



St. Paul United Methodist Church

2012 September Newsletter

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

EMPOWERED by the love of Jesus Christ, St. Paul United Methodist Church will open doors of service, justice and peace to the world, and windows into a life in Christ for all people.



The following article written by West Ohio Conference, Merdith McDougle, appeared in a recent West Ohio NewsNET:

Upbeat music and passionate preaching in beautiful outdoor surroundings set the stage for a celebration of accomplishment. On June 24th, St. Paul UMC recognized English as a Second Language students and Bible study participants during a worship service at the Normandy UMC shelter house. The students received Spanish Bibles and certificates for their effort and hard work.

The celebration was the first service conducted entirely in Spanish by this small congregation on the east side of Dayton. "The breakthrough for us as Anglos was the decision to make it a Spanish service," Church Administrator Joan Johnson said. Previously, worship had been conducted in English and Spanish once a month.

Beginning in the fall, St. Paul UMC will offer weekly worship services in Spanish. Worship design and leadership will be done largely by the church's women's group Las Amigas. Rebekah Clapp, St. Paul's Hispanic Ministries Coordinator, leads the group. "Las Amigas members will be planning, doing liturgy, [and] reading scripture," Clapp said. Taking a leadership role is a first for many of the women involved in the group.

[The church plans to add Sunday School to the new worship schedule. Children and Youth Coordinator, Beth Vanoli, will implement the church school with assistance from volunteers. The newly intergrated Youth Program, led by Rebekah Sherick, will also be on Sunday evenings.]

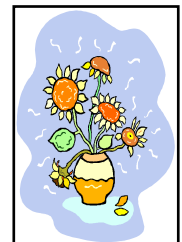


*Other new ministries of this **Immigrant Welcoming Congregation** include a partnership with the Kettering Literacy Council to offer computer literacy courses and citizenship classes. The church also hosts a local immigration lawyer who offers free legal advice for a limited number of cases. Above all, St. Paul UMC strives to be in relationship with their neighbors. The leadership team attributes their success to their steadfast desire to care about their community. "We don't have a lot of people, but those who come are really committed, that commitment is really [how] we can grow our congregation," Clapp said.*

For more information about other Immigrant Welcoming Congregations in West Ohio, please visit our website at www.westohioumc.org/iwc or our blog at <http://welcometheimmigrant.wordpress.com>.

Immigrant Welcoming Ministries at St. Paul UMC

- ◆ **Weekly Worship Service in Spanish for all. Every Sunday at 5:30pm. There is Sunday School for the children.**
- ◆ Monday-6:00-8:00pm
 - ESOL: English for Speakers of Other Languages, for adults.
- ◆ Wednesday
 - 5:30-6:30pm- Las Amigas-support group for Hispanic women in Spanish
 - 6:30-7:30pm-Spanish Bible Study- "*Immigration in the Bible*"
- ◆ Thursday-6:00-8:00pm
 - ESOL: English for Speakers of Other Languages, for adults.



For more information, please contact, Rebekah Clapp, Coordinator of Hispanic/Latino Ministries, at rclapp1@united.edu or 937-252-4467 extension 207.

Youth Leadership Circle Starts A New Year With Exciting Changes

We are starting a new year of Youth Leadership Circle with many exciting changes for the coming year. St Paul has hired an Assistant Youth Coordinator, Rebekah Sherick, which will allow us to increase our weekly youth programming. Many of you have already met Rebekah, but those of you who have not, here is a little about her. She grew up in New Carlisle and is a member of First United Methodist Church there. She attends Wright State University and for the last two years, Rebekah, has been the Assistant Youth Coordinator at the West Ohio Conference Cooperative School of Christian Mission (CSOCM) where many of the St Paul youth became acquainted with her. Next year she will be the Youth Coordinator. Rebekah is busy planning a fun year for the youth that will include spiritual growth and service opportunities, educational activities, and many fun events like the Fall Lock-in that is always popular with the kids. **All youth are welcome. We want this ministry to grow and encourage everyone to bring a friend.**

The first meeting for YLC this Fall will be Sunday, September 2, 5:00-6:30pm at St. Paul. The youth will have an opportunity to fill out a questionnaire and discuss what they want YLC to be and to help us plan our schedule for the coming year. We want everyone who participates in YLC to have a chance for input into our program. This first meeting is being held during Labor Day weekend so if you already have other plans, we understand, otherwise we hope to see our youth there.

On Friday, September 7, parents and youth are invited to come to the church for an informal get-together. We will be starting at 4:30pm and ending at 6:00pm. Come when you can during that time. We want our families to have an opportunity to meet Rebekah, hear about our plans, and share in some fellowship and refreshments.

Young Peacemakers' Club began another school year. Bethany Wiley, Program Director, welcomed 16 Senior Peacemakers (grades 4-6) on Monday, August 27th and 22 Junior peacemakers (Grades K-3) on Tuesday, August 28th. Support staff for this great program includes work study students from the University of Dayton, Occupational Therapy students from Sinclair Community College, Big Brothers & Big Sisters from UD, St. Paul Youth and volunteers from Normandy UMC.

We look forward to another great year of fun, homework help, nutritious meals and spiritual growth.



