

St. Paul's Church

of the United Church of Christ



"The Light" Newsletter
October 2016 Edition

SHOWING UP

BY: Pastor Chad

Friends, time has now passed since the Caregiver Gala and now after a funeral for a young boy in our community, I feel compelled to share with you one idea. God has provided us with gifts to be shared in this life and one of the greatest offerings we can give the world as people of faith is to share those gifts....whatever they may be. By sharing your gift you are “showing up.” What is it that you have to offer the world? How are you showing up every day? Here is a poem to grant us wisdom to chew on this month from Carrie Newcomer.

Showing Up

Carrie Newcomer

You are holy and sacred and utterly unique.

There are gifts you were born to give. Songs you were born to sing. Stories you were born to tell. And if you do not give it, the world will simply lose it.

It is yours alone to offer, no one can give it for you.

And dearest, listen, because this is important, this wounded world needs all the songs we can pull from the air, every story that helps us to remember. It needs ever single gift, large and small.

And yes, dearest, this grateful world does rejoice every courageous tie we are true to ourselves and to our gifts. And so it is, dear heart, we embrace the song and the story and all our gifts because the world has such great need and because the world exceedingly rejoices.

And because there is no sadder thing than to leave this world having never shown up.

CHURCH TIDBITS



St. Paul's Nursery

St. Paul's has child care for children ages infants to kindergarten during the worship service in the Nursery on the Lower Level. There is no adult supervision for children first grade and older. It is requested that these children remain with their parents/guardian in the sanctuary during the worship service.

Thanks, Church Council

Worship Committee

The Worship Committee has put together a few activity bags for young school age children who are attending church services. The bags will be located in the vestibule and labeled by grade levels. These bags will be available Sunday.

Recycle Pill Bottles! In developing countries, medications (when actually obtainable) are often dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves or any other available container. We can help improve healthcare quality in developing nations by donating clean pill bottles to help the poor: medicine can be distributed in sterile containers. Please bring your empty pill containers [prescription bottles, large & small, with and without child resistant caps, and over-the-counter pill bottles] for recycling to help others and keep thousands of bottles out of landfills each year! And, by placing a nickel, dime or quarter in each bottle helps with shipping costs. You can drop them in the collection box by the front door of the church. Thank you!

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone that sent cards and made phone cards and also thanks to Pastor Chad for his visits while I was recuperating.

Betty Bihl

"Coach a Child, change a life": Become a Reading or Math Coach!

Are you looking for a way to use your talents and make a meaningful contribution to our community?

One to One: Practicing Reading with Students and One to One: Practicing Math invites the Northern Kentucky community to play an integral role in helping struggling young students with the support they need to be successful. Each volunteer coach commits to meet with a 1st-3rd grade student (as determined by school) 35 minutes once per week during the academic year. There are currently 42 participating schools in Northern Kentucky. Coaches provide children with the time, attention, and opportunities to practice skills that will make a difference in their lives. Each coach is a tutor, a mentor, a motivator. Visit our website at www.nkyec.org or email larmsstrong@nkyec.org on how to become a *One to One* Coach.

To all members of the Lawn Chair Drill Team:

Thank you for your hard work and dedication to the group. We had a really great season this year, marching in back to back parades! But, as usual, we practiced and soldiered on, despite the intense heat! I don't know about you, but I had a wonderful time and we represented St. Paul's well with our usual enthusiasm. Special thanks to Roger and Kathy for supplying the Jeep and the new sound system!

Again, thanks for being a part of St. Paul's PR program! I love a parade!

Looking forward to next season,

Mindy
director and drill writer

St. Paul's UCC Women's Guild Rummage Sale is Saturday, October 22nd from 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Table rental is \$15.00 for a long one and \$10.00 for a round one. Sellers this year are limited to church members and their relatives.

If you just want to donate items to sell, you may drop them off on Thursday, October 20th and Friday, October 21st at the basement of church between 10:00 am until 7:00 pm. Thank you!

Pastor Chad & Members of St. Paul,

Thank you so much for your warm welcome when I visited last week. I look forward to supporting your ministry.

Grace & Peace, Nicole Havelka

THOSE BAPTIZED ON AUGUST 28, 2016

Dylan Adam Schweitzer

Dakota Matthew Schweitzer

Dalton Albert Schweitzer

BAPTIZED ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

Keegan Archer Hayslette

ANNUAL REPORTS

All committee chairs please submit your annual report to the office by December 1st. The Congregational meeting will be on December 11th.

Missions Moment

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to our outlying missions! We have sent money to Ecuador, Louisiana and St. Bernard, OH when disasters struck. We continue to collect toiletries for RMH and have sent our buddies and quilts recently. Please continue to collect toiletries and make our buddies and quilts. Everything you do is appreciated!

Young Adult Gathering

On October 23rd we will come together for another young adult gathering for food and fellowship. Childcare will be available.

