

# TIDINGS

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## **PASTOR'S PEACE**

A couple of weeks back it was announced in Phoenix, Arizona that thousands of baptisms for Roman Catholic church goers were being canceled or declared null and void. It turns out that for a quarter of a century the presiding priest at one of the city's largest parishes had been using the wrong language at the time of baptism. Instead of saying, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Spirit," the priest, Father Arango, made it his practice to declare: "We baptize you in the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." That "We" rather than an "I" apparently makes all the difference in the eyes of the Roman Catholic hierarchy. Why? Because it suggests that the church congregation rather than the priest as the standing representative of Christ as the source of spiritual authority for the baptismal sacrament. The priest's "We" not only breaks with traditional Roman Catholic teaching but also undermines the apostolic authority of the church's ordained and consecrated leadership.

Apparently, the Phoenix Archdiocese became aware of the problem some time back but after correcting Father Arango decided not to do anything more. However, more recently someone else stepped forward to more publicly object and complain, precipitating the present crisis. It is a crisis. Folks who long thought they were church members have discovered they are not because their baptisms are considered illegitimate. Likewise, couples, where the husband or wife or both are no longer deemed baptized, have been left scrambling to figure out whether their church marriages remain blessed and valid in the eyes of God. Meanwhile, the Phoenix archdiocese has since made very clear that those without legitimate baptisms and valid church membership are definitely not welcome to take communion—at least until a right and proper individual baptism takes place.

Personally, I would regard the whole Phoenix brouhaha as almost funny if it were not so traumatic and sad for those now engulfed by it. As men and women, our choice of words does matter. Church theology and tradition are also important. But rigid black-and-white thinking never serves God well and is now hurting many

innocent people who never imagined that they were doing something wrong and trusted church leadership to get it right. The church leadership was right in its original decision to correct Father Arango and then let the whole matter drop. That plan of action or non-action should have been kept.

What would Jesus say about this whole mess? I suspect that his heart would be with the people injured in this whole affair, not the hierarchy compounding their injury. In fact, in his own ministry, Jesus dealt with all sorts of quibblers—namely, the Pharisees who were so obsessed with the dot and iota of Jewish law that they missed the spirit of it and God’s intention to help us lead better lives in his grace. A very frustrated Jesus actually called the rule-obsessed Pharisees a “brood of vipers”—in other words, a bunch of snakes. In a dispute with them over sabbath observance, Jesus reminded them that “the sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath.” This was his way of underscoring that religious rules are meant to benefit and serve people, rather than the other way around.

The Roman Catholic Church leadership could have very differently announced that it trusted the Holy Spirit to make good what human error put amiss. Then they could graciously have offered a supplemental baptism for anyone with lingering anxiety or doubt about the validity of the previously administered sacrament. I have personally administered such a baptismal rite in situations where our own members can’t find proof of their original baptism or for one reason or another have come to question the circumstances of that earlier baptismal rite.

The great Protestant Reformation leader Martin Luther, who was first ordained as an Augustinian monk in the Roman Catholic, called upon Christians like ourselves to be pragmatic in our faithfulness. When one of his students hypothetically queried what pastors should do if there is no water for baptism, Luther retorted: Then baptize the baby with beer! Luther’s essential message here was that if we are faithful, reverent, and sincere in our practice of the sacrament, God can effectively utilize whatever elements we bring to the sacred rite in order to get the job done. God, Luther would probably also insist, can even use our misspoken words in worship if, in fact, our hearts are pure and our intentions are faithful.

Perhaps Father Arango’s biggest mistake, saying “We” rather than “I” was sounding a little too Protestant. Indeed, in a church like our own we, the people of God, and we, the living body of Christ, are the fount for God’s holy spirit that inspires, authorizes, and blesses all ministries and sacraments. Indeed, we are a bottom-up rather than a top-down kind of church.

In the Lenten season ahead, which begins on Ash Wednesday, let us rededicate ourselves to being a “We” church, which celebrates our life together as God’s people and Christ’s disciples, an indwelling of the holy spirit that has power to make all things new and make possible an abundant life, rich in truth, justice, and love.

*~ Shalom, Pastor Geoffrey Drutchas*

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EDITORIAL**

*Obviously, I'm not trying to be a people pleaser! No, I am trying to please God. If I were still trying to please people, I would not be Christ's servant." ~ Galatians 1:10*

Rick Warren, Pastor and Author once stated, "Those who follow the crowd usually get lost in it." Most know these words to be true, but oftentimes we still fail to live by them. Instead of trusting God for guidance, we imitate our friends and neighbors and suffer the consequences. Instead of seeking to please our Father in heaven, we strive to please our peers, with decidedly mixed results.

