



PRAYER REQUESTS



- Kathy Ladd** (Pat Steinke's daughter & Christine Peper's sister)
- Dan Hopper** (Pam Vollmar's brother)
- Pastor Bliss**
- Norma Hernandez** (Deb Zellin's friend)
- Joe** (friend of Brenda Haynes)
- Nickie Mendoza** (Deb Zellin's friend)
- Nancy Villalta**
- Deb Rice** (Marilyn Woolace's friend)
- Lilly Patterson** (Deana Patterson's granddaughter)
- Nancy Myerholtz** (Diane's sister)
- Bob Rolf** (cousin of Deb Zellin)
- Linda Kahler** (Connie Thomas' sister)
- Family of Linda Johnson**
- Kimbrough Bell Polinsky** (friend of Gail DeWitte)
- Claire Wulff**
- Tom Asmus** (Ava's Grandfather)
- Emma Heft** (daughter of Tyler & Alexa Heft)
- Larry Mills** (Gail DeWitte's Brother)
- Judy Boyle**
- Ed Frantz** (friend of Frank & Susan Marsico)
- Mary Turkal** (Jen Asmus' mother)
- Family of Peter Hauge**

Office hours;
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-2:00 pm
Pr Meg @ Zion, SAM Jon @ St. Paul For any
pastoral concerns or in need of an appointment
you can call or email either office (St. Paul 419-
823-1731/Zion 419-878-0266)

Curious to what our sister parish Zion Lutheran of
Waterville is up to. Check them out at their website;
<http://www.zionlutheranwaterville.org> Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/zionwaterville>

The Music & Worship Committee are always
looking for volunteers for Readers & Lay
Assisting Ministers. If interested, or if you
have questions, email Jeannine Grimm at
Jeanninegrimm@yahoo.com .

- Speaker**
- 7 SAM Jon Rhoades
 - 14 Pr Meg Boger
 - 21 SAM Jon Rhoades
 - 28 Pr Meg Boger

- Assisting Minister**
- 7 April Hltes
 - 14 Larry Asmus
 - 21 Wayne Thomas
 - 28 Mike Androvich

- READER**
- 7 Tom Fowler
 - 14 Claire Wulff
 - 21 Diane Myerholtz
 - 28 Rachel Eckel

- USHERS**
- 7 Phil Johnson, Tom Euler & Cade Eckel
 - 14 Denny Asmus, Nick Eckel
 - 21 Carol Asmus, Mike Androvich & Mason Rice
 - 28 Steve Asmus, Dave Schalitz & Avery Asmus

- Acolyte**
- 7
 - 14 Calvin Shaffer
 - 21 Mason Rice
 - 28 Audrey Anderson

If you noticed that the Church grounds
looked nicer it was due to the effort of the
following; Larry & Joyce Asmus who
cleaned and trimmed the landscaping
around the Church & the Tontogany
Hotwires 4-H Club who mulched and
picked up branches. Many thanks to Larry
& Joyce and the Tontogany Hotwires!



- 3 Kristen Duty Reighard
- 4 Beth Fowler
- 10 Kevin Sautter
- 15 JD Gulyas
- 17 Craig Batke
- 20 Rich Peper
- 21 Melody Hites
- 23 Danielle Gulyas
- 23 Linda Michaelis
- 23 Dave Schalitz
- 26 Jeff Short



29th: Tom & Sherry Euler
Doug & Janell Hartman

(if your birthday or anniversary was missed, please let Jan know by email or a note in her box. Birthdates & anniversaries were not on the address update form.)



Don't forget to save your can pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House. They not only come on your pop cans but on soup, broth and many other things. Thank you

Do you have a Kroger Plus card? A donation to our youth account can be earned every time you shop! We are blessed to have a growing number of children at St. Paul. Let's take advantage of this easy way to build the Youth Fund for future activities! To sign up go to **Kroger.com**, scroll down to find "**Community**", choose **Kroger Community Rewards** and link your Kroger Plus card to an organization. It will then ask you to sign in or create a digital account. Please choose; **HM581 St. Paul Youth Group**.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ

On Easter morning at the river the message focused on preparation. As a community, I know you are all aware of the amount of preparation that goes into each and every worship service, each and every church event, each and every day. We are always preparing for something. It often may seem that we spend our whole lives preparing for the next thing. But then there are moments that all the preparation in the world won't ready us for. Friday, March 29 was one of those moments. We had to say an unexpected goodbye for now to our dear friend and brother Peter Hauge. He was one of a kind, a man after God's own heart and will be truly missed. We can be assured that God had prepared a place for Peter with the Saints that have gone before. That is his promise. Romans 6:5, "For if we have been united with Christ in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his." The tomb was empty, death has no power. Trust in the one who calls us beloved. While we have holes in our hearts as we grieve, we can be assured that Peter was risen with Jesus and waits for us just on the other side of the Jordan. We will all gather again in the most joyous celebration. Peace and love be with you all as we journey the days ahead together.