Where: Amity Kukla's Home

When: October 23rd 5pm-7

THOSE WHO SERVE IN OCTOBER

Liturgist

Oct. 2 Shannon Abbott
9 Debbie Fowee
16 Amity Kukla
23 Roger VonStrohe
30 Karey Thomas

Coffee

Oct. 2 Tim Ash
9 Donna Mader
16 Mindy Connell
23 Amy Meyer
30 Tim Ash

Acolyte

Oct. 2 Isa Abbott
9 Logan Hayslette
16 Brenna Losey
23 Lexi Nicholson
30 Cole Johnson

Communion Set-up: Oct. 2 - Mindy Connell and Audrey Thomas

Ushers:

Oct. 2 10:30 Marion & Dorothy Gosney,
Lee Walz and Rick Carr

Oct. 9 10:30 Ron Sperry and Jim Miller

Oct. 16 10:30 Pat Schuchter and Shawn Hayslette

Oct. 23 10:30 Andrew Saunders and Debbie Fowee

Oct. 30 10:30 Cameron McDonald and Kayla McDonald

**IF YOU CANNOT MAKE YOUR ASSIGNED DATE, PLEASE
TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE AND LET THE CHURCH OFFICE
KNOW.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR ANY OF THE
ABOVE, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE. THANK YOU!**

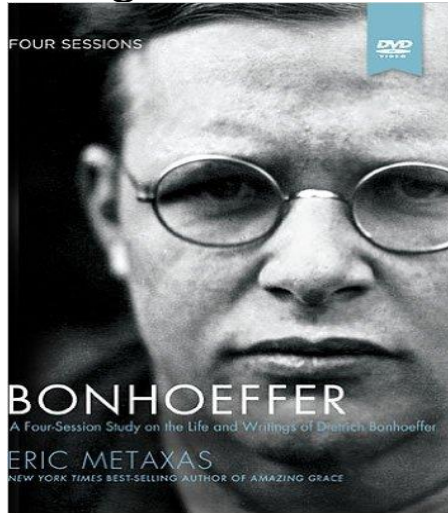


Do we have your email address? St. Paul's is continuing to work on our communication and social media outlets so that we can best communicate with as many of you as possible. If you are not receiving our weekly Constant Contact emails about events and the sermon preview, please write your email on the line below and return it to the office or put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

The Church Office

5 Session Study

on *Church and Community* through the
life and writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer



Join Pastor Chad's Wednesday night class in the **Parish House @ 7pm**. In this five-session video-based small group Bible study, *New York Times* best-selling author Eric Metaxas will help us discover the major themes of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's writing and speaking and how he not only helped transform an entire faith community in Germany during World War II, but how his beliefs continue to impact the Christian faith of people throughout the world today. The 5 sessions include:

October 12:	Fall Break
October 19:	Religionless Christianity
October 26:	Come and Die

One of these children needs your help with homework!



**Wanted: Volunteer tutors for Homework Club
at Washington United Church of Christ**

Monday-Thursday, 4:15-5:30 p.m. Tutors asked to volunteer one day a week

Children age 5-11 are matched one-on-one with a tutor to help them complete homework, then do other learning activities.

Our children say ...

My tutors help me finish my homework. It's fun.

-Totianna

My tutors are very nice. They help me with reading and make math sentences.

-Kendall

If I get stuck on a word, they help me. They check my math.

-Kayla

Our tutors say ...

When I leave Homework Club, I have a smile on my soul, knowing I made a difference in these fantastic kids' lives.

-Larry

My student at first told me she didn't like to read – and now she does. And she has improved!

-Arlene

It's great to witness a student's progress, and especially satisfying when the student shows an interest in a topic.

-Melissa

Call Nancy Matthew (513-280-0399) or Whitney Reardon (513-218-3881) for more information or e-mail wreardonVISTA@yahoo.com

Washington UCC is at 2950 Sidney Ave. in Camp Washington, Cincinnati
Hopple Street exit off I-75

October Birthday and Anniversaries

5	Carrie Bihl	5	Delbert & Margaret Perry
7	Lilla Losey		53 years
10	Mark Smith		
11	Andrew McNichols	11	Kevin & Claudia Chalk
16	Chad Abbott		29 years
17	Becky Smith		
18	Scott Fryman	19	Jason & Sarah Edington
20	Lauren Boehm		13 years
20	Audrey Thomas		
21	Jonathan Fausz	26	Roland & Patricia Wright
23	Samantha Thomas		52 years
26	Claudia Chalk		
29	Sarah Kemphaus	26	Dave & Cammy Burling
30	Janet Van Nevel		3 years
31	Laura Santee		
		28	Helen McAlpin & Barb Fausz
			2 years
		30	Jeff & Julie Enyart
			10 years



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Second Sunday Feast

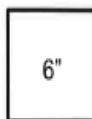


On Sunday, October 9th we will continue our tradition of the Second Sunday Feast immediately following worship. This will be a potluck luncheon shared by all members of the congregation. If you would like to bring a side dish, main dish, or a dessert to share with others, come get to know newer members, enjoy laughs with friends, and share some of your best recipes with one another. Each month we will always meet down in the fellowship hall for a potluck feast on the Second Sunday. See you then!