When we are set free from the bondage of pleasing others; when we stop chasing after other's favor and other's approval, no one will be able to make us miserable or dissatisfied. When we know we have pleased God, contentment will be our consolation. We must never sacrifice our relationship with God for the sake of a relationship with another person.

Evangelical Speaker Joyce Meyers claims that, "Many people never receive God's best for them because they are addicted to the approval of others." May this Lenten season serve as a time in which we reflect upon and if need be, realign our obligations. May Easter find us all obligated to pleasing our all-knowing, and all-powerful Heavenly Father. In addition to honoring and pleasing God, we also serve others best by doing so.

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

### **Christian Education Activities**

#### **Sunday School Outreach**

Three bags full of Valentine Cards made by the Sunday School children, along with hats and scarves were delivered to the residents of Applewood Nursing Home on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all the beautiful Sunday School children who took such care and time in decorating the cards. . The residents were overjoyed!

#### **Sunday School Lenten Series "Beautiful Feet"**

The Sunday School children will be embarking upon a six week Lenten series, "*Beautiful Feet*." Isaiah 30:21 says, "And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it, when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left."

Over the course of six weeks the children will learn what it means: to wash another's feet; to walk in someone else's shoes; to follow a course; to make tracks; to lead others and to leave our footprints. Using fun object lessons, the Sunday School staff will illustrate how our beautiful feet serve to keep us on track and help lead and draw others to God.

## **Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt and Party to be Held**

The Sunday School will be holding their annual Easter Egg Hunt and Party on Easter Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Donations of bags of individually wrapped Easter candy are being sought. Candy can be dropped at the Christian Education Welcome Center located upstairs.

## **Young Adult Bible Study Meets on Tuesday's**

The young adult bible study group will continue meeting in person at Pastor Schalm's on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. weekly. All post-High School young adults are welcomed and encouraged to join.

## **The Happiness Challenge**

Youth Fellowship & the Young Adult Ministry groups will be once again 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.

## **Rock Hard in Faith Youth Fellowship Meeting & Lunch**

The youth will meet for lunch in the Confirmation classroom following the morning worship service on March 13<sup>th</sup>. During lunch the youth will discuss the upcoming 30 Hour Famine and the "2022" Summer Mission Trip. All interested youth should sign the sheet located on the youth board to confirm their participation.

## **The 30 Hour Famine, March 19 -20**

The youth will be participating in the World Vision 30 Hour Famine. The Famine will begin at midnight on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and conclude on Sunday (March 20<sup>th</sup>) morning when we break our fast together with a special breakfast. Saturday will include a message, outreach and a shopping spree. More details to come.

**Please confirm your participation by signing the sheet on the youth board by March 6<sup>th</sup>.** All church members interested in making a pledge can do so by placing it in the morning offering box and marking it "30 Hour Famine."

## **Food & Flick**

The youth group will be going out for lunch on **March 27<sup>th</sup>** following the morning worship service. After lunch they will head to the theater to see, **"Unbreakable Boy."** The movie is about a boy who has both a rare brittle-bone disease and autism. But what makes Austin truly unique is his joyous, funny, life-affirming worldview that transforms and unites everyone around him. The boy's father changes his life as he comes to see Austin not as the symbol of something broken, but the triumph of an indestructible spirit. All youth interested in participating should sign the sheet located on the youth board.

## **Christian Education Seeks a Nursery Attendant**

As we move forward with the hope and anticipation of reopening the nursery, Christian Education finds themselves in search of a nursery attendant.

Anyone interested in caring for our youngest treasures on Sunday morning during the worship hour should contact Pastor Schalm. The attendant receives \$20.00 per service and is paid once a month. The nursery is located in the church's family room located at the back of the sanctuary. The worship service can be viewed via the television located in the family room.

## **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.

## **2022 Youth Flower Sale**

Once again, our St. Paul Youth will be hosting their annual flower sale. The flowers will be coming from "Blocks Stand and Greenhouse" again this year. Order forms will be available beginning Sunday, March 27th at the 10:00 am Sunday Worship Service and on our Website. No delivery date for the flowers has been set yet. Please watch the Morning Tide and April Tidings for additional information. Any questions please contact Candace Poet or Cheryl Schalm.

