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What a strange time we are living in right now, wouldn't you agree?! I want to share some basic information for you here, so this is not a typical letter from your Pastor. I know many of you are curious how things are going at your church and I want to reassure you that things at St. Paul are going well. We are doing "okay" financially, even without being in corporate worship. We have many giving through our PayPal account on our website, we have several giving at Exchange Bank, and we have several sending their checks in by mail. The consistory and I want to say thank you for continuing to support the church during these unprecedented times. I am certain we are going to come through this fairly well and we are going to be stronger because of how our faith pulled us through.

Here is the information you need to know:

1. We are going to continue worshipping on-line through the month of May. If you have been missing worship, our worships are on our Facebook page and on our website. Our website is: www.stpaulucckahoka.org. Our worships are all there, click on the sermon link and it will take you directly to the page where all of our worship links are since March 22.

2. Because of the pandemic, no one is moving anywhere, which means my new position is on hold. A lot of that has to do with Nursing Homes and Hospitals on shut-down. St. Croix is still wanting to hire me, but at a later date. SO, I asked the consistory to extend my 90 day resignation. They approved that at a special meeting April 26. I will continue to be your pastor until August 31.

3. The consistory also wanted to let you know that the search committee has been formed. Those on the committee are: Jason Harper, Jerry Webber, Brian Elam, Lary Fountain, Kathy Calvert, Bethany Wiemann, Amanda Ross, Carol Alderton, and Mary Ann Barnes.

4. With things slowly opening up in the state of Missouri, please be aware of everything and everyone. We still need to keep our 6 ft physical distancing. We still need to be wearing masks. We need to be patient with everyone and with yourself. Continue to pray and let God hear your prayers. I have been in the office during set office hours. I have made a few phone calls, not many because a lot of my day has been taken up with on-line meetings with Iowa ministers, conference staff, and the Clark County Ministers. We are not alone in this by any way shape or form. Everyone is working through the pandemic as best as we can. Thank you for understanding and staying connected. I pray we can see each other in June.

Peace—

Pastor Dixie Laube

St Paul UCC Consistory Meeting Minutes March 18, 2020

Present at the meeting were President Brian Buford, Sandra Frazier, Lance Arnold, Gena Ellison, Joni Kraus, Terry Brunk, Nolene James, Deana Ball, and Pastor Laube.

Brian called the meeting to order, and Pastor Dixie led us in an opening prayer.

Gena made a motion to approve all reports and Deana seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor Dixie gave her report. There will be no community Lenten services going forward, except for online. As this is the plan for our Sunday morning worships, too.

Old Business

The disaster/emergency plan is still a work in progress. We have put the stain glass inspection on hold for now. The contractor that we have been working with on the basement floor has completed the repairs of the areas of concern.

New Business

*We are going to have the windows in the older adult Sunday school room evaluated and get quotes on replacement. There is an issue with the seals. We will make a decision on what windows in the Christian Ed wing needing replaced after they are inspected.

*The church will be closing its doors until April 5th or later due to COVID-19; Joni made a motion for this and Gena seconded. Motion carried. At this time Pastor Dixie is planning on doing some type of recording for worship.

*Consistory discussed ways to give remotely such as through PayPal or the app we use for the kiosk. We can also have people give directly to Exchange Bank at the window.

*Sandra is looking into how to get/cost of an all-call service for the church so we can ensure important announcements are getting to the entire congregation.

*The planned congregation meeting for March is not going to happen. We discussed possible ways to do this remotely with letters or phone calls. The main agenda points were voting on switching the full-time office position back to part time, the ground floor office committee, and the search committees for both and interim and full-time pastor.

*The consistory will be in charge of finding an interim pastor. We are working on generating a search committee, and will be contacting church members in the next few days.

*The church has donated to after prom in the past. Joni made a motion to donate \$50 to the after prom committee and Gena seconded. Motion carried.

*It was decided to add the content of the congregation meeting to the newsletter. This should ensure that it reaches members and saves on postage. Until we get an entire church vote, the consistory is going forward with hiring a part time secretary. Joni Kraus expressed interest in taking the position until a permanent employee is hired. Lance made a motion to hire her for 16 hours a week at \$12 an hour. Terry seconded, and the motion carried.

