:15 am

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Simulcast on 102.7 FM



February 2015

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

At our last Congregational Council meeting and at our Annual Meeting I spoke of my vision for St. Paul's in the next three years. The first year of that plan is for us to focus on prayer, next year it will be Bible Study, the third year is answering the call.

We are going to begin our Prayer focus with our Lenten Series. Ash Wednesday will bring the arrival of Lent on February 18. The next 5 Sundays leading to Holy Week will be looking at five distinct forms of prayer:

February 25: Adoration  
March 4: Contrition  
March 11: Petition  
March 18: Thanksgiving  
March 25: Contemplation

I'll be asking folks to bring their Bible and their notebooks, as the homily portion of our Holden Evening Prayer will be much more focused on teaching and less on preaching.

Then in the summer, we will conduct two Saturday morning workshops on prayer. We will round out the year with another teaching series on forms of Biblical Prayer during our Wednesday evening Advent gatherings.

December 2: The Lord's Prayer  
December 9: Jesus High Priestly Prayer  
December 16: David's Prayer of Repentance  
December 23: Jesus Prayer in the Garden

Again, I will be inviting folks to bring notebooks and Bibles as these will be times of study and teaching during our Holden Evening Prayer Time.

I'm excited about where God is calling us in the years to come. Together, we have shared an amazing journey together, tears and laughter, life and death, joy and sorrow, Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals. The joy is that we are just getting started.

Come join us, see where God is leading us!

Blessings  
PD+

## St. Paul Lutheran: Council Meeting Minutes January 15, 2015

Attendance: Pastor Dave Brobston, Nancy Krouse, Denise Moog, Jim Ehlinger, Dave Iliff, Jason Frederick, Barb Warncke, Chris Korhn.

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm. by Jason Frederick.

Pr. Dave opened the meeting by sharing devotions: Think of the possibilities, the possibility of Wonder, the possibility to see God, the possibility of great ideas. Take a new idea out in the public square and go with it. Trust the Spirit.

**1. Pastor's Report:**

- a. January 25, 2015: The annual meeting will be immediately following service.
- b. Overall impressions from 2014:  
Joy: Enthusiasm for my Children's Sermons, New members transferring in,  
Double Digit Baptisms, An amazing year for attendance during worship,  
Community involvement re: VBS, Gentle Worship, Thanksgiving Eve services, Recharge.
- c. Looking forward to continuing our ecumenical movement in downtown
- d. To the outgoing council members, thank you for your willingness to serve.
- e. Focus going forward: 2015-prayer, 2016-Bible study, 2017-outreach=Come and See Part II.

**2. Youth and Family Report:**

- a. Junior Luther League and D.I.R.T. : Thank you to the youth for assisting at Advent soup suppers. In January we will be arranging for speakers and inviting friends to join us. In February, we will be preparing and serving the Path Center meal as well as assisting with the backpack buddy program.
- b. Mission: Recharge: A pasta dinner was held January 11th. Mattresses have been purchased and delivered for the annual retreat. We are looking forward to an even larger group in attendance this year.
- c. Parish Education: Sunday School: The Happy Birthday Jesus party, held on Dec. 7th was exciting and well attended. We will continue to send out postcards to notify families of all our special events in the future. The Children's Christmas program was Dec. 14th. Thank you to the Sunday School teachers for leading that day.
- d. Youth Gathering: Individual discussions regarding the trip this summer are underway. We will need to make some firm decisions about the trip soon. Youth and their friends are both being invited this year as a form of outreach. We hope to have a power point presentation soon and discuss finances and commitment to this trip.

**3. Secretary's Report:**

- a. Minutes of the December 17, 2013 meeting were approved. Denise/Chris

**4. Treasurer's Report:**

- a. Total Income December+\$44,809.60
- b. Total Expenses December- \$21,483.18
- c. We are positive for the month of December, +\$23,326.42
- d. Year-to-Date: Total Income+ \$271,770.26
- e. Year-to-Date: Total Expenses- \$249,962.09
- f. We are positive for the year+ \$ 21,808.17 Dave/Barb
- g. It was moved and passed to discontinue the yearly fee for Shepherd Staff programs.
- h. The books have been audited and everything is good.
- i. Letters of annual church giving will no longer be printed and sent to every member. If you would

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like a statement for tax purposes contact the office and request that a copy be sent to you annually from here on out.

