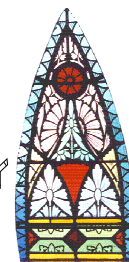




# St. Paul United Methodist Church

APRIL 2013



## "Friends of St. Paul"



Sometime in 2012, Rev. Bob Knell, a retired West Ohio clergyman who attends Normandy UMC, felt a strong nudge from God to come to St. Paul to serve. He had just completed leadership in the Wings of the Morning campaign to buy a plane.

Bob began to envision ways that support for St. Paul could be broadened and strengthened. He composed a letter that was sent to Tuesday lunch coordinators, current donors and volunteers with an invitation to an informal gathering on Tuesday, February 5, 2013. **He asked for interested leaders to come together to dream, pray and explore possibilities to keep the light of the love of Jesus burning at St. Paul UMC.**

Bob was pleasantly surprised when over 30 people representing 10 congregations responded. He told the group that St. Paul has been relying on outside funding for many years to maintain its impressive outreach ministry to its community. While St. Paul operates on faith, district funding cutbacks have caused great stress about our future. Bob has a vision of broadening St. Paul's financial base with individual and group donations so that the ministry will not be totally dependent of Miami Valley District mission apportionments.

There have been many positive results already from Bob's endeavors. Awareness and communication are crucial. He is linked to the "Friends of St. Paul" by email. More support is needed. Would you consider being added to Bob's list of St. Paul supporters? You may reach him at [bjknell2@aol.com](mailto:bjknell2@aol.com).



### Matthew 25: 35-40

35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' 37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' *New International Version (NIV)*



## MIAMI VALLEY DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Saturday, April 20, 2013

9:00am-2:00pm

# MISSION EVENT

Memorial United Methodist Church, 26 N. Locust., West, Carrollton, OH 45449

Please join us for a spirit-filled day of Mission Education featuring:

**WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY**

**MISSION SPEAKERS**

(on local, conference, national and international missions)

**DISCUSSION**

**MISSION EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES**

**PROGRAM RESOURCES**

**COST: \$10.00 per person (Includes Lunch)**

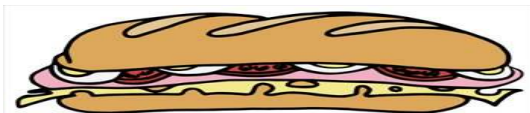
**For registration information, Contact: Beth Vanoli at 439-2949 or sunnysideup1956@hotmail.com**

**At a Glimpse...During February 2013, with your support, St. Paul...**

- Served **1,296 nutritious hot meals** at **Tuesday lunch** and **Saturday breakfast**.
- Provided groceries to **857 individuals for 12,855 meals** through the **Choice Food Pantry**.
- Put over **600 pieces** of good used **clothing** into the hands of many grateful people and made \$332.00 for the Outreach Ministry.

### St. Paul Sub

Order a delicious 6 inch sub from St. Paul. The cost of the subs is \$3.00 each. Orders and Money must be turned in to the church office by Monday, April 29th. Stop by the church office or call 937-252-4467 to place an order. The subs will be made on Saturday, May 4th.



## Did You Know...

- that apologies go out to Jarett Crain whose name was omitted from the Day of Caring volunteer list!
- that St. Paul UMC made \$1034.00 from our recent Steak Dinner! Thanks go out to all who bought tickets, as well as to the 35 volunteers who made the dinner such a success.
- that South Park UMC will host a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, April 27th, from 5pm-7pm. Proceeds will go to the East Dayton Food Pantry. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

**According to a new report by the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC), more than one in 5 Ohioans experience food hardship in 2012. According to the same report, Dayton ranks 4th in the nation for food hardship.**

### PANTRY NEEDS:

Canned Meat (ex. tuna, spam,...)	Canned Fruit (ex. pineapple,...)	Canned Vegetables (mixed veggies, peas...)
Canned Soup/Ramen Noodles	Cereal & Oatmeal	Jelly/Jam
Dry Beans (Great Northern, Pinto,...)	Kidney Beans	Juice
Pancake Syrup	Pasta & Sauce	Mac & Cheese
		Saltine Crackers
		Pancake Mix

### TAXABLE ITEMS:

Bar Soap	Diapers (all sizes)	Dish Soap	Kleenex
Laundry Soap	Shampoo	Toothbrushes & Paste	

