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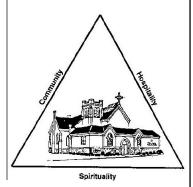
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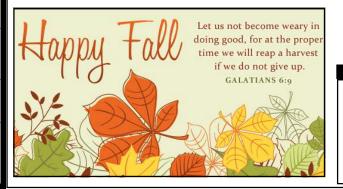
Fall is officially here and that means football season is well under way, so what better time to have a sermon series that teaches us all lessons learned from the game of football? The first 2 sermons "No Pain, No Gain" and "The 12th Man" are in the books and

we have 3 sermons left and I want to invite you to catch the next 3 sermons: "The Best Coach's Secret", "Agony of Defeat" and "Redefining Victory". So as you cheer on your favorite team or even if you don't like football, we can all learn a few lessons from what the Gospel has to teach us this Fall.

I want to thank you all for your wonderful donations to the Habitat for Humanity. With your help we have raised \$2500. This money will help a family in our own neighborhood have the home they have dreamed about. What a marvelous way to show the Love of Christ to God's people in our local community. Also, thank you to everyone who came out for pictures for the new directory. There is a lot more work that needs to be completed before we get our new directories, but I look forward to seeing your picture in the book.

Finally, I want to invite you to the church for Trunk or Treat where we will serve warm drinks and invite people from the community to experience God's love through kindness and warmth. You can bring your car and some candy and enjoy reconnecting with old friends and meeting new friends from around the neighborhood. Dress up in a costume and have fun showing our community we care for them.

See you in the mission field, *Pastar Paul*



Thought for the Month:

Autumn carries more gold in its pocket than all the other seasons.

—Jim Bishop

October 6 'Coins for Communion' to benefit Family Promise



October 6

District Charge Conference 3:00 PM

At Immanuel UMC Sunnydale St., Elida





LADIES SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

ALL LADIES INVITED TO THIS THURSDAY NIGHT STUDY OF GOD'S WORD. BRING A FRIEND!

NEXT UP: JOSHUA - (Joshua was faithful, courageous and obedient to God. Moses was a hard act to follow! Let's see how he did this!)

FELLOWSHIP TIME: 6:00 P.M.

STUDY: 6:30-7:30 P.M

In the classroom beside the office

Any questions, call Kathy Waldick

@ 419-604-0299

Upcoming Events for St. Paul's

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

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Christian Symbol

FORTRESS OR TOWER



The tower, or fortress, is a symbol that, in the words of Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength." Martin Luther used this psalm as the basis for his hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." The tower or fortress may also

represent Saint Barbara, an early Christian martyr, who ordered that her tower be built with three windows instead of two to signify the Trinity. Another scripture reads "But the LORD has become my fortress, and my God the rock in whom I take refuge" (Psalm 94:22, NIV).

Food Pantry Sunday October 13

Donations are taken to the Five Loaves Food Pantry At The Church at Allentown

A sometimes-forgotten mission of St. Paul's is our food pantry collection. A group of our members at St. Paul's are very faithful about giving food to the pantry every month. This food is distributed in the 45807 area so it helps local families make ends meet.

Your faithfulness to this mission is appreciated!



Dish-It-Out Cafe

Tuesday, October 15

12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall All Retirees welcome!

Some meals are also taken to those who can not get out to come to the luncheon

Thankyou

Thank you for the home cooked dinners. They always come at a good time.

Dick and Madeline Armstrong

Upcoming Events for St. Paul's



Join Us In Mission to Our Neighborhood

October 31 Trick or Treat in Elida 5 to 7 PM

We will once again be giving out hot chocolate, coffee and pencils to trick-or-treaters and parents. We will need volunteers to help get the drinks ready and to serve. If you would like to be part of this, contact Marla Scannell or Jamie Wyant.

Trunk or Treat October 31 from 5-7 PM

Trunk or Treat is in the St. Paul's East parking lot. We are looking for people who do not have trick-or-treaters coming to their homes to come and open their trunks and pass out goodies. Candy donations are needed. Please pray about participating in this fun adventure. If interested see Marla Scannell or Jamie Wyant.

Thank you in advance for your help!



Missions

Habitat for Humanity

Exciting things are happening in Elida. A new **Habitat for Humanity house** is being built on North Street in Elida and our congregation is supporting this mission. Besides work opportunities, members at St. Paul's Church have **donated nearly \$2,500 to Habitat for Humanity.** Hopefully by the time you read this article we will have met our goal and submitted it to HFH.