**5. Discipleship Report:**

- a. Deacons: We are working on preparations for Easter Communion with practices and training. We are also working on a manual for communion services.
- b. Outreach: Nothing to report.

**6. Stewardship Report:**

- a. Please pick up your offering envelopes for 2014.
- b. We have redeemed \$134.00 from the collection of Chief receipts. Thank You!
- c. We are planning on ordering envelopes earlier in the season next year.

**7. Trustee Report:**

- a. Building Use Request: None

**8. Old Business:**

- a. The new Memorial Board is finished and looks beautiful.
- b. The handicapped door's new entry switch is hot and working. Thank you to WELCA for their donated funds.

**9. New Business:**

- a. Steve Korhn has agreed to continue as an Endowment Committee member for another five year term. His term is Dec. 2014-2019.
- b. We are in need of a Discipleship Chair on Church Council. Barb Warncke will be happy to help this new person. Please volunteer. We need you.
- c. We will be meeting with the Endowment Committee with needs for 2015.
- d. Two new 12ft. Christmas trees have been donated to the church. Discussion included plans to hang the greens one week earlier this November. Please come and help!
- e. Much discussion about council goals for 2015.

**10. For The Good of the Church:**

- a. Thank you to all who have served and supported council this year.
- b. Thank you to Jason and Barb for your service to the council and the church!
- c. Thank you to all who donated time and money to our worthy projects!

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Denise/Chris

Adjournment with the Lord's Prayer

The next council meeting will be February 17, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Krouse

### Memorial Gifts

#### *Sgt. Yeutter Endowment Fund*

*In Memory of Mary Barnes*

*by*

*Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Korhn*

**SCHEDULES FOR FEBRUARY 2015**

**ACOLYTES:** 01 Kaylee Brashear  
 Janaya Harris Vielma  
 08 Joe Melia,  
 15  
 22 Suzi McBride

**CRUCIFER:** 01 Jordan Sasseen

**LECTOR:** Joe Hiler

**GREETERS:** 01  
 08  
 15  
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**USHERS:** 01 Team #4, Dan Tuttle, Capt.  
 08 Team #1, Jason Frederick, Capt.  
 15 Team #1, Jason Frederick, Capt.  
 22 Team #2, Buggs Sierra, Capt.

**FLOWERS:** 01 Jim & Mary Ehlinger  
 08 Jeannette Melia  
 15 Dyle & Eleanor Roth  
 22 **OPEN**

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

**BULLETINS:** 01 Bill & Jane Parker  
 08 Mary Geiger  
 15 Dyle & Eleanor Roth  
 22 **OPEN**

**COMMUNION SET-UP/PRESENTER:**

01 John & Mary Dale

**COMMUNION SET-UP/SERVERS:**

01 Lori Brandt, Jason Frederick, Julie Sasseen  
 08 Jim Kline set-up/Conor Brobston server  
 15 Lori Brandt  
 22 Jason Frederick

**LAY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTORS**

**John & Mary Dale**  
**Jim & Cathy Martin**  
**Don & Carol Samuelson**  
**Dave Slocum**  
**Chris Turner**  
**Tim Moog**

**FINANCIAL REPORT 2014**

January -	Income	\$ 15,666.01
	Expenses	\$ 18,989.48
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 3,323.47)</b>
February -	Income	\$ 28,564.52
	Expenses	\$ 19,400.67
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,163.85</b>
March -	Income	\$ 23,663.71
	Expenses	\$ 17,272.53
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,391.18</b>
April—	Income	\$ 25,532.26
	Expenses	\$ 18,851.48
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,680.78</b>
May	Income	\$ 16,995.44
	Expenses	\$ 17,153.06
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 157.62)</b>
June	Income	\$ 22,261.69
	Expenses	\$ 17,497.22
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,764.47</b>
July	Income	\$ 20,408.18
	Expenses	\$ 24,969.92
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 4,561.74)</b>
August	Income	\$ 21,880.79
	Expenses	\$ 29,607.76
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 7,726.97)</b>
Sept.	Income	\$ 20,312.21
	Expenses	\$ 19,135.54
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,176.67</b>
Oct.	Income	\$ 21,279.70
	Expenses	\$ 21,660.65
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 380.95)</b>
Nov.	Income	\$ 18,792.39
	Expenses	\$ 19,757.46
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 965.07)</b>
Dec.	Income	\$ 44,809.60
	Expenses	\$ 21,483.18
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 23,326.42</b>

