



UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST



St. Paul's Church

"The Light" Newsletter
September 2019 Edition

A message from Pastor Paul Forrey~

UCC Clergy Group 2019 Sermon Series
“Living Confidently”

Our congregation will participate in a 3-part message series with seven other UCC churches in the area through which we will share in a collaborative conversation about spiritual themes that impact us as individuals and congregations. The series will focus on the New Testament readings from the Revised Common Lectionary for September 22, 29, and October 6. The overall theme of the series is “Living Confidently.” What are some elements of your faith experience that lead you to live confidently and fearlessly?

Below is the schedule for the message series. Please read through the scripture readings for each part of the series so that you can prepare to meaningfully engage the themes.

September 22

1 Timothy 6:6-19 “Discovering Contentment”

September 29 *(Another UCC minister will preach at St. Paul’s Church while I preach the message at a different church.)*

1 Timothy 2:1-7 “The Role of Prayer”

October 6 *(World Communion Sunday)*

2 Timothy 1:8-14 “Remaining Faithful”

On Sunday October 6 we will join with other participating United Church of Christ congregations for a picnic at Highland Hills Park, Shelter #2, 85 Mayfield Avenue, Ft. Thomas, KY. Please bring a side dish to share. A freewill offering will be received to cover costs of the park shelter and supplies. This social event will mark a wonderful opportunity to meet and share with folks from our sister congregations in the area!

I look forward to sharing with you in this message series in partnership with other UCC congregations!

THOSE WHO SERVE IN SEPTEMBER

Liturgist

Sept. 1 Daryl Knauer
8 Debbie Yeager
15 Karey Thomas
22 Debbie Fowee
29 Marion Gosney

Coffee

Sept. 1 The Hayslettes
8 Tim Ash
15 Debbie Yeager
22 The Hayslettes
29 Tim Ash

Acolyte

Sept. 1 Shae Weinel
8 Logan Hayslette
15 Mitchel Haddix
22 Greyson Ballinger
29 Logan Hayslette

Communion Set-up: Sept. 1 - Barb Fausz and Helen McAlpin

Ushers:

Sept. 1 10:30 Asbury Turner, Jim Miller,
Cameron McDonald and Leah McDonald

Sept. 8 10:30 Debbie Fowee and Sue Hatfield

Sept. 15 10:30 Shawn Hayslette and Pat Schuchter

Sept. 22 10:30 Marion & Dorothy Gosney

Sept. 29 10:30 Lee Walz and Gary Sperry

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

SEPTEMBER

Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| 1 | Kathy Miller | 5 | Don & Brenda Nelson |
| 2 | Don Hatfield | 38 years | |
| 3 | Kristopher Chalk | 12 | Lewis & Mindy Connell |
| 4 | Carol Jean Baker | 40 years | |
| 4 | Greg Geiman | 18 | Tom & Jeanne Greiser |
| 7 | Diane Weber | 48 years | |
| 9 | Robert Weinel | 18 | Danny & Robin Stacey |
| 10 | Dave Burling | 42 years | |
| 12 | Lisa Pfeiffer | 20 | Marion & Dorothy Gosney |
| 12 | Jack Thomas | 61 years | |
| 17 | Eric Bihl | 20 | Rick & Connie Gunning |
| 17 | Margaret Perry | 38 years | |
| 18 | Connie Ballinger | 20 | Jim & Karey Thomas |
| 18 | Pat Harrison | 15 years | |
| 19 | Lawrence Boehm | 22 | Michael & Janet VanNevel |
| 19 | Asbury Turner | 28 years | |
| 20 | Martha Anne Schmidt | | |
| 20 | Kevin Stormer | | |
| 20 | Karen Zimmerman | | |
| 21 | Larry Giesmann | | |
| 21 | Teresa Knauer | | |
| 22 | Sarah Edington | | |
| 22 | Jessica Miller | | |
| 23 | Doug VonStrohe | | |
| 24 | Charlene Rogers | | |
| 24 | Michael Turner | | |
| 26 | Jocelyn Meyer | | |
| 27 | Lisa Burns | | |
| 27 | Lexi Nicholson | | |
| 27 | Brenda Steelman | | |
| 29 | Cindy Turner | | |
| 29 | Linda Velton | | |
| 30 | Debbie Fowee | | |



Thanks to our HONK Volunteers!

Four volunteers from St. Paul's joined with volunteers from Ft. Thomas First Presbyterian for a workday on Saturday, 8/17, with Housing Opportunities of Northern Kentucky (HONK). The crew did painting and light drywall finishing on a home in Covington. This is the fourth time we have worked on this house, which will provide a nicely rehabbed home for a low-income family when finished.

HONK's mission is to address the growing need for good quality, affordable housing in the inner city and to create a path to home ownership for people with limited incomes. Their innovative lease-to-own program sets aside a portion of the monthly lease payment to reduce the cost of purchasing the home.

Thanks to our volunteers Robert Weinel, Paul Forrey, Daryl and Teresa Knauer! If you would like more information on HONK, you can talk to Daryl or email him at dbknauer@yahoo.com.

St. Paul's UCC

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES—July 9, 2019

PRESENT: President-Connie Ballinger, Vice President-Daryl Knauer, Financial Secretary-Jeff Enyart, Treasurer-Sandy Smith, Trustees-Sally McNichols, C.E.-Claudia Chalk, Mission-Evelyn Dietz, Worship-Fred Losey, Patricia Ross, and Pastor Paul Forrey.

Paul opened the meeting and led us in prayer. Council recited the Council Covenant together.

