St. Paul's News

May 2015



St. Paul's,

As I write this, spring has finally arrived! The birds are singing, the grass was mowed earlier today, and the leaves are starting to sprout on the trees. As we approach the month of May, things are going to continue to be exciting and active in our church.

In worship we will keep going through the letter of 1 John. This letter teaches us about living as Christians in the here and now. If you haven't read through 1 John yet, there is still time. Take a short amount of time over the next month and read through the letter. In addition, May is chalk full of special days in worship. Check out what is going to be going on during May and make sure to join us!

May 3rd—We will celebrate communion and also recognize our 50 year members

May 10th--We will recognize all women in our congregation for Mother's Day

May 17th—Graduates will be celebrated

May 24th—Pentecost and Memorial Sunday. We will also participate in a Church World Service gift fair to celebrate the church's birthday!

Throughout the month of May as we celebrate and worship together, it is my hope and prayer that we will continue to grow, learn, and serve together as a community of Christ followers.

Peace,
Pastor Hannah



Special Birthdays May

10- Mildred Durst (Karen Kinstler's mother at Good Shepherd Home)

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



Lunch Bunch Tuesday Lunch Bunch (Includes men & women) May 26, noon Back Roads Diner— Attica Contact Marilyn Hutchins

(419) 447-9720

Table Favor Committee



May 12, 1:30 pm This may be a longer session since we will work on projects for May, June & July. Camping season is just around the corner and we all want to enjoy summer weather when it arrives!



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



ST. PAUL'S IN MISSION

April Mission Giving: Third Sunday Ingathering Offering

(Goes to First Call for Help)--\$ **Native American Ministries-\$**

Easter Special Envelope Giving/Flat Rock Home- \$281.00

Health Kit Items will be collected during the month of May. Watch your bulletin for details...

Henderson Mission Trip for 2015

Campbell's Soup Labels can be donated for their work. Kathy Daniel is collecting them.

Acolyte Schedule for May:



Acolytes

5/3/15: Connor McGinnis and Krystal Lawrence

5/10/15: Youth Fellowship

5/17/15: Robbie and Carter Lindhorst

If your son or daughter is in grade 3 and older and would like to acolyte, please contact Jill Lindhorst (419)443-0273 or

blindhorst@att.net.



Walkers or Sponsors Wanted

For the Annual Cystic Fibrosis Walk in May for Krystal Lawrence. For more information, please contact Sandy Ritter (419)618-7075.



A big "thank you" for the many cards and prayers that I received while recovering from a recent illness. They all touched my heart and I want everyone to know how much it meant to me. Also Pastor Hannah's visit while I was in the hospital.

Thank you.

Melissa Rennels



Thank you to all who donated candy, helped fill and hide eggs, and led the activities for the Easter Egg Hunt. There were over 500 eggs filled and hidden. We had 17 children participate in the egg hunt and activities. Thanks to Pastor Hannah for sharing the Easter Story with the children.



Cleaning of the church: We do not have a janitor so we are depending on volunteers. It is a **BIG** job to keep the church clean. We could use some help. As of now Rich is doing the BIG JOB of sweeping—3 floors and Marilou is dusting many areas, cleaning the nursery and bathrooms. If you could volunteer 1 hour a week, we could designate a small area for you. Please consider helping us!



If you would like the monthly newsletter sent to your email, please contact Jill Lindhorst at blindhorst@att.net or (419-443-0273).



Newsletter deadline for the June Newsletter is May 22nd.

Please *email* to Jill Lindhorst at <u>blindhorst@att.net</u>.



Vacation Bible School 2015



July 19 - 23 from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. at St. Paul's UMC



At Everest VBS, kids discover what it means to hold on to God's mighty power in everyday life. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Summit Celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join us for our closing celebration at 8:00 p.m. on July 23.

Kids at Everest VBS will join an international missions effort to provide Thai-language children's Bibles to kids in Thailand.



If you would like to help with VBS but are unable to, there are donation boxes in the back of the sanctuary to help with VBS expenses.

Contact Kyle Paxson or Brian Arnold for more information or if you'd like to help!

