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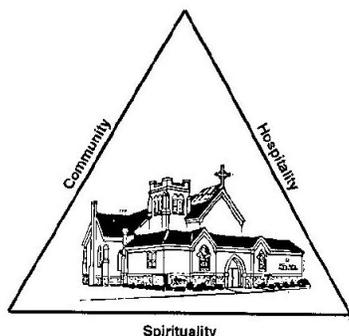
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Faith as small as a mustard seed can move a mountain. It sounds so simple but what is faith and how can we make it grow? Over the next few weeks I will be spending some time talking about faith from the pulpit. Bad Faith? What is faith? How does it change? Questions that I hope will be answered over the next few weeks. I want to invite you to come on this faith journey with me.

June of course means Annual Conference and the work of the West Ohio Conference at Lakeside. I will be spending a few days in meetings and catching up with friends after another year. By the time you read this, I hope we will be using the front entrance that has had a lot of work done. A big thanks to Trustees for all the work that has been done. No, I am not expanding the gardens around the parsonage. Some plumbing and drainage issues are being addressed. So if you need a little extra dirt I may have some available.

I hope your summer is going well and I look forward to seeing you in church on Sundays. Before I sign off, here are a couple of things to look for in the weeks to come. Have your hymns ready for hymn sing time and kids coming up with some great new children's moments.

See you Sunday,

Pastor Paul



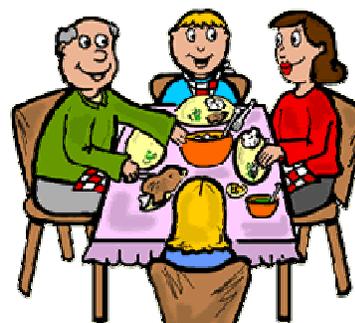
Thought for the Month:

Be ye fishers of men;
You catch them—
He'll clean them.

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**West Ohio United Methodist Church
Annual Conference
Lakeside, Ohio
June 7 to June 10**



**Visit The United Methodist
Communications website :
www.umcom.org**

**Food Pantry Sunday
June 14, 2015**

**Donations are taken to
the Church at
Allentown**

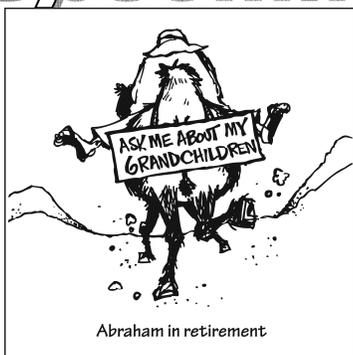
**Thank you to all who
have been donating**

**Seniors Day Out
Tuesday, June 16, 2015**

**An official from Waste Management
will be the speaker.**

All seniors are welcome!

Upcoming Events for St. Paul's



Abraham in retirement

Christian symbol

Thistle

The thistle, a thorny bush, symbolizes the Fall and humanity's bondage to sin. In Genesis 3, God tells Adam that one consequence of his sin will be the hard work of bringing forth crops: "[The land] will produce thorns and thistles for you" (v. 18, NIV). Because thistles crowd out everything growing nearby, they've also been equated with the weeds or thorns in some of Jesus' teachings (e.g., Matthew 7:15-20; 13:24-30, and Mark 4:2-9). Finally, Christ's crown of thorns may have been made of thistle branches.



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Secretary:	Gail Fessler
Secretary:	Jone Lane
Organist:	Linda Holman
Pianist:	Lois Cook
Choir Director	Judy Chaffins
Custodian:	Dave Decker

Church Clean-up Day
Saturday, June 6th
8:00 AM.

Will be working
 inside and out.
 Everyone is encouraged
 to help.



First Day of Summer
June 21, 2015



Upcoming Events for St. Paul's



JUNE 1
 Coins for Communion
 to benefit U.M.C.O.R
 Nepal Earthquake Relief



June 21, 2015



Summer is time for baseball games!

Missions



THE BRADLEY W. JOSEPH MEMORIAL FUND

8th Annual Golf Outing

SCHOLARSHIP WINNER CAT OBY PRESENTING
BRAD'S PICTURE TO LOCAL PHARMACIST



BRAD'S PICTURE IN THE
NUEVO PROGRESO, MEXICO PHARMACY



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
SATURDAY, JULY 11, 2015
TEE TIME: 9:00 AM
HOT DOGS @ THE TURN
GAMES/CONTESTS ALL DAY

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS:
AWARD LUNCHEON & CEREMONY
TEAM PRIZES
18 HOLES OF GOLF WITH CART
SHOT GUN START
FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE

EVENT LOCATION:
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10985 HARDING HIGHWAY
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SEND PAYMENT & REGISTRATION TO:
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PICTURES FROM PREVIOUS OUTINGS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.FLEMINGFINANCIALSVCS.COM

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The Business of Church



Heifer Projects Chosen

Donations from our Sunday School Youth and money left on our "Hall Heifer" have totaled over \$500! Marla has asked our youth to choose what to buy for Heifer International to help people abroad feed themselves and get clean water. The youth chose honeybees (\$30), chicks (\$20), an irrigation pump (\$150) and clean water (\$300). Good choices!

