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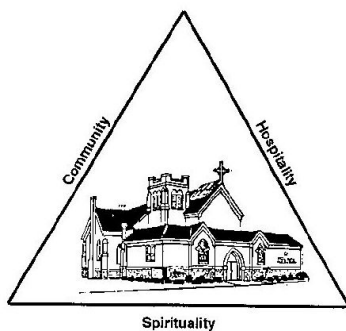
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Dear Friends,

What a wonderful celebration of Christ's resurrection we held here on Easter Sunday. The music, the messages, the scriptures, and the choir were awesome to the glory of God. I want to thank Oliver Fessler, Marty White, Linda Holman, and the women who helped with readings for the Sunrise Service. And I thank Marty, Judy Chaffins and the choir, Dwain Metzger and the ushers, and Lois Cook and Linda Holman for the great music. Thank you also to Janet Grigg and the other people who volunteered with the Nurture Committee to serve a wonderful delicious breakfast. All of these elements of fellowship, worship and service made it a truly meaningful day.

In the Sundays since, we have continued to look at the appearances Jesus made to his followers after the resurrection and before his ascension into heaven, the final act of his glorification. We will continue to walk with the resurrected Jesus through May in the lectionary scriptures through Pentecost Sunday, when we will once again celebrate, at that time, the pouring out of the Holy Spirit on all people.

When we think of celebrating worship, there are some parts that really speak to us. In the last two years, St. Paul's has added the visual technology to help worship speak more effectively to those who learn more visually, especially the younger generation. However, it is still a learning process. There are always new things being added that affect our system in unexpected ways. There are times when multiple services mean that something gets overlooked in the proof reading of the order of things. These are the human errors that happen. It is so important for us to always remember that we are learning and growing in our discipleship as well as in how we live that out in service to the various elements of church life, including worship.

It came to my attention that there were some errors on Easter Sunday, which caused some distress for some among us. I want to offer my sincere apology. I did not pay close attention to the page number put in the bulletin for the liturgy for receiving new members, and I used one of the other orders. This was my human error. I know there was confusion at the time of the ritual for reception of new members.



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Thought for the Month:

A lot of kneeling
will keep you
in good standing.

**Lion's Club
Health Screening
TUESDAY MAY 8, 2012
10 AM—12 Noon**

**Stay Healthy!
Spread The Word!!**

Free blood sugar screening and blood pressure check!

Screening will be held in the Fellowship Hall on May 8 from 10:00 a.m.-noon (same day as Seniors Day Out).

Come as you are and bring a friend or two! Invite your neighbors! Plan a party! This is an easy step to taking care of yourself!

No need for referrals, paperwork, fasting, insurance or money.

This is a community outreach sponsored by the Missions Committee and the Lima Host Lions Club.

**SENIORS DAY OUT
TUESDAY MAY 8, 2012
12:00**

Guest speaker:
Ruth Shaw will be speaking about her missions trip she took with Dr. Pajka to Haiti.



Upcoming Events for St. Paul's



CLEAN-UP DAY

The Trustees are holding a church wide clean-up day on **Saturday, April 28 at 8:00 AM.**

We will be cleaning the inside and outside of the church and outside around the parsonage.

If available to help please contact Margie Best or the church office. A rain date of May 5th is set.



**SUNDAY,
MAY 13, 2012**

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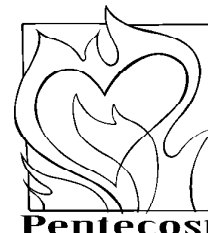
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Secretary:	Jone Lane
Organist:	Linda Holman
Pianist:	Lois Cook
Choir Director:	Judy Chaffins
Custodian:	Dave Decker



**MEMORIAL DAY
MAY 28, 2012
Office Closed**

**SUNDAY,
May 27, 2012**

**Wear
RED**



**Lion's Club
Free Preschool Vision Screening
At St. Paul's
TUESDAY MAY 8, 2012
10 AM—12 Noon**

As an outreach to the Elida community, the **Missions Committee** and the **Lima Host Lions Club** will be providing a vision screening session here at the church on **May 8 from 10:00 a.m. to noon** for any children 4 or 5 years old. Pre-registration is not required.

The Ohio Lions Clubs have set a goal of every four year old in Ohio being screened for basic eye conditions such as nearsightedness, farsightedness, and amblyopia. The screening is free and takes about ten minutes.

