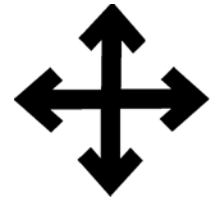




THE BEACON



“Agree to Differ, Unite to Serve, Resolve to Love”

Rev. Rebecca Erb Strang,
Senior Pastor

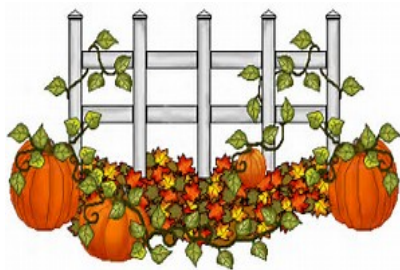


Pastor Dee Schroer, Associate
Pastor of Faith Formation, Youth &
Family Life Ministries

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Serving St. Paul Church

Staff

Rev. Becky Erb Strang Pastor
Dee Schroer Associate Pastor
Barb Holdren Office Manager/Bookkeeper
Anna Hoelscher Lay Minister of Visitation
Dick Hudson Organist
Cheyenne Rogers Organist
Tim Olt Director of Music
Jack Hansbrough Bell Choir Director
Janet Eilerman Financial Secretary
Dennis & Linda Hainline Ed. Building Custodian
Greg Hainline Sanctuary Custodian
Ralph Plattner Groundskeeper
John Mohrman Building Maintenance Technician
Terri Goodwin Beacon Editor
Open Webmaster

2017 Church Council (meets 2nd Tue)

(Transacts routine business of the church)

Art Barnes President
Jeff Quellhorst Vice President
Lori Likens 2nd yr. Recording Secretary
Myra Hanenkrafft 1st yr. Treasurer
Terri Goodwin Sr. Elder
Terri Mullins Jr. Elder
Mike Holdren 3rd yr. Trustee
Tom Brandewie 2nd yr. Trustee
Kirk Dicke 1st yr. Trustee
Brenda Haynes 2nd yr. Deacon
Open Position 2nd yr. Deacon
Tracy Oldiges 2nd yr. Deacon
Brice Schmitmeyer 2nd yr. Deacon
Gary Wehmeyer 2nd yr. Deacon, Head Deacon
Shelly Zeller 2nd yr. Deacon
Betty Dietrich 1st yr. Deacon
Theresa Hemmelgarn 1st yr. Deacon
Brad Holdren 1st yr. Deacon
Kathy Manbeck 1st yr. Deacon
Jim Mullins 1st yr. Deacon
Kathy Topp 1st yr. Deacon

Board of Christian Education

(Partnering with Families, the St. Paul UCC Board of Christian Education strives to guide our children through weekly educational opportunities and ongoing mission outreach)

Haley Dicke	Terri Mullins – Jr. Elder, Chair
Katie Dietrich	Kristen Nelson
Morgan Felver	Tracy Oldiges
Leah Gilberg	Amy Opperman
Myra Hanenkrafft	Michelle Voress
Emily Langenkamp	Neal Voress
Kelli Muether	Emily Willrath
Elyssa Mullins	

Pastoral Relations Committee

Tom Thieman Chair
Jan Fiser Member
Amy Barhorst Member

Stewardship Board

(Secures pledges; promotes stewardship programs)

Open Position 3rd yr.
Sally Dicke 3rd yr.
Roland Dicke 2nd yr.
Open Position 1st yr.
Open Position 1st yr.

Mission Team

(Raises awareness/promotes mission programs)

Art Barnes
Connie Friemering
John (chair) & Joyce Gilberg
Kim Hemmelgarn
Jeff Paul
Bev Poppe
Amy Scheer
Gary Wehmeyer
Lori Winner

Worship Committee

Art Barnes President
Jeff Quellhorst Vice President
Rev. Becky Erb Strang Pastor
Dee Schroer Associate Pastor
Terri Goodwin Chair, Sr. Elder
Dick Hudson Organist
Jim Strang Director of Music
Jack Hansbrough Bell Choir Director
Gary Wehmeyer Head Deacon
Brenda Haynes, Anna Hoelscher, Ann Kuhn,
Bev Plattner

Budget Committee (meets in August)

(Prepares church budget for following year)

Art Barnes Church Council President
Jeff Quellhorst Church Council Vice President
Lori Likens Church Council Secretary
Myra Hanenkrafft Church Council Treasurer
Terri Goodwin Church Council Sr. Elder
Mike Holdren Church Council Sr. Trustee
Sally Dicke Chairman, Stewardship Board

Board of Controls

(Administers St. Paul Memorial Fund)

Art Barnes Church Council President
Jeff Quellhorst Church Council Vice President
Mike Holdren Church Council Sr. Trustee
Don Scheer, Burt Fiser, Open Position

Financial Advisory Committee

(Consults with bookkeeper regarding church investments)

Don Scheer Member
John Voress Member
Bob Wierwille Member
John Wierwille Member



FROM OUR PASTOR

St. Paul United Church of Christ is a faith family dedicated to Christian discipleship. We not only worship on Saturday and Sunday, we live our faith throughout the week. Recently, I received an email with wonderful imagery about Christian discipleship.

