

TIDINGS

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PASTOR'S PEACE

The season of Lent is underway. At St. Paul Church our start-up observances were a mid-week onsite service with a distribution of ashes, followed by a Sunday morning service with the communion sacrament offered to all. Both services felt good to me. In the midst of everything so different, it's wonderful and important to enjoy the continuity which both worship services provided. Christians have been celebrating communion in much the same way for two thousand years. Our Lenten services contribute to that rich ongoing tradition.

Of course, the approach of Ash Wednesday this year brought some trepidation for me as pastor. For the night of the service, I had to figure out how to best distribute ashes in this keep-it-safe, hands-off time: no making crosses in ashes on the foreheads of worshipers coming forth to the chancel steps! Additionally, I had to check our ash supply since two years ago we hardly had any palms left over to burn for ashes and last year—because of the COVID-19 surge—there was no onsite worship for Palm Sunday and, consequently, no distribution of palms at all.

Fortunately, we did have some ashes left over from three years ago. Moreover, when I decided that we might best distribute them in baggies to individual worshippers as they arrived (rather than sprinkle them over the heads of worshippers as some Roman Catholic priests were determined to do), our Deacon Chris Schwab pointed me to the local Hobby Lobby where very small zip-lock jewelry bags can be bought. Thus, the night before Ash Wednesday found me "cutting" ashes and spooning them into the small zip-lock bags. In what I consider a new take on Jesus' "fish and loaves" miracle where he fed a multitude of five thousand with five loaves of bread and two fish (*Matthew 14:13-21*), I managed to prepare sixty bags out of what few ashes we had! The zip-lock tops really worked great: small chance of any ashes leaking out onto people's hands and clothes, which can make a real mess.

All looked well until the end of Ash Wednesday evening service when for the "Imposition of Ashes" I invited everyone to open their bag, dip their finger to properly blacken it with ash, and then make a sign of the cross on their own

foreheads. Everyone else got the hang of it just fine without, it seemed, any problems at all. But my own bag of ashes just wouldn't open, hard as I tried. Turns out my bag had a lot more lock in its zip than I ever expected. While some folks can't find their way out of a paper bag, I couldn't find my way into the smallest plastic bag. First, I resorted to trying to stretch it open; then I tried a chew-it-open technique. Neither worked. This was all happening in the pulpit with everyone watching. It was also captured on our live-streaming camera for the edification or entertainment of those following the night's service from home. However, our tech-team guy Michael Isaacs came to my rescue, providing me with his nicely-opened bag of ashes and our service, usually quite somber, finished with some laughter—me laughing as well.

Laying the spiritual groundwork for the entire Lenten season, the great theme of Ash Wednesday is humility. As ashes are distributed and "imposed" on foreheads, the words, "From ashes ye come; to ashes ye shall return," are invariably recited. As I struggled with that little baggie on Ash Wednesday night in the pulpit, I found myself already being humbled. Although laughter wasn't what I expected to generate, maybe that wasn't such a bad way to start the Lenten Season, reminded as I was of human folly and how the best-laid plans of men and women like ourselves can go astray. In the end, as in the beginning, we all need God to guide us, forgive, uplift us, and redeem us.

I hope this Lenten season can be a time of serious reflection for us all as we consider our need for God's loving help and the hope, courage, and love that can grow in our lives when we walk more closely and intimately with Jesus.

~ ***Shalom, Pastor Geoffrey Drutchas***

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EDITORIAL

As we move through the season of Lent and look forward to the season of Spring and fresh beginnings, let us reflect upon a poem by Susan Coolidge.

Every day is a fresh beginning, Every morn is the world made new; You who are weary of sorrow and sinning, Here is a beautiful hope for you- A hope for me and a hope for you.

All the past things are past and over, The tasks are done and the tears are shed; Yesterday's errors let yesterday cover; Yesterday's wounds, which smarted and bled, Are healed with the healing which night has shed.