Thanks to all who donated to this worthy mission!



The Greater Gift

A rich man waited at the riverfront for an ocean liner to depart. An acquaintance who joined him said, "You seem pleased about something."

"Yes," said the rich man, "I'm quite proud today. You see that vessel at anchor? I donated \$10,000 worth of hospital equipment that's heading for a hospital in China. I came to see the vessel off."

"That's very generous," replied the friend. "You know, I also have a gift on that ship. Aboard is my only daughter, who's dedicating her life as a missionary to China."

Stunned, the wealthy man turned to his friend and exclaimed, "My dear brother, when I think of what this sacrifice means to you, I feel as though I've given nothing!"

-J. R. Straton

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Nurture	Linda Holman
Missions	Tim Piper

Faith In Action

Worship Attendance:

May 3, 2015	111
May 10, 2015	94
May 17, 2015	109
May 24, 2015	78

Financial Giving

Weekly Need for
Unified Ministry Budget
\$3,466.00



	Unified Ministry Giving:	Other:
May 3, 2015	\$5,592.95	\$769.06
May 10, 2015	\$1,966.01	\$446.07
May 17, 2015	\$2,459.77	\$339.00
May 24, 2015	\$1,431.00	\$428.79

Sunday School Attendance

May 3, 2015	17
May 10, 2015	A-10
May 17, 2015	A-7
May 24, 2015	A-6 C-4

Greeters

June 7, 2015	Steve & Tracy Sdao
June 14, 2015	Norm & Mary Grigsby
June 21, 2015 <i>Father's Day</i>	Bev Nesbitt
June 28, 2015	Jerry and Becky Bean

Flower Calendar

June 7, 2015	Larry & Shirley Moser
June 14, 2015	Gary & Janet Grigg
June 21, 2015	Greg & Barb Schade
June 28, 2015	Ruth Burgoon

Communion Servers JUNE 1

Station #1	OPEN
Station #2	OPEN
Station #3	OPEN

Daily Bible Readings

Monday 6/1

Psalm 41, 44, 52
Ecclesiastes 2:1-15
Galatians 1:1-17
Matthew 13:44-52

Tuesday 6/2

Psalm 45, 47, 48
Ecclesiastes 2:16-26
Galatians 1:18-2:10
Matthew 13:53-58

Wednesday 6/3

Psalm 49, 53, 119:49-72
Ecclesiastes 3:1-15
Galatians 2:11-21
Matthew 14:1-12

Thursday 6/4

Psalm 50, 59, 60
Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:3
Galatians 3:1-14
Matthew 14:31-21

Friday 6/5

Psalm 40, 51, 54
Ecclesiastes 5:1-7
Galatians 3:15-22
Matthew 14:22-36

Saturday 6/6

Psalm 55, 138, 139
Ecclesiastes 5:8-20
Galatians 3:23-4:11
Matthew 15:1-20

Sunday 6/7

Psalm 8, 24, 29, 84
Ecclesiastes 6:1-12
Acts 10:9-23, Luke 12:32-40

Monday 6/8

Psalm 56, 57, 64, 65
Ecclesiastes 7:1-14
Galatians 4:12-20
Matthew 15:21-28

Tuesday 6/9

Psalm 61, 62, 68
Ecclesiastes 8:14-9:10
Galatians 4:21-31
Matthew 15:29-39

Wednesday 6/10

Psalm 72, 119:73-96
Ecclesiastes 9:11-18
Galatians 5:1-15, Matthew 16:1-12

Thursday 6/11

Psalm 71, 74, Ecclesiastes 11:1-8
Galatians 5:16-24
Matthew 16:13-20

Friday 6/12

Psalm 69, 73
Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:14
Galatians 5:25-6:10
Matthew 16:21-28