A special camera is used to take measurements of the child's eyes. This testing doesn't require the child to identify any shapes or letters or even answer any questions. Please spread the word to your family and neighbors. If you have questions, call **Corinne Piper, 419.331.6796**.

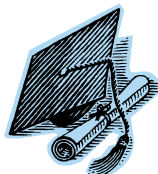


Upcoming Events for St. Paul's

Choir Recognition
Sunday, May 20
*Last day for choir
performing before
the summer*

Lima Area Methodist Men's Breakfast
Lima Area Methodist Men's (LAMM) breakfast will be Saturday, May 5th, 8:00 AM at Shawnee United Methodist Church, in the Solid Rock Café. Dan Bucher will be speaking on his mission trip to Haiti.

Graduates Recognition
Sunday, May 20



**May
'Coins for Communion'
to benefit
United Methodist Children's Home**

Newsletter
deadline:
the **16th**
of each month

The Heart of Church

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We also had some problems with the visual technology itself, even though a run through earlier in the morning showed that it was working well. When the first failed video did not come through, it stopped the Easy Worship program, and in the rebooting, we lost some of our slides. Your pastor, the technical team, and the worship team always go over things that could go better, and we are painfully aware that these things could have gone better for Easter morning. We ask that you be gracious to all involved in bringing you meaningful, passionate worship as everyone learns together.

That being said, let us remember, that even though we do our best to bring a wonderful celebration of worship to the people of St. Paul's UMC so that you can feel the presence of God, it is ultimately **your** openness to God's Spirit in you that will bring you close and allow you to celebrate in spite of the human and technological errors that may happen.

May God continue to bless you in your worship and in all the ways you serve Christ in the days to come.

See you in church,
Peace to you,
Pastor Ruth

PASTOR RUTH AND RICH MOVING TO WALNUT HILL UMC

Pastor Ruth and Rich have been reappointed to **Walnut Hill UMC** in the Capitol Area South District beginning July 1, 2012. Walnut Hill is located on the south edge of Columbus just outside of Obetz. They will be moving the last week of June.



St. Paul's High School Graduates RECEIVING THEIR DIPLOMA FROM ELIDA HIGH SCHOOL ON SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2012 CONGRATULATIONS TO:

REGGIE MCADAMS who will be attending the University of Akron, in Akron, Ohio, to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Classes begin in June and shortly thereafter he will begin training and traveling with the Akron Zips as he has signed on with them to continue his basketball career. Reggie is the son of Brent and Vicki McAdams, 7300 Ridge Road, Elida, OH 45807.

KELSEY SMITH who is headed to Goshen College in Goshen, Indiana, to begin her studies in pursuit of a nursing degree. Classes will start in the fall, but as Kelsey has signed to continue to play volleyball with the Goshen Maple Leaves, she will start training there in early August. Kelsey is the daughter of Barry and Cyndi Smith, 2872 Sherwood Drive, Lima, OH 45805.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

TYLER SMITH on his graduation from Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan, with a Masters in Exercise Science with emphasis on strength and conditioning. Tyler received his Masters Degree on April 29, 2012. He is currently working at F.A.S.T. but is also submitting his resume for employment at a school or with a sports team. Tyler is the son of Barry and Cyndi Smith, 2872 Sherwood Drive, Lima, OH 45805.



The Business of Church

MISSION PROJECTS THRIVE AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

The work of Christ's church is alive and well at St. Paul's UMC! Mission work continues as we move into the year. In March, the Grapners, the Mosers, Martha Vasquez and Deb Hurd helped to serve at Our Daily Bread Food Pantry. The giving of food to the 5 Loaves Food Pantry at Allentown remained strong by our parishioners. The Elida Community Center planning and donations remained steady. On April 14th, 15th and 16th Gene Craft, Brian Nartker, Jamie Wyant and Tim Piper helped about 15 men (and one lady) from Allentown UMC, Immanuel UMC, The Community Church of the Nazarene and the Lima First Missionary Church to reroof a house and garage on Pioneer Road. The house is owned by Chief Warrant Officer Andrew Green and his wife Lacy. Andrew is currently deployed with his unit in Afghanistan while his wife and children remain in Elida. When not deployed, Andrew is a Sergeant with the Lima Police Department. Thanks to all who helped with the roof! Planning for the Camp Wesley Summer Mission Project continues with an organizational meeting held on April 23rd. A fund-raiser dinner held on April 15th raised \$250 for the project. Thanks to all who donated and brought food! Projects at Camp Wesley will include a new asphalt roof for the cafeteria, a new metal roof for the conference center, a new sign at the entry, work on the pool pump building, landscaping and other miscellaneous work. The work-week at Camp Wesley will be June 11-15th. Marimor has asked St. Paul's to build a ramp for an individual in Bluffton. That work is planned for May 10th, 11th, and 12th (see below). A Seniors Blood Screening and Toddler Vision Screening will be held at St. Paul's, in cooperation with the Lima Lion's Club, on May 8th. We need volunteers to help us direct people to the screening rooms from 10 AM to 12 PM. No experience necessary! And last but not least, the 5th Annual Brad Joseph Memorial Golf Outing will be held at the Colonial Golf Course, Harrod, Ohio, on July 14th. If you would like to volunteer to help with the outing, contact Tim Piper. 'Thank you' to all who have volunteered to be in God's service to help other people through our various mission projects!

