

July 11, 2022

Dear St. Paul Church Family and Friends,

We greet you in the name of Christ Jesus who beckons us to follow him by loving and serving others.

Pastor Becky offers you thanksgiving for the month of medical leave you gave her to recuperate from foot surgery. Your prayers, your cards, and your support certainly made a difference in her healing. We also thank Bryan Trego, Eli Schmitmeyer, and Elyssa Mullins for filling in during Becky's absence.

This coming Sunday is Eli Schmitmeyer's last worship service with us as a SALT Intern. Elyssa Mullins still has a few weeks with us. We thank God for their ministry among us!

We are beginning to pivot toward fall programming at St. Paul Church. Kick-Off Sunday will be September 11: the chancel choir and bell choir return, Sunday School resumes, and youth programming will begin. As we look toward the coming months, we are still seeking Champions in these areas:

Funeral Lunch Coordinator Daily Devotions Leader
Nursery Coordinator Community Meals Coordinating Team

If you feel led by God to serve in any of these ministries, please contact Pastor Becky.

Church Council is beginning to look toward 2023. We are seeking volunteers to serve next year as:

Council Vice President Recording Secretary
Junior Elder Trustee

Please see Roland Dicke or Myra Hanenkrafft if you would like to serve on Council in 2023.

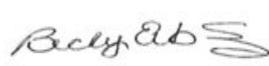
You will notice in the financials that we are currently \$5,351.43 in the red. While this typically happens during summer months, we encourage you to continue to offer thanksgiving to God through your financial stewardship at St. Paul Church. Your giving impacts the lives of countless people in our community and beyond. Thank you!

May the power of the Holy Spirit fill you this week!

Blessings,

Roland Dicke Myra Hanenkrafft
Council President Council VP



Rev. Becky Erb Strang
Senior Pastor

Financial Information as of July 11, 2022

Operating Fund

Beg. Balance \$0.00
Giving Income \$11,114.60 (weekly)
Endowment Trans \$12,100.00(ytd)
Income \$174,753.14(ytd)
Expenses \$180,104.57(ytd)
Balance **(\$5,351.43)**(ytd)

Building Maint & Property

Beg. Balance \$36,648.59
Income \$35,576.50(ytd)
Endowment Inc. **(\$6,220.54)**(ytd)
Expenses \$13,505.55(ytd)
Balance \$52,499.00(ytd)

Project of the Year

Income \$5,908.00

Local Aid

Beg. Balance \$12,218.82
Income \$17,043.70(ytd)
Expenses \$16,063.72(ytd)
Balance \$13,198.80(ytd)

Blessing Pantry

Beg. Balance \$29,161.12
Income \$8,265.00(ytd)
Expenses \$7,667.91(ytd)
Balance \$29,758.21(ytd)

Our Church Wider Mission

Pledge \$25,000.00
Income \$774.50(weekly)
Income \$12,753.50(ytd)

Please keep the family of Earl Dicke in your prayers. Earl has passed away. Service to celebrate his life will be held Friday, July 22, 2022 at 10:30am at Hogenkamp Funeral Home, Coldwater, OH. Visitation will be Thursday, July 21, 2022 from 3:00pm-7:00pm at the funeral home.

Help others whenever possible.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	Jesus sends out the Seventy-Two
Monday	Galatians 6:1-16	Help each other
Tuesday	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Parable of the sower
Wednesday	Romans 10:13-17	Proclamation of the message
Thursday	Isaiah 55:10-13	God's word will succeed
Friday	Acts 13:1-12	Saul and Barnabas sent out
Saturday	Psalms 108	With God there is victory
Sunday	Luke 10:25-37	The Good Samaritan

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Don't get tired of helping others. You will be rewarded when the time is right, if you don't give up. We should help people whenever we can, especially if they are followers of the Lord. **Galatians 6:9-10 (CEV)**

SAY, PRAY, AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord, keep us from becoming tired of helping others this week. Help us to do good to everyone. Amen. (Galatians 6:9-10)

Mealtime Prayer:

You have blessed us, O God, with food to savor. Send us forth, your fields to labor. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you now and always. Amen. (Galatians 6:18)

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home or small group:

- Share about a special trip you remember taking.
- In Luke 10:1-8, Jesus sends out his disciples to be dependent on the hospitality of others. Talk about a time when you were vulnerable and your needs were cared for by strangers.
- To do effective outreach, the church needs to be receptive to the gifts (and cultures) of others. How does God bless us by being open to the world outside our immediate circle of friends and family?