A Christian is like a sharpened pencil:

1. Everything we do leaves a mark. What we say, what we do (and what we do NOT say and do NOT do) can make all the difference in the world.
2. We can erase our mistakes. God’s forgiveness is abundant. We are never outside the circle of God’s grace and forgiveness.
3. Like the lead inside a pencil, it is what is inside of us that counts.
4. Like a pencil, we will go through painful “sharpenings” throughout life. Being a Christian doesn’t exempt us from pain and suffering. But, together, we can help one another through difficult times. We are not alone.
5. Allow the hand of God to guide us. We’ve heard the expression, “let go; let God”. Far too often we try to control our lives—not allowing God to step in and guide us. This month, take time to let go in order to let God step into your life!

Blessings,

Becky

WORLD COMMUNION WEEKEND

Along with Christians around the globe, we will celebrate World Communion Weekend on Saturday September 30 and Sunday October 1 during worship services. All are welcome at Christ’s table of grace!

STAINED GLASS WINDOW DEDICATION

On Sunday, October 8 during the 10:15 worship service we will dedicate the many recently restored stained glass windows—all of which were given in memory and honor of loved ones.

Plan to come be at worship as we give God the glory for the beauty in our midst!

BECKY’S BOOK CLUB: OCTOBER 15

Everyone is welcome to the Parsonage for dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 15. Following the meal, we will discuss Maria Goff’s Love Lives Here. Copies are available at the church office. Questions? See Pastor Becky

ALL SAINTS WEEKEND

During worship services on October 28-29, we will celebrate the saints in our lives: those who have gone before us to the Church Triumphant. Candles will be lit in memory of loved ones. All are welcome to these meaningful services. (Saturday at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Sunday at 10:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary.)

COMING TO THE HERMAN STREET PARK: PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR ALL AGES!

Beginning Saturday, September 30, crews of volunteers will gather each week to assemble large-scale playground equipment for our Herman Street Park. The majority of this gift has been given in memory of Cindy Dicke. If you would like to be part of the assembly crew, contact Lisa Weigandt. (419-629-0033)

ELMWOOD COMMUNITY WORSHIP

You are invited to join our friends and neighbors at Elmwood Community on Tuesday, October 3, at 2:00 p.m. for worship and Holy Communion. All are welcome.

VETERAN’S RECOGNITION: NOVEMBER 4 & 5

Military veterans and active duty personnel will be honored at the beginning of the worship services November 4 and 5. Since, we plan to list the names of veterans and active duty folk from St. Paul UCC in the bulletin that Sunday, please call or email the church office to give us your name.

PASTOR BECKY’S COFFEE SHOP HOURS

October 2, 9 & 16 Pastor Becky will have Coffee Shop Hours from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Mondays. Come: join the conversation and laughter!

LOCAL MISSION

Local Aid Expenditures, Aug 19-Sept 21	
Gift Cards Restocked	
40	\$25 Aldi
Gift Cards Distributed	
11	\$25 Marathon
4	\$25 Kroger
6	\$50 Aldi
Other	
\$857.32	Utilities

“Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. You don’t have to have a college degree to serve. You don’t have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve...You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love.” Martin Luther King, Jr.

Meetings

BUSY TWELVE

The Busy Twelve will meet for lunch at Bolly's at 11:30 a.m. on October 3rd, then move to the St. Paul assembly room for our meeting and work session.

Eileen Gamble

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club will meet on October 7 @ 8:00 a.m. at Speedway Lanes.

John Voress

MISSION TEAM

The Mission Team will meet Sunday, October 8 at 11:30 a.m. in the Library.

Joyce Gilberg

News & Events

YOUR TIME & TALENT IS NEEDED

The Nominating committee of the St. Paul Church Council is searching for people to serve the church in 2018 and beyond. Deacons, Elders, Trustees, council officers, Sunday school teachers and many committee members are needed to serve fellow church members and assist with the programs and facilities in which they worship.

Please do not wait for someone to ask you to serve. Consider how your time and talent can help serve the members of St. Paul and the larger community. Call the office manager, talk with a Pastor, or contact a Church Council member and express your interest in how you can serve.

OFFICE NEWS

Just a reminder to let the church office know of any life changes, such as name, address, phone numbers, emails, etc. We will greatly appreciate it, as it will help us to keep things up to date.

If our college-age members would keep their physical and email address updated with us, and how they would prefer to receive *The Beacon*, we would appreciate it as well. Info may be phoned to the church office at 419-629-2502 or emailed to stpaulnb@nktelco.net

BIRTH CANDLE ON THE ALTAR

Alexandra Quinn Dudas was born to Stacy (Dietrich) & Andrew Dudas on September 3, 2017. Alexandra is the granddaughter of Bob & Betty Dietrich.

