

# St. Paul's News

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**MAY 2018**



## **St. Paul's,**

A few weeks ago we announced in worship that beginning on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 when I leave for Strongsville, Bishop Tracy Malone will appoint Pastor Charlene Thomas to serve as the pastor of St. Paul's. I am confident that you are going to grow to love Pastor Charlene and thrive as a congregation under her leadership. Pastor Charlene shares many of your passions. She loves working with children and youth, she seeks to serve the community, and she desires to follow Christ in all she does and share the good news of Jesus Christ with others. In addition, you will find Pastor Charlene gifted in worship leadership and music.

As we go through this time of transition as a congregation, I hope and pray that you will be intentional at welcoming Pastor Charlene as you have already been at saying goodbye to me. As Christians we are called to be People of welcome and love. And while Pastor Charlene is already familiar with the Tiffin area, she does not yet know you. The Lewis Center for Church Leadership gives a list of "50 Ways to Welcome a New Pastor." Here are a few you may want to consider:

- Begin praying daily for Pastor Charlene and her family
- Invite Pastor Charlene to church social events in the first few months
- Introduce yourself to Pastor Charlene many times. Remember you have one name to learn while she has many!
- Send a card or note of welcome to Pastor Charlene
- Offer to show Pastor Charlene around the church building. We have a lot of space to learn!
- Share with Pastor Charlene some of your favorite things about St. Paul's.

Most of all I want to repeat that first suggestion **Prayer**. Throughout the next few months let us all commit to prayer. Prayer for our church, for Pastor Charlene, and I ask humbly for myself as I prepare to move to a new congregation.

We trust that St. Paul's is God's church and that God is at work in us and through us to share the love of Jesus with others. As always if you have questions about this transition, please do not hesitate to talk to me.

**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*



*If you are over 80 and would like your birthday listed, contact the church office 419-447-1743*

let's do  
lunch

**ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN US  
FOR  
LUNCH BUNCH  
TUESDAY MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>  
12:00 PM**

**GOLDEN CROWN  
TIFFIN**

**Contact Gary Bigley for more  
information 419-448-4680**



**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!**





**April Mission Giving:**

**Third Sunday Ingathering Offering**  
**\$ 68.00**(First Call for Help distributes these funds to those in need in our community.)

**Easter Sunday Special Offering**  
**Envelopes to Flat Rock Home-\$585.00**  
**Alternate Lily Giving: Sharing Kitchen- \$ 61.00**  
**Youth Annual Conference -\$175.50**

Thanks to those who made food donations for the local FISH Food Pantry! Also thank you to Rich Kinstler for boxing up and delivering those items!!

Health Kits- Missions Committee will be collecting money to buy supplies for health kits during the month of May. **Collection baskets will be available from Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>.** These kits will be delivered to Annual Conference at Lakeside the week of June 10<sup>th</sup>. Health Kits will be distributed domestically by UMCOR as needed in disaster areas. **In 2017 UMCOR distributed 11,761 health kits.**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> will be Peace with Justice Sunday.**

**-Kathy Daniel for Missions Committee**



**TABLE FAVOR COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Table Favor Committee will meet on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.**

**There will be two projects assembled. If you would like to join in the fun, contact Kathy Daniel**



**It's time to start planning for summer camp!**

**Summer camp brochures have arrived at the church. Pick one up on the tables in the back of the sanctuary or find more information online at [campwanake.org](http://campwanake.org). Camp programs are available for children and youth from Kindergarten through High School. Church funds are available to families to help with the cost. Talk to Pastor Hannah for more information.**



Our Church was blessed on Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>. Emily Runion along with her coach and Columbian Soft Ball team volunteered to clean in and work outside the church. Those young ladies were wonderful, willing, and hard working. No matter what chore they were given, they were cheerful and always smiling. Many Thanks goes to those young ladies for their hard work.

We continue to work on getting new quotes on the main church roof replacement. Grants are also being pursued.



**Newsletter deadline for the June**  
**Newsletter is May 19<sup>th</sup> 2018.**

Please **email** to [secretary@tiffinstpauls.org](mailto:secretary@tiffinstpauls.org)

## **Administrative Council**

### **Highlights**

**Education Committee:** The Easter Egg Hunt went very well lots of Candy was donated there were 23 children who attended the event. Thanks to all who helped out! Sunday School attendance varies each week. We are looking for a new 4, 5, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School Teacher in the fall. A big thanks to Angie McGinnis for her willingness to teach the past 8 years. Karen is looking for someone willing to take over Children's Church. May 20<sup>th</sup> will be Graduation Sunday and Vacation Bible School will be help July 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30 pm.

**Youth Report:** The Youth Service went well. YAC is coming up and they will need to meet soon with all who are going. Rich Kinstler will be delivering the Humane Society Donations the youth collected.

**Pastors Report:** Memorial Sunday will be May 27<sup>th</sup> as of now we have five names to honor. Pastor Charlene will be here during coffee hour on April 29<sup>th</sup> to get to know us a little better.

**Lay Leadership:** Met in April and will meet again in May they are confident they can begin to get people in place before the new Pastor comes in.