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September 2022

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday September 1 - Blood Drive - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Masonic Lodge
Sunday September 4 - Worship service 10:00 a.m. - Communion
Tuesday September 6 - Bible Study Resumes- 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Saturday September 10 - Scrapbooking - 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Sunday September 11 - Rally Sunday & Church Picnic - 10 a.m. outdoor service
Tuesday September 13 - Rummage Sale drop off begins - 10 a.m.
Wednesday September 14 - Confirmation Orientation - 7 to 8 p.m.
Sunday September 18 - Worship service 10:00 a.m. - New members welcomed
Sunday September 25 - Worship service 10 a.m.

Important Future Dates

October 6 , 7 & 8 - Church Rummage Sale - See article for Hours
Sunday November 20 - Retirement Celebration

PASTOR'S PEACE

In the Book of Ecclesiastes, the Old Testament declares that “for everything there is a season.” In church life, we know all about seasons. In worship our year is divided according to them, beginning with Advent at the end of November or the start of December and then continuing right through the seasons of Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and, finally, Pentecost which, completing the cycle, returns us to Advent and a new year.

Of course, even though we follow this Christian calendar, we also live according to nature’s calendar of seasons—fall, winter, spring, and summer—and honor it, even if less officially, in our church life. Specifically, we embrace the end of summer (which finishes September 22) and the start of fall as the beginning of a new season for our church life too, just as schools and places of business do. Indeed, the days ahead both before and after the upcoming Labor Day are going to be a time of fresh start-ups for us. Our chancel choir, for instance, after taking a summer break is resuming its weekly rehearsal in preparation for forthcoming worship performances. Our Tuesday morning Bible Study, which continued through most of July, will also be gathering weekly again after a month and a half hiatus. Our Church Council picks up with its monthly meetings too, addressing all church business at hand. Last, but never least, our Christian education program kicks off new Sunday School classes with registration for all ages on Rally Sunday, September 11. Not so coincidental at all, that’s the same day our congregation has decided to host an all-church picnic, in lieu of the end-of-July event that was more customary pre-Covid. With the big-top tent provided so graciously by Howe-Peterson Funeral Home, an outdoor service planned, and a terrific buffet meal in the works, it promises to be a wonderful occasion to mark the latest season of our church life, rallying us all in spirit for the next months ahead.

After a couple of weeks out of the pulpit, I am personally looking forward to our fall season. It is not without some poignance since I am looking towards retirement at this year’s end, following Christmas. Yet that makes the weeks ahead with our congregation feel all the more precious to me. How important it is to always make the most of our time together. That’s more true now than ever.

As we emerge from the days of Covid, I hope that you will make church-going, whether in person or online, a part of your weekly devotion to God and your commitment to real discipleship in the spirit of Jesus Christ. As I’ve said many times before, supported by some impressive statistical research validating it, churched people live happier and longer and better. I wish the same benefit for you and your family. See you in church!

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

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EDITORIAL

Prayer is powerful! And it is the only thing that is going to get us through these challenging times where uncertainty and fear serve to shadow our children's return to school. So as your kids, grandchildren, nieces or nephews head back-to-school—whatever that may look like for you, I hope you find comfort and hope in this wonderful prayer offered by Christianity Today.

Lord, we want more for our students than mere survival. We pray You will make them outstanding leaders and imitators of Your character, secure in their faith. Our students deal with tests often, not just with their schoolwork, but in their spiritual lives. Help them to be bold as lions, in the sense that their faith won't be shaken by those who attack or question it. Give them knowledge of Your Word and time to memorize and meditate often on its biblical truths. Teach them to respect others' beliefs without compromising their own.

Like a tightrope walker, Lord, our students are trying to balance familiar Truth against a host of other unfamiliar voices that are trying to sway their beliefs and make them fall. In a world where values are decreasing, morality is fading, and persecution is increasing, help our students to walk humbly, to honor You daily, and to remain true to their calling in Christ. Let them be ready to give an answer to anyone who asks them for the hope or confidence they possess and a reason why they have chosen a relationship with You. Help them to let their Light shine at school and wherever they go so that others who observe their attitudes and actions will know that they are the real thing.