**Year-to-date: total income \$ 271,770.26**

**Year-to-date: total expense \$ 249,962.09**

**Positive total for the year \$ 21,808.17**

**AVG WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT 2015**

January - 122

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA  
671 CLINTON STREET  
DEFIANCE, OH 43512-2654

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### **STAFF**

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

### **Church Council**

<b>President</b>	<b>Dave Iliff</b>
<b>V. President</b>	<b>Jim Ehlinger</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Denise Moog</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Nancy Krouse</b>
<b>Discipleship</b>	
<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Todd Melia</b>
<b>Stewardship</b>	<b>Chris Korhn</b>

### **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**



## Birthdays

2/1 Mary Davis  
Landon Replogle  
2/2 Jennefer Garcia  
Gloria Myers  
2/4 Amy O'Mara  
Charlotte Warncke  
2/6 Julia Bauer  
Doug Davis  
Joe Hiler  
Tim Leonard  
Al Maag  
2/7 Karissa Schnitz  
2/8 Howard Burke  
Ryan Voll  
2/9 Dan Bowen  
Evan Ehlinger  
Jim Ehlinger  
Bruce Griffith  
2/10 Jaxon Weaver  
2/13 Mollie Roberts  
Robert Schultz  
2/14 Pat Bohn  
Wayne Davis  
2/15 Alyssia McDowell  
2/16 Renae Noffsinger  
2/17 Ronald Dingus  
Janice Doeden  
Zoe Gomez  
2/18 Bowen Schultz  
2/19 Mia Kammeyer  
2/20 Michelle Noffsinger  
Luke Szabo  
2/21 Stella Faykosh  
2/22 Kari Austin  
Eric Rittenour  
Mike Rittenour  
2/23 Brette Griffith  
2/24 Ryne Maag  
2/25 Brenden Wicks  
2/27 Caroline Turner  
Ryan Yeager  
2/28 Harry Brown

## February 2015 Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Wedding Anniversaries

2/1 Bill & Jane Parker  
2/2 Heath & Brandi Ehlinger  
2/10 Michael & Lindsey Bailey  
2/14 Bill & Pat Smith  
2/16 Dyle & Eleanor Roth  
2/20 Matt & Kacey Hampton  
2/21 Stan & Kelly Hartzell  
2/24 Bernie & Diana Horzelski  
2/25 Tim & Brenda Leonard

### Baptism Anniversaries

2/1 Curtis McBride  
Layne Paxton  
2/2 Laurie Lucas  
2/5 Trenton Florence  
2/9 Grant Miller  
Cheryl Rosebrock  
2/10 Phillip Block  
Brian Fedderke  
2/12 Ashley Snyder  
2/13 Matthew Haviland  
2/14 Becky Gutman  
Julie Sasseen  
2/15 Mike Roth  
2/18 Chris Bauer  
Howard Burke  
June Burke  
2/22 Steve Rittenour  
2/23 Taylor Brandt  
Cody Griffith  
2/24 Doug Cooper  
2/25 Noah Gomez  
Piper Hampton  
Brenden Wicks  
2/26 John Berthold  
Zada Kochel  
2/27 Dick Burk  
Brian McDowell  
2/28 Heath Ehlinger

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@stpaulcadefiance.com](mailto:stpauloffice@stpaulcadefiance.com)

Thanks,  
Lynn



*Please mail/email/call your completed  
Registration to:*

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Phone: 419-782-5771 or Email:  
[stpaulyouthandfamily@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulyouthandfamily@gmail.com)**

### **Recharge Women's Retreat Form**

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I wish to attend the Recharge Women's Retreat at St. Paul  
Lutheran Church on February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PHONE: Home:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Work:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cell:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide 3 contact people from among your family and friends.**

**1.**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**2.**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**3.**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please specify any special dietary needs or allergies you may have:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
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## ***Women's Retreat 2015 Information***