DEVOTIONS

It often feels easier to give than to receive. In Luke 10:1-8, Jesus directed his followers to be receivers of the kindnesses of others. Keep a journal during the week of how you were able to graciously accept help or gifts from people. Discuss your experience with someone else. Use the journal entries to thank God for the willingness of people to help others.

SERVICE

Saint Paul wrote, "Let us not become weary in doing good . . . As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" (Galatians 6:9-10). What opportunities do you have to do good this week—in your church, neighborhood, school or places of work? Plan one way that you can "do good" as a household this week.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

When Jesus sent out 72 of his followers ahead of him, he said that upon entering a house they were to say, "**Peace to this house.**" Practice a homecoming greeting this week. When a household member returns home from school or work, share this greeting with one another. "**God's peace be with you. And with you, too.**" You might want as well to add a hug or a kiss.

A still life photograph featuring a silver chalice with intricate designs, a loaf of bread, and several pieces of bread broken apart, all resting on a piece of light-colored, textured fabric. The background is dark. The text is overlaid on the image in white and black boxes.

Jesus' Banquet

Table

Luke 14: 7-24

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Rev. Becky Erb Strang-Senior Pastor

Roland Dicke-Council President

Welcome to St. Paul UCC, we are glad you are here!!

Whether you are worshipping online or in person, welcome, one and all, to this time of worship. We are blessed to have you with us today.

July 24, 2022

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Worship Leaders

Ministers

Rev. Becky Erb Strang

Elyssa Mullins

Eli Schmitmeyer

Becky Quellhorst

Tracy Oldiges

Jim Strang

The Congregation

Senior Pastor

SALT Intern

SALT Intern

Organist

Sr. Deacon

Music Director

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF CANDLES: You are invited to light a candle or candles at home in preparation for worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RAIN COME DOWN: Sound/Audio System/Streaming

Jesus said: Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. (Matthew 7:24)

Since March of 2020, St. Paul Church has streamed its worship services via Facebook Live. Once we moved back into the sanctuary and in-person worship, streaming continued and we updated our sound systems. Last fall, we added monitors to the sanctuary. Jim Strang works closely with a team of volunteers to keep our sound and video and streaming on-track each Sunday for worship. Please see Jim if you would like to volunteer for this vital ministry.

WELCOME SONG

No Matter

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a tempo of quarter note = 120. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The lyrics are: "No mat-ter who, no mat-ter what no mat-ter where you are on the jour-ney of life; you're wel-come, wel-come in this place. No mat-ter who, no mat-ter what, no mat-ter where you are on the jour-ney of life: ac-cept-ed, wel-comed by God's grace. grace." The score includes guitar chords: F, Dm, Gm7, C, F, F7, Bb, G7, F, Dm, G7, Gm7, C7, F, Dm, Gm7, C7, C, F, and F. There are also performance directions: "To verses" and "Last time, Fine".

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 150: 1-2,6)

Leader: Hallelujah! Praise! Praise God in the temple, in the highest heavens!

People: Praise! Praise God's mighty deeds and noble majesty.

Leader: All that is alive, praise!

People: Praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

88 Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Unison G2 C D C G2 C

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your

D C G2 C D C

prais - es. I'm so glad you're in my life,

G2 C Dsus D G C

I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heav-en to earth

D C G C D C

to show the way, from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;

G C D Em7

from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

WORDS and MUSIC: Rick Founds (1954-)
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Am7 Am7 D7 G C/G G

Lord, I lift your name on high.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or poorly we care for others. In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God.