When our students make mistakes or feel they have become imbalanced, help them find the courage to admit, "I was wrong. Forgive me," or "Lord, I need help." Let them treasure their "difference" as a gentle yet bold believer, never to flaunt it or to hide it because of timidity or embarrassment. If they encounter challenges that pit their studies against their faith, remind them that You are always on their side and that You are their Wise Counselor, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. You are the One who can dispel lies and deceit. Whether they face fear or danger or simply need comfort, may they always turn to You, the One Who always hears their cries, and the One who will never leave them or forsake them. ~Amen

Let us all lift our young people and seek God's protection upon them as they return to school. May He find us praying daily for them.

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

Christian Education Activities

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.

Sunday School Kicks-off "2022-2023" School Year

On Sunday, September 11th Christian Education will lead a special Family Rally Sunday program during the 10:00 a.m. worship service to be held under the tent. Rally Sunday commemorates the beginning of a new Christian Education year. As part of this special service there will be a blessing of backpacks and the installation of teachers. Afterwards all present will have the opportunity to partake in the all-church picnic festivities.

Parents, please make sure to complete the Sunday School covenant form for your child/ren located on the St. Paul UCC website. We look forward to a great year of learning!

Round 'em Up

Sunday School Rally Sunday

September 11th

As summer comes to a close, it's time to head back to school! As part of a special Rally Sunday Service to be held during the 10:00 a.m. worship service under the tent on Sunday, September 11th, Pastor Schalm will be offering a "Backpack Blessing." Students are encouraged to bring their backpacks with them. Together, we will pray for a blessed and safe "2022-2023" school year.

In addition to the blessing of the backpacks, members of the youth group will be leading the special Rally Sunday service.

Families are asked to pre-register their children for the "2022-2023" Sunday School year. All Sunday School registration forms can be completed on-line and found on the church website. Hard copies will be available on Rally Sunday. Mark your planner for a rip-roaring return to Sunday School on September 11th. Prior to the church service all are invited to join their church family for coffee and donuts. Following the church service all are encouraged and invited to trot into an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship at the beloved, annual:

CHURCH PICNIC

Serving to fill those "growling" bellies; hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, corn on the cob, fruit, pasta salad, chips and ice cream will round out the afternoon's menu. Prior to lunch, "kids" games will be hosted by Christian Education. Following lunch, families will have the opportunity to: visit the petting farm, take a pony/horseback ride and visit with friends. A great time is expected to be had by all. Mark your planners now for this fun-filled family event.

Outing to Comerica Park

On Sunday, September 18 the youth will have the opportunity to cheer on the Detroit Tigers. Tickets, bus transportation, ball park meal (hot, dog, chips, beverage), Tigers hat and group scoreboard recognition are all provided at no cost to youth and chaperones. Since tickets are limited, contact Pastor Schalm as soon as possible to reserve yours.

October 30th, A Date to Remember

Reformation Sunday will be celebrated on October 30th with a presentation of Bibles to all 6th grade students. Additionally, we will be kicking off "Operation Christmas Child," the shoebox ministry for children in need. Later that afternoon, Trunk or Treat will be held. Children and adults alike will have the opportunity to decorate their trunks and come in costume for some good ole' fashion trick or treating. Watch your Morning Tide for additional information on these programs.

Summer Sunday School

Sunday School was held every Sunday during the summer. This was made possible as a result of volunteer Sunday School Teachers: Helen St. Louis, who taught the majority of Sundays; Billie-Jo Stears; Sandy Ennis; and Junior teachers, Katelyn Isaacs and Hayley Dykowski. They kept the waves moving and the surfers surfing! A huge thank you to you all!

