



St. Paul Ministries

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St. Paul United Methodist Church 2017

1. The Young Peacemakers' Club after school program hosted a family dinner in November before their Thanksgiving break. The children served their families and were assisted by staff and U.D. students. Each family received a turkey courtesy of the Key Club at Alter High School.
 2. During the school year, the Young Peacemakers' Club receives a lot of attention from the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization at the University of Dayton. In addition to individual attention with homework, there were special treats and field trips.
 3. In April we celebrated Native American Ministries Sunday by signing a petition in support of Native American rights to send to Rep. Mike Turner.
 4. Germantown United Methodist Church blesses us every July 4th week Tuesday Lunch with a wonderfully delicious picnic complete with several kinds of grilled meat and homemade ice cream! It is wonderful to be the recipients of so much love!
 5. A nutritious hot breakfast is served every Saturday at St. Paul. Our guests experience a short devotional in the sanctuary, a sturdy breakfast and time to socialize.
 6. The St. Paul Food Pantry is open for our community on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Our pantry clients are able to choose food items provided by the Foodbank, individuals and groups that best suit their needs. Clients are interviewed by staff person, Cora Crain, and served by volunteers Ralph Daniels, Joyce Kennedy, Dan Vanoli, Linda Seals, Laurel Kerr, and Kath Fader.
 - 7-9. The little wayward sheep kept the shepherds busy on their way to the manger. Meanwhile, the "Star of Bethlehem" comforted a fussy "Baby Jesus." More than 80 people from various Latin American countries celebrated our Savior's birth at Saint Paul UMC - Dayton's annual Las Posadas celebration, held on December 16, 2017.
 10. Twice a year, St. Paul has a Steak Dinner fundraiser. This is a popular event complete with great volunteer service and beautiful music. St. Paul receives strong support from many area churches and donors. The next Steak Dinner will be Saturday, March 3, 2018!
 - 11-12. One of the highlights of the Advent Season is Breakfast with Santa provided by Normandy United Methodist Church. The families are treated to a delicious breakfast; after singing Jingle Bells loudly several times, Santa miraculously finds his way to St. Paul to deliver gifts; each family of children has their picture taken with Santa.
 - 13-14. Our community was devastated by the Food for Less fire which took the only grocery store in our neighborhood within walking distance for folks. In addition to food, pharmacy, and the ability to pay bills, there was a Turkish bakery and Hispanic specialties. We reached out to their owner and employees the week before Christmas by serving them a delicious meal and providing space for them to meet and plan for the future.
 15. Our own Michael Garison, a gifted musician, gathered a group of his friends, including a harpist, guitarist, and percussionist, to hold Christmas caroling during Advent.
 - 16-17. We celebrated the culmination of our waiting for Jesus on Christmas Eve with a beautiful Candlelight Service.
- ***[Not pictured] We ended 2017 by joining St. Paul Lutheran Church on Wayne Ave. for their final service on Sunday, December 31. It was a bittersweet experience as they closed their doors after 165 years of service and chose St. Paul UMC and 12 other nonprofits to carry on their legacy.

St. Paul's Extra Mile Giving *(after paying our District and Conference apportionments)*

- Human Relations Day - \$57.40 • One Great Hour of Sharing - \$109.00 •
- Native American Ministries Sunday - \$165.00 • Peace with Justice Sunday - \$38.00 •
- World Communion Sunday - \$74.00 • Student Day - \$85.30 • Support for Binu Peniel - \$120.00 •
- Support for Missionary Elizabeth Heft - \$331.51 • Grace Children's Hospital, Haiti - \$187.23 •
- Camping - \$300.00 •



Winter 2017

Office Hours:

M-F 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Food Pantry:

M, W, TH: 10 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

Stuff Shoppe:

M, W TH: 10 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

T: 12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Needs list

Food items with pop top cans • Manual can openers

Shampoo • Soap of all kinds

Paper towels • Plastic grocery bags

February Calendar

Regularly-scheduled activities

- **Sunday Morning Group Study** - 9 a.m.
- **Sunday Worship** - 10 a.m.
- **Special Lenten Study** every Sunday after Worship during Lent
- **Tuesday Worship** - 11:40 a.m. followed by lunch at Noon
- **Thursdays** - 11:30 a.m. - Ladies' Bible Study and Lunch
- **Saturday Breakfast/Recovery Group** - 9 a.m.
- **Hispanic-Latino Ministry:**
Sunday Fellowship and Worship (Spanish) - 6 p.m.
Thursdays - Las Amigas (Spanish) - 6:45 p.m.

Seasonal activities

- **Feb. 4** - UMW following worship
- **Feb. 14** - Ash Wednesday Service - 7 p.m.
- **Feb, 19** - Presidents' Day - Church Closed
- **Mar. 3** - Steak Dinner - 4:30-7 p.m.

December 2017-January 2018 Worship Attendance:

12/03/2017	34
12/10/2017	31
12/17/2017	40
12/24/2017	80
12/31/2017	N/A
1/07/2018	27
1/14/2018	27
1/21/2018	26
1/28/2018	21

Saturday Breakfasts

in February:

- 3 Belmont UMC
- 10 Aley UMC
- 17 Normandy UMC
- 28 Belmont UMC Youth

Tuesday Lunches

in February

- 6 St. Paul Community
- 13 Normandy UMC
- 20 Centerville UMC
- 27 Christ UMC

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St. Paul UMC Semi-Annual Steak Dinner

Saturday, March 3, 2018

4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Adults — \$10.00

Children (11 & Younger) — \$5.00

Reservations Accepted

Come dine with us!



MENU

**Cubed Steak with Mushroom Gravy • Baked Potato
Green Beans • Tossed Salad or Applesauce • Dinner Roll
Homemade Desserts • Beverage**



Volunteer Opportunities:

There are many and various volunteer opportunities available at St. Paul. Volunteering is a great way to meet new friends and broaden your view of the world! The St. Paul Stuff Shoppe has been receiving a lot of TLC recently from volunteers Janet Thom, Judy Haines and Jerry Murphy. The women from the S.T.O.P. Program have been doing a great job sorting and hanging clothing. Pam Eyer has been using her great organizational skills in several areas of the church. The volunteer crew for the Food Pantry includes Blaine Albert, Ralph Daniels, Katy Fader, Judy Hadley, Joyce Kennedy, Laurel Kerr, Elaine King, Linda Seals, and Dan Vanoli. Beginning February 1, 2018, the pantry will increase its service area to include all of zip code 45403. So we are looking for several more volunteers. Please call the church office at 252-4467 if you would like to volunteer.

Santa's Workshop:

The Parents' Christmas Shop was held on Saturday, December 9 with a great variety of gifts for our parents to choose from. This year, 32 families were able to provide Christmas for 100 children because of your generosity. During the week of December 11 all the children in YPC, Hispanic Ministries and Church were able to shop and select a gift for each member in their families. Thanks go out to Ann Wolf and her team from Faith Community UMC in Xenia for providing a lot of the gifts and for setting up the shop. Pam Eyer and her team of volunteers from Centerville, Eastmont and Normandy United Methodist Churches beautifully wrapped all the presents so the children could take them home and put them under their Christmas trees. Then on Saturday, December 16, Normandy UMC provided Breakfast with Santa for over 150 children, youth and adults. [see photos on page 1]

Did You Know?

Something as simple as signing up for our e-newsletter can help St. Paul save money on postage and free up extra funds for outreach. Just send an email with your name and contact information to Rev. Susan Whigham at saintpauldaytonnews@gmail.com, and your email will be placed on our mailing list.