1. SECRETARY'S REPORT---Minutes from the June meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Sally McNichols and seconded by Jeff Enyart. Motion carried. Connie noted that copies of the minutes will not be printed going forward, but will be available on OneDrive.
2. TREASURER'S REPORT—June 2019 Expense and Temporary Accounts were reviewed. Motion to accept reports and pay bills was made by Fred Losey and seconded by Jeff Enyart. Motion carried. Connie said each Council member should let Sandy know if they desire a hard copy; otherwise, it will be available for review on OneDrive. Fred noted that he and Carl Schuchter, acting as general contractors, will be submitting invoices for the lower level renovation.
3. PASTOR'S REPORT---Pastor Forrey asked committee members to consider what they would do differently if they expected the outcome they longed for. Paul and Patricia discussed the many challenges involved to-date with their move. Connie expressed support on behalf of Council for whatever their future needs might be.
4. TRUSTEES' REPORT--- Sally reported the following:
 - Monday Men have power-washed the exterior of the Parish house; the church building will be next, as time permits.
 - Work on Charlene's classroom is serving as the test project for removing and refinishing the existing tile floor. Use of a linoleum stripping machine went well.
 - Barry Racke will be at the church soon to measure the lower level doors and provide a price for glass-panel replacements.
 - Fred reported that Craig had gotten a lower price from Spectrum to provide internet and telephone, which was used to negotiate a lower rate with increased internet speed from Cincinnati Bell.

- Fred also reported that the church is in contract renewal discussions with the company that supplies the copier.
5. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION---Claudia reported the following:
 - VBS was a success, and attendees included new children and invited friends.
 - The Safe Church policy disclosure form is being distributed prior to online training.
 - Youth Sunday school will be Christmas in July.
 - Acolyte training will take place in August.
 - 22 will be attending the Florence Freedom outing on July 19.
 - Celebration Sunday with the theme of “Love” will be August 18. Information on the adult Sunday school classes will also be shared. Cake and punch to follow the service.
 - CE committee is providing 2 backpacks for the Lawn Fete auction.
 - A full-wall toilet space is planned for the nursery renovation.
 6. MISSIONS COMMITTEE---Evelyn reported the following:
 - 3 families were served during the recent week of Family Promise.
 - Planning to collect underwear for the FRC at CCMS.
 - Possibility of renaming Lawn Fete to be a more familiar term for the community was discussed.
 7. WORSHIP COMMITTEE---Fred reported the following:
 - Worship committee worked with CE to prepare for Celebration Sunday.
 - St. Paul’s traditional communion service was discussed with Pastor Paul.
 - More visitor gift bags need to be assembled, with input from Pastor Paul on contents.
 - Carespring ministry will restart, with Evelyn Kiefer coordinating.
 - Usher training will be held August 4 and 11.
 - Looking into cost of having an ASL interpreter on a recurring basis at service; committee will coordinate with Ron Sperry on which Sundays might be best. This may be promoted to the larger community if we proceed.

- Will begin seeking volunteers to serve as greeters, to provide welcome and hospitality to visitors. Evelyn noted it would be good to have a table where information about the church and programming can be shared.
8. STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE—Jeff reported that they are working on bringing Jayelynn into the Financial team, along with the following:
- Because the transaction cost and monthly expense related to online giving are high, Jeff intends to survey the congregation about interest in electronic giving as a first step.
9. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT---Daryl reported the following:
- Investment Committee met June 29 and portfolio is currently worth ~\$530,000, with ~\$100,000 in cash/equivalents. Cash is sufficient to fund the proposed lower level renovations without selling more stock.
 - This year’s internal audit will be expanded to include a financial evaluation.
10. PRESIDENT’S REPORT—Connie reported the following unfinished business:
- Council members have been asked to write a description for their job by Sept 2019.
 - Signups are still needed for the Lawn Fete on August 3. A Constant Contact reminder will be sent to encourage volunteering or just coming the day-of to take part in the fellowship.
 - Candidate is being sought for the next Vice President. Talk to Connie or Daryl with suggestions.
 - NEW BUSINESS—Jeff sought Council’s guidance and it was agreed to increase involvement with and provide support to our Scout Pack for two upcoming events: 1) Cash For Trash fundraiser, 2) and popcorn sale. Fred mentioned that the Venture Scout program could provide our church with the opportunity for a ready-made youth program.

Next Council Meeting is August 13, 2019 at 7 PM in the Parish House. Sally McNichols motioned to adjourn; Sandy Smith seconded. Motion carried. Meeting ended with Council reciting the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Daryl Knauer

History Corner:

Conclusion to St. Paul's Constitution 1923

All concerned should bear in mind that mutual consideration and good sense will go far to ensure harmony in ascertaining the will of the assembly. Those who have a point to carry can best do by courtesy and reasonableness. People can be led where they refuse to be driven. Light is a better guide than heat. And let those who love discussion remember that "brevity is the soul of wit".

To the women of St. Paul's – thank you so much for supporting the unique needs of middle school girls at CCMS. Because of your generosity, we collected 207 pairs of underwear! Thank you for your thoughtfulness, Your Mission Committee



My Cartoon Friends

Word Search



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| BATMAN | GUMBY | SCOOBY-DOO |
| BETTY BOOP | HOMER SIMPSON | SPONGEBOB |
| BUGS BUNNY | MICKEY MOUSE | SUPERMAN |
| CHARLIE BROWN | MR. MAGOO | THE GRINCH |
| DAFFY DUCK | PINK PANTHER | TOM AND JERRY |
| DONALD DUCK | POPEYE | TWEETY BIRD |
| FAT ALBERT | PORKY PIG | UNDERDOG |
| FRED FLINTSTONE | ROCKY AND | WILE E. COYOTE |
| GOERGE JETSON | BULLWINKLE | YOGI BEAR |



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