CHURCH RECORD BOOK

Marriages:

Brandon Rethman & Jennifer Scheer were united in marriage in a church ceremony on September 2, 2017.

Dusty Wallace & Tina Ranly were united in marriage in a church ceremony on September 9, 2017.

Called Home:

Marta Hoelscher died September 7, 2017, at the age of 55 years. A Celebration of Life Service was held on September 28, 2017. Inurnment will follow in the Pilger Ruhe Cemetery at a later date.

Brenda Howell died September 15, 2017, at the age of 46 years. Services were held in the sanctuary on September 19, 2017, and interment followed at German Protestant Cemetery, New Bremen, OH.

Christopher Lee Kuck died September 17, 2017, at the age of 47 years. Services were held in the sanctuary on September 25, 2017, and interment followed at German Protestant Cemetery, New Bremen, OH.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Address Change:

Cassie & Chris Albers
217 S. Washington St.
New Bremen, OH 45869

Taylor (Jones) Williams
63 Stoneyridge Ct.
Powell, OH 43065

Erb Family
5408 Shady Crest Dr.
Raleigh, NC 27613

Justin Blumhorst
970 Jefferson Chase Way
Blacklick, OH 43004

Joseph Maurer
530 W. 1st St.
Delphos, OH 45833

Julie Ehemann
16775 St. Rte. 119E
Anna, OH 45302

Dusty Wallace
310 N. Franklin St.
New Bremen, OH 45869

Remove:

Marta Hoelscher-deceased
Christopher Lee Kuck-deceased
Michelle Sudman-transfer
Sally & Terry Wissman-transfer

Happy Birthday

- 2 Thomas Ziegenbusch
- 3 Karen Fox, Lee Lampert
- 5 David Kramer, Lindsay Quellhorst
- 7 Debra Greber, Jessica Scheer,
Annabelle Wenning
- 8 Nicholas Hemmelgarn, Neal Voress
- 9 Nina Meyer, Cora Ryan
- 10 Donald Klein
- 11 Rob Rismiller, James Scheer
- 12 Nelson Erb, Michael Manbeck, Jeffrey Paul
- 13 Nora Aumick, Susan Harrod, Debra Klein,
Michael Swackhamer
- 14 Gary Jones, Max Messick
- 15 Jack Hansbrough, Riley Scheib,
Kara Timm, Lucy Whitten
- 16 Landon Davis, Brian Swackhamer
- 17 Joyce Ruedebusch
- 18 Cody Manbeck, Eli Schmitmeyer,
Logan Topp
- 19 Brett Winner
- 20 Cara Miller, Kelli Muether, Brian Rismiller,
Cresta Ritter
- 21 Keith May, Ashton Ritter
- 22 Johanna Hudson, Lloyd Schroer
- 23 Cassandra Albers
- 24 Mark Dicke, Madeleine Erb,
Duane Hartwig, Sherry Meckstroth,
Rob Meyer, Kale Quellhorst
- 25 Allison Hays, Andrea Huber,
Makena Pfenning, Lori Winner
- 26 Kim Quellhorst, Logan Suchland,
Andrew Topp, Elizabeth Winner
- 27 Charles Gamble, Karli Jones,
Kim Waterman
- 29 Nolan Bornhorst, Susan Conradi-Toomey,
Don Dammeyer, Kenneth A. Dicke,
Curtis Elson, Pamela Philipot
- 30 Ann Young
- 31 Betty Bushman, Amy Felver,
Ron Hegemier, Courtney Schmackers,
Barbara Tostrick

OCTOBER GREETERS

- Oct 1**
East Robert & Betty Dietrich
North Dan & Kathy Nedderman
South Larry & Ann Kuhn
- Oct 8**
East Mark & Lori Likens
North Brad & Amy Felver, Morgan, Greg, Caleb & Jaden
South Jacob & Emily Langenkamp
- Oct 15**
East St. Paul Youth
North St. Paul Youth
South St. Paul Youth
- Oct 22**
East Dennis Dicke
North Mark & Kelly Dicke
South Greg & Cathy Maurer
- Oct 29**
East David & Kelli Muether, Colten, Rogan & Mariana
North Dennis & Ann Nelson
South Tim & Vicki May

ALTAR FLOWERS

- Oct 1 Edith Wissman
- Oct 8 Gary Wehmeyer
- Oct 15 Lois Moeller
- Oct 22 Keith May
- Oct 29 Deb Gibson & Gary Wehmeyer

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Oct 5 Tim & Teresa Maurer
- Oct 6 Carl & Betty Hatfield
- Oct 6 John & Nancy Knost
- Oct 7 Clint & Ragan Miller
- Oct 7 James & Patricia Moeller
- Oct 8 Anthony & Christine Schott
- Oct 9 Mike & Joyce Topp
- Oct 14 Thomas & Rhonda Puthoff
- Oct 16 Bart & Michelle Suchland
- Oct 16 Kendall & Emily Willrath
- Oct 17 Bretty & Amy Howell
- Oct 18 Brian & Amber Tontrup
- Oct 26 Andrew & Stacey Dudas
- Oct 27 John & LaRue Dicke
- Oct 29 Brian & Jennifer Schemmel
- Oct 30 Matthew & Jennifer Quellhorst
- Oct 31 John & Carol Mohrman



Pastoral Care is very important. Please call the church office when you or a family member or friend enter a hospital or care facility so the pastor and church friends can be supportive.

ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS

ELMWOOD ASSISTED LIVING
711 S. Walnut St., New Bremen, OH 45869
 Duane Hegemier
 Stan Kuenning
 Lois Moeller
 Everet Topp

HERITAGE CENTER
24 N. Hamilton St., Minster, OH 45865
 Thomas Goodwin
 Jill May
 Mary Mohrman
 Jean Waterman
 Mary Ellen White

THE GARDENS-WAPAKONETA
505 Walnut St., Wapakoneta, OH 45895
 Louise Kettler (Room 222)

ST. MARYS LIVING CENTER
1209 Indiana Ave., St. Marys, OH 45885
 Rosie Heitkamp

OTTERBEIN-ST. MARYS
11300 Yost Circle, St. Marys, OH 45885
 Doris Blanke
 Dan Chamberlin (11410 Cardinal Lane)
 LaRue Dicke
 Miriam Donnerberg (11314 Bobwhite Lane)
 Ruth Topp (Room 119, Swan's Apts.)
 Dorothy Wilkens (Room 330)

SWISS VILLAGE
1350 W. Main St., P. O. Box 284, Berne, IN 46711
 Mary Lou Campbell (Room 345)

SYCAMORE GLEN RETIREMENT COMMUNITY
317 Sycamore Glen Dr. #417, Miamisburg, OH 45342
 Dot Ouwerkerk

HOLY HUMOR

Deliver Us Some E-mail a child's prayer...

"Dear God, I say your prayer every night, 'lead us not into temptation and deliver us some e-mail' but I never get an e-mail from you. Do you have my right address?"

"I Am A Christian"

By Maya Angelou

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I'm not shouting "I'm clean livin'."
 I'm whispering "I was lost,
 Now I'm found and forgiven."

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I don't speak of this with pride.
 I'm confessing that I stumble
 and need Christ to be my guide.

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I'm not trying to be strong.
 I'm professing that I'm weak
 And need His strength to carry on.

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I'm not bragging of success.
 I'm admitting I have failed
 And need God to clean my mess.

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I'm not claiming to be perfect,
 My flaws are far too visible
 But, God believes I am worth it.

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I still feel the sting of pain.
 I have my share of heartaches
 So I call upon His name.

When I say ... "I am a Christian"
 I'm not holier than thou,
 I'm just a simple sinner
 Who received God's good grace, somehow.

WISH LIST

Flooring Auditorium, Chapel & Assembly Room	\$8000
New Clock Faces/Steeple (for painting & wood)	\$10,800
New Computers for Offices	\$3000
AC-Youth Room	\$3600
Laminator	\$3000

ST. PAUL UCC COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President, Art Barnes with 20 council members including: Pastor Dee Schroer, Lori Likens, Myra Hanenkratt, Terri Goodwin, Terri Mullins, Jeff Quellhorst, Kirk Dicke, Tracy Oldiges, Brice Schmitmeyer, Betty Dietrich, Brad Holdren, Kathy Topp, Jim Mullins, John Mohrman, Barb Holdren, Tom Brandewie and Rev. Becky Strang. Devotions were provided by Jim Mullins.

Secretary's Report: Secretary's Report reviewed. Myra Hanenkratt moved to accept the minutes as read. Brad Holdren seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report as of August 2017 was reviewed. Report shows year to date balance of \$14,487.28 in General Fund. Jim Mullins moved to accept Treasurer's report as read. Kirk Dicke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Mission: The Back Pack project raised \$2,680.25 in July filling 44 back packs. August mission Raise the Roof Project of the Year raised \$810.00. September mission CROP Walk will be supported by donations this year, only. No walk is planned due to poor attendance the past few years. These donations go to Church World Service and Local Hunger Aide. September 30th the Mission Team will host Lasagna and Lyrics with free will offering supporting the Project of the Year. Walt Schmitmeyer and the Moonlighters will perform.

Worship: Met to prepare for fall services. Will meet again to prepare for Advent season.

Discipleship: Group applied for a Grant through the UCC for a variety of programs for St. Paul. Also looking to approach other groups in the church to help with Community Meals this next season. September community meal will be prepared by Carla Topp. Free chair massages will be available. Community meals are provided on the 3rd Monday of each month, September through May. Discipleship team also hosted a kick off picnic for fall programs.

Stewardship: Sally Dicke, chairperson, is organizing a meeting for September 19th at 7:00 pm.

Nominations – Council is currently looking for replacements for outgoing members. Deacons, Jr. Elder, Trustees and Secretary, are among the seats to fill. Elyssa Mullins is interested in being a Deacon, and Eli Schmitmeyer would like to represent the youth on council. If you have any interest in a position on council please notify any council member or the church office.