Saturday 6/13

Psalm 23, 27, 75, 76
Numbers 3:1-13, Galatians 6:11-18
Matthew 17:1-13

Sunday 6/14

Psalm 34, 93, 96
Numbers 6:22-27
Acts 13:1-12, Luke 12:41-48

Monday 6/15

Psalm 77, 79
Numbers 9:15-23, 10:29-36
Romans 1:1-15, Matthew 17:14-21

Tuesday 6/16

Psalm 78, Numbers 11:1-23
Romans 1:16-25
Matthew 17:22-27

Wednesday 6/17

Psalm 88, 82, 119:97-120
Numbers 11:24-33(34-35)
Romans 1:28-2:11
Matthew 18:1-9

Thursday 6/18

Psalm 83, 85, 86, Numbers 12:1-16
Romans 2:12-24
Matthew 18:10-20

Friday 6/19

Psalm 88, 91, 92
Numbers 13:1-3, 21-30
Romans 2:25-3:8
Matthew 18:21-35

Saturday 6/20

Psalm 87, 90, 136
Numbers 13:31-14:25
Romans 3:9-20
Matthew 19:1-12

Sunday 6/21

Psalm 19, 46, 66, 67
Numbers 14:26-45
Acts 15:1-12, Luke 12:49-56

Monday 6/22

Psalm 89, Numbers 16:1-19
Romans 3:21-31, Matthew 19:13-22

Tuesday 6/23

Psalm 94, 95, 97, 99, 100
Numbers 16:20-35
Romans 4:1-12, Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday 6/24

Psalm 101, 109, 119:121-144
Numbers 16:36-50
Romans 4:13-25, Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday 6/25

Psalm 105, Numbers 17:1-11
Romans 5:1-11, Matthew 20:17-28

Friday 6/26

Psalm 102, 107:1-32
Numbers 20:1-13, Romans 5:12-21
Matthew 20:29-34

Saturday 6/27

Psalm 107:33-43, 108
Numbers 20:14-29
Romans 6:1-11, Matthew 21:1-11

Sunday 6/28

Psalm 14, 118,
Numbers 21:4-9, 21-35
Luke 13:10-17
Acts 17:(12-21)22-34

Monday 6/29

Psalm 106, Numbers 22:1-21
Rom. 6:21-23, Matthew 21:12-22

Tuesday 6/30

Psalm 120-127, Numbers 22:21-38
Romans 7:1-12, Matthew 21:23-32

Seniors Day Out Birthday Party



January/February Birthdays



March/April Birthdays



May/June Birthdays



July/August Birthdays



September/October Birthdays



November/December Birthdays



May 19, 2015
Thirty-three guests enjoyed a delicious birthday meal prepared by Margie Best, Gloria Brunk, Ginny Doseck, Linda Holman, and Corinne Piper. Games were played and remembering special birthdays were enjoyed by all!

Congratulations



New Members
 Roger and Jackie Henderson and Ginny Doseck transferred their membership to St. Paul UMC from their previous churches in Plymouth, Indiana and Ellijay, Georgia, respectively.

Emma Scannell Europe Dance Tour

This summer, through Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp International Program, Emma will be touring Europe with a dance ensemble of 25 people. She will be traveling through four different countries; France, Germany, Czech Republic, and Belgium. She will be staying with Host families from each country, who will show them around their city. Emma will be performing in: Berlin, Germany; Prague, Czech Republic; Mulhouse, France; Genk, Belgium; Maasmechelen, Belgium; Tullins, France. This is an amazing opportunity to grow both artistically and culturally. Emma Thanks everyone for your support and making this possible.



I have accepted a position with the Dayton Metro Library as their Teen Specialist. This means I will be the Teen Librarian at the Main Library downtown as well as coordinating Teen Services at all the Dayton Metro Library locations. This is a significant jump from my current position as a Youth Services Librarian at the Lima Public Library where I have been handling Teen Services at the Main Library and helping to coordinate teen services at our branches. I will be leaving Lima's 5 branches behind to start coordinating Teen Services at Dayton's 21 branches. Dayton is in the middle of a \$186 million renovation project. Every location is being rebuilt or renovated including the Main Library where they are gutting the building and basically starting from scratch. This will be an exciting new challenge in my career as well as my life. With a career change comes a move to my new apartment in Miamisburg.