*Because of the uncertainty of the coming weeks, Lance made a motion to approve the confirmation class of 2020 as church members: Ian Ackile, Elija Elam, Clayton Heinze, Audrey Herrs, Abby Plenge, Bree Plenge, Hope Ross. Terry seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The next meeting was set for April 5th at 8:30 AM.

Pastor Dixie led us in the Lord's Prayer for closing.

Sandy made a motion to adjourn and Nolene seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting minutes submitted by Deana Ball

CLASS of 2020

St. Paul UCC Seniors:

CCR-1 senior parents, please be sure to submit your senior's pictures for the final ladder of faith by **May 8**. These include baby, bell ringer, Bible, confirmation, and senior picture. If you do not have the specific from St. Paul during those years, try and find a school picture that represents those ages: Pre-K, K, and 4th Grade. I have the Confirmation pictures, since I was here when they were confirmed.

We will not be having a senior breakfast for them this year. We apologize that it has to be this way. I know you all understand why and such, yet, we are trying to make this year as special as we can for them.



St. Paul United Church of Christ:

Thank you for your continuing support of our Food Pantry by your food and monetary gifts. With the support of individuals and groups like yours, we are serving about 45 Clark County families each month. May God bless your congregation for their generous spirits.

Clark County Food Pantry

Thank you for the pansy plant. It sure cheered me up. Very thoughtful of the individuals or group who did this.

In Christ's love,
Kathy Heinze



St. Paul Youth,

What a blessing to you, for the pansy plant and notes of encouragement. We are so blessed in this community.

Pastor Dixie—I really enjoyed your message for church. You are the BEST.

Deane & Rovene Meinhardt

To all who planned and helped,

Thank you so much for the container of pansies. How very thoughtful of you! You are going above and beyond being good Christian neighbors. We are so grateful for being a part of the church.

Milton & Doris Krueger

St. Paul,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers.

Dorothea Hunziker



Acolytes

Altar Flowers

May 3
May 10
May 17
May 24
May 31

May 3
May 10
May 17
May 24
May 31

Liturgists

May 3
May 10
May 17
May 24
May 31

Ushers

May 3
May 10
May 17
May 24
May 31

We are closed through the month of May. We pray we can see you in June.

Sound Board

Travis Pitford

Open/Close

St. Paul UCC Board and Members,

Thank you for the purple pansy plants. Wonderful surprise. Just the right size for my apartment.

Joyce Meinhardt



St. Paul United Church—

Thank you for the pot of pansies, which makes us think that spring is really here. Also, for all the prayers and support.

Danny & Shirley Wilson

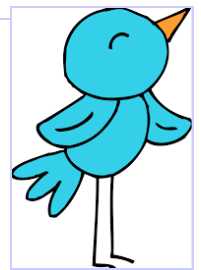
Take pride in your church, there are a lot of rocks, limbs, leaves, and junk laying around on our church and parsonage lawns. There is no set date for cleaning; so if you feel like doing some outdoor work, please come and help clean up the lawns.





May 1 Jenna Rodgers
 May 1 Nolan James
 May 1 Kyle Sturm
 May 1 Mikayla Plenge
 May 1 Twila Harper
 May 2 Zoe Hunziker
 May 2 Nichole Hamilton
 May 3 Isiabell Acklie
 May 3 Tim Spurgeon
 May 3 James Scott
 May 5 Jovi Allen
 May 5 Blake Plenge
 May 5 Keyen Christian
 May 5 Tyler Frazee
 May 6 Camron Mack
 May 6 Parker Wood
 May 6 Samantha Mohr
 May 7 Jordan Ramsey
 May 9 Dawn Uhlmeyer
 May 9 James Behnke
 May 10 Cale Nance
 May 10 Daryl Egley
 May 10 Tritia Odom
 May 10 Aubree Schlatter
 May 11 Audrey Schlatter
 May 11 Tim Gray
 May 11 Tristan Uhlmeyer
 May 13 Holly Heinze
 May 14 Eric Gray
 May 14 Nathan Frazee
 May 14 Toby Wood
 May 14 Will Brauns
 May 14 Wyatt Billings
 May 14 Blake Weaver
 May 16 Keri Kearns
 May 16 Tiffany Lapsley
 May 18 Adam Kirchner
 May 18 Joshua Kirchner
 May 18 Nickalus Gray
 May 18 Jessica Pitford