Thank you to all who were able to give to this community-wide mission!

Camp Wesley Cabin Mission

Thank you to everyone who donated money to the *new cabin at Camp Wesley*. As you can see by the photos here the cabin turned out great. Members of St. Paul's donated a total of \$1,056.63 to help build the cabin to be used by campers. Thank you!





Ramp Mission

Thank you also to everyone who helped disassemble and reassemble the ramp on Russell Avenue. We will have **two new ramp projects in October.** Anyone who would like to help with these ramps may contact **Jamie Wyant**, who heads up our ramp projects.



Thank you all for being Christ's hands and feet as we journey through our mission fields!

Missions



Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child, is a project of Samaritan's Purse, is the world's largest Christmas outreach of its kind.

At St. Paul's, we will begin collecting shoeboxes the month of **October to November 18.** Please prayerfully consider your participation in this project. Last year we collected 67 boxes.

OCC Coordinator, Jamie Wyant



Crafty Creatures

On September 1, three groups of quilts were blessed during the Children's moments of the Worship Service. There were 11 patriotic quilts that were given to Honor Flight of the Findlay area. (Gary Adams was on the flight.) Twenty-three Children's quilts were given out: 18 given to Crime Victim Services and 5 to American Twp. Fire & Rescue. Thirty quilts went to nursing homes: 10 each to Sara Jane, Van Crest and Lima Convalescent Home.

School and Health Kits

Our School and Health Kits were a major success. Members of St. Paul's donated 110 school kits and 94 health kits, a major increase over last year! Thank you to everyone who donated kits. A special thanks to Bev Nesbitt who headed up this mission and to her Maedene Lvnda helpers, Evans. Tim and Corinne Piper, Holmes, Lavonne Segovia and Martha Vazquez, and to Pastor Paul, who delivered the kits to Spencerville UMC.



Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen

A group of our members faithfully serve at this mission, which is a good community service for our church.

Thank you to those who served in August!

In November, we will hear more about a new mission project in **Haultuco**, **Mexico**. Our **Hat**, **Glove and Mitten tree** mission is just a couple months away.

Faith In Action

Worship Attendance:		
September 1, 2019	80	
September 8, 2019	87	
September 15, 2019	74	
September 22, 2019	91	
September 29, 2019	75	

Financial Giving

Weekly Need for Unified Ministry Budget \$3,466.00



Unified Mini	Other:	
September 1, 2019	\$3,906.00	\$845.40
September 8, 2019	\$5,850.00	\$864.00
September 15, 2019	\$3,001.00	\$249.00
September 22, 2019	\$3,490.00	\$400.53
September 29, 2019	\$3,071.00	\$2,298.76

Sunday School Attendance

September 1, 2019	4
September 8, 2019	6
September 15, 2019	4
September 22, 2019	6
September 29, 2019	N/A

Greeters	
October 6, 2019	Evelyn Sarber
October 13, 2019	Don & Mary Irvin
October 20, 2019	Alex, Stacy & Rylan McAdams
October 27, 2019	Gloria Brunk & Jan Wyant

October 6, 2019	Don & Maedene Holmes		
October 13, 2019	Gail & Scott Fessler		
October 20, 2019	Carl Miller		
October 27, 2019	Larry & Shirley Moser		

Hospitality Cart			
October 6, 2019	Book Club		
October 13, 2019	Alex, Stacy & Rylan McAdams		
October 20, 2019	Greg & Barb Schade and Brittany Scannell		
October 27, 2019	Choir		

