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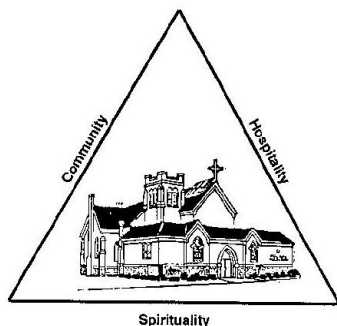
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Pastor's Post

Welcome to June. With the warm weather we have had over the last couple of weeks, it is hard to remember that we had a cold Spring, but there is little doubt that Summer begins this month. First, I want to thank everyone who has helped with cleaning the church while Dave Decker, our custodian, recovered from surgery. Bathrooms cleaned, sweeping, mopping, dusting, garbage emptied, vacuuming and everything else people did to make sure the church was clean. Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! You know who you are and we, the church, appreciate all you did to keep things clean and running.

Second, **you are invited.** Marla and I would like to invite all of you to a reception we are having to introduce you to our new daughter-in-law, Sammantha. David and Samm were married on the 26th of May in Flat Rock, Michigan, and we want to celebrate that moment with all of you. We are going to serve lunch following church and you are invited to come celebrate with us. I hope you will take a few minutes, even if you can't come to lunch, to welcome Samm into our St. Paul family.

Third, I want to say thank you to everyone who has volunteered to be on the team who will establish our active shooter protocol for St. Paul's Church. We will set a meeting date for June and hopefully at that time, we will meet with someone from the Sheriff's office who can assess our needs and make some suggestions to us. The team will then take that information and create a plan for us to follow and we will report back to you, hopefully at about the time school is back in session late this summer.

Finally, this summer, invite someone you know to church. We all share the responsibility of inviting people who do not have a church to join us on Sunday morning. Be brave, you will be the reason someone knows more about Jesus Christ. I am not saying teach a class. Just invite them to hear who Jesus is and let God move their heart closer to Christ's heart.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Paul



Thought for the Month:

A truly rich man is one
whose children run into
his arms when his hands
are empty.

—Ziad Abdelnour

St. Paul's Book Club

**Saturday, June 2, 2018
at 9:00 AM.**

We will discuss
"The Matchmaker"
By Elin Hilderbrand

Bring your own breakfast.

June 14, 2018



Flag Day

**West Ohio Annual Conference
Lakeside, Ohio
June 3-7**



**Food Pantry Sunday
June 17**

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

Thank you to all who
have been donating.

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

Upcoming Events for St. Paul's

JUNE 3

Coins for Communion
to benefit UMCOR



Save Your Coins

Christian Symbol

Serpent



A serpent coiled around a fruit-bearing tree symbolizes humanity's first sin, when Adam and Eve, at the serpent's tempting, disobeyed God by eating fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. The Genesis 3 account is often referred to as "The Fall," and though it doesn't say so, the serpent is commonly understood as Satan.

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A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.

**Father's Day
June 17**

**First Day of Summer
June 21**



**Seniors Day Out
June 19**

**12:00 noon
In the fellowship hall**

**Program: The history of the
handkerchief**

**Bring a handkerchief
to share.**

**Brad Joseph Memorial
Golf Outing Fundraiser**

Saturday, July 14

At Colonial Golfers Club



Upcoming Events for St. Paul's

Easin' on out of EASY 2017-18

Wow! It's May and another year of EASY is in the books. It was fast and furious and fun with an average of 20 students, 15 adult volunteers and four high school volunteers dropping by as time permitted. We ate, sewed, painted, built, played board games and outside games, worked with leather and beads, learned checking accounts and mail order spending, cooked (and ate some more), spent an hour acting like deer and habitat, practiced first aid, did some yoga and a bunch of other stuff. Oh yes, there was some studying going on as well.

None of this could have happened without support of time, money and supplies from our churches and community. We received grants from Walmart for the new white board and projection equipment in the basement. St. Paul's UMC donated money from the Christmas Eve offering and Immanuel UMC gave \$50 per month (for the entire year) in support. Members of both congregations "officially" donated \$192.63 although we know the amount not recorded was much higher. Elida Middle School gave us excess fruit left from the cafeteria.

Our volunteers donated 569.5 hours of their time, which translates into a monetary amount of \$4,726.85! Some of those volunteers were high school students, (some former EASY students) who gave of their after school time. There were presentations given by Johnny Appleseed Park District, Crime Victims Services, Elida Police Department, American Township Fire Department, Elida High School Social Worker, Stacy McAdams, among others.