Yesterday now is a part of forever, Bound up in a sheaf, which God holds tight; With glad days and sad days and bad days which never shall visit us more with their bloom and their blight, Their fullness of sunshine or sorrowful night. Let them go, since we cannot relive them, Cannot undo, and cannot atone. God in His mercy, receive, forgive them; Only the new days are our own.

Today is ours, and today alone. Here are the skies all burnished brightly, Here is the spent earth all reborn, Here are the tired limbs springing lightly to face the sun and to share with the morn, In the chrism of dew and the cool of dawn.

Everyday is a fresh beginning; Listen, my soul, to the glad refrain, And, spite of old sorrow and old sinning, And puzzles forecasted and possible pain, Take heart with the day, and begin again.

Every day is a new beginning for us all. As we look forward to a new season, may we walk a little closer to our God, listen a little more intentionally to His Voice and thus, feel His presence daily.

~ *In Christ, Pastor Cheryl Schalm, Minister of Christian Education*

Christian Education Activities

The Sunday School to Embark on a Five Week Lenten Series

The Sunday School program will be embarking upon a five week Lenten series, *Walk in His Shoes*. Mark 12:31 says, "Love your neighbor as yourself." That sounds easy enough but it gets tougher when you realize that "your neighbor" isn't just the people you go to church with—or agree with—or look like. However, such differences do not excuse us from following the teaching of our Lord. We are to be empathetic.

In light of that, we will be teaching the children to consider how it feels to walk in other people's shoes. Using fun object lessons, the Sunday School staff will illustrate how different we are but how it pleases God to love our neighbor as much as we love ourselves. In addition to in-house lessons, the weekly lessons will be posted on the Christian Education blog. Please contact Pastor Schalm with any questions.

The Happiness Challenge

Youth Fellowship & the Young Adult Ministry groups will be embarking on a Lenten Happiness Challenge. In lieu of giving something up this Lenten season, we will be challenging ourselves to set out to alter the joy level of a hundred people over the next forty days. We will intentionally put into practice the "love one another" passages. We will take extra time to pray for people, to serve more, to practice patience and to bring the best out in people. Each participant is encouraged to keep a journal in which they describe the encounter and what they did. At the end of forty days, we will evaluate how our little piece of the world is different? We will evaluate how we are different?

All are encouraged to join us on this endeavor. As we move through the season of Lent let us remember the teachings of Christ:

...It is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35)
...It is better to forgive than to hold a grudge.
...It is better to build up than to tear down.
...It is better to include than to exclude.
...It is better to seek to understand than to disregard.
...It is better to love than to hate.

The 30 Hour Famine

All members of Rock Hard in Faith Youth Fellowship and the Young Adult Ministry are encouraged to partake in the "2021" Thirty Hour Famine. While we will be unable to gather as a group, each participant will be provided with materials to do the famine at home beginning at midnight on March 12th. The group will then (following all pandemic protocol) serve at Cass Social Services on March 13th. All monies raised will go to help eradicate world hunger. All interested in participating

should contact Pastor Schalm by February 27th. All interested in making a donation or pledge to the 30 Hour Famine can mail a check or place it in the offering box located in the Narthex on Sunday morning. Please mark all donations/pledges "30 Hour Famine." Please contact Pastor Schalm with any questions.

All Church-Easter Video

This Easter will serve as the one year anniversary of our first, all-church video series. The videos began as a response to the covid pandemic. They served as a means to keep us all connected. While we are now meeting in-house, there are many who continue to join Sunday services via Facebook livestream. As a result, a final all-church Easter video will be posted on Easter Sunday to the private Rock Hard in Faith Youth Fellowship facebook page. All photos and Easter greetings should be text to Pastor Schalm by March 28th. Please contact Pastor Schalm with any questions.