UNISON CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, nor walked humbly with you, our God.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear these comforting words: If you repent and believe in God's redeeming mercy, your sins are forgiven. Trust in God's promises and begin a new life with God and all people in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: Amen!

GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory Be to the Father

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. The first system covers the lyrics: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the". The second system covers: "Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is". The third system covers: "now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men." The score includes a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb) and a 4/4 time signature. Chord symbols are provided above the vocal line for each system.

Chord symbols for the first system: Eb, Bb7sus F, Bb7 F, Eb, Bb, Bb, Eb, Bb, Eb6.

Chord symbols for the second system: Bb, F7, Bb, Bb7, Eb, Ab, Eb, Eb, Bb, Bb7.

Chord symbols for the third system: Bb7, Eb, Eb, Bb, Ab, Eb, G, Fm7, Ab, Eb, Bb, Gm, Bb, Bb7, Eb.

PASTORAL JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys: The gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives!

Concerns: We are continuing to pray for Janice Howell (JTDMH), Denise Joyce, Teresa Joyce, Lois Dicke, Rob Paul, Ethel Mesloh, Donald Mohrman, Greg Maurer, Bart Maurer, Jan Dammeyer, Shannon Shupp, and Dee Schroer.

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Holy God, we come before you in prayer, lifting to you our joys and concerns, the hopes and dreams of our lives. May we also be open to your voice in our lives that we may see with new eyes, and hear with new ears, the direction you will have us go. Bless, we pray, this gathering of your people that we may grow and flourish in your love and grace for the purpose to which you have called us. Hear our prayers for those whose lives have touched us—those who are in pain, those who are ill, those who grieve.

SILENCE

Almighty God, may we touch their lives not only through our prayers, but through our lives and actions as well. Guide us, bless us, uplift us, and hold us for we are your children called to your purpose in your world. Hear our prayers, those spoken and those hidden in our hearts, we pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray... **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Luke 14:7-24

(The Message)

Jesus went on to tell a story to the guests around the table. Noticing how each had tried to elbow into the place of honor, he said, "When someone invites you to dinner, don't take the place of honor. Somebody more important than you might have been invited by the host. Then he'll come and call out in front of everybody, 'You're in the wrong place. The place of honor belongs to this man.' Embarrassed, you'll have to make your way to the very last table, the only place left.

¹⁰⁻¹¹ “When you’re invited to dinner, go and sit at the last place. Then when the host comes he may very well say, ‘Friend, come up to the front.’ That will give the dinner guests something to talk about! What I’m saying is, If you walk around all high and mighty, you’re going to end up flat on your face. But if you’re content to be simply yourself, you will become more than yourself.”

¹²⁻¹⁴ Then he turned to the host. “The next time you put on a dinner, don’t just invite your friends and family and rich neighbors, the kind of people who will return the favor. Invite some people who never get invited out, the misfits from the wrong side of the tracks. You’ll be—and experience—a blessing. They won’t be able to return the favor, but the favor will be returned—oh, how it will be returned!—at the resurrection of God’s people.”

¹⁵ That triggered a response from one of the guests: “How fortunate the one who gets to eat dinner in God’s kingdom!”

¹⁶⁻¹⁷ Jesus followed up. “Yes. For there was once a man who threw a great dinner party and invited many. When it was time for dinner, he sent out his servant to the invited guests, saying, ‘Come on in; the food’s on the table.’

¹⁸ “Then they all began to beg off, one after another making excuses. The first said, ‘I bought a piece of property and need to look it over. Send my regrets.’

¹⁹ “Another said, ‘I just bought five teams of oxen, and I really need to check them out. Send my regrets.’

²⁰ “And yet another said, ‘I just got married and need to get home to my wife.’

²¹ “The servant went back and told the master what had happened. He was outraged and told the servant, ‘Quickly, get out into the city streets and alleys. Collect all who look like they need a square meal, all the misfits and homeless and down-and-out you can lay your hands on, and bring them here.’