Vacation Bible School "Circle G Ranch"

The ranch is closed for the season! We are so thankful and grateful for all the little buckaroos and buckarettas who came to spend the week with us. The week on the ranch would not have been possible without our Ranch Wranglers and Helpers. Please take the time to thank Candace Poet, aka CC for heading up the ranch games; Mrs. Debbie Case for heading up the ranch snacks and all her helpers, Helen St. Louis, Toni Hill and Jane Dykowski; Sheri Herkimer, for heading up the ranch crafts, Tracy Hoffman for heading up ranch music; Cindy Romas, for heading up registration and all the wranglers, Cindy Winter, Kaitlyn Isaacs, Angel Staten and Hayley Dykowski. Thank you also to all those who stepped in to lend a hand during the week. You are greatly appreciated! *Until next year y'all!!*

The Youth Summer Mission Trip

The mission trip was held August 15 – August 20. The group of eleven were housed one night at the church and then in cabins at the Michindoh Conference and Retreat Center in Hillsdale. With the church serving as their base, they hosted a soccer game and pizza night for area 23 Special Olympic athletes and served at the Gleaners Food Pantry distribution Center. On Tuesday morning they left for the Michindoh Conference and Retreat Center in Hillsdale. From there they served the Jackson County Animal Shelter, Habitat for Humanity and Imagine Planet, all located in Jackson Michigan.

It was a wonderful trip full of serving, growing in Christ, fun and fellowship. Thank you to our chaperones: Carolyn Bresky, Karen Hill, Eric Poet and Cindy Winter. And a huge thank you to the Men's and Women's Fellowship for their generous donation and continued support.

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 CHURCH EVENTS

Communion Sacrament Offered During Labor Day Weekend Sunday Service

As our St. Paul congregation gathers for worship on Sunday, September 4, during the Labor Day Weekend communion will be offered. Church members and friends will be provided sealed communion cups with wafer from the elders and ushers as they arrive for in-person worship. Those sharing in worship from home are encouraged to make use of bread and juice from their home kitchens which will be consecrated with pastoral prayer at the start of the communion sacrament.

Our congregation observes an "open communion." Formal membership is not required to share in the communion sacrament. But all are asked to make the personal spiritual commitment to walk more closely with Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Newcomers Invited as Tuesday Morning Bible Study Resumes

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be resuming its weekly gatherings on Tuesday, September 6, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Open to all St. Paul Church members and friends, the ongoing study group is currently reading the First and Second Letters of the Apostle Peter New Testament and continuing thereafter with the remaining epistles and letters and the Book of Revelation.

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study, which meets in the first floor West Room with plenty of space for participants' social distancing as needed, follows a directed but open discussion format with opportunities to ask questions and to share mutual insights about the scriptures being read. Although participants may bring a bible from home, copies of the Serendipity Bible for Groups are provided for weekly use. Pastor Geoffrey Drutchas leads the weekly study and discussion sessions. For more information, contact Pastor Drutchas (313-291-1221).

Scrapbooking Event Coming in September

The Christian Education is sponsoring our Annual Scrapbook Event on Sat. Sept 10th from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.. This helps raise money for the Church School and youth programs. We are in need of raffle prizes valued at \$10 and above, and door prizes valued at \$2 and above. These can be things that you donate personally or things that you can request from merchants. We have a letter available (see me or get one in the church office) with all the information that they would need including tax id. number, etc. Merchants are usually very receptive to donating. It can be from anywhere such as restaurants, dry cleaners, bowling alleys, oil changes, hair or nail salons, etc. It is even better if it is somewhere that you go to regularly. I will need all donations by Friday, Sept 9th, if possible. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 734-558-8762.

Also, even if you are not interested in scrapbooking, we will have 14 vendors and crafters there, from jewelry to massages. Please try to stop by to support them and get some good deals. The best time to shop is from 10 a.m to 3 p.m..

