

**July, 2015**

**The Epistle—Monthly Newsletter**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church**

**106 Maple Street**

**Reading, OH 45215-4811**



The **Lord** is my shepherd,  
**I shall not want.**  
Psalm 23: 1

## **The Epistle - July, 2015**

### **Pastoral Emergencies**

Please leave a message at 821-0987 (church office). Call Penny Huber at 931-6420 for prayer requests.

Please call the church or call Sharon on her cell, 802-0692.

### **Holy Grounds in the Narthex**

Our coffee, tea, and hospitality counter has been restocked with coffees and teas. We purchase through Lutheran World Relief's Coffee Project, continuing our ministry across the world. There is prepared coffee and tea while you're at church, and coffee and tea to purchase for your home and office.

Coffee for the coffee maker and filters are in the cabinet under the coffee maker. We use one pillow pack of either regular or decaf Mind, Body, and Soul per carafe of coffee. Please help keep the hospitality counter tidy.



## **Dorcas Circle**

We are grateful for the opportunity lately to purchase much needed material for our quilts –and for additional workers. We now have 100 quilts finished and there are more to come. The ladies will meet once in July of the 15th. In August, we will meet on two Wednesdays (to be announced later). The last quilts will be finished in September before they are displayed in the sanctuary for the prayers of our people for God's Blessings. We are working hard and enjoying the fun and fellowship that we share.



*Elinor Schieman*

## July Ministry Schedule

Assisting Minister	Reader	Acolyte
4 Doug Lohmeier	Susan Bardes	Grant Lohmeier
12 Nancy Erbeck	Sherry Bronner	Jack Baumiller
19 Terry McDowell	Terri DeAngelis	Jared Isaacs
26 Doug Lohmeier	Kathy Hirt	Leandra Hawkins

Greeters: Carolyn Koehl

Altar Guild:

Linen: Shirley Harbaugh

Set Up: Sharon Prince

Clean Up: Nancy Erbeck

Bulletin Folders: Ron and Carole Replogle

We have decided to change from the Meal of the Month to the Item of the Month.

This means instead of a menu of food items we will be concentrating on necessary household items which cannot be purchased with food stamps.

For the month of June, please consider donating **laundry detergent and dryer sheets**. We are hoping for at least 100 of each donation to Valley Interfaith Ministries.

All non perishable food items are still welcome





## **Seniors Flying Solo**

Wednesday September 23 is just around the corner. If you want to join us at LaComedia for the performance of the Church Basement Ladies in **"The Last Potluck Supper"**, hurry to sign the sheet on the bulletin board. At least 10 have already done so. Cost is \$38.00 per person, due to me by August 2. We still have 8—9 spaces to fill. Plan to meet at the church at 9:45 am and car-pool to LaComedia.

**Don't miss this fun day!!**

*Elinor Schieman*

## Tender Mercies

We are in need of items for the gift baskets for our future visits to Tender Mercies.

Anything can go into a basket. Some examples are:

Small umbrellas, pocket raincoats, rain bonnets/hats, etc... Personal care items (deodorant, hair spray, bath soap, disposable razors, shaving lotion, body wash, shampoo, perfume/aftershave, Kleenex, etc...) decks of cards, hand-held games, Pringles, nuts, pretzels, bagged candy/candy bars, etc... Canned soups, tuna, crackers, etc... Bottles/cans of soda or juice. Note pads/pens/pencils/markers. Picture frames, alarm clocks, small radios, etc.

This list is endless. We can make a gift basket out of just about anything you'd care to donate. We are always in need of volunteers to go to Tender Mercies to help with the Bingo game.

I'd like to thank everyone for their generous donations of time and items. We couldn't do this without your help.

Please let me know if you'd like to help. Thanks a bunch –

*Marie Calhoun*

Feel free to contact me any time:

513-251-2417 home

513-283-8612 work

houdinicat@cinci.rr.com—home email

## **The Next Step**

On behalf of St. Paul's Council and the Call Committee, we are very happy to present **Emily Beckering**, for your consideration, as our final Pastoral candidate for St. Paul Lutheran Church. After having met with Emily on June 13th **St. Paul's Council** met on June 17 and a motion was made, and **unanimously approved, to accept Emily Beckering as our candidate to be voted on by the congregation.** In accordance with the Southern Ohio Synod of the ELCA's Constitution, By-Laws and guidelines for Extending a Call Ministry, a **congregational vote** has been scheduled **Sunday, July 12 the** at **11:30 a.m.** This vote will be witnessed, as required by Synod guidelines, by Pastor Jeff Wick or synod representative. **Please join us for this important vote, July 12<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Candidate Summary**

### Emily Beckering

Education: Bachelor of Arts - Religion/Religious Studies, Gustavus Adolphus College graduated 2009.

Master of Divinity Luther Seminary graduated 2015.

#### Work History:

Luther Seminary Teaching Assistant 2012-2015

Mt Olive Lutheran Vicar Intern 2013-2014

Dallas Independent Schools Special Education  
Teacher 2009-2011

Gustavus Adolphus College Telecommunications  
Supervisor 2007-2009

Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp

Youth Counselor 2007-2008

#### Areas of Expertise:

Preaching and Worship Leadership

Pastoral Care and Visitation

Teaching

Interpret Theology

Christian Education

#### Areas of Strength

Building a Sense of Community

Strategic Mission Planning

Recruit and Equip Leaders

Inter-Personal Climate

Conflict Management



St Paul Players proudly present

***Blithe Spirit***

This smash hit from 1941 is at once a classic farce, a comedy-of-manners, and a ghost story. It features fussy, cantakerous novelist Charles Condomine (Carroll Mayhugh), re-married to the strong-willed Ruth (Jessica Lake) but haunted (literally) by the ghost of his late first wife, the clever and insistent Elvira (Michelle Knoechelman) who is called up by a visiting "happy medium", one Madame Arcati (Sarah Papin). As the (worldly and un-) personalities clash, the fun begins!