**Q: What is it?**

**A: A Recharge weekend is a chance for you to get away to focus on yourself and God. A chance to pause. Breathe. Pray. Time to open yourself up to your relationship with God and connect with a group of women who love Him, too. It is a place where surprising things will happen as we gather to see what God is up in our lives.**

**Quotes from those who have attended:**

*"I wasn't sure I even wanted to go my first time. I felt happy in my relationship with God. But I never imagined how much better it could be. Nor how much it would mean to meet Christian friends."*

*I went after hearing about it from a friend. I wasn't sure I would even stay. Honestly, I can't begin to tell you how welcome I felt from the moment I got there. I don't know when I have smiled so much. And I re-connected with God. It has changed my faith life to feel Him near."*

**Q: Do I have to talk?**

**A: No. Really. No. We do not pressure you to participate. We welcome sharing. We never require it.**

**Q: So what do we do there?**

**A: It is unlike any other retreat you've attended. Team members have prepared to tell you stories from our lives about how God works throughout the Christian life. Come see how God is powerfully active in each of us. We also spend time in personal prayer, community prayer, and in fellowship and fun. We come together to Recharge our faith life.**

**Q: We spend the night?**

**A: The Recharge team recommends you come prepared to spend the night. It is not required but often we have found people who did not plan to stay really wish they had. We have comfortable air mattresses for you. Just bring some bedding/ sleeping bag and your pillow. IF you want to return to your own bed, however, that is not a problem. Please try to stay to the end on Saturday night, and return first thing Sunday morning. Otherwise you will miss a great deal. Also, may we suggest? Pack a bag and leave it in the car in case you change your mind. You wouldn't be the first.**

**Q: What about food?**

**A: Delicious food is provided for you. If you have any special needs or allergies, please let us know and we will attempt to accommodate them.**

**Q: How much is this going to cost?**

***A: There is an anonymous free will donation at the end of the weekend. Do not let cost be a barrier.***

***Q: How do I sign up?***

***A: We're glad you asked! You can call Julie Sasseen 419-956-1267 OR St. Paul Lutheran Church and register by phone or fill out the registration form.***

***The Recharge Team knows it can be hard to commit to your first retreat. We were uncomfortable too. But we'd encourage you to come give it a try. It is 1½ winter days that may lead you to a closer walk with the Jesus who loves you dearly. Come find out what is in store for you.***



***Afternoon of Discipleship***

***February 22, 2015***

***12:00 pm for Lunch***

***12:45 pm to Share & Gather.***

***All who have attended ANY St. Paul Women's Retreat are invited.***

***Meet at St. Paul Lutheran Church***

## 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. 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...

Sherryl Bell	Coit Black	Brad Brandt
Lonnie Budd	June Burke	Cheryl Burroughs
Carol Creps	Russ Dodt	Tim Eis
Kenny Frost	Mary Frost	Bernadine Fry
Mary Geiger	Roger Grogg	Susan Harris
Jena Hoellrich	Eleanor Huner	Janice Johansen
Ruth Johnson	Al King	Randy King
Holland Max	Tammy McCoy	Mary McMillen
Jodie Mellos	Dani Merillat	J.T. Nusbaum
Rob Plassman	Esther Reimund	Reg Reimund
Agnes Rudolf	Kristen Sanders	Ed Sheehan
Mona Snyder	Dee Weisenfelder	Bishop NGowo
Alexis Alice	Anne Becky Z	Chris Dean
Doug Eric	Grace Jerry	Jim Jodi
John Jon	Les Maddie	Marie
Marlene Martha	Matt Pauline	Phyllis Roland
Sally Scott	Sharon Sheena	Stacey Steve
Sue Tammy	Thelma Tom	

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

**LeAnn Bohn, Delene Cooper, William Cooper,  
Eleanor Huner, Marilyn Mehring, Agnes Rudolf,  
Marjorie Seifert, Rachel Sontchi,  
Charlotte Warncke**