May 19 Jamie Perry
 May 19 Kelly Shofield
 May 20 Elaina Beckmann
 May 22 Rick Hunziker
 May 23 Michael Frazier
 May 23 Kinley Wilson
 May 23 Gramh Dodds
 May 24 Brock Egley
 May 24 Kampbel James
 May 24 LeAnn Winters
 May 24 Raelynn Hunziker
 May 25 Brooke Brewer
 May 25 Mary Harper
 May 26 Katherine Marshall
 May 26 Sheila Wood
 May 27 Larry Meinhardt
 May 27 Megan Hines
 May 28 Darian Harper
 May 30 Karissa Martin
 May 31 Conner Mack



May 3, 1969 Terry & Nancy Winters
 May 3, 1986 Daryl & Deana Egley
 May 5, 1956 Ron & Lorene Paul
 May 5, 2001 Adam & Mandy Brewer
 May 6, 1995 Kevin & Keri Kearns
 May 16, 1992 Ed & Kim McAfee
 May 21, 1966 Jim & Norma Jean Bonello
 May 25, 1996 Jason & Nicole Harper
 May 25, 2013 Cody & Bethany Wiemann
 May 26, 1981 Charles & Connie Marshall
 May 26, 1985 Michael & Sue Scott
 May 27, 1962 Harold & Marvis Trump
 May 27, 2000 Ron & Tisha Gregory
 May 27, 2006 Dan & Michelle Oilar
 May 28, 2016 Sean & Angela Gray
 May 30, 1987 Jon & Jeanne Kirchner
 May 30, 1992 John & Terri Williams
 May 31, 2014 Isaiah & Erin Allen

PRAYER REQUESTS

April 5, 2020: health-care workers; Pastor Val Swinton; our farmers

April 12, 2020: Rev. Chuck West; Terry Brunk asked for prayers of Thanksgiving; Jon Helbing; Prayer for patience; and Joy for Pastor Swinton's recovery; Continue for us to be safe

April 19, 2020: Gary Trump; the families of Charles Stubb, Pattie Gray; people affected by the fire in Burlington; continued prayers for the farmers; Joys for Harper Schlatter and her family for her baptism

April 26, 2020: City of Wyaconda; those in the hospitals this week; those struggling with depression



Military Prayer List:

Ben Barnes, Jeff Carlin, TJ Williams, Devin Fowler, Jason Brotherton, Devin Brotherton, Lane Dochterman, Nathan Marshall, Michael Scott, Jr., Cassie Kerr, Logan Ensminger, Hayden Happs, and many others serving our country. Our Disabled Veterans and Veterans of War.

Continuous Prayer List:

Jerry Webber, Anita Gray, Terry Brunk, Bill and Joann Ragan, Shirley Wilson, Danny Wilson, Teresa Carter, Hannah Arnold

Please let the office know if there are names to be added or can be removed from the prayer list. We are trying to keep the prayer list updated as best as we can



The Board of Christian Education is looking for a VBS Director. VBS will be July 6-9, 2020 from 6:00-8:00 pm. If you are interested in this position, please contact Katrina Nixon.

Please remember to tithe to the church. We have a business to run to keep the lights on, heat going, and water on. Please send your giving into the church or drop your tithe at Exchange Bank. We know times are tough for everyone, however, the church is our constant during times like these.



Food Pantry Sunday



Box potatoes, juice, small peanut butter jars, spaghetti sauce, saltine crackers, hamburger helper, gelatin dessert, instant pudding, tuna, toilet paper, liquid laundry soap and cereal

Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for supporting the Clark County Food Pantry. We are open Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-12.

All churches and organizations are encouraged to attend the monthly meeting on the Second Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm at the Clark County Senior Center.