UPCOMING ST. PAUL'S MISSION ACTIVITIES:

April 29th: **\$5 on the 5th** to benefit the UMCH Family Services

May 5th: **LAMM Breakfast** at Shawnee UMC, Solid Rock Café, 8 AM. Dan Bucher will speak on a mission trip to Haiti

May 8th: - 10 AM – 12 PM – **Senior's Blood Screening and Toddler Vision Screening** by Lima Lions Club in Fellowship Hall

May 10th & 11th: Assemble **ramp** components at Jamie's house around 6:30 PM

May 12th: 8:30 AM - **Build ramp** in Bluffton at corner of Riley & Garmatter Streets

May 13th: **Food Pantry Sunday**

June 11th – 15th: **Camp Wesley Mission Project**, Bellefontaine, Ohio

June 17th: **Food Pantry Sunday**

June 29th: 9:30 AM - St. Paul's volunteers to help at **Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen**

July 14th: **5th Annual Brad Joseph Memorial Golf Outing** at Colonial Hills Golf Course

SPECIAL OFFERINGS RECEIVED IN 2012:

Human Relations Day: \$47.00

Easter: \$145.00 (split between Miracle Offering and Elida Area Community Center)

One Great Hour of Sharing: \$92.00

Ash Wednesday: \$60.00 (split between AEGMA & Special Needs Fund)

Heifer Project: \$15.00

UMCH: \$128.00

Missions: \$55.00

Coins at Communion: \$169.42

Faith In Action

Worship Attendance:

April 1, 2012	110
Maundy Thursday April 5, 2012	38
Sunrise service April 8, 2012	78
April 8, 2012	106
April 15, 2012	83
April 22, 2012	94

Financial Giving

Weekly Need for
Unified Ministry Budget
\$3,466.00

Unified Ministry Giving:		Other:
April 1, 2012	\$4,960.00	\$964.49
April 5, 20112 Maundy Thursday		\$51.00
April 8, 2012	\$2,873.15	\$651.00
April 15, 2012	\$2,075.99	\$362.88
April 22, 2012	\$2,591.00	\$412.00



Greeters

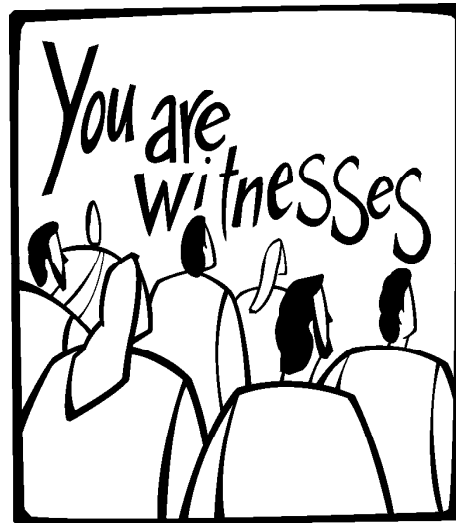
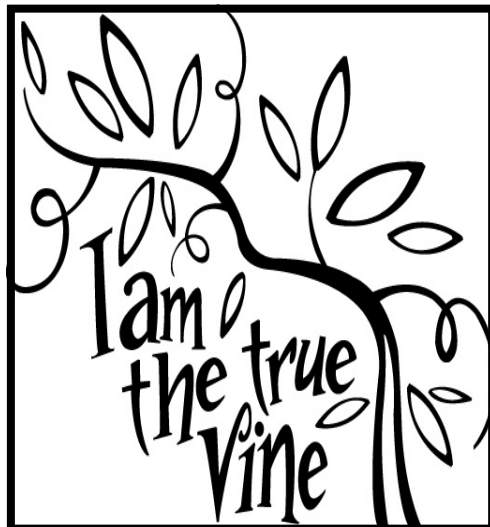
May 6, 2012	Bill & Esther McKinney
May 13, 2012	Ruth Burgoon & Susan Nartker
May 20, 2012	Tony & Shirley Shoup
May 27, 2012	Rudy & Lavonne Segovia