## **ALL CHURCH EVENTS**

### **Ashes Offered at Early Morning Hours**

Ashes will be offered during early morning hours on Ash Wednesday, March 2, for those who wish to stop by the church before heading to work that morning. Pastor Geoffrey Drutchas will be available from 7-9 a.m. to pray with you and anoint your head with ashes at the sanctuary altar. Those who wish to receive ashes for the first day of Lenten should use the front door of the church. Please ring the large handbell on the stand at the foot of the chancel steps before joining the pastor at the altar.

### **Lenten Season Start Observed with Ash Wednesday Service and Sunday Lenten Communion**

Remembering the forty days and nights that Jesus spent in the wilderness, the Lenten season at St. Paul United Church will begin with a service on Ash Wednesday, March 2, 7:30 p.m., followed by a Lenten Communion Service on Sunday, March 6, 10 a.m.

For the Ash Wednesday Service, Pastor Geoff Drutchas will be administering ashes prepared from the burning of palms from last year's Holy Week observance. Church members and friends will be singly invited to come forth to receive the ashes at the foot of the chancel steps. Leading up to the rite of ashes, Pastor Drutchas will be preaching on Jesus' encounter with the devil and our own present-day experiences with the devilish and demonic.

The following Sunday, worshippers will receive communion kits as they arrive containing both a wafer and juice. The communion sacrament will be offered towards the close of the service. St. Paul practices an "open communion" which means that formal membership in the congregation is not required to partake of the bread and cup. However, all are asked to commit themselves to walk more closely with Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This is also a particularly important theme and emphasis for the seven week Lenten season which culminates with Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter. Church members and friends are invited to make attendance at all services as part of their own Lenten discipline.

The Ash Wednesday and First Lenten Sunday services will be livestreamed on Facebook and later that evening or afternoon posted on our church website. You are encouraged to tune in if you cannot attend the in-person services.

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

Preparations have begun for our Lenten Drive-Thru fish suppers. Upcoming suppers will be held on March 11, 18, and 25; and April 1, 8 and 15, 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 are \$12, with a children's meal for kids ages 4-12 available at \$4. The dinner includes fish, french fries, cole slaw, pie dessert, and condiments.

As with all church activities, appropriate safety and good housekeeping 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 this year's chairperson Jim Poet.

### **Holy Week Services Planned for Mid-April**

Following a lunar calendar, Holy Week and Easter fall at different times every year. This year, Holy Week, beginning with Palm Sunday, continuing with Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, and culminating with Easter, arrives particularly late in mid-April. While our Palm Sunday Service will be held on April 10, 10 a.m., our Maundy Thursday Service will be celebrated on April 14, 7 p.m. with a noontime Good Friday Service gathered on April 15 when tax returns are also due, bringing fresh meaning to the old saying that there are only two sure things in life, "death and taxes." Like last year, there will be a single Easter Service at 10 a.m., on April 17, with special Easter refreshments after the service in Fellowship Hall hosted by our church choir.

Please mark your calendars and plan on being there for all of these in person services commemorating Jesus' final days of ministry, his sacrifice at Calvary, and the good news of his resurrection.

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Masking Now Optional for Sunday Morning Services**

As Omicron cases dip and the number of area hospitalizations due to COVID drop, our St. Paul congregation joins with the State of Michigan and the Wayne County Health Department in revising safety guidelines, making masking optional for sanctuary services on Sundays and at other times. Church members should feel free to continue masking but it is not asked or required. Although most of our sanctuary is now "open seating," taped off areas are being retained at both the front and rear of the sanctuary for those who want to maintain social distancing. A number of church members have requested that such taping remain. Meanwhile, all members and friends are encouraged to be thoughtful and cautious in the face of continuing COVID infections, even for those vaccinated.

For the present time, masking will continue for our Christian education classes. However, our church's Safety & Security Committee has recommended that a letter be sent to all Christian education parents letting them know that we may be transitioning to a masking-optional policy for our young people too. The Christian Education Committee will be making a decision on masking in early March as public schools lift their restrictions.

### **2021 Pictorial Directory**

The 2021 Pictorial Directory is now in the proofing stage, we have received the first proof book and are reviewing for corrections. Once finalized it will be sent back for final proofing. We anticipate receiving the final publication in March. We apologize for the delay but with the holidays and UCD being shut down for a couple of weeks due to COVID the delay was unavoidable. St. Paul Communication Ministry.