Make your reservations now for this very entertaining show.

July 24th, 25th and 26th and July 31st, August 1st and 2nd. Friday and Saturday nights at 7:00 pm and Sunday afternoons at 1:00 pm. Dinner service begins at 6:30 pm on Friday & Saturday and at 12:30 pm Sunday.

Call 324-8304 for reservations.

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## Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary!!

July, 2015

- |    |                        |    |                                 |
|----|------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
| 1  | Mark & Connie Lohmeier |    |                                 |
| 6  | John & Karen Kerlin    | 17 | Linda Miller                    |
| 7  | Terry & Joyce McDowell |    |                                 |
| 8  | Larry and Penny Huber  |    |                                 |
|    |                        | 19 | Bradley Bronner                 |
| 8  | Don Grau               |    |                                 |
|    |                        | 21 | Marty Lohmeier                  |
| 10 | David Hill             | 23 | Emma Hedges                     |
|    |                        | 27 | Richard Fox                     |
|    |                        |    | Mark Lohmeier                   |
| 11 | Norm Dageforde         | 27 | Nelson & Charlotte<br>Langefeld |
| 13 | Ruth Jones             |    |                                 |
|    |                        | 29 | Cindy Mayhugh                   |
| 15 | Dennis King            | 30 | Carol Curless                   |
| 16 | Andrew Bardes          | 31 | Jim Forst                       |



## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

One of the things God wants us to do is pray for one another. If you need prayer for yourself or for a family member or friend, please **email Aimee Daley at [napadaley@fuse.net](mailto:napadaley@fuse.net)** or call **Penny Huber at (513-931-6420)**. Please take this home and pray for those listed.



We pray for **Berkeley** (great grandson of the Curless'), **Jerri Bagley** (friend of Kathy Hirt), **Jimmy Bertheaud** (friend of Portmann's), **Brandon Bronner** (Sherry's grandson), **Mike Clyde** (friend of the Edwards Family), **Ken Combs** (grandson of the Forst's), **Amberly Derby** (friend of Molly McDowell), **Jeremy Doan** (Jean Winkle's grandson), **Jerry Doan** (Jean Winkle's son in law), **Bus Faulkner**, **David Faulkner** (Bus and Frieda's son), **Larry Faulkner** (Bus and Freda's son), **Jim Forst**, **Debbie Heinz** (cousin of the Portmann's), **Dick Hibbeler** (Elinor Schieman's brother), **Marilyn Hill** (David Hill's stepmother), **Matt Huber**, (Penny Huber's son), **Linda Kohl** (friend of the Seickmann's), **Carroll Mayhugh**, **David Oaks** (son in law of Bus Faulkner), **Irvin Oerther** (brother of the Portmann's), **Anne Ohr** (cousin of Barb Moorhouse), **Craig Olsen** (friend of Sieckman's), **James Savory** (Jean Winkle's Great Grandson). **Pauline Schauer** (cousin of Cindy Seickmann), **Michael Schmitt** (Jean Winkle's son in law), **Beth Schultz** (friend of Marie Calhoun), **Allan Sieckman**, **Kim Sieckman**, **Jason Simpson** (Grand-nephew of Bus and Freda Faulkner), **Dot Smith** (friend of Marilyn Portmann), **Scott Songer** (friend of Jean Winkle) **Joanne Spears** (Bus and Freda's daughter), **Crosly Spelman**, and **Britney Jean Teems** (Jean Winkle's granddaughter.

Please take a moment to check this prayer list. There are many people who have been on the list for months. If this is a friend or family member of yours and they continue to need prayer, please contact the office or Pastor Bob this week.

**Please remember in prayer all the brave young men and women serving in harms way to keep us safe.**



**We remember especially:**

**We pray for our Armed Forces members:**

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**Jared Forst** (grandson of Jim and Loretta)

**John Garbrecht** (nephew & cousin to Carolyn Koehl, Karen, Susan Bardes & Joyce Hall)

**Patti Garbrecht** (wife of John Garbrecht)

**Beau Glenn** (son-in-law to Karen Koehl)

**Kylie Hahn** (granddaughter of Don and Gretta)

**Jim Lane** (nephew of Elinor Schieman)

**Kyle Murdoch** (friend of Holly Ford)

**Jobeth Ramirez** (friend of Karen Koehl)

**Joey Ramirez** (friend of Karen Koehl)

**Joshua Rodriguez** (friend of Karen Koehl)

**Mack Thompson** (grandson of Freda and Bus Faulkner)

**Mylan Watkins** (friend of the Ford family)

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9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Ages 3-Adult, Sept.-May)

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Rev Bob Browning	Interim Pastor
Barry Prince	Director of Music
Janet King	Sacristan
Sherry Bronner	Financial Secretary
David Hill	Drama Ministry Director
Chris Geiger	Youth Director
Sharon Prince	Epistle Editor

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