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

**SSG James Fluechtling,**

Grandson of Mary Frost

**USAF Jason Griffith,**

Grandson of Howard and June Burke

**USM 2nd Lt. Dustin Hughes,**

Grandson of Barb Bibler

**Sam Jennings,**

Son-in-law of Roger and Mert Grogg

**Cole Jennings,**

Grandson of Roger and Mert Grogg

**Master Sgt. Scott Koch,**

Nephew of Charles and Dee Jewell

**Sgt. Chad McDaniel,**

Grandson of Barb Bibler

**Carl Melton,**

Nephew of Al and Dee King

**Sgt. Kendra Oehlerich,**

Granddaughter of 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

**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.**

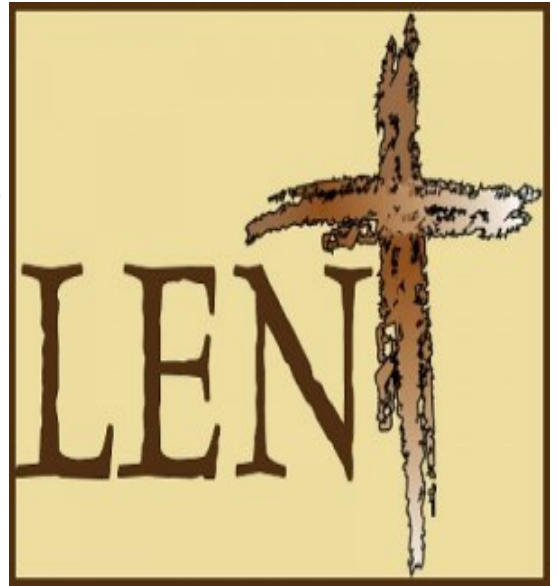
*If you wish to send a card or note to any of our members in the service contact the church office for addresses. If you have address corrections for members in the military, please contact us. Thank you.*

## THRIVENT – February 2015

*“To give unto them beauty for ashes; the oil of joy for mourning.”*

---Isaiah 61:3

Ash Wednesday, February 18, starts our Lenten season again. On this day we will receive the ashes on our foreheads with the mark of the cross and remember the words from Genesis that we hear each year. This has been done traditionally in the Christian churches since the Middle Ages and perhaps from as early as the 8<sup>th</sup> Century. We know we are sinners and need to repent. We also know the good news that tells us Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins.



During this season we will again be enjoying our Soup suppers and hope you will help support our youth at these delicious meals and then join us for our worship services each week. Try out a new recipe or bring an old favorite. This time of fellowship is enjoyed by all.

Forty days of lent seems like a long time. But if they were your last 40 days, they would seem much too short. What can be accomplished in just 40 days. Some say that it only takes 30 days to break a bad habit or to learn a new one. The direction you take during this Lenten season is one you can choose yourself. Look ahead to the Good News and fill your heart with the reassurance of our forgiveness by the one who paid the price for us all.

Thank you for your continued support of all our events.

Cathy Martin, Thrivent Congregational Advocate

## Fun Trivia about the month of February

1. At one time February was the last month of the year. True or false?  
Originally the Roman calendar was only ten months. Two months were added at the end of the year, but later changed to become the first two months so that made February the last month. This led to the inconsistency of the ninth to twelfth months actually getting their names from the numbers seven to ten.
2. February gets its name from the word februa. What language does this word come from? **Latin**
3. What is the meaning of the word "februa"?  
It means purification. The Romans held feast of purification during this month.
4. Augustus Caesar took a day from February to make August the same length as July. True or false?  
There is a legend that he wanted the month named after him to be the same length as the month named after Julius Caesar, but there is no evidence to indicate that this is true.
5. What flower do many people consider February's flower?  
The correct answer was **primrose**
6. What is the birthstone for February? **Amethyst for sincerity.**
7. How often does February have twenty-nine days? **Every four years**  
There is actually a rare exception to this rule. When the year ends with 00, the first two digits have to be divisible by 4 to be a leap year
8. Was 1900 a leap year? Yes or No?  
Although 1900 is divisible by four, it was not a leap year. In years ending with 00, the first two digits standing alone have to be divisible by four. Thus 1600 and 2000 were leap years, 1700, 1800 and 1900 were not.
9. The second of February is Groundhog Day. It is also a special day for Roman Catholics. What is it? **Candlemas Day (the festival of lights) **Candlemas** is a traditional Christian festival that commemorates the ritual purification of Mary forty **days** after the birth of her son Jesus.**
10. What is the correct way to pronounce the name of this month—Feb- roo- error e or Feb- you- er e or Fe- brew- air- e? **All of the above depending on your age and the area where you live.**

Enjoy the shortest month of the year!