Thank you Deborah Case

Outdoor Rally Sunday Picnic is All-Church Affair

Our St. Paul Congregation will be celebrating its annual Rally Sunday with an all-church picnic on September 11--one of summer's last days. Our worship service that morning will be held under the Big Top Tent on our outdoor church green with lunch and picnic activities to follow.

Everything begins that morning at 9:30 with coffee and donuts served on the patio outside the rear West Room doors. Deacons and ushers will thereafter be greeting members at the Big Tent under the trees as we then gather for 10 a.m. worship utilizing chairs already provided under the tent or those you may choose to bring from home. During worship, highlights of our Youth Mission Trip will be shared. Also, inaugurating a new Sunday School year, our young students will be recognized and volunteer teachers officially installed.

At the close of worship kids will enjoy games and activities will be offered for adults as well, along with easy listening music provided by Michael Isaacs. At 12:30 p.m., a petting farm will get underway for kids, continuing throughout the early afternoon. Adding to the fun, there will be an opportunity for pony rides on the church green.

From 11:30 to 12:30, a picnic buffet lunch will be served under a dining fly. On the menu for the occasion will be typical all-American picnic fare--grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, corn-on-the-cob, pasta salad, fruit, and assorted bags of chips. Lemonade and tea will be served at lunch and throughout the afternoon. At 1:30 p.m. there will be an ice cream social.

As in previous years, the Howe-Peterson Funeral Home is providing a large tent. In case of rain and inclement weather, some activities may be moved indoors. Stay tuned for more information in your Sunday Morning Tide and through email.

Confirmation Classes Get Underway

As the fall season starts at St. Paul, so do confirmation classes for eighth and ninth graders. Led and taught by Pastor Geoff Drutchas and Mrs. Doreen Thompson on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings, the classes are intended to equip our church youth to make informed decisions for Jesus Christ, affirming their earlier baptisms. An orientation program for parents and confirmands alike will be held on Wednesday, September 14, 7-8 p.m. in the West Room for all first- and second-year students.

The first Sunday morning class will be held on September 18. The first Wednesday evening class will follow on September 21. On Saturday, September 24, there will be a day-long class retreat with details to be shared at the orientation.

Confirmation classes are open to any interested youth. The classes conclude during Holy Week and Easter 2023 with the actual confirmation ceremony for second year students on Palm Sunday, April 2nd. For more information, contact Pastor Drutchas at the church office (313-291-1221).

New Members To Be Welcomed in September

Newcomers who wish to join our St. Paul congregation are invited to become members at the Sunday worship service on September 18, 10 a.m. Those to be welcomed will be invited to affirm their baptism and commitment to our ministry together as part of the St. Paul congregation. Anyone interested in becoming a member at that time is encouraged to complete a "Make-A-Wish" card that can be found in the church pews and add it to the tithe box in the narthex or return it to a deacon or usher. You can also contact the church office during the week at 313-291-1221. Pastor Geoff Drutchas is available to meet in advance with those interested in membership. Please feel free to contact him regarding your interest and with any questions.

Rummage Sale Donations Sought—Volunteers Needed

The annual St. Paul Fall Rummage Sale will be held Thursday through Friday, October 6-8. Rummage sale hours will be Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Rummage donations will be welcomed starting Tuesday September 13th when we ask that items be distributed and dropped-off to designated tables. All donated clothing, household goods, and equipment should be clean and in a good state of repair.

Actual rummage sale set-up in Fellowship Hall will be ongoing throughout the weeks of September to allow plenty of time to sort all donated items. Church members are encouraged to assist with the sale set-up.

The Fellowship Hall will be closed for all other activities until the rummage sale finishes. Beyond set-up, help is needed to host the actual sale and clean-up afterwards on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday morning during the first week in October. To volunteer, please contact the church office (313-291-1221). All proceeds from the rummage sale support church-related projects.

Save the Date

To all church members. Please mark your calendar for a Retirement Celebration/Brunch for Rev. Geoff on Sunday November 20th in Fellowship Hall, immediately following our morning worship. Complete details will be sent via postal mail closer to the date.