Steve Moser

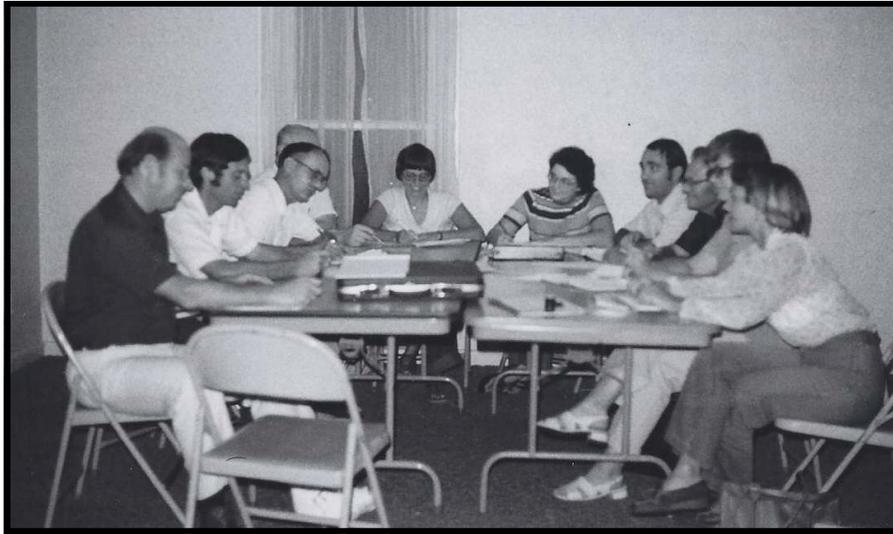
John Segovia, son of Bruce and Tammy Segovia, graduated from The Ohio State University of Lima with a major in Psychology and minor in Music. John attended graduation ceremonies at OSU Lima and main campus in Columbus. He is currently working at the Powell Company, while looking for a job in his career field in the Lima area. He will possibly start on a Master's degree in Social Work in the spring.



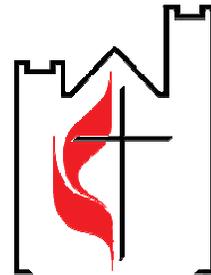
Congratulations to **Michele Theodore**, daughter of Tim and Sue Theodore, on her recent engagement to Andrew Luhn. Andrew is the son of Perry and Kathy Luhn of Gomer. Andrew works for the Guitar Center in Columbus. The wedding is planned for January 16, 2016, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Lima.



Remember When...



1978
Church Meeting



1985
Vacation Bible School



June 7, 1987
Church Renovation
Groundbreaking Ceremony



Connecting With ...

“Fight the Good Fight”

Fight the good fight with all thy might;
 Christ is thy Strength and Christ thy Right.
 Lay hold on life, and it shall be
 Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race thro’ God’s good grace;
 Lift up thine eyes and seek his face.
 Life with its way before us lies;
 Christ is the Path and Christ the Prize.

Cast care aside; upon thy Guide
 Lean, and his mercy will provide;
 Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
 Christ is its Life and Christ its Love.

Faint not nor fear, his arms are near;
 He changeth not, and thou art dear.
 Only believe, and thou shalt see
 That Christ is All in all to thee.

—John S.B. Monsell



Remember in Prayer

- Recovering from Surgery or
in the Hospital
- Sara House
- Homebound Members
- Hazel Dunn
Jean Redd
- Those in Need of Healing,
Support, Strength &
Encouragement
- Karen Bible
Joanna Hurd
Glenna Kohli
- In the Military & Missions
- Dani Milk

Happy Father's Day



My father used to play with my brother and me in the yard. Mother would come out and say, “You’re tearing up the grass.”
 “We’re not raising grass,” Dad would reply. “We’re raising boys.”

-Harmon Kellebrew

The People of St. Paul's

I would like to thank all of you for your prayers and flowers during my past illness. It has been quite a ride. One I am ready to put far behind me. I have the all clear from my Urologist , now it's back to therapy for the rotator cuff. There is power in prayer,

*Thank you,
Kim Crates*



*St. Paul's UM Church,
Thank you so much for letting us hold Dad's 90th Birthday party in the church fellowship hall, we had a wonderful time.*

*Bill's children,
Craig Nichols,
Cheryl (Nichols) Miller ,
& Family*

*Dear Friends,
Thank you so much for your check for \$79.68 for our food pantry. It is so greatly appreciated, may God bless you all.*

*Sincerely,
Claire Margret,
Treasurer of the Allentown UMC 5 loaves Food Pantry*

Thank you to everyone who had a hand in dry walling, painting, cleaning and putting the library and foyer back in order.



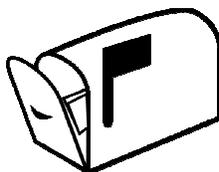
Thanks to everyone who came to have their family photos taken or submitted a picture for our new church directory. We were very pleased with the positive response and are looking forward to getting the new directories soon.