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Board of Christian Education Meeting Minutes 03/15/2020

Present: Katrina Nixon (President), Chrissy Plenge (Secretary), Nolene James (Consistory Member/Superintendent), Cathy Calvert, Kathy Wilson, Wanda Little, Kristy Webber, Carrie Hamner, Kerri Kearns, Sandy Fraizer, Rev. Dixie Laube

President Katrina Nixon called the meeting to order

Secretary Minutes from 11/14/2019 meeting were read and reviewed. Sandy motioned to approve, Carrie seconded, Secretary minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report, Ava was not present so we will review treasurer's report at next meeting.

Old Business:

Cabinets- Only one cabinet is left to assemble.

Curriculum- Many teachers do not care for Feasting on the Word Curriculum. Unsure who will be teaching which classes where next year and what all is available.

Chrissy will reach out to her cousin who is a CE director at a UCC in Wisconsin and see what curriculum they use and where they obtain it from.

Pastor Dixie will reach out to other churches and get coordinators names and or which curriculums they use and pass onto Chrissy.

We will review the curriculums and materials available and make decisions about this at our August meeting.

Attendance- Varies greatly, we have certain age levels that are really lacking kids. We have decided not to pursue Perfect Attendance at this time.

Safety Procedures- This continues to be developed by Consistory, Nolene reported each classroom will receive a binder with instructions in the near future.

New Business:

Needs for Easter Celebration

Easter Candy, this will be noted in the bulletin as well as advertised on Facebook. Nolene will collect and bag the candy. Nolene will utilize the middle school kids to help with Eggs the day of the Easter Egg Hunt.

Mother's Day/Festival of Christian Home

Kerri Kearns volunteered to order 100 carnations for Mother's Day and we will hand them out as we have in the past.

Sunday School classes will again perform by group of in conjunction with each other.

VBS

Dates were set as July 6-9, 6-8pm, with a snack only. Program will be at 7:30pm on 7/9.

Ages will be potty trained through completion of 5th grade

Looking for teachers as well as Director(s). This will be advertised in the Bulletin.

New Sunday School Teachers Needed

After discussion, Katrina moved that the following teachers be assigned the following age groups beginning in August 2020:

Nursery- Mary Ann Plenge

PreK-1st - Nolene James

2nd & 3rd - Kristina Little, Wanda Little and Jan Martin (will rotate)

4th & 5th – Chrissy Plenge and Katrina Nixon (will rotate)

MS – Kerri Kearns and Carrie Hamner (will rotate)

HS – Kristy Webber and others will rotate (they are organizing a sign up)

All teachers present and future will be required to complete Safe Sanctuary Training at the August CE meeting.

Nolene James seconded the motion, motion passed to accept the above teacher assignments for 2020-2021. List will be presented to consistory for approval.

Summer Sunday School

After discussion Carrie motioned to suspend Summer Sunday School and Sandy seconded, motion passed. Sunday School schedule will be as follows:

Last Sunday school will be 5/17/2020 (HS Graduation Sunday)

Sunday School will restart on 8/23/2020 and it will be Promotion Sunday (All students move up to their new grade level and 4th grade receives Bibles) School starts on 8/24/2020 this year

Church Summer Picnic will be held 8/16.

Confirmation 2021

Due to Pastor Dixie leaving and hopefully an interim Pastor coming on board, getting confirmation class started smoothly and on time in September 2020 was discussed. It will be a large group! Carrie Hamner and Katrina Nixon volunteered to lead things initially and as needed. Confirmation will be held BEFORE church and through the Sunday School hour as well.

NEXT MEETING DATE WILL BE 7/26/2020 8:30AM

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Activities for

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May 2020

Each Sunday
Sunday School: 9:30am
Worship: 10:30am



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 10:30 Live stream Worship Communion Sunday in your homes	4	5 Live at Five on Facebook	6	7 National Day of Prayer Live at Five on Facebook	8	9
10 10:30 Live stream Worship Mother's Day	11	12 Live at Five on Facebook	13	14 Live at Five on Facebook	15	16
17 10:30 Live stream Worship	18	19 CCMA 9:30 @ UMC Live at Five on Facebook	20	21 Live at Five on Facebook	22	23
24 10:30 Live stream Worship	25 Memorial Day	26 Live at Five on Facebook	27	28 Live at Five on Facebook	29	30
31 10:30 Live stream Worship						