CPR & First Aid Class to be offered in November or early December

The class takes eight to nine hours and is usually divided in two sessions. Want to get certified? This is also an excellent skill to have.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Together for a New Season

St. Paul choir, led by Music Director Tracy Hoffman, began rehearsals for its new season on Wednesday August 31. The choir rehearses on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. for an hour to an hour and 15 minutes. Each week they prepare the anthem for the upcoming Sunday as well as rehearse and learn new music for future Sundays. New voices are always welcome to the choir. No auditions are required, just a willingness or desire to sing praises to our Lord and Savior.

Red Hot Purple Angels

A volunteer is needed for leadership to start up again. We have made a couple of attempts at restarting without success, due to Covid. Contact Sally Sigman or Kathy Williams if you are interested in continuing or leading this group.

ChristNet Opens Day Center

Bringing to fruition ten years of planning and hard work, the ChristNet homeless shelter is opening its new daytime center on Eureka Road this September fully equipped to provide critical services to homeless men, women, and children in the Downriver, Dearborn, and Out-Wayne Communities. The new facility includes a commercial kitchen for meal preparation, meeting and educational space, showers, plus washers and dryers for the laundering of guest clothes. Guests will have computer access now essential in securing identification and applying for employment and housing. The new daytime center provides an important and attractive respite from the streets for those struggling to secure housing.

The ChristNet daytime center, which has until now been renting cramped space in a church basement, will work in partnership with the Wayne Metro Community Action Agency that has been hoteling up to 20 guests at night in the absence of ChristNet regular rotation church-based shelter program which is on pause due to the impact of Covid on church operations. A well-attended Open House for churches supporting ChristNet was held on Sunday, August 28. An official ribbon-cutting for the new ChristNet building will be hosted on Wednesday, September 14, with Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and other community dignitaries present.

ChristNet has been providing emergency homeless services for the past three decades. It was launched largely through the efforts of our St. Paul congregation and a handful of other churches recruited for a pilot project extending overnight shelter to those in need. Both Pastor Geoff Drutchas and church member Rebecca Markey Johnson are active members of ChristNet's Board of Directors.

'Par for the Course' Golf Tourney Helps Feed Homeless

Golfers have a chance to not only enjoy a great game but also help fight hunger Downriver by participating in the Eleventh Annual 'Par for the Course' Fish & Loaves Golf Outing at Taylor Meadows on Saturday, September 17. The golf outing is an important fundraiser for the Fish & Loaves Community Food Pantry which annually distributes 1.6 million pounds of food to Downriver and Dearborn Heights households with demonstrated need.

The outing begins with an 8 a.m. check-in and a 9 a.m. shotgun start for 18 holes of golf with a golf cart provided. A continental breakfast, lunch, and a dinner are also included in the per person ticket price. Adding challenge to the day, there will be special competitions and prizes offered. Both Pastor Geoff Drutchas and our St. Paul congregation will be sponsoring holes for the event.

Registration brochures are available in the West Lobby. For more information on the September 17 golf outing, please contact the church office (313-291-1221).

Our Church is Looking Good!

August was a busy month of church sprucing up. Carpets throughout the church were professionally steam-cleaned. In addition, church members Charlie and Marjie Barnard and Julius Enesey completed a face-lift for the West Room. The entire room was repainted. In addition, the floors were stripped down, cleaned, and protectively coated to enhance its appearance.

The West Room, located right off the west lobby, in addition to the sanctuary, is one of the most-used rooms of our church. It will now continue to provide an attractive and spacious meeting space for all kinds of groups, programs and activities. Please thank Charlie, Marjie and Julius for outstanding volunteer work on behalf of building improvements, along with the ongoing efforts of our trustees and Buildings & Grounds ministry to ensure that our facilities inside and out are well-groomed and maintained.