Budget – The budget for 2018 has been submitted to council. After review and discussion, Jim Mullins moved to accept the budget as presented. Brad Holdren seconded. Motion carried.

Other Reports

Deacon's Report: Brice Schmitmeyer reports that a Deacon resigned.

Elder's Report: New distribution bottles to fill cups for wine and juice work well.

Maintenance Report: John Mohrman reports:

- Performed weekly and monthly preventative maintenance checks.
- Started working on basement window frame restoration. This will take some time as some of the window frames are badly rotted and some partial replacement will be necessary. Norm Holcomb has made some replacement parts. Thanks Norm.
- Hand ringing of the church bells was not working well. I have made some adjustments to make up for the flat spots on the clappers that have occurred after 100 plus years of ringing. If this is not enough, other options are available.
- Replaced the west clock face light.
- Rented scaffolding from the hardware and set it up in the auditorium with some help from Norm. Removed the west light of the south row of ceiling lights and found the control relay for that row of lights. No one was sure where the relay was located and we could not safely reach the area with the ladders we have. I removed the relay, found a replacement in Lima, got it and installed it. Norm helped me take the scaffolding down.
- With a lot of help from John Voress, two trees that needed removed to make room for the new playground equipment were cut down and removed. Thank you John. I have called about the stump removal.
- Other small things were taken care of as needed.

Trustees Report: Dorsten will replace all broken windows and seals, in education wing, at no cost to us as they are still under warranty.

Pastor Becky's Report:

- Wednesday September 13 Youth Programs and Confirmation begin. Lisa Weigandt, Shelly Smart and Jeff Paul are team teaching Confirmation this year. Pastor Dee and I will alternate weeks between Jr. High Youth group and Confirmation.
- September 17 – Dedication of Sunday school teachers and youth leaders.
- September 30/October 1 – World Communion Weekend
- October 8 – Dedication of the completed sanctuary stained glass windows
- October 28/29 – All Saints Weekend
- November 11/12 – Veteran's Recognition Weekend
- November 25/26 – Reign of Christ Weekend. (end of the Liturgical calendar year)
- My first book club of the season is Sunday September 17th, at 6:00pm at the parsonage.
- Playground construction on Herman St. begins Saturday, September 30th at 8:30am for, hopefully, only five Saturdays. Breakfast and lunch will be provided to the volunteers.

- I have gall bladder surgery scheduled for Thursday, October 19th. My doctor wants me to take two weeks off. That being said, I'm HOPEFULLY back in the pulpit for All Saints weekend.
- Jim Strang has ordered a new sound system box for the sanctuary.
- I keep gingersnaps in the cookie jar in the church office. All are welcome to stop in!
- I am trying to take Thursdays as professional reading days. I take Fridays off for personal time. I will return calls on Saturday or Monday.
- 2017 Vacation Time – (Contracted: 5 weeks, including 5 weekends; 35 days) 4 days DC + 7 days Vegas. Two Saturdays; One Sunday. 1 day off Sunday, June 11. (The rest of the vacation weekend was spent working) August 20-27–Vacation with Jim. (7 days/One Saturday and One Sunday) Saturday October 14th to attend Megan Hanenkraft's wedding. November 20-26 (7 days/One Saturday; One Sunday) Dec 25-31 (7 days/One Saturday; One Sunday)
- I am serving on the New Bremen/New Knoxville Rotary Board and am a facilitator for the Ohio Conference's Excellence in Ministry Program.
- Pastoral Care Aug 8th, 2017 – Sept 12th, 2017
Hospital visits: 26
Nursing Home visits: 26
Phone calls: 2
Notes written: 1
Office visits: 5
Funerals: 1
Home visits: 4
Home Communion: 35
Weddings: 2
Coffee Shop attendees: 6

Pastor Dee's Report:

August has flown by with preparation for the start of Sunday school and Youth groups. On August 15th I met with all Sunday school teachers to set up our year. I will meet with each room of teachers monthly or as needed throughout the year, and will have a full teacher meeting quarterly to touch base as a whole. As part of Kickoff Sunday, Sunday school began Sept. 10th, and Bibles were presented to our 3 year olds and 2nd graders during worship.

I also have been accompanying Becky on home communions and hospital visits and have made other home, hospital and nursing home visits on my own. I began Lay School Sept. 5th in Tiffin. Becky and I attended a non-profit organization event at New Bremen High School September 7th. I observed a wedding rehearsal September 8th and wedding September 9th.

Youth group events are set to begin Wednesday, September 13th, starting with Splash for 4th & 5th grade students from 3:00-5:00pm. Jr. High Youth begins at 6:30pm with our meal, and our lessons and activities begin at 7:00pm. Sr. High Youth group will begin Sunday September 17th at 6:30pm in the youth room.