### **2022 Budget**

Donations remain strong through the first two months of 2022. We continue to monitor all expenses to ensure they are necessary to sustain our ministry. We truly appreciate your generous and continued support for St. Paul during these difficult times. Let us pray that as we move forward in 2022 that we begin a move back to our normal activities. Dan Case - - St. Paul Treasurer

### **Burial Plots for Sale**

The St. Paul Memorial Ministry has four burial plots available for immediate purchase. The burial plots are located at Michigan Memorial Park in Huron Township. The plots are located in Block 22 Section 7 "Garden of Apostles" with a retail value of \$1,825 per grave, the asking price is only \$1,000 per grave. Once purchased the graves may also be used as partial payment (full retail value) for purchase of a spot in their above ground burial sites or their indoor and outdoor cremation niches as well. You have many options available to you. Please contact Dan Case, St. Paul Treasurer, if you are interested.

## **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, 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.

As you consider your gift to this special offering, think of what it would be like to not have a place to call home. Then give according to your individual financial ability, for those who are displaced by disaster, war, and famine.

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

Please pray about how you can help support this ministry. Thank you, from our St. Paul Stewardship Ministry.

## **St. Paul Member Host ChristNet Week Suppers**

St. Paul members prepared and delivered 252 suppers to ChristNet guests during the week of February 6-12. In lieu of rotating among Downriver churches, all the ChristNet guests due to the lingering COVID pandemic were being locally moteled at night in Taylor in cooperation with the Wayne Metro Community Action Agency, while making use of the ChristNet center at the Church of the Nazarene on Eureka Road during daytime hours.

The supper menu for ChristNet guests was varied, ranging from Lasagna and Chili to Meatball Stroganoff, Meatloaf, and Chicken and Rice. St. Paul volunteers preparing the 36 meals night to night included the St. Paul Youth Group, Connie and Paul Scheel, Dale Simon, Debbie Case, Vicki Grant, Lori Kuhn, Vicki King, Karen Hill, Toni Hill, Peggy Staten, Angel Staten, Sue Mrowka, Marjie and Charlie Barnard, Sandy Rose, Carol Schwinck, Grace Wangbickler, Helen St. Louis, Dee Salsbury, Eileen Vernor Drutchas, Pastor Schalm and her whole family, and Pastor Geoff Drutchas.

Other area churches have also joined in providing meals for ChristNet guests with supper host weeks now fully scheduled through the end of May 2022.

## **HEALTH MINISTRIES**

### **Exercise Classes Ongoing**

Exercise classes are being held on Wednesday's at 10:30 a.m. in the West Room. A variety of aerobics, strength training and stretching exercises are all part of the session. Our instructor Delissa Hampton is there every step of the way to cheer you on to work at whatever pace you are able to do. All exercises can be done in a standing position, with the use of a chair, or a combination of both. A small donation of \$3 to \$5 is suggested but not expected for each class you attend. Can't make it to class, but want to join us from home? Join us on ZOOM.



You must be able to access the internet by computer, I-pad, or phone with video availability. You do not have to be seen on camera during class, but you will need to be able to see the instructor. Let Kathy know if you are interested and she will share the link with you via email. If you have any questions or concerns contact Parish Nurse Kathy Williams. Hope to see you soon.

### **Healthful Lenten Season Thoughts**

Lent begins March 2 and it is the time to grow spiritually and/or improve the Body, Mind, and Spirit connection. Many people try to either give up an activity or food that they truly enjoy, while others prefer to do a health activity to improve their body, mind & soul. We will be posting some helpful websites for you to check out on our website, [www.stpaulucctaylorucc.org](http://www.stpaulucctaylorucc.org). Just look under the 'What's Happening' heading and then 'Health Activities' for helpful materials. If you have a suggestion for a group or individual activity that we can focus on or if you have any questions please call Parish Nurse, Kathy Williams.

### **Our Daily Bread Devotional Availability**

If you are interested in receiving a copy of 'Our Daily Bread' a quarterly devotional, please contact the church office. The editions are available in large print and regular print. When requesting a copy please specify the print size that you want. Our next issue is for the months of April through June. Kathy Williams can either mail you a copy via US mail or you may ask the ushers for a copy on Sunday if they are available.