Rock Hard in Faith Youth Fellowship

Worship Wednesday's Young Adult Bible Study & Fellowship

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst. - John 6:35

All post-high school young adults are invited and encouraged to join the Young Adult Bible Study group. The group meets at Pastor Schalm's at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday's. However, due to Covid all participants are required to wear a face mask and to maintain a six foot distance. Whether you have been a regular or are considering coming for the first time, we welcome and look forward to your company and participation.

Rock Hard in Faith Youth Fellowship "Heart to Heart" Outreach

A huge thank you to all the Sunday School children, Sharon Leonard, Angel & Cali Staten, Katie & Meredith Stull and Emily Pedersen for baking cookies & lovely pretzels and making cards in support of the youth fundraiser and outreach. Over \$400.00 dollars was raised for youth fellowship and lots of goodies and cards were delivered on February 14th to the residents of Applewood (Symphony) Nursing Center. You all ROCK!!

Calling all College Students and Recent High School Graduates

Christian Education is in need of addresses of all St. Paul UCC college students and High School graduates enrolled in continuing education programs (trade school, skill programs, apprenticeships, etc.). Please forward addresses to Pastor Schalm or to the church office.

ALL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENTS WILL BE HELD ACCORDING TO CDC AND STATE OF MICHIGAN COVID RECOMMENDATIONS AND LAWS. EVENTS WILL BE MONITORED AND CANCELLED IF DEEMED NECESSARY BASED ON SUCH.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Twice-Weekly 'JERUSALEM WALK' Lenten Devotionals Coming Your Way

This Lent, COVID-19 has put a crimp in some of our usual Lenten activities, such as midweek services and Bible study. Thus, in lieu of what we usually do, church members and friends are receiving twice-weekly "Jerusalem Walk" devotionals. Each, arriving on Wednesdays and Fridays online, offers a moment in Jesus' ministry told by the Gospel of Matthew, followed by a prayer and some suggested Lenten-spirited activities. The devotionals continue all the way to Holy Week.

Providing opportunities for further engagement with the devotionals, weekly zoom sessions are being offered on Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Hosted by Parish Nurse Kathy Williams and past Council president Michele McNeeley with some technical assists from Eileen Vernor Drutchas, all zoom sessions focus on how we can relate the scripture, prayer, and suggested activities shared to our daily lives. Look for the zoom link on each emailed devotional.

As Christians we also know how our spiritual well-being is often connected to our emotional and physical health. To further help you stay active and positively focused in these months when we are more home-bound and home-centered than ever because of the COVID-19 pandemic, our St. Paul health ministry will also be sending information about how to creatively remain physically active. As encouragement and incentive, there will once again be an opportunity through our church website to confidentially post and track for your own benefit your progress in walking or pursuing other physical exercise.

In his own ministry Jesus walked at least 618 miles for us and sailed another eight miles or so. In the Lenten season ahead, we hope that you'll walk with him, taking those steps so important for your own spiritual, emotional, and physical growth and personal renewal.

Holy Week Celebrations Planned

Commemorating Jesus' final week in Jerusalem leading to Calvary's cross and the empty tomb, our St. Paul congregation will be celebrating Holy Week with three services. On March 28 we will inaugurate this fateful week in Jesus' life with a Palm Sunday Service at 10 a.m. In keeping with traditions, palms will be distributed to all worshippers. Also we will be confirming several young people in faith that morning, making our worship doubly meaningful.

Later in the same week, we will be observing Maundy Thursday with a 7 p.m. worship service on April 1, followed the next day by a Good Friday at 12 noon, April 2. Our Easter service will be held on Easter Sunday morning at 10 a.m. with a gathering outside the church afterwards to join in a hymn sing. All services will also be livestreamed for home viewing, then posted on our St. Paul Church website.

Throughout Holy Week the usual safety precautions will be maintained, including social distancing and masking. Please contact the church office (313-291-1221) if you have any questions about upcoming services.