Flowers:

May 6, 2012	Bill & Esther McKinney
May 13, 2012	Dorothy Banks
May 20, 2012	Tony & Shirley Shoup
May 27, 2012	Dan & Margie Best

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www.umw.org

Consulting the Manual



**Bible Readings for
Revised Common Lectionary
Year B**

Week of May 6

Color: White or Gold

Old Testament:

Psalm 22:25-31

New Testament:

Acts 8:26-40

1 John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8

Week of May 13

Mother's Day

Color: White or Gold

Old Testament:

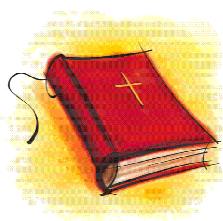
Psalm 98

New Testament:

Acts 10:44-48

1 John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17



Week of May 20

Ascension Sunday

Color: White or Gold

Old Testament:

Psalm 1

New Testament:

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

1 John 5:9-13

John 17:6-19

Week of May 27

Pentecost

Color: Red

Old Testament:

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

New Testament:

Acts 2:1-21

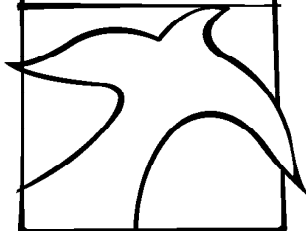
Romans 8:22-27

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

For more detailed information on the Revised Common Lectionary, please visit:
www.gbod.org

The New Gift of the Spirit

The Spirit will guide you.
John 16:13



Pentecost is often considered the birthday of the church. We celebrate it as the time in which the Spirit is given to the disciples and the church is born. But is this gift fresh and new, or is it recycled?

God did not start out as one at the creation, then subdivide as necessary, first splitting off a piece of the holy for Jesus and then a piece for the Spirit. The Trinity has been as long as God has been, and yet the Holy Spirit as given on Pentecost is fresh and new. How can this be?

Consider some of the references to the Spirit in the Old Testament. Genesis begins by saying that while the earth was a formless void, a wind from God, or as some translations say, the Spirit of God, swept over the face of the waters. It is an image of God's presence at the time of creation (Genesis 1:1). In Numbers, as Moses gathers 70 elders to help him with his work, God says, "I will take some of the spirit that is on you and put it on them" (Numbers 11:17). The Spirit that empowered Moses was to be shared, just as the work to be done was to be shared.

In Judges and Samuel there are many examples of the Spirit of God coming to strengthen famous and not-so-famous individuals for the task ahead. The Spirit came upon obscure characters such as Othniel, who led the people in a victorious battle (Judges 3:10) and upon more well-known people such as Gideon (Judges 6:34). The Spirit of the Lord "rushed" upon Samson, who then tore apart a lion bare-handed (Judges 14:6) and it "possessed" Samuel who fell into a prophetic frenzy (1 Samuel 10:10). In the prophets, the Spirit came upon Ezekiel with the words to speak (Ezekiel 11:5).

The Spirit of God had been given before Pentecost. It was given individuals, to rest upon them, to help them with the task or crisis at hand. This is different from what happened when the Spirit appeared like the sound of wind. Now the Spirit was not for individuals only, but for all; now the Spirit did not rest upon people, but rather filled them. Now the Spirit was not to meet an immediate crisis, but to empower disciples to respond to God's call.

First, on Pentecost, the Spirit was given to all who were present. Peter interprets this in his sermon by quoting Joel that the Spirit would be poured out upon sons and daughters, young men and old men, and male and female slaves. The Spirit was no longer reserved for judges, prophets, and leaders, but freely given to all.

Second, the gift of the Spirit is new on Pentecost because it fills people, rather than just resting upon people. Previously, when the Spirit of God came to God's servants, it rested upon them and did so long enough for them to accomplish what needed to be done. On Pentecost, the Spirit filled people. It is the difference between hearing a symphony through one old speaker and hearing it with high-tech surround sound.

