

St. Paul's News

February 2015



From the Pastor's Pen:

St Paul's,

As we approach the middle of February, we will also begin the season of Lent. Lent is the period of forty days (not counting Sundays) before Easter. It is a time that the church has historically used for repentance, instruction, fasting, and preparation for the celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday. Several exciting and important events will be occurring at St. Paul's during the season of Lent that you will want to take note of.

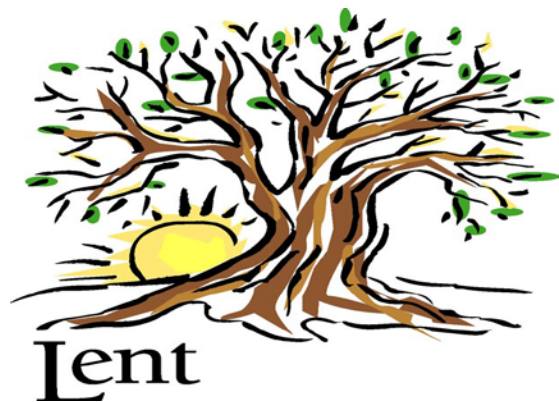
First, Lent begins on February 18th with Ash Wednesday. We will have a joint service with our brothers and sisters at Faith UMC. The service will be at Faith at 7:30pm and will include communion and the receiving of ashes.

Also there will be two small group opportunities during Lent. The Adult Sunday School class will be doing a study titled "6 Decisions that Will Change Your Life" and through video and scripture study will be discussing important decisions we are called to make as Christ followers. There will also be a short-term study meeting during the week for Lent. This group will be doing a study titled "Revival." This is a study on the history of our Methodist movement. If you have ever wondered what it means to be Methodist, how our denomination came to be, or who this John Wesley guy is that we sometimes mention, you will want to be sure to check this out. This is also a video and scripture based study and features video presentations filmed throughout England, so if you have ever wanted to travel the English countryside you might also enjoy

this study! Look for more information at Sunday worship for specific times and dates for this study. I hope that you consider joining one or both of these studies as time together studying scripture and our faith is an important part of our lives as Christians, especially during the Lenten season.

I'm looking forward to walking with you all through this Lenten season.

Peace,
Pastor Hannah



Special Birthdays February

11—Margaret Thomas
24—Bud Eley
26—Lois Payne

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



Lunch
Bunch

Tuesday Lunch Bunch
(Includes men & women)
February 24, noon
G.W.'s Restaurant
Contact—Renee Sand
(419) 447-6144



Table Favor Committee



No session in February. We were able to complete two projects in January. Ideas are forming for March and April projects.



Acolytes

Acolyte Schedule for February:

2/1/15: Connor McGinnis and Krystal Lawrence

2/8/15: Zane Gabrielson

2/15/15: Robbie and Carter Lindhorst

2/22/15: Allison Johnson and Robbie Lindhorst



ST. PAUL'S IN MISSION

January Mission Giving:

Third Sunday Ingathering Offering \$65

Special Christmas Offering—First Call for Help—Emergency Heating Fund--\$1634


Henderson Mission Trip for 2015 A group will go from Faith UMC. If you would like to save Campbell's Soup Labels (give to Kathy Daniel), we can donate those for the Henderson Mission work also.

Human Relations Day offering was collected on January 24--\$__

Sunday February 8 will be Blanket and Tool Sunday. Donations will be collected for Church World Service.

February 18 is Ash Wednesday. The Missions Committee will set up a table to collect non-perishable food items for FISH during the season of Lent.

--Kathy Daniel for Missions Committee.



Newsletter deadline for the March Newsletter is February 20th

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