Thank you so very much to all who supported this mission to OUR children! We have grown in our own Christian walk, made deeper friendships among ourselves and seen Christ at work. The names listed on page 8 are the most visible faces on Monday and Wednesday afternoons but certainly not a complete list. Time now to rest, plan and pray for next year. I hope you will all consider ways to be part of this act of God.

See pictures on pg. 8

Trustees

Heating and Air Conditioning Project:

I am happy to tell you that the heating and air condition project is all done. The project went really well for the size of it.

We started off with Jamie tearing out the brick wall between the boiler room and the old basement. Next Scott and Dennis tore down the old tin ceiling, and then we cut down the old boiler pipes. We hauled out three dumpsters full of junk. We then power washed the walls and floor. We had Basinger P&H from Pandora come in to spray foam insulation on the walls under the west back room. This really sealed up the room as you could see out cracks in the walls. Then it was Art and Larry to paint the wall. They used an epoxy paint that made the walls really look good; also it stuck well.

Grothouse P&H came in next installing the three new furnaces. They installed the floor vents and two vents in the back of the stage for air conditioning. They left because of their work load, giving us time to build rooms around each furnace. We also built a room for the Christmas decorations. Next Art and crew painted the new walls, making it really bright and looking good. This whole time Brunk Electric was finishing the electric work. He installed all new light thru out. Then in March and April Grothouse came back and finished installing the air condition equipment. We also had a new outside basement door installed.

The total cost was \$68,149.49. We were over the estimated cost of \$65,201.93 by \$2,948.49. We did a lot of extra work not in the estimate, new outside door, insulated walls in the west room, built bigger rooms with doors, painted the walls and used better lights. The trustees are very pleased with how the whole job went and how it turned out.

We paid for this with the upfront money and some money we had in the building fund. We need to be VERY PROUD of our selves for all the above giving that was given to make this all possible.

Thanks, The Trustees



Renovated old basement and
Christmas decoration room or the M & M
(Myrna Metzger) room.

Trustees

New fire escape and outside units



Top: New outside basement door
Bottom: Electrical panels



Top: New furnace room 1 and 2
Left: Foam insulation



Thank you to all who made this Capital Campaign project a success!

Whether it was thru committing financially, hard physical labor or just giving suggestions.

Faith In Action

Worship Attendance:

April 29, 2018	78
May 6, 2018	82
May 13, 2018 <i>Mother's Day</i>	97
May 20, 2018	89
May 27, 2018	66

Financial Giving

Weekly Need for
Unified Ministry Budget
\$3,466.00

Unified Ministry Giving:		Other:
April 29, 2018	\$3,207.00	\$1,212.00
May 6, 2018	\$3,214.00	\$655.10
May 13, 2018	\$2,087.00	\$203.00
May 20, 2018	\$3,766.85	\$312.41
May 27, 2018	\$2,155.00	\$566.86

Sunday School Attendance

April 29, 2018	9
May 6, 2018	8
May 13, 2018	11
May 20, 2018	N/S
May 27, 2018	N/S

Greeters

June 3, 2018	Steve & Tracy Sdao
June 10, 2018	Marty & Kathy White
June 17, 2018 <i>Father's Day</i>	OPEN
June 24, 2018	Gene & Linda Craft

Flower Calendar

June 3, 2018	Denny & Carole Grapner
June 10, 2018	Kim Holmes
June 17, 2018	Art & Linda Holman
June 24, 2018	Don & Judy Chaffins

Hospitality Cart

June 3, 2018	Margie Best & Jone Lane
June 10, 2018	OPEN
June 17, 2018 <i>Father's Day</i>	OPEN
June 24, 2018	Choir

Daily Bible Readings

Friday 6/1

Psalm 16, 17, 22, Proverbs 8:1-21
2 John 1-13, Matthew 12:1-14

Saturday 6/2

Psalm 20, 21, 110, 116, 117
Proverbs 8:22-36
3 John 1-15, Matthew 12:15-21

Sunday 6/3

Psalm 114, 115, 148, 149, 150
Proverbs 9:1-12
Acts 8:14-25
Luke 10:25-28, 38-42

Monday 6/4

Psalm 9, 15, 25, Proverbs 10:1-12
1 Timothy 1:1-17
Matthew 12:22-32

Tuesday 6/5

Psalm 26, 28, 36, 39
Proverbs 15:16-33
1 Timothy 1:18-2:8
Matthew 12:33-42

Wednesday 6/6

Psalm 38, 119:25-48
Proverbs 17:1-20
1 Timothy 3:1-16
Matthew 12:43-50

Thursday 6/7

Psalm 37, Proverbs 21:30-22:6
1 Timothy 4:1-16
Matthew 13:24-30

Friday 6/8

Psalm 31, 35, Proverbs 23:19-21
1 Timothy 5:17-25
Matthew 13:31-35

Saturday 6/9

Psalm 30, 32, 42, 43
Proverbs 25:15-28
1 Timothy 6:6-21
Matthew 13:36-43

Sunday 6/10

Psalm 63, 98, 103
Ecclesiastes 1:1-11
Acts 8:26-40
Luke 11:1-13

Monday 6/11

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

Tuesday 6/12

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

Wednesday 6/13

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

Thursday 6/14

Psalm 50, 59, 60
Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:3
Galatians 3:1-14
Matthew 14:13-21