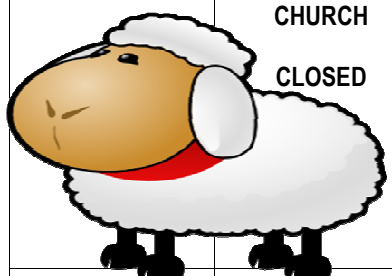

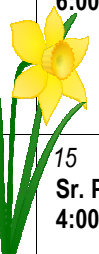




### CHURCH NEEDS:

Plastic/ Paper Grocery bags	Rakes and Shovels	Rain Ponchos
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# April 2013



Office Hours	9:00am—3:00pm
Pantry Hours	10:00am—2:45pm M,W,TH
Stuff Shoppe	10:00am—2:45pm M,W,TH 12 noon—2:00pm T

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> <b>CHURCH</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>2</b> Worship 10:20am Lunch Served by Aldersgate UMC  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm	<b>3</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  Las Amigas 5:30pm—6:30pm  Spanish Bible Study	<b>4</b> Koffee Hour 11:00am Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm United Methodist	<b>5</b> 	<b>6</b> Community Breakfast 9:00am Served by Belmont UMC  Spanish Worship Service
<b>7</b> Worship Celebration 9:30am Sunday School following 	<b>8</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>9</b> Worship 10:20am Lunch Served by New Hope UMC  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm	<b>10</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  Las Amigas 5:30pm—6:30pm  Spanish Bible Study	<b>11</b> Koffee Hour 11:00am  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>12</b> 	<b>13</b> Community Breakfast 9:00am Served by Aley UMC  Spanish Worship Service
<b>14</b> Worship Celebration 9:30am Sunday School following	<b>15</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>16</b> Ministry Team Meeting 9:00am Worship 10:20am Lunch Served by Centerville UMC  Jr. Peacemakers	<b>17</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  Las Amigas 5:30pm—6:30pm  Spanish Bible Study	<b>18</b> Koffee Hour 11:00am  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>19</b> 	<b>20</b> UMW Mission Event 9a-2p Breakfast 9:00am Served by Korean UMC Spanish Worship Service
<b>21</b> Worship Celebration 9:30am Sunday School following	<b>22</b> Bill Medford 1-3  Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>23</b> Worship 10:20am Lunch Served by Bellbrook UMC  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm	<b>24</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  Las Amigas 5:30pm—6:30pm  Spanish Bible Study	<b>25</b> Koffee Hour 11:00am  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b> Community Breakfast 9:00am Served by Belmont UMC Youth Spanish Worship Service
<b>28</b> Worship Celebration 9:30am Sunday School following	<b>29</b> Sr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm  ESOL Classes 6:00pm—8:00pm	<b>30</b> Worship 10:20am Lunch Served by Christ UMC  Jr. Peacemakers 4:00pm—6:30pm				



# El Día de los Niños/ Children's Day

**El Día De Los Niños** (Children's Day) is an annual celebration which honors and commemorates children and their importance in society.

The celebration underlines fundamental values that help to promote the nurturing and caring of children, such as, family involvement in the lives of their children, improvement in the lives of their children, improvement in child literacy, acceptance of multiculturalism and celebration of cultural heritage.

**Please come and celebrate El Día De Los Niños on Saturday, April 27th at 5:30p.m.**

Following the worship celebration, there will be a meal and a piñata for the children. Please bring a dish to share.



**El Día De Los Niños** es una celebración anual. El Día es para honrar y conmemorar a los niños y su importancia en la sociedad. Se celebra valores fundamentales que apoyan a la promoción de alimentar y cuidar de niños, como la participación de los padres en las vidas de sus niños, el mejoramiento de alfabetismo de los niños, la aceptación del multiculturalismo y la celebración de patrimonio cultural.

**Por favor vengan para celebrar El Día De Los Niños en la Iglesia Metodista Unida de San Pablo, el sábado, 27 de abril a las 5:30 de la tarde.**

Después del culto de celebración, habrá una cena y una piñata para los niños. Por favor traigan un platillo para compartir.



## The Mariposa Circle of the St. Paul United Methodist Women

The book, Hope for the Flowers by Tina Paulus, tells the story of a caterpillar named Stripe and his journey of transformation into a butterfly. Stripe's words, "I saw a butterfly—there can be more to life," embodies the mission of the Mariposa Circle of the United Methodist

Women at St. Paul. Butterflies, as we know, fly from flower to flower, spreading life and beauty throughout God's nature; so when it was time for a new circle of young women (ages 13-18) to choose a name, they unanimously chose the Spanish word *mariposa* for their circle which translates into the English word, *butterfly*.