- Pastoral Care August 9–September 12
Home visits - 3
Weddings – 1 observed
Home communion – 2
Hospital visits – 5
Nursing Home visits – 7
Nursing home worship – 1
Notes written – 16
Meetings with teachers - 6

Old Business

Protect My Ministry – Ongoing

Constitution and Bylaws review – Committee of Mike Holdren, Brice Schmitmeyer, Terri Goodwin, and Art Barnes did meet. Council was presented with proposed changes to Constitution and By-Laws. This will be discussed further at October council meeting.

2018 Project of the Year – Ongoing; Trustees prioritizing projects for outdoor maintenance.

Increase for weekly flowers on the altar – Worship committee has proposed that the donation for weekly altar flowers be increased to \$30 total per Sunday. Terri Goodwin so moved. Motion carried. This will begin January 1, 2018.

Playground – See Pastor Becky's report. There will be chicken dinners sold for October 15th for fund raiser.

Stained glass window update – Remaining windows, needing restored, are in bathrooms and balcony (4). We may request a new quote to include a storm cover for the Mesloh stained glass window.

New Business

Funds Transfer – Budget committee was advised that the Youth Pastor Endowment is becoming too depleted. It was proposed that some money be used from Undesignated Gift Fund to supplement the Youth Pastor Endowment. \$8,000 would be needed to supplement this fund for 2018 budget. In the same manner, it was proposed that the money for the new computers be used from the Undesignated Gift Fund at \$3,000. After discussion, Kathy Topp moved to accept this proposal and use money from the Undesignated Gift Fund for these purposes. Terri Mullins seconded. Motion carried.

Purchase of Radio Time – It was brought to council's attention that St. Paul could advertise on WCSM through the Southwest Auglaize County chamber. It would cost \$275 for the year. Jim Mullins moved to proceed. Brad Holdren seconded. Motion carried.

Buckeye Extermination Renewal – Cost would be \$582 / year. Brice Schmitmeyer moved to renew the contract. Tracy Oldiges seconded. Motion carried.

Announcements: Next meeting–October 10th, 2017 @ 7pm. Devotions–Brenda Haynes

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with The Lord's Prayer.

Lori Likens, Secretary

Art Barnes, President

Monday, September 11, 2017

St. Paul United Church of Christ - New Bremen OH
Treasurer's Report as of August 2017 for General Fund

<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Period Activity</u>	<u>YTD Balance</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Previous YTD</u>
				<u>Remaining</u>	
<u>Income</u>					
Contributions-General Fund	\$ 10,965.00	\$ 155,160.66			\$ 160,928.46
Rent - Nursery School	\$ -	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 2,850.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,650.00
Rent - Misc Building	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Contributions - Sunday School	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
Contributions - SALT Project	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
Contributions - BEACON	\$ 10.00	\$ 360.00			\$ 755.00
Contributions - Misc - General Fund	\$ 2.89	\$ 1,904.92			\$ 10,402.00
Contributions - Sign Language	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
Enlistment	\$ -	\$ 410.00			\$ 445.00
Office Supplies	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.45			\$ 149.13
Confirmation Camp	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
Bible School Fund Inc	\$ -	\$ 2,014.00			\$ 702.61
Church Camp	\$ -	\$ -			\$ 420.00
Gift-Library-Hulda Wiehe Fund	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
Confirmation Donation	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
Interest Income-Minister Acct	\$ 3.58	\$ 33.37			\$ 6.54
St. Minister Endowment Transfer	\$ 530.00	\$ 4,240.00	\$ 6,360.00	\$ 2,120.00	\$ -
Visitation Ministry Endowment Transfer	\$ 468.00	\$ 3,513.00	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 1,712.00	\$ -
Youth Ministry Endowment Transfer	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Income	\$ 14,989.47	\$ 175,436.40	\$ 14,435.00	\$ (161,001.40)	\$ 175,558.74