Friday 6/15

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

Saturday 6/16

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

Sunday 6/17

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

Monday 6/18

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

Tuesday 6/19

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

Wednesday 6/20

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

Thursday 6/21

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

Friday 6/22

Psalm 79, 73
Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:14
Galatians 5:25-6:10
Matthew 16:21-28

Saturday 6/23

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

Sunday 6/24

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

Monday 6/25

Psalm 77, 80, Numbers 9:15-10:36
Romans 1:1-15
Matthew 17:14-21

Tuesday 6/26

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

Wednesday 6/27

Psalm 81, 82, 119:97-120
Numbers 11:24-35
Romans 1:28-2:11
Matthew 18:1-9

Thursday 6/28

Psalm 34, 85, 86
Numbers 12:1-16
Romans 2:12-24
Matthew 18:10-20

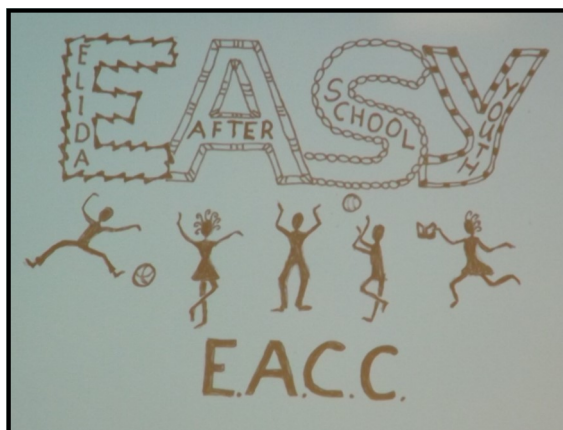
Friday 6/29

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

Saturday 6/30

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

EASY Program



Volunteers:

Mary Early
Lynda Evans
Norm Grigsby
Don Irvin
Denny Mault
Alex McAdams
Susan Nartker
Corinne Piper
Tim Piper
Connie Plummer
Marla Scannell
Paul Scannell
Barb Schade
Greg Schade
Lavonne Segovia
Jamie Wyant



Thank You!!!



Student Volunteers:

Jessica Baker
Makayla Bok
Hunter High
Travis Holycross



Our Church History

Twelve youth were confirmed on January 7, 2007, by Pastor John. Mike Matlock was an assistant during the class meetings and activities. The confirmed students were Molly Fessler, Jacinda Fletcher, Audrey Fox, Doug Guess, Alex McAdams, Reggie McAdams, Tahler Sdao, John Segovia, Cody Smith, Kelsey Smith, Michele Theodore, A.J. White.

A sandwich and cake luncheon was held in the fellowship hall after church on February 18, 2007, to celebrate our church and everything it means to all of us;

On Easter Sunrise Service, April 8, 2007, the congregation was entertained by the Puppet Ministry Puppeteers: Judy Chaffins, Molly and Oliver Fessler, Torie McAdams, Shirley and Steve Moser, Steve and Tracy Sdao, and Michele Theodore. Doug Guess and John Segovia each sang a solo during the service. An Easter breakfast was served in the fellowship hall after the service.

The annual Koinonia chicken barbeque was held on April 20, 2007. Another successful barbeque was credited to the hard work of the Koinonia members and all the people of St. Paul for supporting with their gifts and presence.

Pastor John was transferred from St. Paul's Church in April, 2007. A new minister will be assigned to St. Paul UMC at the West Ohio Annual Conference. In the interim, retired ministers or lay speakers will fill in.

St. Paul's 7 high school graduates were honored on Graduation Sunday, May 20, 2007, with a breakfast prepared by the Nurture Committee. Preparing and serving the breakfast were: Lynda Evans, Gail Fessler, Mary Grigsby, Maedene Holmes and Martha Vazquez. The 2007 graduates are Julie Adams, Mallory Adams, Lindsey Reiff, Kayla Stewart, Jenni Theodore, Kelly Warris, and A.J. White. Todd Hanes was the guest speaker. Lois Cook is the Higher Education Coordinator.