Daily Bible Readings

Tuesday 10/1

Psalm 26, 28, 36, 39 1 Kings 8:65-9:9

James 2:14-26, Mark 14:66-72

Wednesday 10/2

Psalm 38, 119:25-48 1 Kings 9:24-10:13

James 3:1-12, Mark 15:1-11

Thursday 10/3

Psalm 37, 1 Kings 11:1-13 James 3:13-14:12, Mark 15:12-21

Friday 10/4

Psalm 31, 35, 1 Kings 11:26-43 James 4:13-5:6, Mark 15:22-32

Saturday 10/5

Psalm 30, 32, 42, 43 1 Kings 12:1-20 James 5:7-20, Mark 15:33-39

Sunday 10/6

Psalm 63, 98, 103 1 Kings 12:21-33 Acts 4:18-31, John 10:31-42

Monday 10/7

Psalm 41, 44, 52, 1 Kings 13:1-10 Philippians1:1-11, Mark 15:40-47

Tuesday 10/8

Psalm 45, 47, 48, 1 Kings 16:23-34 Philippians 1:12-30, Mark 16:1-20

Wednesday 10/9

Psalm 53, 119:49-72 1 Kings 17:1-24 Philippians 2:1-11 Matthew 2:1-12

Thursday 10/10

Psalm 93, 96, 1 Kings 18:1-19 Philippians 2:12-30 Matthew 2:13-23

Friday 10/11

Psalm 40, 51, 54, 1 Kings 18:20-40 Philippians 3:1-16, Matthew 3:1-12

Saturday 10/12

Psalm 55, 138, 139 1 Kings 18:41-19:8 Philippians 3:17-4:7 Matthew 3:13-17 **Sunday 10/13**

Psalm 8, 24, 29, 84 1 Kings 19:8-21 Acts 5:34-42, John 11:45-47

Monday 10/14

Psalm 56, 57, 64, 65 1 Kings 21:1-16 1 Corinthians 1:1-19 Matthew 4:1-11

Tuesday 10/15

Psalm 61, 62, 68 1 Kings 21:17-29 1 Corinthians 1:20-31 Matthew 4:12-17

Wednesday 10/16

Psalm 72, 119:73-96 1 Kings 22:1-28 1 Corinthians 2:1-13 Matthew 4:18-25

Thursday 10/17

Psalm 70, 71, 74, 1 Kings 22:29-45 1 Corinthians 2:14-3:15 Matthew 5:1-10

Friday 10/18

Psalm 69:1-38, 73 2 kings 1:2-17 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:11-16

Saturday 10/19

Psalm 23, 27, 75, 76 2 Kings 2:1-18 1 Corinthians 4:1-7 Matthew 5:17-20

Sunday 10/20

Psalm 34, 93, 96 2 Kings 4:8-37 Acts 9:10-31, Luke 3:7-18

Monday 10/21

Psalm 77, 80 2 Kings 5:1-19 1 Corinthians 4:8-21 Matthew 5:21-26

Tuesday 10/22

Psalm 78, 2 Kings 5:19-27 1 Corinthians 5:1-8 Matthew 5:27-37 Wednesday 10/23

Psalm 81, 82, 119:97-120 2 Kings 6:1-23 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:8 Matthew 5:38-48

Thursday 10/24

Psalm 83, 85, 86, 2 Kings 9:1-16 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Friday 10/25

Psalm 88, 91, 92, 2 Kings 9:17-37 1 Corinthians 7:1-9 Matthew 6:7-15

Saturday 10/26

Psalm 87, 90, 136 2 Kings 11:1-20a 1 Corinthians 7:10-24 Matthew 6:19-24

Sunday 10/27

Psalm 19, 46, 66, 67 2 Kings 17:1-18 Acts 9:36-43, Luke 5:1-11

Monday 10/28

Psalm 89, 2 Kings 17:24-41 1 Corinthians 7:25-31 Matthew 6:25-34

Tuesday 10/29

Psalm 95, 100 2 Chronicles 29:1-3 1 Corinthians 7:32-40 Matthew 7:1-12

Wednesday 10/30

Psalm 101, 109, 119:121-144 2 Kings 18:9-25 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Matthew 7:13-21

Thursday 10/31

Psalm 105, 2 Kings 18:28-37 1 Corinthians 9:1-15 Matthew 7:22-29



September Activities



Old Fashioned Methodist Carry-In Sunday, September 15





Dish-It-Out Café Tuesday, September 17













Art work from the many talented folks that attended the Dish-It-Out café.

Church History

Pastor Paul and the children blessed the quilts on June 1st. The 25 lap quilts were taken the following week to Shawnee Manor and Otterbein Retirement Center.

Seniors Day Out on June 17 was special for the month of June. The theme was wedding memories and guests were invited to bring pictures to share of their wedding day. Susan Nartker made a 3-tiered wedding cake for the dessert. The singing group, the Goldenaires, performed for the guests.