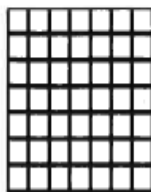


Comfort Quilts for Kids

- ♥ Cut forty-nine (49) 6" squares of colorful light and dark cotton fabrics.



- ♥ Assemble the squares into a pleasing design: 7 down/7 across.



- ♥ Using $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams, sew the rows together:
7 rows across, 7 rows down, approximately 40" x 40".

- ♥ Press seams as needed.

- ♥ Cut low loft batting and backing 44" x 44".

- ♥ Layer the top with batting and back fabric and sew diagonally across the squares.

- ♥ Cut off excess batting and back fabrics to square the quilt before sewing on binding.

- ♥ Cut binding four (4) 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " WOF, sew together, press in half and machine sew onto quilt.

Make a quilt at home or with your sewing group!

Join us Thursday's monthly as the RMHC volunteer quilt divas gather to "sewalize." Can't sew? We will teach you! Contact Nora Kelly, Volunteer Quilt Program Coordinator, for dates and locations of monthly sessions. norakel@fuse.net or 513-353-1958



Since its start in 2011, Matthew 25: Ministries' Rainbow Paint Reblending Program has rescued millions of pounds of latex paint from the landfill.

Dear Fedelia,

Thank you for your recent donation to Matthew 25: Ministries. Your gift of \$40.00 on 07/06/2016 will allow us to continue to help the poorest of the poor and disaster victims worldwide.

One of the many programs your donation helps fund is our Rainbow Paint Reblending Program. Through this program we are able to accept donations of leftover latex paint, which reduces the amount of paint going into the landfill. The reblended paint is then shipped to the poorest of the poor throughout the U.S. and all around the world. The families and organizations using our paint constantly report that it is the best quality paint they receive and they are thrilled to use it on their homes and buildings. None of this would be possible without the generous support we receive from people like you.

Already in 2016, we have shipped over 8,171,637 pounds of aid, helping more than 10,475,000 people. Thank you for your generous support!

God's Blessings,

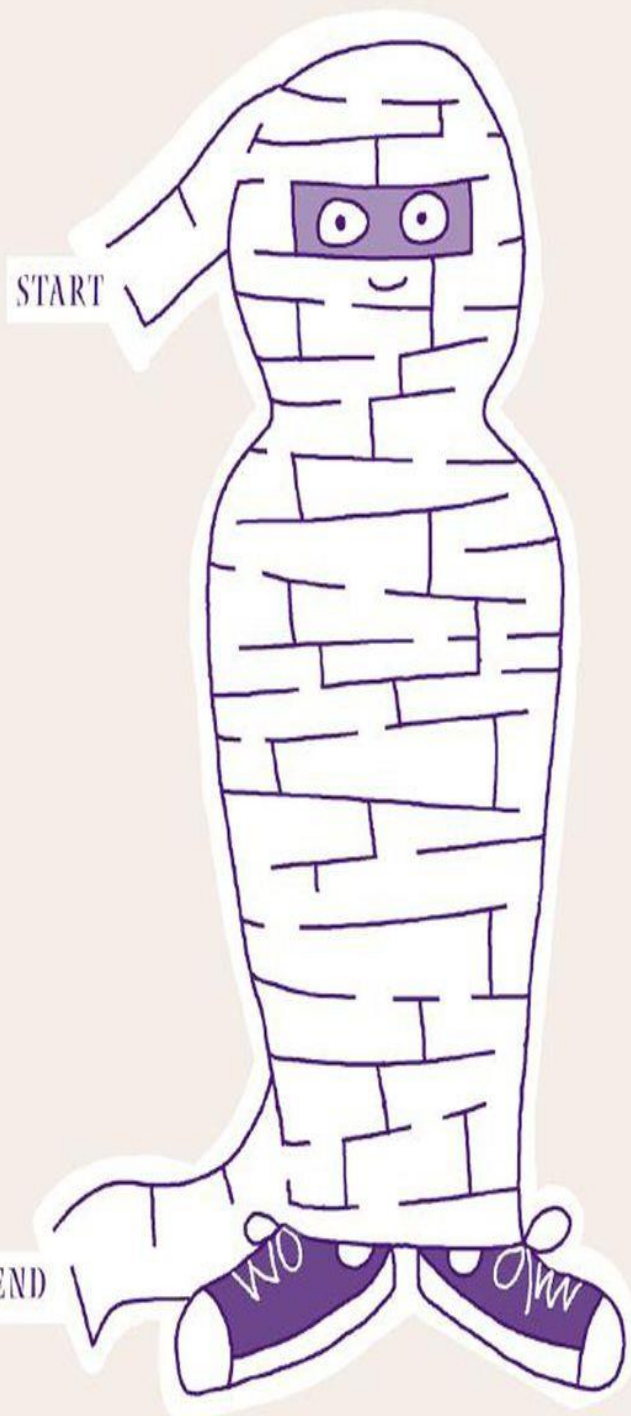
Wendell

Rev. Wendell Mettey
President & Founder

START

END

Wow! That's a
major mummy!



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