At a Glimpse...During July 2012,
with your support, **St. Paul...**

- Served **1619 nutritious hot meals** at **Tuesday lunch** and **Saturday breakfast**.
- Provided **groceries** to **994 individuals** for **14,910 meals** through the **Emergency Food Pantry**.
- Put over **800 pieces** of good used **clothing** into the hands of many grateful people and made \$401.00 for the Outreach Ministry.

Dayton LGBT Community Dinner @ St. Paul UMC

Saturday, September 8, 2012, is the date of the Greater Dayton LGBT Community Lasagna Dinner. The dinner and program is free to LGBT community, family and friends. The sponsoring partners will provide the Lasagna, tableware and beverages. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.

The evening begins at 5:30pm with a social hour followed by dinner is at 6:30pm. The dinner will be followed by a program with community announcements and entertainment.

SPONSORS: *The Dayton LGBT Community Dinner is sponsored by the Greater Dayton LGBT Center, The Miami Valley Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Tree of Life Community, Cross Creek Community Church, the Dayton Gay Men's Chorus, The Mu Crew and AIDS Resource Center Ohio, the Dayton Chapter of PFLAG, St. Paul United Methodist Church, Eternal Joy MCC, Equality Ohio and the Living Beatitudes Community, a ministry of Dignity Dayton.*

For more information email lgbtdayton@aol.com or at St Paul UMC reconcilingministry@stpauldayton.org.

Upcoming Dinner:

Saturday, November 17, 2012, the annual Greater Dayton LGBT Community Thanksgiving Dinner, featuring turkey, ham & all the fixing's!

The sponsoring partners will provide the main courses, tableware and beverages to both dinners. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share.





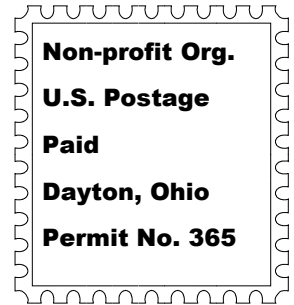
Office Hours	9:00am—3:00pm M—F
Food Pantry	10:00am—2:45pm M,W,TH
Stuff Shoppe	10:00am—2:45pm M,W,TH 12:30pm—2:00pm Tues

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Community Breakfast 9:00am Served by Belmont UMC
2 Worship Celebration 9:30am	3 LABOR DAY CHURCH CLOSED	4 Worship 11:20am Lunch Served by Aldersgate UMC Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm	5 Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm Las Amigas 5:00pm—6:30pm Spanish Bible Study 6:30pm—7:30pm	6 Koffee Hour 11:00am Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	7 	8 Community Breakfast 9:00am Served by Englewood UMC Sub Making Project 11-2 GLBT Dinner 5:30pm
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30 Worship Celebration 9:30am	<p style="text-align: center;">Stuff Shoppe (Thrift Store) CLOSED Sept. 24-27</p> <p>St Paul Stuff Shoppe (Thrift Store) is in need of good, clean warm clothing, curtains and blankets. Clothing is needed for women, men and especially children in all sizes.</p> <p>Please drop off donations on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday between the hours of 9:00am-2:30pm. We would prefer to not have deliveries on Tuesday due to the Community meal that is served. Please call the church office if there is a need to drop off items after 3pm so that arrangement can be made.</p>					

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

FREE FLU SHOTS

At St. Paul UMC

- Tuesday, October 23
 - Tuesday, October 30
- More details coming in the October newsletter.

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office@stpauldayton.org

NEEDS LIST

Church Needs Kleenex Paper towels
Plastic & Paper Grocery Bags Pencils #2
Colored pencils Pens Markers

TUTORS are needed to teach English

URGENT PANTRY NEEDS

Boxed Meals (s/a Hamburger Helper)
Canned Fruit (Fruit Cocktail, Pears, Peaches, etc...)
Canned Meat (Tuna, Spam, chicken, etc...)
Canned Pasta (Ravioli, Spaghetti-O's, etc...)
Canned Soup (Any Creamed, Vegetable, etc...)
Canned Veggies (Creamed Corn, Mixed veggies, Peas)
Cereal Cooking Oil Instant potatoes
Jelly Macaroni & Cheese
Manwich Sauce Snacks (cookies, jell-o,...)

ANY TAXABLE ITEM, such as...

Bar Soap Dish Soap Deodorant
Laundry Soap Shampoo Toothpaste

Did You Know....

- ♦ that The Smile Care Ohio Mobile Dentist visited St. Paul on Friday, July 27? Twenty three children received much needed dental screening, cleaning and fluoride.
- ♦ that there are two dates in 2013 that Don Beebe, our Tuesday Lunch Coordinator, wants to fill immediately? Please call if your group would like to prepare and serve a meal on Tuesday, February 12 or Tuesday, April 2.
- ♦ that THE CROP WALK is Sunday, October 7 at Island Park? Our St. Paul Youth will be participating.
- ♦ that it is time to begin planning for Christmas at St. Paul? The Parents' Christmas Shop will be Saturday, December 8. New toys, clothing, shoes, sports equipment, and electronic equipment are need for children and youth of all ages.
- ♦ that the local unit of United Methodist Women is very active at St. Paul? Please join us for a gathering on Thursday, September 6 at 7:00pm. The women who attended The West Ohio Conference Cooperative School of Christian Mission will share their experiences.