The Brad Joseph Memorial Golf Outing was held on July 22, 2014. Brad's niece, Abby Paskvan, sang the National Anthem. Elida St. Paul's UMC sponsored a hole. St. Paul's golfers were Craig May, Larry and Shirley Moser, and Tim Theodore. Norm Grigsby, Tim Piper, Sue Theodore and Jamie Wyant volunteered at the event.

The Allen Co. Fair Chair Challenge was held on August 23, 2014. Volunteers from St. Paul's and Immanuel UMC had to set up 4,400 chairs Saturday morning and then take them down after the concert that night. A large number of volunteers were needed for this job.

Volunteers gave out hot drinks to parents who were taking their children out for Trick or Treat night in Elida, October 30. A group of St Paul volunteers also helped serve at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen on October 31st. The volunteers included Shara Bowsher, Deb Hurd, Larry Moser, Tim Piper, Dillon and Helen Staas and Martha Vazquez. St. Paul sends volunteers whenever there is a 5th Friday in the month.

Pastor Paul and the children blessed the quilts on November 23, 2014. Twenty-two quilts were taken the next week to Lima Convalescent Home and Lima Manor.



June 17, 2014 Wedding Cake for Seniors Day Out.



July 22, 2014 Brad Joseph Mem. Golf Outing Brad's niece, Abby Paskvan, sang the National Anthem.

Remember When...

October 8, 2000 Dinner at Elida Middle School celebrating burning of church mortgage.







October 30, 2005 Voting on dot Sunday



October, 2017 Greg and Barb Schade, Corinne Piper and Mary Irvin Hand out hot chocolate on trick or treat night.





Connecting With ...



Congratulations to Torie McAdams and Joe Gerdeman on their engagement. They are planning a May 22, 2021 wedding at St. Michael Catholic Church in Kalida with reception at Fort Jennings American Legion Hall. Torie is the daughter of Brent and Vicki McAdams and granddaughter of Myrna Metzger.

Congratulations to Reggie McAdams on his engagement to Stephanie Olman. They are planning a November 7, 2020 wedding in Maumee, Ohio. Reggie is the son of Brent and Vicki McAdams and grandson of Myrna Metzger.

Thank You!

The lap Blankets the ladies made for us were greatly appreciated and we thank them for all their work. They are Beautiful. God Bless them and we can't thank them enough.

Gary Adams





The Honor Flight was very moving and a wonderful experience with a great comradeship with the veterans who was on the flight with me and they all felt the same



Congratulations to the Elida Golf Team for winning the WBL and to Denny Thompson for coach of the year honors.



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The People of St. Paul's

Thank You

Dear St. Paul's Friends,
Thank you so much for your
generous support during my
recent surgery. Your prayers,
cards, visits and flowers were
encouraging and
appreciated. Special thanks
to Pastor Paul for being with
family during surgery and
visiting me. I so appreciate
the congregation of
St. Paul's church.

God Bless You, Martha Vazquez Remember in Prayer

Dear St. Paul's Family,
Thank you all for your prayers
and expressions of concern
during my father, Bob Potter,
illness and passing.
Thank you for the beautiful
wind chimes and to the ladies
who prepared and all who
donated food for the delicious
meal.

We are so blessed to be a part of such a loving and supportive church.

Blessings, Gail & Scott Fessler Family, Kevin & Teara Potter Recovering from Surgery or in the Hospital

Janet Grigg

Homebound Members

Hazel Dunn Glenna Kohl

Those in Need of Healing, Support, Strength & Encouragement

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Ray & Phyllis Trigg

In the Military

Oliver Fessler Nathan Stewart



Happy 100th Birthday

To Hazel Dunn and Evelyn Sarber Hazel on October 13, Evelyn on October 16.



Meetings

October 1, 2019 Trustees...7:00 PM

October 2, 2019 Worship Mtg.10:00 AM

October 14, 2019 **PPR...6:00 PM**

October 14, 2019 **Ad Council..7:00 PM**

No Finance

TBA Missions...7:00 PM

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

OCTOBER 2019

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1	2	3	4	5
		Robert Bice Brent McAdams	Carter Craft Reed Chambers	Beth Warris	Kim White	Corinne Piper
6 Molly Przekora	7 Denny Thompson Brogan Wyant	8	9 Paysen Wyant	10 Ray Trigg	11 Slone Whetstone	12
13 Hazel Dunn 100 yrs.	14 Sam Kinney	15	16 Rich Bowsher Evelyn Sarber 100 yrs.	17	18 Brad Whetstone Ayva Wyant	19 Ryleigh Warris
20 Stacy McAdams	21	22	23	24 Kim Holmes Nick White	25 Chris Bowsher	26 Kassidy Bok Tonya Craft
27	28	29 John Fletcher Shirley Moser	30	31		

Anniversaries

Dillon & Helen Staas October 6; 67yrs.