# DEFIANCE COLLEGE'S STUDENT SOCIAL WORK ORGANIZATION

PRESENTS THE 15TH ANNUAL  
EMPTY BOWLS EVENT  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL**  
**111 ELLIOTT LANE, DEFIANCE**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2015**  
**4:30-7:00 P.M.**



**Admission is \$12.00 which  
includes a bowl handmade  
by the DC Art Department**

**All proceeds benefit the  
PATH Center**



## Defiance County WIC Program

The Women Infants & Children (WIC) Program is a supplemental foods and nutrition education program for income eligible infants, children under 5, and women who are pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding. Foods provided include milk, cereal, eggs, juice, beans, peanut butter, fruits, vegetables, baby food, and formula.

Income guidelines are based on family size. For a full list of income guidelines, please visit <http://defiancecohealth.org/eligibility/>.

If interested in WIC services, please call 419-782-7770.

## Glenn Park of Defiance Sunday brunch is back for 2015!

On Sundays, brunch is served in the Clubhouse from 10:30-1:00 pm. You are invited to come and enjoy a delicious meal. While you are there, take a meal to go to share with one of your fellow parishioners that could use the company and a good hot meal. In addition, we would also like to help with the visits and meal delivery. If you could leave their name and address with the server, we would be happy to also deliver meals or visit them in their homes. We will not charge for the meals you are taking to go.

If you or someone in your congregation would like to take part in this outreach please contact: Myra Parrett @ 419-980-2267 or Patty Badenhop @ 419-782-3000

Thank you! Myra Parrett



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/communion  Food Pantry items collected	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 6-7:30 JLL/DIRT/Confirmation 7:00 pm Choir		<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 8:00 am RECHARGE RETREAT
<b>8</b> 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/communion	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9-2 Project Day	<b>11</b> 6-7:30 JLL/DIRT 7:00 pm Choir	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 
<b>15</b> 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/communion Youth stay after service to cook food for PATH Center. Bowling to follow.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Church Council Mtg.— @ 6pm	<b>18</b> ASH WEDNESDAY 12:00 pm service And 7:00 pm Service NO JLL/DIRT/CONFIRMATION	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> NEWS-LETTER DEADLINE	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9 am Sunday School/Chimes 10:15 am worship/communion Afternoon of Discipleship @12 noon. 1:30 pm Gentle Worship @ DC	<b>23</b> Youth serve meals at the PATH CTR.	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 6pm Soup Supper/7pm Holden Service 7:00 pm Choir  1:00 pm BETA Mtg. @ Lois Dodt's	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <div>           Looking Ahead ...            DCVBS meeting on March 6th at 6:30 pm at SPUMC         </div>



# LOST AND FOUND

2015 FAREWELL TOUR

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2015

CONCERT AT 6:30 P.M.

(Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

**\$5 in advance, \$7 at the door**

Ottawa-Glandorf High School Auditorium

(630 Glendale Avenue, Ottawa)

Hosted by New Creation Lutheran Church  
For tickets, email: [newcreation@midohio.twcbc.com](mailto:newcreation@midohio.twcbc.com)  
or call (419)523-6250  
[www.NewCreation-Ottawa.org](http://www.NewCreation-Ottawa.org)



# COMING UP!

## DEFIANCE COMMUNITY VBS!!!

### OUR DATES ARE SET!

### JULY 6-13!

### NOW IT'S TIME TO PLAN!

### FUN TEAMS WILL MEET ONCE A MONTH TO PLAN:

REGISTRATION

CRAFTS

BIBLE STORIES

GAMES

OPENING

SNACKS

MEET FRIENDS, AND COME BE SURPRISED HOW WHEN MANY  
HANDS JOIN THE WORK IS LIGHT.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH AT 6:30 PM  
ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Recharge Team would like to express our deep appreciation to the Service Guild. Your generous support meant so much.

JLL AND DIRT WILL CLEAN UP SOUP SUPPERS AND WORSHIP TOGETHER DURING LENT.

There are many spots available to sign up for Altar Flowers, Bulletin Covers, and/or Greeters.

The sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board by the door to the sanctuary at the handicap entrance. If you are unable to make it to church, please call the office and let me know what date you would like and I'll put your name on the sheet. Blessings, Lynn