²² “The servant reported back, ‘Master, I did what you commanded—and there’s still room.’

²³⁻²⁴ “The master said, ‘Then go to the country roads. Whoever you find, drag them in. I want my house full! Let me tell you, not one of those originally invited is going to get so much as a bite at my dinner party.’”

SUNG RESPONSE

Jesus Loves Me

Music: William B. Bradbury

Words: Anna B. Warner, Rev. Becky Erb Strang

Jesus loves me, this I know:

For his stories tell me so.

Parables to him belong

Turned upside down, he can't go wrong.

Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me.

Yes Jesus loves me: his stories tell me so.

SERMON

Rev. Becky Erb Strang

Anita Diamant, the author of The Red Tent, has also written an historical novel called The Last Days of Dogtown. Set in Cape Ann, Massachusetts, Dogtown was a real place from around 1719 to 1830—a not-quite-a-village of the neighboring towns' outcasts—widows, paupers, drunkards, witches—you get the picture. Diamant's novel weaves a beautiful tapestry of the lives of the individuals living in the squalor of their ostracism. Her story also tells how the 4 neighboring congregations—and their self-righteous pastors—shunned Dogtown's residents over and over and over again.

As Christians, I often worry that we might be more like the neighbors outside Dogtown—willing to help out when it is easy—yet afraid to take radical steps to welcome ALL of God's children—including the poor, the smelly, the sick, the addicted, the homeless, the democrat, the republican, the independent, the aged, the young.

Today's scripture lesson is hard to hear for those of us who live comfortable lives, sit on cushioned pews, and rarely worry about our next meal. Today's scripture calls us—almost DEMANDS US—to set aside our comforts (and the privileges and prejudices that accompany them). Today's lesson gives us a new commandment—to offer hospitality to the lost and forgotten. Indeed, to offer hospitality to the citizens of Dogtown.

The story about Jesus eating at the house of the Pharisee is amazing. Jesus—by way of parable—calls for new ways to see ourselves and our world. According to Jesus, God does not care one whit about the glitter and glamour of our guest list. It is EASY to invite our family and

friends to dinner. It is socially advantageous for us to invite the “important people”, “the beautiful people”, those who make us look good by enhancing our own social standing. NOPE—the deal is this—Jesus calls us to invite into our homes (and to our churches) those who CANNOT return the favor—those who might not be able to tithe OR invite us to an upcoming bash of their own. Instead, we are called to invite the residents of Dogtown—the forgotten and alone: the poor and lost and broken ones.

Jesus speaks by way of parable to catch us off-guard. I do believe that Jesus wants us to be wrong-footed in our old assumptions in order that we might become right-footed in how we include others. I do believe that Jesus wants us to squirm and get uncomfortable when we hear his parables.

As disciples of Christ, as followers of Jesus, we are challenged to do as Jesus commands—and that includes reaching out to the people who are barely living on the margins of life. Yes, we can pray for others, but we also need to put those prayers in action—to be an active part of making a difference in the lives of those on the edges.

In the New Testament book of Hebrews, we hear these words (Hebrews 13:15): *So let's go outside, where Jesus is, where the action is—not trying to be privileged insiders, but taking our share in the abuse of Jesus. This “insider world” is not our home. We have our eyes peeled for the City about to come. Let's take our place outside with Jesus, no longer pouring out the sacrificial blood of animals but pouring out sacrificial praises from our lips to God in Jesus' name.*

So this is my challenge for you. This is your homework for the next week: open your eyes this coming week with the eyes of Jesus. See the needs (which are often hidden in our more affluent community) and then find a way to address those needs. Write a letter to someone who is grieving. Invite a widow or widower to dinner. Bring a meal to someone who is recuperating from surgery. Donate to our Local Aid Fund or the Blessing Pantry. Volunteer in our schools.

Each of you is uniquely gifted for service. Find the intersection where your gift and the world's needs cross paths. Then get to work! Amen.