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Prayer List Updates
Please Contact
Lavonne Segovia

Featured Recipes

from St. Paul's Great Cooks

Johnny Marzetti

Served at the May Seniors Day Out

Ingredients		Instructions
1 lb.	Ground beef	Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cook macaroni according to directions on box and drain. Cook and crumble ground beef in pot over moderate high heat until no longer pink. Drain most of grease, leaving a couple of tablespoons in pot. Add salt and onions and fry until limp, about 3 min. Add mushrooms and fry about 5 min. Add tomato sauce and brown sugar. Remove from heat and mix in 1 cup of cheese and beef, add macaroni, tossing gently, but thoroughly. Pour into 9x13 baking dish. Sprinkle 1 cup of cheese over top. Bake uncovered for 20 minutes or until brown and bubbly.
1 lrg.	Onion	
8 oz.	Sliced mushrooms	
2 cups	Canned tomato sauce	
2 Tbl.	Brown sugar	
1 tsp.	Salt	
2 cups	Sharp cheddar cheese (shredded)	
13 oz.	Elbow macaroni (uncooked)	

Special Chicken and Rice Dish

Served at June Seniors Day Out

By Ginny Doseck

Ingredients		Instructions
2 pkgs. (6.2 oz.)	Long grain & wild rice mix (fast cooking)	Prep: 30 minutes Bake: 35 minutes Prepare rice mixes according to package directions, set aside. Melt butter in a large skillet over medium heat; add onions, celery, and water chestnuts. Sautee 10 minutes until tender. Stir in rice, chicken, 3 cups cheese and next 5 ingredients. Spoon mixture into lightly greased 15x10 in. baking dish or a 4 quart casserole dish. Bake casserole at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Sprinkle with remaining cup of cheese, bake 5 more minutes. Yields: 6-8 servings.
1/4 cup	Butter	
2 medium	Onions, chopped	
4	Celery ribs, chopped	
2 cans (8 oz.)	Sliced water chestnuts (drained)	
5 cups	Chicken, cooked & chopped	
4 cups (1 lb.)	Cheddar Cheese (shredded & divided)	
2 cans (10 3/4 oz)	Cream of mushroom soup (undiluted)	
2 containers (8oz.)	Sour Cream	
1 cup	Milk	
1/2 tsp.	Salt	
1/2 tsp.	Pepper	



KIDZ KORNER



"SUNDAE" PARTY

Invite your Sunday school teacher(s) to a special thank-you celebration.

What you need to make a card:

- 8" x 11" cardstock (or blank cards)
- Crayons or markers

What you do:

1. Fold the cardstock like a card. On the outside, write "Thanks for being my teacher!"
2. On the inside, write a personal message and sign your name.

Celebration options:

- Buy a gift card from a local ice cream parlor and tape it inside the card.
- Invite your Sunday school class to bring all the makings for sundaes for your teacher(s).
- Invite your teacher to an ice cream parlor or to your house to enjoy sundaes together.



Written for our learning

Not only did God give us the Bible as his Word, but he also gives us many people to teach us his ways. Our greatest teacher is Jesus, God's Son.

Directions: Complete Matthew 19:16-17 by filling in the blanks (using words from the Word Bank) and then unscrambling the three words and writing them on the tablets.

WORD BANK	ask	do	eternal	If	good	good	Why
	good	Jesus	life	man	One	Teacher	

A _____ came up to _____ and asked,
 "_____, what _____ thing must I _____
 to get _____ life?" "_____ do you
 _____ me about what is _____?" Jesus replied.
 "There is only _____ who is _____.
 _____ you want to enter _____ ...

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Matthew 19:16-17, NIV

Answers: A man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?" "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life ... obey the commandments."

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JUNE

Living Our Faith

The Origin of Father's Day

On Sunday in 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd listened to a sermon honoring mothers. Her mother had died some years before, so her father had raised her by himself. Dodd wondered why there wasn't a day to honor fathers, so she arranged a tribute to her father at a church in Spokane, Washington. The date was June 19, 1910. Many people believe this was the beginning of Father's Day.

Another account holds that a West Virginia church held a tribute service for fathers in 1908, following a mine explosion that killed 360 men. Regardless of which story is correct, **President Calvin Coolidge** was the first president to designate a special day to honor fathers. **In 1924, he proclaimed the third Sunday in June as Father's Day.**

What is a dad?

A dad is someone who wants to catch you before you fall but instead picks you up, brushes you off, and lets you try again.

A dad is someone who wants to keep you from making mistakes but instead lets you find your own way, even though his heart breaks in silence when you get hurt.

A dad is someone who holds you when you cry, scolds you when you break the rules, shines with pride when you succeed, and has faith in you even when you fail.

-Unknown

