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> > Our Giving to God June 6, 2021 Current - \$3751.00 and Mission - \$575.00 Attendance - 98

The loose offering today is designated to The Roc (Resource and Opportunity Center)

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST "We Shine For All Through Christ" St. Marys, Ohio

June 13, 2021 Third Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m.
Order of Service

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

PRELUDE "Open the Eyes of My Heart with Be Thou My Vision" arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are God's church:

People: We come together to worship.

Leader: God has filled us with his power: **People:** We go out to bring others to God.

Leader: God has called us into his family:

People: We come together to share our lives.

Leader: God has given us our history.

People: We go out to tell the world about God.

Leader: God has given us his Spirit:

People: We come together to celebrate.

Leader: God has showered us with his riches:

People: We go out to share God's goodness with others.

Leader: God has freed us from our past:

People: We come together to move forwards

and to live our lives in service to God.

Leader: We are God's church:

People: We come together to worship.

*HYMN 56 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

OPENING PRAYER

We give you thanks for all the ways that you bless our lives:

the beauty and abundance of nature, the love of family and friends,

the joy of knowing you and hearing your word.

Send Your Spirit during this time of worship so that we might dream your dreams and see visions of the world as you created it to be.

Guide our thoughts and actions. Bring us closer to you so that we might do your will and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns of our Church Family

Introduction of Guests Anniversaries

TIME FOR CHILDREN AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN 48 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(using debts and debtors)

arr. Jan Sanborn

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD *DOXOLOGY PRAYER OF DEDICATION

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

SPECIAL MUSIC Jim Huckemeyer

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 29:1-11
THE GOSPEL LESSON Acts 2:42-47

SERMON "Life Together" Rev. Rhonda Hainer

*HYMN 492 "Spirit of the Living God"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "They'll Know We are Christians" arr. Mark Hayes

*Denotes those who are able are invited to stand in body and in spiritDepart to serve

WELCOME! If you are visiting for the first time, we are Glad you are here. If you are a returning visitor Welcome Back. Please let our sanctuary doorway greeters know you are visiting and receive a special gift of welcome.

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

Don't forget that we now have online giving! It is available now by downloading Vanco Payment Solutions onto your mobile device by going to the app store or Google Play and search for "GivePlus Church". The download is free. We also have a button on our website that will also take you to the Vanco site. This service is available for your convenience!



- Please keep the following people in your prayers: Verneda Fark, Harold McCune is in Hospice, Cheryl Kline, John Long, Ron Luthman (son-in-law of Diana Prichard), and for all of our military and emergency services.
- Remember to pray for our shut-ins and for their caregivers that take care of them.
- All prayer requests shall be given to the lead person of our Prayer Team, Carol Schmidt: cschmidt@stpaulsuccsm.com or you can call or text her at 419-305-6164.

The **2021** Altar Flower Chart and the Liturgist sign-up sheets are located here in the sanctuary on the bulletin board by the sound system equipment. **Liturgists are always needed!** Please take a moment to sign up. Thank you.

Interested in becoming a member? Contact Pastor Rhonda to set up a time to learn the process for formally joining St. Paul's UCC. You'll learn more about who we are, our beliefs, and our mission. You'll also get to hear the story of our church and discuss what it means to be a member of this congregation through serving, growing in your faith journey, moving toward generosity, and more. You'll have the opportunity to join the church at the end of the class if you choose. If you have any questions, contact rhainer@bright.net or 563-210-3508.

TAKE NOTE:

Don't forget, we have The Upper Room and These Days devotionals located in the Lounge, the Perry Street Entrance and in the Elevette Room.

Welcome to St. Paul's United Church of Christ!