Expense

Senior Pastor Base Salary	\$ 5,133.42	\$ 40,170.36	\$ 59,807.00	\$ 19,636.64	\$ 39,871.36
Senior Pastor Insurance	\$ 896.16	\$ 10,981.99	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,018.01	\$ 6,489.50
Senior Pastor Pension	\$ -	\$ 8,163.60	\$ 10,885.00	\$ 2,721.40	\$ 8,163.63
Senior Pastor Disability/Life	\$ -	\$ 1,064.68	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 335.32	\$ 1,064.68
Senior Pastor Cell Phone Stipend	\$ 50.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00
Senior Pastor Continuing Education	\$ -	\$ 1,114.52	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (114.52)	\$ 418.00
Senior Pastor Business Expense	\$ 85.46	\$ 488.40	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 511.60	\$ 336.94
TRANS FROM SR. MINISTER ENDOWMENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (4,110.00)
Associate Pastor Base Salary	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 30,250.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor Housing	\$ 833.34	\$ 833.34	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,166.66	\$ -
Associate Pastor Pension	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,020.00	\$ 6,020.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor Insurance	\$ 554.00	\$ 554.00	\$ -	\$ (554.00)	\$ -
Associate Pastor Disability/Life	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 645.00	\$ 645.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor Continuing Education	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 910.00	\$ -
Associate Pastor Business Expense	\$ 25.00	\$ 36.98	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 963.02	\$ -
Associate Pastor Cell Phone Stipend	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 550.00	\$ -
Youth Pastor Salary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,065.60
Youth Pastor Housing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,950.00
Youth Pastor Health Insurance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,697.50
Youth Pastor Continuing Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
Youth Pastor Pension	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,739.25
Youth Pastor Disability/Life	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 342.94
Youth Director Cell Phone Stipend	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 375.00
Youth Minister Business Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 467.34
Youth Minister Endowment Income	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (22,500.00)
Organist Salary	\$ 406.00	\$ 4,026.00	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,174.00	\$ 3,800.00
Music Director	\$ 60.00	\$ 538.95	\$ 780.00	\$ 241.05	\$ 525.00
Senior Choir Director	\$ 25.00	\$ 1,074.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,126.00	\$ 1,050.00
Saturday Evening Choir Director	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 625.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 208.32
Spirit Safari Director	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,533.32
BEACON Editor	\$ 487.00	\$ 2,016.00	\$ 2,610.00	\$ 594.00	\$ 1,740.00
Visitation Ministry Salary	\$ 448.50	\$ 3,509.52	\$ 5,225.00	\$ 1,715.48	\$ 3.36
Bell Choir Director Salary	\$ 103.00	\$ 824.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 376.00	\$ 800.00
Web Page Editor	\$ -	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,200.00
Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper	\$ 2,461.58	\$ 19,262.68	\$ 28,679.00	\$ 9,416.32	\$ 17,000.00
Financial Secretary Salary	\$ 443.26	\$ 3,369.82	\$ 5,017.00	\$ 1,647.18	\$ 3,344.64

St. Paul United Church of Christ - New Bremen OH
Treasurer's Report as of August 2017 for General Fund

Monday, September 11, 2017

<u>Account Name</u>	<u>Period Activity</u>	<u>YTD Balance</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget Remaining</u>	<u>Previous YTD</u>
Expense (continued)					
Education Building Custodian Salary	\$ 1,108.58	\$ 8,675.20	\$ 12,916.00	\$ 4,240.80	\$ 8,610.72
Sanctuary Custodian Salary	\$ 643.42	\$ 5,034.80	\$ 7,496.00	\$ 2,461.20	\$ 4,997.28
Lawn Care Salary	\$ 438.71	\$ 2,193.55	\$ 2,982.00	\$ 788.45	\$ 2,130.00
Maintenance Salary	\$ 920.53	\$ 7,203.72	\$ 10,725.00	\$ 3,521.28	\$ 7,150.00
Vacation Replacement	\$ 305.00	\$ 2,403.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 1,797.00	\$ 2,555.08
SALT Project Salary	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
Telephone - CHURCH	\$ 113.70	\$ 904.46	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,095.54	\$ 892.96
Staff Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 50.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 500.00
Natural Gas - CHURCH	\$ 106.49	\$ 4,733.04	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,266.96	\$ 3,795.29
Internet Services	\$ 159.95	\$ 1,286.60	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 813.40	\$ 1,287.60
Natural Gas - Parsonage	\$ 26.19	\$ 578.17	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 921.83	\$ 528.78
Electric - CHURCH	\$ 678.03	\$ 4,836.57	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 3,663.43	\$ 5,184.94
Trash-Dumpster	\$ 57.77	\$ 462.53	\$ 750.00	\$ 287.47	\$ 450.58
Worship Materials & Supplies	\$ 584.96	\$ 2,503.40	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 496.60	\$ 1,921.90
Worship Saturday Evening	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,770.00	\$ 3,120.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,260.00
Pastoral Care	\$ 465.20	\$ 769.40	\$ 600.00	\$ (169.40)	\$ 304.20
Music	\$ -	\$ 147.92	\$ 500.00	\$ 352.08	\$ 182.48
Delegate's Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 52.00
Membership Dues	\$ 360.00	\$ 677.61	\$ 500.00	\$ (177.61)	\$ 337.56
Enlistment Materials Expense	\$ 68.71	\$ 923.21	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,076.79	\$ 1,089.31
Church Grow & Development	\$ 580.50	\$ 2,490.71	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,009.29	\$ 3,403.23
Postage	\$ 235.93	\$ 2,066.51	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 933.49	\$ 2,265.02
Shipping	\$ 35.51	\$ 219.17	\$ 750.00	\$ 530.83	\$ 348.79
Mileage/Travel	\$ 1,122.64	\$ 5,438.55	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 4,561.45	\$ 5,827.84
Payroll Preparation Services	\$ -	\$ 499.47	\$ 650.00	\$ 150.53	\$ 497.00
Office Supplies	\$ 165.24	\$ 2,527.63	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 1,972.37	\$ 2,004.96
Custodial Supplies	\$ -	\$ 827.30	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 672.70	\$ 965.29
Office Equipment Maintenance	\$ 351.58	\$ 5,342.77	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 1,157.23	\$ 5,165.22
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 25.00	\$ 101.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,399.00	\$ 294.88
Pictorial Directory Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Spirit Safari Club Education Materials	\$ -	\$ 1,664.74	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (664.74)	\$ 1,674.79
Spirit Safari Club Supplies	\$ 151.63	\$ 1,139.75	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 860.25	\$ 1,706.06
Camperships	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 1,631.00
Bible Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -
Program Materials - Grade School	\$ -	\$ 260.60	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,239.40	\$ 229.75
Program Materials - Jr. High	\$ 7.70	\$ 787.88	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,212.12	\$ 307.00
Program Materials - Sr. High	\$ -	\$ 764.07	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,235.93	\$ 1,091.05
SALT Programs	\$ 61.46	\$ 193.18	\$ 600.00	\$ 406.82	\$ -
FICA Taxes (Employer)	\$ 1,149.74	\$ 7,611.64	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 9,388.36	\$ 8,793.79
Worker's Compensation	\$ -	\$ 940.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 1,141.48
Confirmation Expenses	\$ -	\$ 828.03	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 171.97	\$ 532.93
Bible School Expenses	\$ 6.74	\$ 2,387.95	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 709.67
BEACON Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Library Fund Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expense	\$ 25,032.71	\$ 189,912.97	\$ 340,832.00	\$ 150,919.03	\$ 177,796.81
Difference	\$ (10,043.24)	\$ (14,476.57)	(\$326,397.00)	\$ -	\$ (2,238.07)

