

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 23 and 24, 2017 in the year of our Lord

Opportunities to Equip and be Equipped

"St. Paul . . . sent by Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised him from the dead." (Galatians 1:1)

"A Christ-centered, Gospel-based church equipping you for service."

DURING THE PASTORAL VACANCY
Pastor Lance Franke will be our Interim
Pastor for weekend services. He is also
available for any Pastoral emergencies
by calling 419-204-6997.



PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following members in your prayers: Don Moltz, Dave and Deanna Ridenour, Viola Shockney, Martha Roesch, Howard Barnum, Lois Hummel, Peg Marquart, Ruthann Jones, Sherri Fox, Judy Mann, Donna Russell, Violet Goble, Cheryl Glass-Schell, Donna, William Barnum, Don and Helen Smith, Betty Streng, Ron Beese, and Ann Sims.

Just a reminder to anyone using the building please make sure all doors are locked when you leave the building. Thank you.

St. Paul wants to start a program where we have teddy bears to give to people who come here as a reminder of God's love and their visit to St. Paul. In order to start this program we need teddy bears. Anyone wishing to donate please let Jim Stauffer or the office know.

There will be a special offering collected on October 15 for those from our synod who are preparing for ministry in the ELCA. Please make your check payable to the **Northwest Ohio Synod-Fund for Leaders**. The purpose of the offering is twofold. First, we seek to provide needed financial support for those who are preparing for professional ministry. Second, we seek to use this opportunity to invite and encourage appropriate individuals to prayerfully consider serving in rostered ministry. God's Church has a great need for called and gifted leaders.

ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY MEAL

Welcome Table

BAKERS: The next Welcome Table will be held on September 24. Cupcakes will be needed for this meal. They may be left on the tables in the first open room off the gym. Everyone is welcome. Please stop in the gym-September 24 from 12:00-1:30 pm for a delicious meal. Help is always welcome and appreciated.

WELCOME TABLE: Thank you to those who helped with August WELCOME TABLE. (council hosted: Dave, Cindy, Craig, Larry, Linda E. & our faithful volunteers). GOD BLESS YOU!

The Eastern Conference Women's Fall Retreat will be held at Faith Lutheran Church in Fremont on September 30. Registration is at 8:30 with the program at 9:00. We will leave the church at 8:00. We will travel from Faith to Lynn Wood Dog Training Facility to learn more about Drug Sniffing Dogs. Then we will go back to Faith for a devotional by Pastor Jody Rice and then lunch. Transportation will be provided between Faith and the Dog Training Facility. A freewill offering will be collected and given to Lynn Wood Dog Training Facility instead of in kind gifts. A sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

DARTBALL! DARTBALL! The season is starting soon. We need men, women and children. If you are interested we will be practicing on September 24 at 4:30pm. Any questions please call Tom Willer at 419-308-0197.

The Naomi/Ruth Circle will continue discussing the Esther text at their monthly meetings.

On Sunday Oct 8 at 9:00am the Vagabonds will be traveling to the Mill and Canal Boat Ride and Apple Butter Festival in Grand Rapids, Ohio. Please sign up in the Narthex. Limit 12.

On October 15th we will be having a unity service at 10:00 am. Our guest preacher will be Bishop Daniel Beaudoin. The service will be followed by a Meet and Greet session. Lunch will be served at 12:00 pm. Following lunch the Bishop will answer your questions. We ask that all questions be submitted in writing by September 28th. If you plan on attending the lunch please sign up in the Narthex or call the church office by October 8th.

Great Hymns of Faith Choral Festival. Celebrating the spirit of unity and faith through singing!
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 4:00 PM \$10.00
For tickets: sanduskystate.com
877-826-1950 SANDUSKY STATE THEATRE

It's not too late to join the Women's Bible Study on Esther. We meet on Mondays at 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall. It is an invigorating study by Beth Moore (DVD) entitled "It's Tough Being a Woman". Come and learn with us from the example of faithful Queen Esther how God is ever present in our challenges.

Meet to Eat will be at 5:00 pm on Friday, September 29 at Marconi's in Huron. Please sign up in the Narthex.

Martin Luther the movie will be shown at the Sandusky Cinemark Theaters on September 26 and at Norwalk Premier 8 on September 28 at 6:30 both nights. Ticket cost is \$10.00 plus \$2.00 handling charge. For Norwalk the price is \$11.00 plus a \$2.00 handling charge. Ticket deadline is September 17th. To purchase tickets - go to www.tugg.com and click on events. You can also see a trailer on our Facebook page.

A text study on the Revised Common Lectionary will meet at Mr. Smith's Coffee House in Sandusky at 1:00 pm every Tuesday. Pastor Eric Bodenstab from Zion in Sandusky and Pastor Katie Suggitt from Grace in Castalia will lead the study. They will be looking at the readings for the coming Sunday so bring a Bible and a way to take notes.

On Monday Oct. 2 the St. Paul Vagabonds will be traveling to Shipshewana, Indiana. This will be an overnight trip. We will meet at 8:30 am in the church parking lot Monday Oct.2 and return Tuesday Oct. 3. We will be staying at a Super 8 Motel. 2 persons per room. Queen Size Beds. Cost: \$82.88 per room. Come join us. Limited to 12 persons.

This week in advance

Sunday, September 24

8:00 A.M. Worship Service with Holy Communion
Special Meeting on Shared Ministry
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11:45 P.M. High School Youth Schade-Mylander Plaza
12:00 P.M. Welcome Table
4:30 P.M. Dartball Practice

Monday, September 25

1:30 P.M. Women's Esther Bible Study
6:00 P.M. Providence Church Basketball
6:30 P.M. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, September 26

8:30 A.M. Tai Chi class
9:00 A.M. Stitch 'N Rip
1:00 P.M. Text study at Mr. Smith's
6:30 P.M. Martin Luther Movie in Sandusky
6:45 P.M. Boy Scouts

Wednesday, September 27

6:00 P.M. Providence Church Basketball
6:30 P.M. Bell Choir
7:15 P.M. Choir

Thursday, September 28

10:00 A.M. Bulletin Announcements Due
6:30 P.M. Martin Luther Movie in Norwalk
Deadline for submission of questions for Bishop Beaudoin

Friday, September 29

8:30 A.M. Tai Chi class
5:00 P.M. Meet to Eat at Marconi's
6:30 P.M. AA/Al-anon
6:30 P.M. Girl Scouts

Saturday, September 30

8:00 A.M. Leave for Women's Fall Retreat at Faith in Fremont
6:00 P.M. Worship Service with Holy Communion
Special Meeting on Shared Ministry
Welcome Table Set up

Sunday, October 1

8:00 A.M. Worship Service with Holy Communion
Special Meeting on Shared Ministry
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11:45 P.M. High School Youth Schade-Mylander Plaza
3:00 P.M. One Discussion