This year the Mariposa Circle has been busy learning about leadership, mission, and what it means to be part of United Methodist Women. Along with taking part in UMW programming and mission education, including Mission u (formerly Cooperative School of Christian Mission), they helped St. Paul's UMW make Buckeyes, a fundraiser to supplement our individual pledges to mission. They made cards to send out to shut-ins and members who have relocated. You will see them manning the Community Care display at the District UMW Mission Education Event at West Carrollton Memorial UMC on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

On Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm, St. Paul UMW will be holding a cluster meeting with Local Organizations from Eastmont, South Park, Korean, Community, Aley, and St. Andrew. The young women of the Mariposa Circle will be hosting this event honoring mothers. The program will be from a United Methodist Church Board of Church and Society initiative and a UMW Social Action focus called "Healthy Families, Healthy Planet." The Mariposa Circle would like to share their search for the "more to life" in a world of Peace with Justice. They invite ALL United Methodist Women from across the Miami Valley District, who would like to learn more about this important initiative, to attend this event. Please call the church (937-252-4467) to make a reservation.

*"It takes a lot of butterflies to make a world full of flowers."*



Come Worship With Us!



Sunday Worship

9:30am


Tuesday Worship

11:30am

Worship in Spanish

Saturday-5:30pm

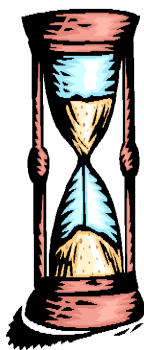
Empowered by the love of Jesus Christ, St. Paul United Methodist Church will open doors of service, justice and peace to the world, and windows into a life in Christ for all people.



**Bill Medford, Director of Civil and Human Rights for the General Board of Church & Society in Washington, DC** will hold a training session at St. Paul UMC on Monday, April 22. He will be training leaders who are ready to step up and become advocates in Ohio around issues of Gun Control and Prison Reform. For more information, call the church office at 937-252-4467.

#### Tax Filing Deadlines...April 15th

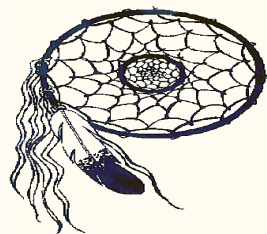
Time is running out, call St. Paul UMC at 937-252-4467 today and make an appointment. It's Fast, Easy and Free.



The Ohio Benefit Bank is here to help, making it convenient and easy to file your state and federal tax returns. If you earned \$60,000 or less last year, please contact the St. Paul UMC Benefit Bank at 937-252-4467 and make an appointment with a trained volunteer counselor. We can assist in filing 2012, 2011, 2010 & 2009 federal and state taxes. We can also file FAFSA forms. We look forward to assisting you. Visit [www.thebenefitbank.com](http://www.thebenefitbank.com) or Call 1-800-648-1176 for more information.

#### Community Care=Camperships Mission U

This year, children and youth from Wesley Community Center in Dayton, St. Paul UMC in Dayton, Alpha Center in Sidney and some inner city churches in Springfield are asking for your help to have a United Methodist Camping experience. Individuals and organizations are being asked to contribute to camperships through Community Care, a local mission project of the Miami Valley District United Methodist Women. Send contributions to the treasurer, Joy Denlinger, 3225 Southdale Dr., Unit 9, Kettering, OH 45409.



#### NATIVE AMERICAN SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2013

One of John Wesley's major missions was outreach to American Indians. He went where others would not go. The Native American Ministries Sunday offering nurtures outreach to Native Americans and provides scholarships for United Methodist Native American seminarians. It provides support for urban outreach ministries and provides connection across the conference. The offering also provides a means to maintain and re-establish cultural traditions, regalia and other needs for the tribes. It provides for worship outreach. It provides for medical needs and services. Thus, the monies are greatly needed.

Native American Ministries Sunday reminds United Methodists of the contributions made by Native Americans to our society. The special offering benefits Native American outreach within annual conferences and across the United States United Methodists relate to Native American Ministries Sunday by learning about and reaching out to Native Americans in their communities and by encouraging Native Americans to consider becoming pastors and nurturing them in their journey.

Native American Ministries Sunday is important to our conference and denomination. Let's live by open hearts, open minds and open doors. We are asking you to have a Native American Ministries Sunday and provide that outreach and nurture to the native peoples. Our primary mission is "To Make the Invisible, Visible." Please help us with this mission. Please give generously on Native American Ministries Sunday.

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Your Generous Gifts on Native American Ministries Sunday support:

- ◆ Native American ministries within the annual conference
- ◆ Scholarships for Native Americans attending United Methodist schools of theology approved by the University Senate of The United Methodist Church (administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry) • Strengthen, develop and equip Native American rural and urban congregations, ministries and communities (related to the General Board of Global Ministries).