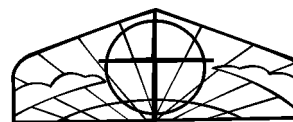
Finally, the Spirit was a new gift on the day of Pentecost because it came for a different reason. Previously, the Spirit came upon people to heal them or to meet immediate needs. Samson had a lion facing him. Gideon had a battle before him. Ezekiel was called to speak. Each had something to do that was beyond their power. On Pentecost there was no immediate crisis. There were no battles pending. The disciples had been praying and waiting, and then the Spirit came. Why? It was not a danger they faced but a challenge - the challenge to go make disciples of all nations.

Pentecost is the birthday of the church, for God's Holy Spirit is given in a fresh, new way. May that same Spirit continue to inspire each of us, each day.

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Praying Together

Come Holy Spirit,
fill our hearts with love.
Work in and through us and help us to
renew the face of the earth. Amen.



Scenes from the Easter Season



Palm Sunday
Cantata
2012



Easter Sunday
Breakfast
2012

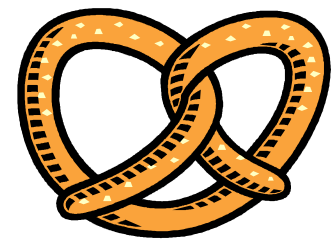


Easter Sunday
2012

Remember When...



2005
St. Paul's Youth
Making Pretzels



Connecting With ...

Mother/Daughter Program
May, 1997
Ruth Shaw—"The Garden Lady"



You can fool all of the people some of the time, and some of the people all of the time, but you can't fool Mom.



Remember in Prayer



Recovering from Surgery or in the Hospital

Tony Matlock

Homebound Members

Hazel Dunn
Edna Osman
Jean Redd
Helen Scholfield
Gladys Sherrick

Those in Need of Healing, Support, Strength & Encouragement

Joanna Hurd
Rodney Lee
Rick Scholfield

In the Military

Jason Stanley



Book of Timothy



✠ Blessings

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

This website offers book reviews, music reviews, and web ministry information among other relevant and interesting links.

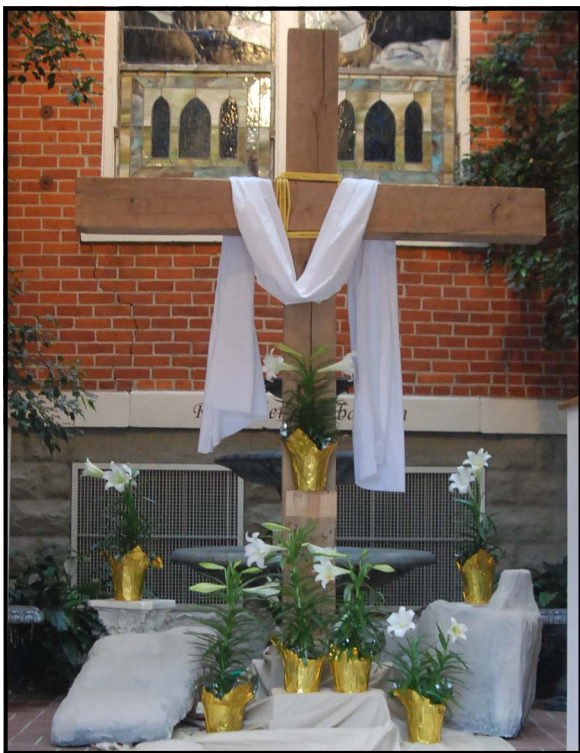
The People of St. Paul's

Welcome New Members
 Gary and Deb Hurd joined
 St. Paul's family on
 April 15, 2012.
 They are the son and daughter-in-
 law of Joanna Hurd and the late
 Wilbur Hurd.
 (Pictured with Rev. Solo)



*Thank you,
 to everyone who brought
 food and gave donations at
 the carry-in luncheon last
 Sunday for the Camp Wesley
 Mission project. We raised
 \$250 for the project.
 Praise God!*

*Congratulations to Denny and
 Janna Thompson on the birth of
 their grandson Thaddeous
 James Strauch, born April 19th
 at 1:28 AM. weighing 5lbs. 13oz.
 and 18" long. The proud parents
 are Tara and AJ Strauch,
 and his uncles are Aaron and
 Aric Thompson.
 Cards and well wishes may be
 sent to AJ and Tara at
 141 Wincay Rd.,
 Columbia, SC 29223*