Easter Lilies Commemorate Loved Ones

As we celebrate Christ's resurrection on Sunday, April 4, Easter lilies will be available to St. Paul Church members and friends to honor or remember loved ones. The lilies will be displayed in the sanctuary that Easter morning and will be available for retrieval and pickup immediately after the service. An Easter Lily

Roster will be published in that morning's worship bulletin, as well as posted online with all names of those being honored and remembered. Cost of each Easter Lily is \$10. Checks can be made out to St. Paul United Church of Christ along with your dedication request. Your Lily Order must be received no later than Sunday, March 28.

HEALTH MINISTRIES

Message from our Parish Nurse

Lent is a time for thoughtfulness, spiritual growth, and care for yourself individually and others, and sacrifice. This year we are hosting Zoom meetings on Wednesday evenings for six weeks at 7 p.m. that began on February 24. I hope that many of you will join us. The focus will be on the Jerusalem Walks distributed on Sunday and Wednesday during Lent. We will also discuss Faith and Fitness during the sessions. An email invitation will be sent to you each week to join the Zoom meeting including the click-on to join. You will be able to log in on our website also. Call Kathy if you have problems finding how to join the meeting.

We continue to need to social distance with masks/face shields until a time we no longer need to keep each other safe from Covi-19. I pray that you stay as healthy as you can. I look forward to a time in the future when we can go back to our normal everyday life. In the meantime, please reach out and call friends, relatives, and church family members. Call my cell phone if you wish to discuss health concerns.

Covid-19 Vaccination

Persons 65 years and older are now eligible for the vaccine. They are being administered by Beaumont or Henry Ford Health System in Wayne County and some other health systems that you use. One needs to have an on-line MyChart to be able to receive an appointment. Please inform others that do not have an MyChart that they should set one up with a trusted family member or friend that has an email address. Meijer stores are also providing the immunization on an on-line sign-up. Check with the pharmacy that you get your prescriptions with to see if and when they may be available. Wayne County Health Department is now giving appointments to seniors 65 and older. To get on the list contact your local Senior Center. WCHD will contact you via phone (cell phone with texting preferred) to set up an appointment. If you have no cell phone with text use a loved one's number. Let them know that they will be getting a text or phone call setting up your appointment. There are many seniors that still have not received their first dose. For those living in other county's, please check your county health department to see how they will be administered or go to [Coronavirus - Vaccine Locations \(michigan.gov\)](https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus) and choose the county in which you reside. This site will also give other Michigan Covid-19 updates as they are available.

Replacement Blood Drive for the February cancelation

Please save the date Tuesday, April 27 for a replacement date for our cancelled Blood Drive in February. When the date is secured, we will send out a notification.

Grief Support Group for Loss during the Pandemic

Explore a five-week series of grief related topics about experiencing the loss of a loved one during the pandemic and gain invaluable support from other attendees who have experienced similar losses. Dates: Every Tuesday beginning March 2, 2021 until March 30th, 2021. Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m. Where: Zoom-the online conferencing platform. Registration is required for this group. Once the registration is complete, the attendee will receive the Zoom Meeting ID. For questions or more information, including a list of topics that will be covered, please contact our Aftercare Coordinator. Email: DanielleS@howepeterson.com or call: 313-561-1500.

Exercise via Zoom Available

An exercise program via Zoom is being offered through St. Paul. You must be able to access the internet by computer, I-pad, or phone with video availability. You do not have to have to show on camera during class but you will need to be able to see the instructor Delissa Hampton. Classes would be held on Wednesdays from 2-3:15 p.m.. If you would like to participate or have any questions contact Parish Nurse Kathy Williams.

Healthy Distant Learning Programs being offered On-line.

We have provided several PATH (Personal Actions Towards Health) classes offered through NKFM, the (National Kidney Foundation of Michigan) in the past. Due to Covid-19 more classes are being done via on-line classes. These can be done on the computer, mobile phone that has internet access or I-pad.