If the accounts in the subtotals have changed or if ledger and subsidiary account attributes have changed, Previous YTD totals may not represent a valid comparison.

October 2017



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship w/Holy Communion 6:30- 8:00pm Sr. High Youth Group 	2 12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch 2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop w/Pastor Becky	3 6:30pm Faith & Fitness 11:30am Busy Twelve 2:00pm Elmwood Worship 6:30-8:00pm Financial Peace	4 12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch 3:00pm SPLASH 6:30pm Jr. High Dinner 7:00-8:00pm Jr. High Youth Group 7:00-8:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 8:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5 6:30pm Faith & Fitness	6	7 5:00pm Worship Service 8:00am Men's Club
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship Dedication of Stained Glass Windows 11:30am Mission Team Meeting 6:30- 8:00pm Sr. High Youth Group	12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch 2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop w/Pastor Becky	6:30pm Faith & Fitness 7:00pm Church Council 6:30-8:00pm Financial Peace	12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch 3:00pm SPLASH 6:30pm Jr. High Dinner 7:00-8:00pm Jr. High Youth Group 7:00-8:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 8:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:30am Women's Service Group 6:30pm Faith & Fitness		5:00pm Worship Service 9:00am-12:00pm Mom to Mom's Sale
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship 11:00-1:00 Chicken dinner pickup 6:00pm Becky's Book Club 6:30- 8:00pm Sr. High Youth Group	12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch 2:00-4:00pm Coffee Shop w/Pastor Becky 4:00-6:00pm Community Meal w/Free Chair Massages 	6:30pm Faith & Fitness 6:30-8:00pm Financial Peace	12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch 3:00pm SPLASH 6:30pm Jr. High Dinner 7:00-8:00pm Jr. High Youth Group 7:00-8:00pm Confirmation 7:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 8:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm Faith & Fitness 10am-12:00pm Essential Oils Class 12:00pm Senior Luncheon	NOVEMBER BEACON ARTICLES DUE	5:00pm Worship Service
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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29	30	31				
9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship 6:30- 8:00pm Sr. High Youth Group ALL SAINTS WEEKEND	12:15-12:45pm Power Lunch	6:30pm Faith & Fitness 6:30-8:00pm Financial Peace	SPECIAL DATES: October 8 – Stained glass window dedication in sanctuary October 14 – Mom to Mom's Sale October 15 – Chicken Dinners - Playground Fund Raiser October 19 – Essential Oils Class, Senior Luncheon October 28 & 29 – ALL SAINTS WEEKEND Tuesday Evenings – Financial Peace			

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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

Remembering the Past...

APRIL 1949

PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

The committee met a few days ago and made plans for the development of the church recreational field. This project is sponsored by the Christian Home Class with the cooperation of other church organizations and individuals. Since funds are limited, work is to be done on a "pay as you go" basis.

Wire netting for the ball diamond backstop will be in place soon. Mrs. Wm. F. Dicke, Mrs. Jesse Gossette and Mr. Henry Dicke generously offered to purchase shade trees for the picnic area. These trees are a memorial to Mr. Wm. F. Dicke. In addition, 40 Lombardy poplars and several other trees will be secured and planted in the next week or two. The poplars will line the west side of the field.

A set of swings for the playground has been ordered. Several interested men will construct the horseshoe courts soon. The oven and tables are to be provided by the church council. The young people are responsible for the volley ball court.

At least one drinking fountain is needed. This would make another fine memorial gift. Anyone interested is invited to contact Wilson Tostrick, the pastor, or any member of the committee.