WE RESPOND WITH OUR GIFTS

OFFERING INVITATION: The willingness to give is a sign of life. The fruit tree gives of its fruit, and we know it is alive. When it no longer produces, we know real life has gone out of it. The heart that hoards the blessing of God is no longer alive with spiritual power. To give is to live. Let us give generously and joyfully!

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 34

Musical score for the hymn "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow". The score is in 4/4 time and G major. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system covers the lyrics "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;" and the second system covers "praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost." Chord symbols are provided above the vocal line for each measure.

Chord symbols for the first system: G, D, Em, Bm, Em, D, G, D, Em, C, G, D.

Chord symbols for the second system: Em, D/F#, G, D, G/B, C, F#dim/A, G, Em, D, Am, G/B, D7, G.

WORDS: *Doxology*, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
MUSIC: Louis Bourgeois (ca. 1510-1561), *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Dear God, wherever we look, from next door to a world away, we see the places where your creation cries out. May these gifts be a faithful response to those cries. Amen.

HYMN OF SENDING

O God of Every Nation

O God of Every Nation

N.C. $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$ Cm6 D Gm $\frac{Gm}{F}$ $\frac{Cm}{Eb}$ Cm Gm $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$ D

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,
 3 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

D7 Eb Cm6 F $\frac{Bb}{D}$ Eb Bb Cm $\frac{Bb}{D}$ Eb Cm6 D Gm

re - deem your whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

Gm Bb Cm6 $\frac{Cm}{Eb}$ $\frac{Bb}{D}$ F $\frac{Cm}{Eb}$ D $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$ $\frac{D7}{A}$ Gm Dsus D

where hate and fear di - vide us, and bit - ter threats are hurled,
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign,

N.C. $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$ Cm6 D Gm Cm $\frac{Bb}{D}$ Eb Cm6 D Gm

in love and mer - cy guide us, and heal our strife - torn world.
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

BENEDICTION: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Pass the Love*

Pass the Love

Musical score for "Pass the Love" in 4/4 time, tempo 95. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics and chords. The chords are: F, Gm7, F, Gm7, F/A, F/Bb, Gm9, C7; F, Gm7, F, Gm7, F/A, F/Bb, Gm9, G7, C; Fmaj7, Dm, F/G, F/C; Am7, Dm7, Gm7, F/C, C7, F.

Love our God, ev - 'ry day, praise with joy go-ing on your way.
Pass it on, t'all you meet, ev - 'ry day in___ ev - 'ry way.
Love our Ho - ly God. Pray with hope each day.
Bless the Ho - ly Name. Praise our___ God.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pass the Peace of Christ to one another!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers are in loving memory of Ron Hittepole & Andrea Hittepole by Marlene Hittepole.

Participants-Daily Devotions-42, July 10-Sunday Worship Online-150, In Person-56.

Sundays in July-Worship will be in person and via Facebook Live at 10:15am.

Daily Devotions-Please join us, Monday-Thursday at 11:30am, online via Facebook Live. These will air on our Facebook page: St. Paul United Church of Christ-New Bremen, OH. They will be saved to our Facebook & Instagram page.

St. Paul History Exploration-Attention new members, history lover and people wanting to know more about the church! SALT Interns Elyssa Mullins and Eli Schmitmeyer will be offering a history walk/tour of St. Paul Church! This tour will include information about the formation of our congregation, our prior locations/buildings, as well as the stain glass windows in our sanctuary. The tour will begin on July 26 at 7 PM. Please meet in the Theater. We hope to see you there!

Book Club-July 31st-11:15am-Zoom Room!-For July, we will be reading *The Wedding Gift* by Marlene Suyapa Bodden. This book was recommended for the club by our own Ann Kuhn!

In 1852, when prestigious Alabama plantation owner Cornelius Allen gives his daughter Clarissa's hand in marriage, she takes with her a gift: Sarah—her slave and her half-sister. Raised by an educated mother, Clarissa is not the proper Southern belle she appears to be, with ambitions of loving whom she chooses. Sarah equally hides behind the façade of being a docile house slave as she plots to escape. Both women bring these tumultuous secrets and desires with them to their new home, igniting events that spiral into a tale beyond what you ever imagined possible.