Chronic Pain PATH Classes scheduled to continue on these dates

1. Mondays at 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Info Session: February 22, Sessions 1-6: March 1, - April 5
2. Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m., Info Session: March 25, Sessions 1-6: April 1- May 6 **Kathy will be co-leading these classes**
3. Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m., Info Session: April 20, Sessions 1-6: April 27 - June 1

To register contact 800-633-7377 or visit <http://classes.beaumont.org>

Health Programs still on Hold

Matter of Balance class is to be held on-line in the near future. When classes are available you will be notified.

Go to: [Distance Learning | National Kidney Foundation of Michigan \(nkfm.org\)](https://www.nkfm.org) for more information.

TOPS, - (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) classes are normally held on Monday Evenings. We will let you know when these classes are able to meet in person. Watch your tidings for updates.

Our Daily Bread Devotional Availability

If you are interested in reading, Our Daily Bread, please contact the church office. Each edition is available in regular print or large print. When requesting a copy please specify the print type that you want. Each copy is for a three month period and is received by the office quarterly. Kathy Williams will send a copy to you via U.S. mail until the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted

Health/Medical Supplies Available

If you have or need medical supplies, such as walkers, wheelchairs, please contact our parish nurse or the church office.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Paul Budget Update

Our budget remains positive through the first two months of 2021. Your continuous support and generosity are truly appreciated. We continue to monitor and limit our spending to ensure that only necessary items are purchased. For those families who have not picked up their envelopes you can still call the Church at (313) 291-1221 and schedule to pick them up. Let us all hope and pray that 2021 will be a year that we can all return to our normal church activities. Dan Case - St. Paul Treasurer

One Great Hour of Sharing -- A Special Mission Offering

This offering will be **received throughout the month of March**. An offering envelope is included in this Tidings.

One Great Hour of Sharing is one of our United Church of Christ Special Mission Offerings that assists our Christian friends in need worldwide. It is used in the development of health, education and agriculture, and with disaster and refugee relief.

Through sharing, we get a taste of the generosity of God, who does immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine. When we look at suffering in the world, we can become discouraged, unable to see past the difficulty. Faith is a bigger picture, and our God given gifts of talents, material goods, and love, are part of that bigger picture.

This year as you consider your gift to this special offering, for one moment, think of what it would be like to not have a place to call home. Then make your very best gift possible for all people, especially those displaced by disaster, war, and famine.

You may also use Vanco, our electronic online giving source for this donation. It is very easy to set-up a donation. Visit us online at www.stpaulucctaylor.org/giving, click on the blue Online Giving button, scroll through the "Donations" listing, and select UCC – One Great Hour of Sharing and enter the amount of your donation.

Please pray about how you can help support this ministry. **Your financial gifts are welcomed through the month of March.**

Thank you, from our St. Paul Stewardship Ministry.

Qualified Charitable Distribution – Did you know?

Although the Secure Act of 2019 changed the age for Minimum Required Distributions from 70 ½ to 72 years of age, it had no impact on Qualified Charitable Distributions. QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA custodian, payable to a qualified charity, St. Paul does qualify. QCDs can be counted toward satisfying your minimum required distributions (MRDs) for the year. Since it is already excluded from your taxable income, you can't take the itemized deduction (charitable donation) again. That would be double-dipping. While many IRAs are eligible for QCDs—there are requirements:

- You must be 70½ or older to be eligible to make a QCD.
- The maximum annual amount that can qualify for a QCD is \$100,000. This applies to the sum of QCDs made to one or more charities in a calendar year.
- For a QCD to count towards your current year's MRD, the funds must come out of your IRA, generally by December 31.

If you have additional questions or want to start QCD donations please contact Daniel Case, St. Paul Treasurer.

Spring Rummage Sale is Cancelled

Despite hopes that the COVID-19 pandemic would diminish sufficiently to allow us to return to usual church activities in April and May, a decision was made by the St. Paul Church Cabinet of organizations to cancel any plans for the Spring Rummage Sale which is usually held at the end of April. The hazards posed for volunteers in both setting up the sale and opening the doors to the public remain too great, the cabinet decided. Much of the sale, which requires a week or more of set-up, is held indoors. Volunteers also spend long hours inside our first floor church rooms organizing, sorting, and setting up donated goods. None of the rooms have any air filtration system. Given the popularity of the sale and the large crowds drawn there is added exposure for volunteers working the sale.