**If you are in need of any medical supplies not covered or provided by your insurance company, contact the Parish Nurse, Kathy Williams to see if we can provide it for you.**

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

The following ministries are looking for volunteers to assist in programs at the church. *Health Ministries*-contact Kathy Williams, *IT Ministry*-contact Mike Isaacs, and *Safety & Security & Ministry*-contact Dan Case. Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of one or all of the ministries.

A **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to all of the wonderful people who helped make the coleslaw for the 2022 Fish Dinners. Free Coffee and Donuts were enjoyed by all. Your help was truly appreciated. Also a very **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to the Block Family for donating all the vegetables (cabbage, carrots, red peppers and green peppers) required to make this year's coleslaw.

## **JOYS AND CONCERN**

**Rock Hard in Faith Youth Fellowship would like to thank everyone** who purchased soup, rolls and cookies from their Superbowl fundraiser. Your support enables the group to continue their outreach programs and events. You are greatly appreciated!

### **Blood Drive Successful**

Our Blood Drive held on Feb 18 was a success despite the poor condition of the weather and roads. We made our goal of 29 pints of whole blood. Thirty-two persons presented to donate. Because there is such a shortage of blood currently, it is a true blessing that we were able to meet our goal. A big thanks to all of those that participated.

## **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

### **MEMORIAL FUND**

In Memory of: *Ken Frost* From: Gary & Pat Staffeld

In Memory of: *James Koths* From: Glen Koths

## **TIME TO SPRING FORWARD MARCH 13TH**



## **WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR**

**Church Members and Friends:** Gunter Berndl, Patricia Britt, Dan Case, Margo Charette, Lisa Childress, John Caufield, Harold Fick, Hayden Forsyth, Barb Gish, Carrie Hill, Wayne Jones, Judy Kirsch, John Kovach, Mark Krause, Brody Kulhanek, Jeff & Kim Beyar, Dave Kulhanek, Loretta Kurtzel, Steve Matney, Neil McEachern, Jeff & Maria MacZink, Jeff Natzke, Frankie Patterson, Gary Peters, Bob Robinson, Laverne Roe, Jerry Rossi, Glen Sigman, Vicki Simon, Beverly Sitz, Cheryl Smith, Joseph Smith, Sue Spears, Bill Stears, Brydon Stull, Diane Sturgeon, Bert Thompson, Grace Wangbickler, Tom Williams, Howard Wilson.

**Extended Family:** Philip and Connie Linne Alberts, Cody Van Hulle (great-grandson Sue Spears), Dawn Sturgeon Anderson, Mary Board (daughter, Clifford Board), Arthur Jensen (son, Phil Jensen), Russ Gall (son, Bev Goodell), Ellen Pfafflin (volunteer, Fish & Loaves), Talama Braba (Judy Albright's daughter), Kim Chickowicz, Courtney Daoust, Ryan Cox, Robert Gaither, Gabriella Gomez (niece, Darlene Babin), Kevin & Steven Johnson (grandsons, Patricia Olson) Richard Jones, Yvonne Koster, Jeff Kasher, Leon Kroeger (brother of Janet Enesey), Joanne LeFleur (daughter, Helene & Neil McEachern), Jennifer & Tammy Lee (granddaughter & daughter, Barb Siemers), Courtney McEachern Matthews, Kim McEachern (daughters-in-law, Helene & Neil McEachern), Jessica OChoa, Sandy Newton, Sharon Peterson, Judy Robin (aunt, Lucinda Chavez), Richard Sherman, Jr., Tammi Sherman, Earl Shutt (brother, Lois Rice), Mary & Darrell Smith, Debbie Smitt, Debra Stavros, Kristin Strawsine, Nicholas Surre (great-grandson, Helene McEachern), Kyle Thompson Family, Bruce Vernor (Father of Eileen Vernor Drutchas), Nicole Wangbickler, and Victoria Whitcher (daughter, Cheryl Stewart).

**Congregations' Parents:** Ronald & Myrna Matthews (parents, Brenda Rossi), 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 - Promedica Healthcare Center, 9150 Allen Rd., Allen Park, 48101; Loretta Kurtzel- The Bellaire Senior Living, 12621 Hale Street, Riverview, 48193; 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, 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, Morgan Schalm, Lance Sharples, Trudy Clark Schiller, Angie St.Louis, Diane St.Louis, Hailee St.Louis, Jennifer St.Louis, Renee St.Louis, Rachel Tank, Emily Wangbickler Baggett, Jillian Wangbickler, Katelyn Wangbickler, Sarah Wangbickler, and Emily Winter.