Prayer List Updates
Please Contact
Lavonne Segovia

Meetings

May 2012

May 1, 2012
Trustees...7:00 PM

May 2, 2012
Worship...6:00 PM

May 7, 2012
PPR...7:00 PM

TBA
Finance...7:00 PM

May 14, 2012
Ad Council...7:30 PM

May 15
Missions...7:00 PM

Sundays
Prayer...9:30 AM
Fellowship...9:30 AM
Worship...10:00 AM

Wednesdays
Chancel Choir...7:00 PM

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 Lily Bice	2 Bill Nichols	3	4	5 Shelly Reiff
		Trustees	Worship			
6 Zach Shoup	7 PPR	8	9 Michael Whetstone	10 Larry Brunk	11	12 Nick Fick
		Seniors Day Out				
13 Glenna Kohli	14	15 Logan Kinney	16 Mary Irvin Jennifer Kinney	17 Martha Vazquez	18	19 Korbin Crates Aaron Thompson Marlene Weaver
Mother's Day	Ad Council	Missions				
20 Karen Bible	21	22	23	24 Isaac McAdams	25 Carter Kuenzli	26 Torie McAdams
Choir Recognition						
Graduate Recognition						

Anniversaries


Pat & Pam Gaghen
May 3

Rod & Nancy Gesler
May 27

Dan & Margie Best
May 28

Rich & Ruth Solo
May 28
41 yrs.



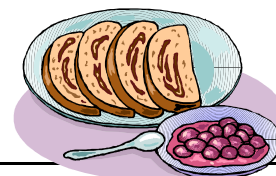
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Featured Recipes from St. Paul's Cookbook

Blueberry Breakfast Casserole (served at bridal shower)

by Carolyn Dyke

Ingredients		Instructions
9 slices	Bread, cubed	Arrange 1/2 bread cubes in a 9x13 inch dish. Scatter cream cheese over bread. Whisk together eggs, syrup, and milk. Pour over bread. Add remaining bread. Sprinkle in a few blueberries. Cover with foil. Can set overnight or bake immediately at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Remove foil. Bake, uncovered, another 30 minutes. While baking, prepare the sauce. Stir together sugar, cornstarch, and water in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring, for 5 minutes, until thickened. Stir in blueberries and cook for 10 minutes. Crush some blueberries. Add butter and lemon juice and stir until butter is melted. Pour over French toast. Serves 8.
8 oz. pkg.	Cream cheese, cubed	
8 large	Eggs	
1/2 cup	Real maple syrup	
2 cups	Milk	
	Blueberries	
Sauce:		
1 cup	Sugar	
2 Tbl.	Cornstarch	
1 cup	Water	
1/2 -1 cup	Blueberries	
2 Tbl.	Butter	
1 Tbl.	Lemon juice	



Buckeye Brownies (served at Mission Dinner)

By Sue Theodore

Ingredients		Instructions
1—19 1/2 oz. pkg.	Brownie mix (I use Betty Crocker Dark Chocolate)	Prepare and bake brownie mix in greased 9 x 13 pan according to package directions; cool. Mix together powdered sugar, softened butter, and peanut butter. Spread over cooled brownies. This mixture will be thick. Chill for one hour. Melt together remaining 6 Tbl. butter and chocolate chips over low heat or in microwave. Spread over brownies. Let cool; cut into squares. Best if allowed to come to room temperature before serving. Makes 2-3 dozen.
2 cups	Powdered sugar	
1 cup	Creamy peanut butter	
1/2 cup	Butter, softened	
1 cup (6 oz.)	Chocolate chips	
6 Tbl.	butter	