Cabinet members, representing all of our church organizations, collectively expressed the hope that our church would be able to resume hosting rummage sales for the public this coming fall.

Christnet Continues Emergency Housing: Blue Jeans Needed

Working in tandem with the Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency with the assistance of federal funds under the CARES Act, ChristNet continues to welcome homeless men and women to its day center on Eureka Road and to accommodate guests at night in a local motel. Due to COVID-19 and the partial or total closure of so many churches, all of the rotational shelter programs across southeastern Michigan have, like ChristNet, shifted to "moteling" guests.

ChristNet continues to provide meals and clothing items to hosted guests. Breakfast and snack items are always needed. Local churches are also asked to consider hosting a week of meals for guests, individually packaged for distribution and microwave warm-up. Further helpful is the donation in all sizes of men's blue jeans—either new or seasoned but clean. Recently, ChristNet received a huge shoe donation which has been very much welcomed by the guests. Donations can be dropped off at St. Paul Church for delivery to ChristNet. Call the church (313-291-1221) to arrange for a drop-off.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Your Help is Needed for our Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Suppers

Our Lenten Drive-Thru fish suppers are launched. Upcoming suppers will be held on March 5, 12, 19, and 26; and April 2, 4-6 p.m. or until the fish runs out. Patrons will make use of the horseshoe drive to pick up their dinners from the “fish shack”—our conveniently positioned trailer at the west side of the church. The last of the suppers will fall on Good Friday, a day likely to make it popular with our customers. Cost of the fish suppers remains \$10—the same as last year, with a children’s meal for kids ages 4-12 available at \$5. The dinner includes fish, french fries, cole slaw, pie dessert, and condiments. Macaroni-and-cheese has been dropped from this year’s menu because of the difficulty of keeping it fresh and warm, while navigating through a kitchen with our volunteer safety protocols in place.

As with all church activities, masks, gloves, and social distancing will be maintained for all of the suppers. Volunteers are needed on the Friday of each supper, beginning early in the afternoon and continuing through the supper itself. To volunteer, call the office or speak with First Vice President Jim Poet.

Health Ministry Committee Volunteers Needed

Please prayerfully consider serving on our Health Ministry Committee. If interested contact parish nurse Kathy Williams through the church office. Kathy is interested in having more input on health issues that impact our members and our community.

A Special Thank You

Thank you to the following People who helped to make the coleslaw for the 2021 Fish Dinners: James Poet, Candace Poet, Diane Poet, Crystal Poet, Thelma Poet, Gary Staffeld, Toni Hill, Karen Hill, Tim Ruffner, Lisa Childress, Dan Evison, Dorothy Evison, Ed Brainard, Pam Lange, Louise Stanek, Sharon Podpora, Jeff MacZink, Christine Schwab, Deb Case, Grace Wangbickler, Henrietta Heinzman, Teri Staffeld, and Dan Case. Also, a special **Thank You** to the Block Family who donated all the vegetables required to make the coleslaw. We ended up making fourteen five-gallon pails of the Famous St. Paul Coleslaw and were done by Noon.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Have You Noticed Our Digital Road Sign?

Our digital roadside sign is looking more exciting than ever, thanks to the artistry of Charlie Barnard. Brighter colors and illustrations have been incorporated with messages announcing upcoming events from Sunday worship services to fish suppers.

The St. Paul Communications Team met last month to consider how the roadside sign might be more attention-getting to prospective visitors. With that charge and encouragement, Charlie Barnard quickly and creatively went to work with obvious results. Take a look!