Barry & Cyndi Smith October 8

Gary & Shirley Adams October 10; 67yrs.

Zack & Katie White October 10

Juergen & Kathy Waldick October 11

Scott & Gail Fessler October 15

Alex & Stacy McAdams October 15

Ron & Ann Stewart October 19

Nate & Tonya Craft October 27

Featured Recipes from St. Paul's Great Cooks

Baked	Ziti	By Linda Holman Served at Dish-It-Out Cafe
Ingredien	nts	Instructions
1 lb.	Ziti pasta, dry	Preheat oven 350 degrees. Bake covered 30 minutes, or until cheeses are melted.
1 1b.	Onion, chopped Ground beef, lean	Bring large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add Zitti pasta, cook until firm to the bite, about 8 minutes; drain.
2 (26 oz)	Spaghetti sauce	In large skillet, brown onion and ground beef over medium heat. Add spaghetti sauce, and simmer 15 minutes.
6 oz.	Provolone cheese, sliced	Grease or spray 9x13 baking dish.
1 1/2 cups	Sour cream	Layer as follows: 1/2 of the ziti, Provolone cheese, sour cream, 1/2 sauce
6 oz.	Mozzarella cheese, shredded	mixture, remaining ziti, mozzarella cheese and remaining
2 Tbl.	Parmesan Cheese, grated	sauce mixture. Top with grated parmesan cheese.

Lime Sa	lad	
		By Linda Holman Served at Dish-It-Out Cafe
Ingredients		Instructions
1 (6 oz.)	Lime flavored Jell-O mix	Dissolve gelatin mix in boiling water. Stir in salt. Stir in cold water. Chill until slightly thickened
2 cups	Water, boiling	Fold cabbage, carrots, and nuts into thickened gelatin.
1/4 tsp.	Salt	Pour mixture into a non stick sprayed, 8 inch mold. Chill until firm.
1 cup	Water, cold	Set mold in a sink of hot water for a few seconds when ready to unmold.
1 cup	Cabbage, shredded	Place serving plate on top of mold, and turn over. Lift
1/2 cup	Carrots, grated	off mold.
1/2 cup	Walnuts, chopped	

KIDZ KORNER

HARVEST *Trail Mix*

This portable snack combines favorite fall flavors.



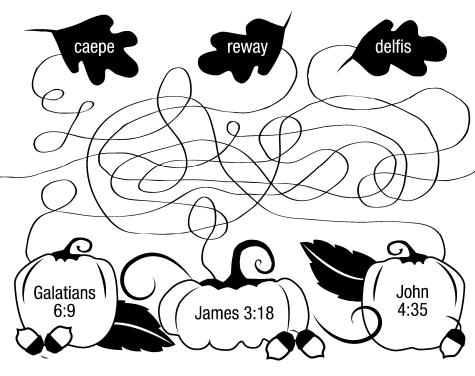
- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- $\frac{2}{3}$ cup pecan pieces
- 1/3 cup roasted pumpkin seeds
- 1/3 cup almonds
- 1/4 cup raisins
- ²/₃ cup dried fruit (any)

What you do:

- 1. Microwave syrup, spices, seeds and nuts for 30 seconds at a time, stirring frequently, until mixture thickens.
- 2. Spread the mixture on a baking sheet lined with wax paper. Let cool and harden.
- 3. Break the candied nuts into chunks. Combine with dried fruit.
- 4. Store in airtight container.



Directions: After unscrambling each leaf's word, follow the vine to complete the Bible verse.



Peacemakers who sow in __ _ _ reap a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18, NIV

Let us not become __ _ _ _ in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9, NIV

I tell you, open your eyes and look at the __ _ _ _ _ ! They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35, NIV

Answer: peace, weary, fields

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Living Our Faith

A Prayer For Peace

St. Francis of Assisi, an Italian Catholic friar, is commemorated on October 4. Though it's unclear whether this famous "peace prayer" was his, it reflects his gentle spirit as an ardent Christ-follower:

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is error, truth;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying to ourselves that we are born to eternal life. Amen.