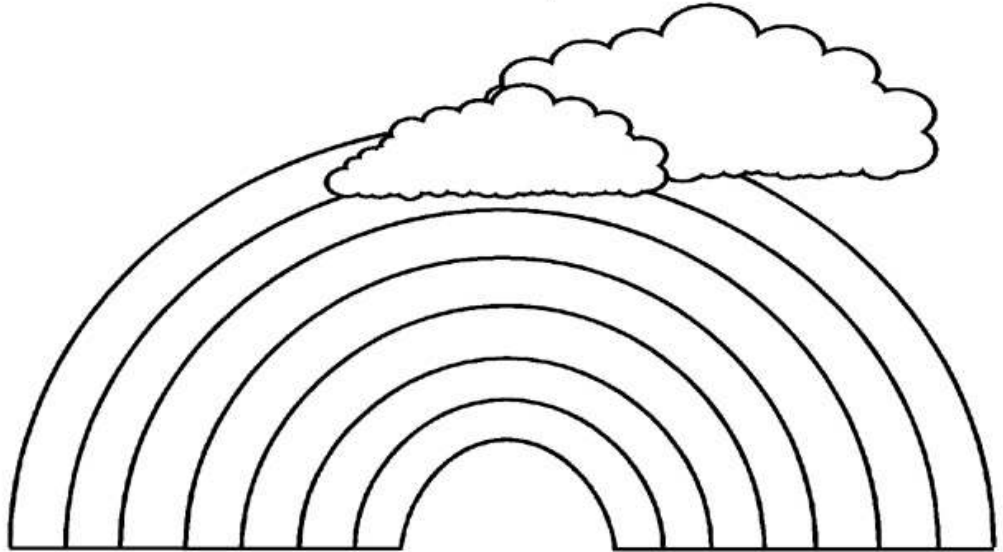


KIDZ KORNER

God's Promise

The list below has the colors of the rainbow in order, from the top to the bottom. Copy the circled letters into the circles provided below and then unscramble the word to reveal God's promise. Then color the rainbow.

- R E D
- O R A N G E
- Y E L L O W
- G R E E N
- B L U E
- I N D I G O
- V I O L E T



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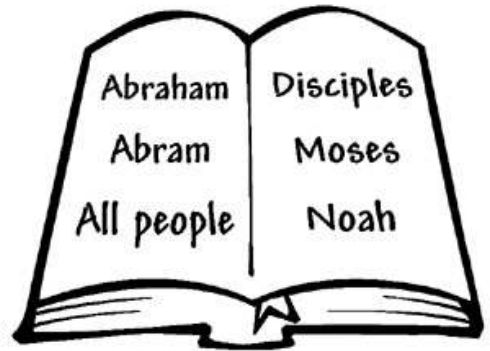
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Promises in Scripture

Read these scriptures and draw a line to the promise that is being made. Then, using the list on the Bible, fill in to whom the promise is being made.

- 1 John 2:25 _____
- Acts 2:38, 39 _____
- Genesis 12:1-2 _____
- Exodus 3:15, 17 _____
- Luke 24:49 _____
- Genesis 8:20-21 _____
- Hebrews 6:13-14 _____

- You will be a blessing
- Power from on high
- Eternal life
- Never to destroy every living creature
- Bless you and multiply you
- Gift of the Holy Spirit
- A land flowing with milk and honey



Answers:	1 John 2:25	Gift of the Holy Spirit	All people
Acts 2:38, 39	you will be a blessing	Abram	All people
Genesis 12:2	A land flowing with milk and honey	Moses	Disciples
Exodus 3:17	Power from on high	Noah	Abraham
Luke 24:49	Never to destroy every living creature		
Genesis 8:21	Bless you and multiply you		
Hebrews 6:13	Eternal life		

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Living Our Faith

Make a Pentecost Birthday Cake

Every birthday party needs treats! Celebrate Pentecost Sunday by making and sharing a special dessert. Think how you can use some of these symbols associated with Pentecost and the Holy Spirit to help teach others the story of this important day:

- * Pentecost comes 50 days after Easter.
- * Jesus had 12 disciples.
- * Galatians 5:22-23 lists 9 gifts associated with the Holy Spirit.
- * Reds, oranges, and yellows will remind people of the tongues of fire on Pentecost.
- * This day is also known as "Whitsunday" so white is another color option.

Plan your own treats or you could try this: start with a white cake (or cupcakes) with white frosting and then add decorations connected to the symbols mentioned in the story. For example:

- * 1 large candle could represent Christ our light, who promised to send the Holy Spirit.
- * 12 birthday candles represent the 12 apostles.
- * 9 candy hearts or strawberries represent the fruit of Spirit mentioned in Galatians 5.
- * Tiny flames can be made by cutting miniature marshmallows in half and dipping the cut side in red, orange, and yellow colored sugar.

Before cutting the cake, blow out the candles to remember the mighty wind!

Speak Another Language

On Pentecost, people from every nation heard about God's love in their own language. Choose a language you don't know yet and practice saying "God loves you"; then look for someone you can share the good news with!

- * Aloha ke akua - Hawaiian
- * Dios te ama - Spanish
- * Dieu t'aime - French
- * Theós' agapai - Greek

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