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Memorial Fund:

In Memory of: *Mary Dubke* From: Christine Krumins

In Memory of: *Clayton & Barb Opificius* From: Thelma Poet & The Jim Poet Family

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR

Church Members and Friends: Darlene Babin, Bob Barley, Kim Beyar, Liz Bechtol, Kirk Blanchard, Marion Bolen, Kristi Caruso, Margo Charette, Mary Fairemouth, Oren Forsyth, Dan & Kathy Galeski, Maggie Hall, Kyle Hard, Carrie Hill, Ollie Hilliker, Wayne Jones, Gerri Lynn King, George Koster, Arnold Knofske, Dave Kulhanek, Larry Kurtzel, Loretta Kurtzel, Ciera Mack, Neil MacEachern, Jeffrey & Maria MacZink, Jim Nault, Judy Nieman, Shirlen Powell, Lil Roscoe, Jennifer Ruffner, Morgan Schalm, Sheryl Schwab, John Smith, Sue Spears, Dianne Sturgeon, Helen St. Louis, and Bert Thompson.

Extended Family: Dawn Sturgeon Anderson, Paul Bachran (son, Sharon Leonard), Marcie Bolen (daughter, Ron & Marion Bolen), Talama Braba (Judy Albright's daughter), Cassidey Wangbickler-Congelierre, Mary Jane Fliss (sister-in-law, Arlene Wolfram), Gabriella Gomez (niece, Darlene Babin), Richard Janztsen (son, Ann Anderson), Kevin & Steven Johnson (grandsons, Patricia Olson) Richard Jones, Joanne LeFleur (daughter, Helene & Neil McEachern), Jennifer & Tammy Lee (granddaughter & daughter, Barb Siemers), Courtney McEachern Matthews, Kim McEachern (daughters-in-law, Helene & Neil McEachern), Toni Oliver, Judy Robin (aunt, Lucinda Chavez), Trudy Clark-Schiller (daughter, April & Steve Clark), Joseph Smith (husband, Cheryl Smith), Nicholas Surre (great-grandson, Helene McEachern), Rick Thie, Bruce Vernor (father, Eileen Vernor Drutchas), Bob Wright (father-in-law, Charmaine Wright), and Victoria Whitcher (daughter, Cheryl Stewart).

Congregations' Parents: Robert & Diane Brainard (parents, Ed Brainard), Jan Filpus (mother, Julia-Joy Miller), and Carol Hoffman (mother, Tracy Hoffman).

Church Members & Friends in Nursing or Rehab Care:

Donald Babin - Carolyn's Corner, 17890 Parkridge Dr., Riverview, 48193; Terry Dyer - Heartland Healthcare Center, 9150 Allen Rd., Allen Park, 48101; Esther Perry - Bellbrook Assisted Living, 873 West Avon Rd., Unit 209 H, Rochester Hills, 48307; Eleanor Rossi - Maple Heights, 4600 Allen Rd, Room 415, Allen Park, 48101; Melissa Rossi -17652 Colgate, Dearborn Heights, 48125.

LET US ALSO KEEP IN PRAYER THOSE PROVIDING EMERGENCY

'FRONTLINE' SERVICES as police officers, nurses, and EMS workers during the ongoing pandemic. We want to especially remember church members and friends Tricia Nault, Kim Arndt, Wendi Wioncek Ashby, Rick Barnosky, Jennifer Babin, Rhonda Wioncek Berndt, Dana Wioncek Barlage, Chelsey Eisenga, Joshua Eisenga, James Hubert, Debbie Lyles, Amy McGahey, Jarod MacZink, Ciera Mack, Marci Magnuson, Sam Martin, Lexi Mellin, Michelle Mellin, Brenda Murphy, Inez Kurtzel Ogonowski, Amber Ostrowski, Rebecca Ostrowski, Samantha Pedersen, Eric Poet, Trudy Clark Schiller, Rachel Tank, Emily Wangbickler Baggett, Jillian Wangbickler, and Sarah Wangbickler.