**Easter Breakfast was served
on April 8, 2007**



**The Nurture Committee prepared
and served breakfast to our 7 high
school graduates on May 20, 2007**

Remember When...



June, 1991
Vacation Bible School



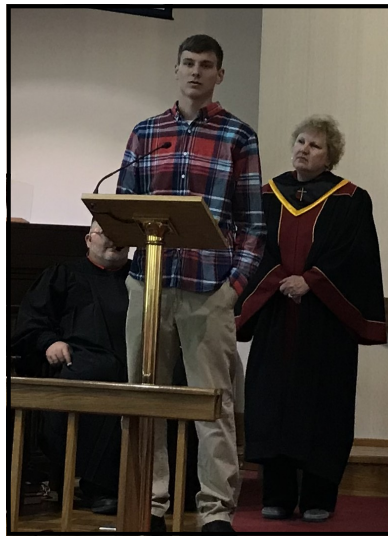
June, 2004
Church Dinner



June 17, 2014
Seniors Day Out
Music by The Goldenaires



Sunday, May 20



Graduates Breakfast

*Recognition of High School Graduates:
Joshua Guess and Isaac McAdams*

*Recognition of College Graduates:
Diane Eagy, Reggie McAdams,
Torie McAdams, and Samantha Myers*

Pentecost Sunday

*Recognition of the Choir
Choir's last Sunday until Fall.*

*Thank you to Judy Chaffins
for directing the choir,
Lois Cook, Pianist,
and Linda Holman, Organist.*



The People of St. Paul's

Thank You!

*Dear St. Paul's Family,
I want to send a special
thank you to all my St.
Paul's family for all their
cards, cares, prayers and
flowers during my recent
stay at St. Rita's luxury
resort, where I was
recovering from my
operation. Special thanks to
the ladies for the nice
warm, comfy lap blanket. I
use it regularly. I also want
to thank Pastor Paul for his
cheerful and entertaining
visit. While I am not quite
up to snuff, I am on the
mend and hope to be back
among you soon.*

*God Bless You All,
Dillon Staas*

*Dear St. Paul's family,
Thank you so much for your
prayers and the beautiful
wind chimes. They are
hanging out our back door
and the sound constantly
reminds me of my brother.
We are so blessed to have all
of you.*

Bill and Bev Nesbitt

*Thank you so much for the
delicious pie. It was a treat
for our residents.*

*God Bless You,
Samaritan House, Staff*

Remember in Prayer

Recovering from Surgery or in the Hospital

Jean May
Dillon Staas
Ray Trigg

Homebound Members

Hazel Dunn
Glenna Kohli

Those in Need of Healing, Support, Strength & Encouragement

Jim Hines
Mary Steiner
Ray and Phyllis Trigg

In the Military & Missions

Oliver Fessler
Nathan Stewart



Congratulations to David Scannell on his marriage to Samantha Myers on Saturday, May 26, in Flat Rock, Michigan. David is the son of Pastor Paul and Marla Scannell.

You're Invited!

Graduation Party:

Joshua Guess

Friday, June 8, 2018

4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Hermon Woodlands

485 N. Wapak Rd., Elida



*Pastor Paul and Marla Scannell invite our whole church family to join us in the celebration of our son, David, and his wife, Samantha's marriage, **Sunday, June 10**, following the worship service. There will be a lite meal and cake.*

Meetings

June 5, 2018
Trustees...7:00 PM

June 11, 2018
Finance... 7:00 PM

June 13, 2018
Worship Mtg..6:00 PM

TBA
Missions

No Ad Council Mtg.

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

JUNE 2018

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat



1
Becky Bean

2

Anniversaries

Dominic & Kelly DeRose
June 1

Marty & Kathy White
June 2

Bill & Esther McKinney
June 5; 53 yrs.

Jonathon & Amber
Moorman
June 11

Brad & Slone Whetstone
June 13

Art & Linda Holman
June 17; 51 yrs.

Justin & Megan Wyant
June 19

Caleb & Krista Slemmons
June 21

Jim & Sharon Phillips
June 22

Don & Judy Chaffins
June 29; 44 yrs.

