

St. Paul's News

MARCH 2018



St. Paul's,
Happy March! As we welcome the month, we are a few weeks into our observance of lent, the season that comes before Easter in our church tradition. It is typically a time that we as Christians focus on repentance and seeking forgiveness from God and others. As a church we are spending the season of lent focusing on our relationships with others. We believe and trust that as followers of Christ how we act towards other people matters.

One way we live as Christians in relationships with others is through living peacefully. Romans 12:16-18 tells us, "Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all." Living peacefully is an active way to live.

Throughout the month consider what acts of peace you may participate in. Maybe it will be through kind words, an act of compassion, or prayers for peace. As we get towards the end of the month, be looking for our schedule for Holy Week and Easter. This year Easter is on April 1st. We will celebrate Palm Sunday the week before on March 25th. We will worship with our friends at Faith on Holy Thursday. And of course we will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 31st at the church. Is it my hope and prayer that during the remainder of this season of lent and the upcoming Easter season that together we will grow closer to Christ.

**Peace,
Pastor Hannah**





If you would like to donate flowers for the altar any time during the year, please call the church office at (419) 447-1743



let's do
lunch

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
LUNCH BUNCH
TUESDAY March 27th
12:00 PM**

**Ft. Ball Pizza
Tiffin OH**

**Contact Kathy Daniel for more
information 419-448-8418**



If you are over 80 and would like your birthday listed, contact the church office



March 4: Connor McGinnis and Sofia Paradiso

March 11: Carter Lindhorst and Charlie Garcia

March 18: Courtney McGinnis

March 25: Allison Johnson

If your son or daughter is in Third Grade or older and would like to acolyte, please contact Jill Lindhorst at 419-443-0273. Please consider helping us!



Mission Report

February Mission Giving:

Third Sunday Ingathering Offering \$ 115.00

(First Call for Help distributes these funds to those in need in our community.)

Tool and Blanket Sunday Donations came to \$ 1,328.00. This amount of money will benefit many needy people around the world.

Please remember our Sharing Kitchen guests during these cold, winter days.

Donations of canned goods such as soups, canned pastas with meat, tuna, fruit, etc. are appreciated. A donation bag is set up in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings for your convenience. Thanks to those who have made donations!

UMCOR Sunday will be on March 4th this year. In the past this was called One Great Hour of Sharing. This United Methodist Church Special Sunday giving “supports UMCOR’s administrative costs so that all designated gifts will go to the program of the giver’s choice. Your contribution Ensures UMCOR’s response in times of Crisis”

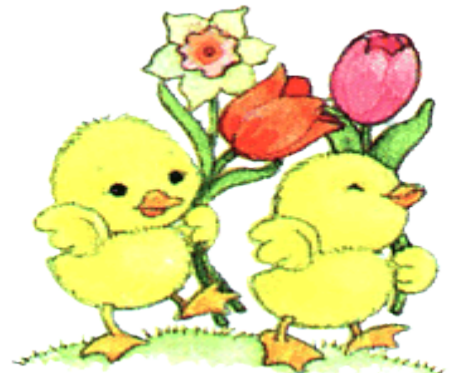
FISH FOOD PANTRY donations will be collected in the sanctuary from Sunday March 11th through March 25th. Non-perishable food items are needed. Canned fruit, canned soups and pastas with meat, tuna, canned chicken, etc. are most appreciated. In addition to these donations we will provide a donation basket if you prefer to give a monetary donation. Some perishable items are purchased by FISH for those in need in our community.

-Kathy Daniel for Missions Committee



TABLE FAVOR COMMITTEE MEETING

NO Meeting Scheduled for March watch your bulletin for more information about our next meeting



YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MISSION PROJECT



The Youth Fellowship will once again be collecting items during Lent to donate to the Seneca County Humane Society. Items may be placed on the table in the sanctuary. Thank you for your consideration of donating to this mission project!

The following are items we are always in need of at the shelter:

Stamps and Gas Cards
Amazon Gift Cards
Purina Cat/Kitten Chow
Purina Dog/Puppy Chow
Wet Cat/Dog Food
Laundry Detergent
Bleach
Toilet paper
Paper towels
Cotton Balls
Cotton Swabs
Towels/Bedding
Pine Bunny Bedding
Scoopable Cat Litter
Copy paper/Office Supplies
Dog & Cat Toys and Treats



Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 31st from 10-11:30 am in St. Paul's Fellowship Hall for children in Preschool-6th Grade

(Preschoolers need to be accompanied by an adult)

Activities include the Easter Story, crafts, egg hunt and games.

Donations of wrapped candy are needed. Please put them in parlor kitchen. Adult and teen helpers needed.

Questions Contact Melody Woessner 419-447-7837 or melodywoessner@yahoo.com





Thanks to all who supported the Youth Club Program. Youth Club just completed its 38th year! Thanks to our church for continuing to sponsor this program and also for some anonymous donations to help with our meal. Our average attendance each week was 19 children. We had a great team of 16 faithful adults and teens preparing and leading our activities each week. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and talents to make this program possible!!!

TRUSTEE'S

Trustees and Volunteers have been busy working hard to keep our beautiful church looking great! If you see a trustee or volunteer please let them know you appreciate their hard work and dedication! There are always opportunities for volunteers to help out if you are interested please talk to a trustee. "Many hands make light work"

-Marilou Hill

Easter Flowers

We will offer three choices of flowers for display on Easter Sunday. You may select Lilies, hyacinths or tulips. If you do not want to purchase a flower, you may designate your donation for one of the outreaches listed below.

**Orders for flowers need to be in by
Wednesday March 14th, 2018**

Lilies \$8.50 each pot

Hyacinths \$9.50 each pot

Tulips \$9.50 each

Out Reach giving options:

The Sharing Kitchen

Youth Annual Conference

At Lakeside

(we have youth attending)