I hope you will join us for this July read! Pick up your copy of the book from the table outside the church office! Contact Cami Flenar!

Lost???? Did you lose a dish? There are many unclaimed dishes in the kitchen with no names on them! Why not stop by and see if one (or more) might be yours. If they are not claimed by the end of July, they will be included in the next Rummage Sale! Thanks, Kitchen Team.

Blessing Pantry-is accessible during these hours - **Tuesdays 5:30pm-7:30pm, Wednesdays and Thursdays 1:00pm-3:00pm**. The Pantry will be closed Mondays and Fridays. **All Donations Welcome—Blessing Pantry Needs-Toilet Paper, Laundry Detergent, Dryer Sheets, Dish Soap, Diapers (size N, 1, 5, 6), Baby Wipes, Diaper Cream, Shampoo, Conditioner, Bar Soap, Body Wash, Razors, Shaving Cream, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Feminine Hygiene Products, Manicure Items, Bandages, Body/Hand Lotion, Sunscreen, Paper Plates, Napkins, Storage Bags, Garbage Bags, Paper Towels, Pull Ups. Thank you!** There is a container outside the East and North Educational Building doors for donations.

July Monthly Mission-Community Backpack+ and Washington UCC Back to School Ministry

We are continuing to help the disadvantaged children served by Washington UCC by supporting their *Back to School* ministry program. With the funds, they are able to send many of their low-income children back to school, each in a uniform, if required, or new school clothes, underwear and socks, along with a backpack of school supplies and a personal hygiene kit. Continually, in the month of July we will also be helping the New Bremen based Community Backpack+ Program. The Community Backpack+ Programs have come together each year to ensure that all students in our community have the supplies needed to start each school year. In addition, they donate toward school fees for those who cannot afford them, and fund the local “No-Shame Lunch Fund.” The, “No-shame Lunch fund,” guarantees that every student in the New Bremen, New Knoxville, and Minster school districts, receives a complete daily lunch, regardless of the balance in their lunch account.

On average for both organizations it is estimated that each student’s average annual needs are \$75.00 per student. So, throughout the month we will be equally sharing the gifts that are donated to provide uniforms and hygiene kits to the children at Camp Washington and school supplies for the students in our community. Gifts at any level are welcomed, and will make a great impact on the children in these communities. Thank you, the Mission Team.

July/August Upper Rooms-are available at the East entrance to the education building and on the round tables in the sanctuary. Or please call the church office if you would like one and we will gladly mail one to you.

Calendar-Week of July 24, 2022

Sunday	10:15am	Worship-In Person & via Facebook Live
Monday	11:30am	Devotions via Facebook Live
	2:00pm-4:00pm	Coffee Shop @ NB Coffee
Tuesday	11:30am	Devotions via Facebook Live
	5:30pm-7:30pm	Blessing Pantry Open
	7:00pm	St. Paul History Walk
Wednesday	10:00am	Youth Activity-Story Hour w/Jesus-Splash Pad Do Good Restaurant-Osgood
	11:30am	Devotions via Facebook Live
	1:00pm-3:00pm	Blessing Pantry Open
Thursday	11:30am	Devotions via Facebook Live
	1:00pm-3:00pm	Blessing Pantry Open
Friday	Noon	Office Closed

E-Giving @ St. Paul

Online – Make a donation on our website: stpaulnb.org

Text – Make a donation to our Number: 833-308-0048

How To Give by Text (Example - my amount for the example is \$25 (minimum amount is \$5.00))

- For general fund giving: Send 25 space gl (hit send)
- For building & property fund giving: Send 25 space bp (hit send)
- For Blessing Pantry: Send 25 space pantry (hit send)
- For project of the year giving: Send 25 space poy (hit send)

Once a text amount is sent:

Registration Link- Sent via text the first time a donation is made.

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