Tom & Denise Thomas
June 29

Zac & Jenni Jankovsky
June 30

3
Megan
Emmons

4
Gary Adams
Lois Rabley

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9
David
Nartker
Jamie Wyant

10
Don Chaffins
Caleb Kinney
Susan
Nartker

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Rick Evans
Evan Motzer

15
Jim Hines

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Judy
Chaffins

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Gwyneth
Woeller

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20
Greg Schade

21
Steve Moser
Josh Motzer
Kathy White

22
Kim Metzger
Emma Motzer

23

24
Vicki
McAdams

25

26
Art Holman

27

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29

30

Recipes from St. Paul's Great Cooks

Peaches and Cream

By Margie Best

Ingredients		Instructions
3/4 cup	Flour	<p>Mix first 3 ingredients.</p> <p>Mix next 3 ingredients, then add to above mixture. Spread in an 8x8 baking dish.</p> <p>Drain 16 oz. can of peaches (saving 1/2 the juice) chop peaches and spread on batter.</p> <p>Pour cream cheese, sugar, and peach juice mixture over peaches.</p> <p>Sprinkle top with sugar and cinnamon mixture.</p> <p>Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.</p> <p>Double recipe for 9x13 pan.</p>
1 box	Vanilla pudding mix	
1 tsp.	Baking powder	
1	Egg, beaten	
1/2 cup	Milk	
3 Tbl.	Butter	
16 oz. can	Peaches	
8 oz.	Cream cheese	
1/2 cup	Sugar	
1/2 cup	Peach juice	
1 Tbl.	Sugar	
1/2 tsp.	Cinnamon	



Bara Brith

From May Seniors Day Out

Ingredients		Instructions
1 cup	Hot brewed tea	<p>Pour hot tea over currents and raisins in bowl; soak 8 hrs. to overnight.</p> <p>Preheat oven to 350 degrees.</p> <p>Grease sheet of parchment paper to line a 2 pound loaf pan.</p> <p>Stir brown sugar into tea and fruit mixture until dissolved completely.</p> <p>Mix flour and egg into tea and fruit mixture until completely integrated into a batter.</p> <p>Spread batter evenly into prepared bread pan.</p> <p>Bake in preheated oven until golden-brown, about 40 minutes. Cool in the bread pan 5 minutes before transferring to a rack to cool completely.</p>
3/4 cup or 1/2 cup and 1/4 cup	Currents, dried Cranberries Raisins	
3/4 cup	Golden raisins	
3/4 cup	Brown sugar	
1 1/4 cups	Flour, self rising	
1	Egg, beaten	

KIDZ KORNER

DADS are a BLESSING

Surprise your dad or another special man with this Father's Day gift.



What you need:

- Photos of you and your loved one (together, if possible)
- Scissors
- 8.5" x 11" paper
- Glue stick
- Marker
- 8.5" x 11" photo frame

What you do:

1. Cut photos into shapes (hearts, circles, etc.).
2. Arrange photos on the paper, leaving room for a message, and glue them down.
3. Write: "I'm blessed as can be. My heavenly Father has given me the best _____ [dad, uncle, friend] in the world, and he belongs to me!"
4. Place your picture message in the frame.
5. Give your gift to show love and appreciation.



Beloved children

God our heavenly Father loves us so much that he calls us his.

Directions: Follow the instructions below. Then read the remaining words, going across the rows from left to right, to complete 2 Corinthians 6:18, NIV.

- Cross out the opposite of blessings.
- Cross out the disciple who betrayed Jesus.
- Cross out the opposite of love.
- Cross out a word for jail.
- Cross out what happened to Jesus.
- Cross out the opposite of friends.
- Cross out the opposite of found.
- Cross out a word for disobeying God.
- Cross out an animal.
- Cross out a place.
- Cross out a book of the Bible.

I	enemies	will	be	Judas
hate	a	Father	to	serpent
you	and	you	will	crucified
cursings	be	my	sons	and
sin	Golgotha	daughters	says	the
Lamentations	prison	Lord	Almighty	lost

Answer: "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." 2 Corinthians 6:18, NIV

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Living Our Faith

Connecting the Dots

Commencement speeches and greeting cards are full of advice for graduates, yet good intentions and careful plans can't guarantee a perfect life — whatever that might mean.

"You can't connect the dots looking forward," said Steve Jobs. "You can only connect them looking backwards. So you have to trust that the dots will somehow connect in your future. You have to trust in something — your gut, destiny, life ..."

As Christians, we can do more than that: We can trust in God. Yes, he may speak to us through a "gut" feeling, and our eternal "destiny" is assured. And we know that life, not death, will win out. But recent grads — and all of us — need not just sit and wait to see how the dots of our lives will someday connect. God has shown us through Scripture, the church and, above all, Jesus that the dots connect this way: from God's heart, to Jesus' sacrifice for us, to our entry into relationship with God, to our heart and finally to our own loving outreach to others.

Whatever shape your education, work and family take through the years, "commence" with this: God has drawn your life to connect with him and your neighbors. If you follow those Spirit-etched lines, you'll be fine.

—Heidi Mann