St. Paul's Gardens Continue to Bloom

Members arriving at church for summer services have expressed their appreciation for the beauty of our church grounds and gardens this summer which have been in full bloom. The recently re-landscaped memorial garden on the west side of the church offers an attractive meditation focus, especially for those who have loved ones whose ashes are interred there. But also a pleasure to view are the extensive and colorful plantings on the east side of the church along the ramped entrance to the Family Room and narthex. Although a few have faded as summer has progressed and nature anticipates the change of seasons to come, many of the flowers remain in full bloom. Several church members have remarked that when out for a drive they enjoy taking a spin around our church's horseshoe drive to take in the sight of the blooms and sweep of our church green extending back to the Sexton-Kilfoil Creek and the adjoining thick woods owned by our church. Our church also attracts early morning walkers who make our horseshoe drive a part of their walking routine. With the encouragement and support of the trustees and Buildings and Grounds Team, and the generosity of the Block family, groundskeeper Harold Fick added to this year's flower bed plantings, making our church grounds the best of any in Taylor.

HEALTH MINISTRIES

Message From our Parish Nurse

Our church is in a process of changes this year finding a new Senior Pastor is the priority. Hopefully, the congregation and new minister will continue the Health Ministries Program and continue the Parish Nurse/Faith Based Nurse position. Our congregation has benefited from this program. After meeting with Council, I will continue temporarily to serve as a coordinator of Health Ministries until decisions are made. Thanks for your support through the past and future. Persons interested in giving input and volunteering to serve on a Health Ministries Program are needed. We will have a meeting in September to move forward. Please contact Kathy Williams if you will help on this committee.

Blood Drive scheduled for Thursday, September 1, from 10 AM–4 PM

St Paul is sponsoring the drive at the Golden Ark #595 Masonic Lodge, 23263 Goddard Rd., Taylor, MI 48180.

Due to the lack of air conditioning in Fellowship Hall we needed to change the location. *Blood is very much needed.* Many of the larger companies that used to sponsor drives are no longer sponsoring them. If you are not able to give, please spread the word to those that you know who can donate blood. Direction's for sign-up. It is important to sign up ahead of time. There needs to be 59 days between donations. Please contact Parish Nurse, Kathy Williams, if you have questions or want her to sign you up for a time slot from 10 AM – 4 PM. You can make appointments for/at your own convenience through the Internet. Visit www.redcrossblood.org In the upper right-hand corner, type in 48180 (the Zip code for Taylor) and click on the arrow. Then the left column will show dates for the Taylor area. Choose refine search 'refine date' range to search the calendar for September 1, click on 'refine results'. It will read Golden Ark #595 Masonic Lodge, 23263 Goddard Rd., Taylor, MI 48180. Click on 'see times'. Sign up for your time slot. You will need to register & obtain a password. IDs & passwords are case sensitive. Register for a time. On the day of the drive, you can also download to your phone or print out a Rapid Pass prior to coming to the drive. You can read the educational materials & complete the health history online to save some time at the blood drive. If you have questions about eligibility, you can look at eligibility requirements on www.redcrossblood.org or contact the Red Cross blood donation center at 866-236-3276.

Exercise Class Continues Through the Fall

There is still time to join exercise classes held on Wednesday's from 10:30 -11:30 a.m.

A variety of exercises are all part of each session. All exercises can be done in a seated or standing position or 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. Hope to see you soon. 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 have to show on camera during class, but you will need to be able to see the instructor. You can also find the zoom link on our St Paul website under 'What's Happening' Health Activities. If you would like to participate or have any questions, contact Parish Nurse Kathy Williams.