- NURSERY AND PRE-SCHOOL TODDLER CARE For your convenience, we have a staffed nursery located in the educational building. Should it become necessary for you to leave the sanctuary during worship, you can view the morning service on the TV in the nursery. PLEASE NOTE Only Newborn to Kindergarten age children are permitted in the Nursery during our morning worship service to allow safety for the newborns and toddlers. Children 1st Grade and older need to remain in the church and enjoy a Quiet Bag. Thank you for your understanding
- HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE rest room is located on the sanctuary level near the elevette room and it also contains a baby changing table.
- ENLARGED BULLETINS & HEARING DEVICES available if needed (consult an usher).
- TELEVISED WORSHIP SERVICE our worship service here at St. Paul's is shown on <u>TSC cable</u> <u>Digital channel 1 or non-digital channel 2</u>, every Sunday at 10:30 am and also on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm. There is a one-week delay of the service shown.
- ⊕ WORSHIP SERVICE ON THE INTERNET if you do not have TSC cable, you can watch our service on our church web page at www.spuccsm.com or on YouTube.
- RECYCLE YOUR BULLETIN on the registers at the North and South entrances you will see a tray where you can place your bulletin to be recycled (if you do not wish to take it home). Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer – Golden Sunday		
	11:30 am	Golden Sunday Luncheon		
Thurs.	1:00 pm	Grief Heal Group - Lounge		
4:30pm-5:15 pm		Breaking Bread		
	6:00 pm	Personnel Meeting		
Fri.	9:00 am	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE- July/August issue		
Next Sun.	10:00 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer – Father's Day		

Wanted -- NEEDED

Person(s) to fill in when Rich and/or Jim are gone on vacation

Video and sound are an important part of our weekly service.

Please prayerfully consider helping with multi media.

Contact Rich or Jim if interested.

BOOKS AVAILABLE

Do you like to read? Do you know someone that likes to read and could use some more books? At the June 9 Consistory meeting it was approved to clean out our church library. There are books for every age in the library and will be available until Sunday, July 11 for members to take any books they would like to have. Any books left on July 12 will be donated.

Helping Each other Adjust to Loss

We can all agree this has been a difficult year, full of challenges and many losses. It has been especially painful for those who are grieving the death of a loved one. Many are longing to be heard, to have their pain acknowledged. They have a need to tell their stories, to be assured that someone is listening and cares, without advice or criticism. HEAL is the St. Paul's grief support group led by Pastor Rhonda Hainer, who is trained to assist persons in times of loss, struggle, or crisis. HEAL or Helping Each other Adjust to Loss meets once a month, in the church lounge on June 17th at 1:00 p.m. and is open for anyone who is seeking comfort, clarity, hope for a path forward.

MISSION MOMENTS: Look around. What if just *this* was enough? What if this choir was enough, for example? Consider the miracle that each week, a group of mostly volunteers gathers to sing together in (occasionally im)perfect harmony. Whether there are three of them, or thirty or three hundred, isn't it some kind of miracle that week after week this group of working folks and retired folks and just plain folks leave their daily occupations and raise their voices together in song?

What if our youth and children were enough? What if instead of worrying about the youth and children we don't have, we started noticing, naming and celebrating the youth and children we do have? If there are no children in this congregation right now, what if we recognized the abundance of children in our neighborhood, or in our nation or in our world? What if we asked ourselves to notice the way we can be in community with THOSE children?

What if this congregation's leadership was enough?

What if God has called to this place and time exactly the people with just the skills, passions and gifts of the spirit that are needed for this moment? What if the church of the future is happening right now, today?

What if our church building was enough?

What if God has granted us this space in this time so that we might recognize it not as a burden or a project, but as a gift that we are privileged to steward?

The farmer in today's scripture throws seeds recklessly on seemingly infertile ground as well as obviously healthy soil. This image invites us to think the same way about our ministries and presence in the world. Rather than being obsessed with scarcity, scanning articles about the church in decline and worrying about the bottom line, what if we looked around at what we do have? What if we allowed ourselves to imagine our church in a new way, as a part of God's kingdom that has not just enough, but more than enough to share?

Name [.]			Date:	

Book Of Acts

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Abraham	Aeneas	Ananias	Apostles
Barnabas	Communion	Didache	Dorcas
Fellowship	Gentiles	Holy Spirit	Jerusalem
Jesus Christ	Judas	Judea	Messiah
Nazareth	Pentecost	Prayer	Samaria
Sanhedrin	Sapphira	Theophilus	Theudas

Psalms 29:1-11

1Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. **2**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness. **3**The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD thunders over the mighty waters. **4**The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is majestic. **5**The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon. 6He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox. **7**The voice of the LORD strikes with flashes of lightning. **8**The voice of the LORD shakes the desert; the LORD shakes the Desert of Kadesh. **9**The voice of the LORD twists the oaks and strips the forests bare. And in his temple all cry, "Glory!" **10**The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD is enthroned as King forever.

11The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• The newsletter deadline is this coming Friday at 9am. Please have your articles to Carolyn by 9am.