Our Daily Bread Devotional Availability

If you are interested in receiving a copy of Our Daily Bread, a daily devotional, please contact the church office (313-291-1221). The editions are available in large print and regular print. Please specify the print type that you want when you call. They come every three months. Kathy Williams can send a copy to you via US mail or you may ask the usher to give you one from the narthex if they are available.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

MEMORIAL FUND:

In Memory of: *Judy Nieman* From: Murlyn Nieman

In Memory of: *Carol Casmer* From: William & Sandra McGahey

In Memory of: *Brenda Meredith* From: William & Sandra McGahey

In Memory of: *Harry Gardner* From: Irene Stoner

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In Memory of: *Maryann Grimes* From: Jane Dykowski

TREE OF FAITH:

In Memory of: *Beverly Kulhanek* From: David Kulhanek

In Honor of: *Conrad & Nancy Heidt* From: Conrad Heidt

JOYS AND CONCERN

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Alex Ogonowski on becoming an Eagle Scout, Troop # 508, Carleton. Alex is the grandson of Larry and Loretta Kurtzel.

CONDOLENCES TO: Hinzmann family on the passing of Ron's brother, Ken Hinzmann; Brenda Tank on the loss of her mother, Beverly Claire Libby at 101 years; Family of former guest organist, Dan Mason on his recent passing; to Katie Stull and the families of Emily Macdonald and Kory Ernster.

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR

Church Members and Friends: Dan Case, Margo Charette, John Dubke, Hayden Forsyth, Barb Gish, Al Gunther, Harold Fick, Kyle Hard, Carrie Hill, Wayne Jones, Judy Kirsch, Loretta Kurtzel, Steve Matney, Neil McEachern, Jeff MacZink, Brenda Murphy, Jeff Natzke, Bob Robinson, LaVerne Roe, Tony Rogers, Eleanor Rossi, Jerry Rossi, Glen Sigman, Sally Sigman, Joseph Smith, Sue Spears, Daisy Stedman, Sandi Rose, Teri Staffeld, Dianne Sturgeon, Bert Thompson, and Lorelee Wilson.

Extended Family: Philip and Connie Linne Alberts, Dawn Sturgeon Anderson, Mary Board (daughter, Clifford Board), Marcie Bolen, Josh Edelbrock, Arthur Jensen (son, Phil Jensen), Talama Braba (Judy Albright's daughter), Kim Cichowicz, Courtney Daoust, Gabriella Gomez (niece, Darlene Babin), Raymond Harmon, Kevin & Steven Johnson (grandsons, Patricia Olson) Richard Jones, Jeff Kasher, Tom Koths, Janet Kren, Joanne LeFleur (daughter, Helene & Neil McEachern), Jennifer & Tammy Lee (granddaughter & daughter, Barb Siemers), Courtney McEachern Matthews, Kim McEachern (daughters-in-law, Helene & Neil McEachern), Brenda Meridith, Jessica Ochoa, Sandy Newton, Judy Robin (aunt, Lucinda Chavez), David Saalwaechter (grandson, Grace Wangbickler) Tammi Sherman, Mary & Darrell Smith, Debbie Smitt, Diane St. Louis, Debra Stavros, Nicholas Surre (great-grandson, Helene McEachern), Sharon Thompson, Bill Warner, Robin Weiner, and Victoria Witcher (daughter, Cheryl Stewart).

Congregations' Parents: Ronald & Myrna Matthews (parents, Brenda Rossi), Robert Brainard (father, Ed Brainard), Jan Filpus (mother, Julia-Joy Miller), Carol Hoffman (mother, Tracy Hoffman), and Bruce and Pat Vernor (parents, Eileen Vernor Drutchas).

Church Members & Friends in Nursing or Rehab Care:

Donald Babin - Carolyn's Corner, 17890 Parkridge Dr., Riverview, 48193; 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 - Lakeland Nursing Center, 500 Williams St., Angola, IN 46703, 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 Russeau, Rebecca Ostrowski, Samantha Pedersen Otten, Eric Poet, Morgan Schalm, Trudy Clark Schiller, Rachel Tank, Emily Wangbickler Baggett, Jillian Wangbickler, Katelyn Wangbickler, Sarah Wangbickler, and Emily Winter.