Peace, SAM Jon

NWOS 2024 is the Year of Rest As we prepare for the new year, we invite you into 2024: The Year of Rest. Time and time again God calls us into rest through scripture. We read stories of Jesus retreating into the hills, journeys being paused, and creation being celebrated with rest. Throughout 2024 we will explore this question, not just through sleep or vacation time, but through little moments each day that nourish and renew us. Calendars for each month can be found on the kiosk as they come out.



April is Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence month and we will be collecting items for the Cocoon from now until April 14th. On April 14th, Kathy Mull, Executive Director of The Cocoon and Robin Guideria will be giving a 10 minute presentation and Q&A session outlining the services The Cocoon provides the community. Items needed are: toilet paper, paper towels, liquid laundry detergent and softener, Q-tips, cotton balls, cotton pads, Kids 2 in 1 wash, shampoo and conditioner sets for adults, noodle cups, granola bars, fruit cups, mac & cheese cups, individually wrapped crackers, bottled water and 100% fruit juice boxes. Thank you for your kind donations.

Pastor Meg is currently having First Communion class for children. First Communion for this class will be April 28 during service.

Thank you to everyone who shared their favorite potted Easter flowers with us and helped decorate the Sanctuary for the season!

Otsego Food Pantry

The Otsego Food Pantry accepts all food items but are asking for April donations of Manwich, tuna fish and laundry soap

Do you have a family member graduating this spring? We will be recognizing graduates in the June newsletter. Please email Jan or put a note in her mailbox by May 17th.

TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR THE CLYDE A. SLUHAN SCHOLARSHIP

Students should have reached the level of college sophomore or above and have a 3.0 grade point average. Applications can be requested from the Church secretary or any committee member and must be submitted before June 15th. Please contact Joyce Asmus, Laura Short or Kathy Schalitz for more information or if you have any questions.

SAVE THE DATE!

SCUBA
diving into friendship with god

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Held this year at St. Paul
July 15-18, 2024
6:30—8:30 p.m.

VBS will be here before you know it and St. Paul is hosting this year! We will need lots of volunteers so if you are interested please see Jen Asmus.

During fellowship time Sunday, March 24th we celebrated Joyce E. Asmus'97th birthday!

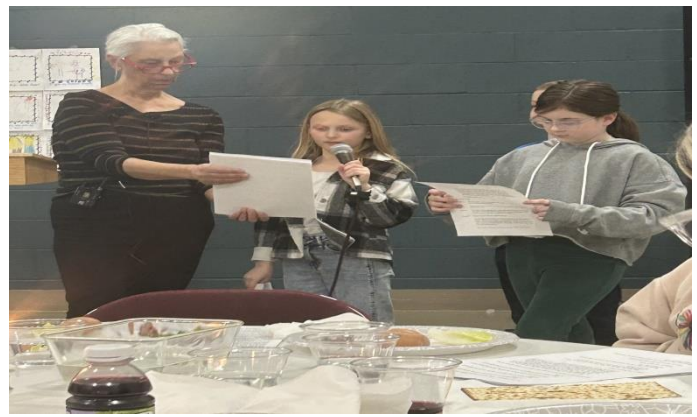


Samantha Simpson
 Graduate Piano Recital
 from the studio of Yevgeny Yontov

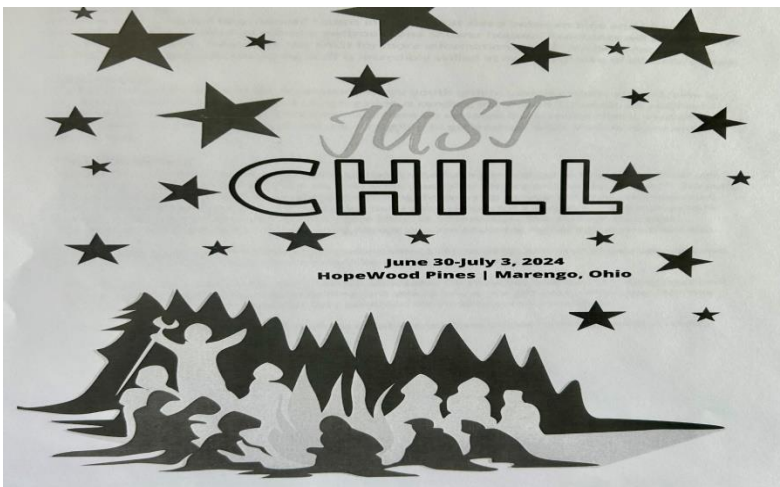
Featuring works by
 Beethoven
 Clara Schumann
 Debussy
 Prokofiev

April 14th 2024
 4pm EST
 Bryan Recital Hall
 Moore Music Arts Center

**EVERYONE
 IS INVITED
 TO ATTEND**

On Maundy Thursday Pr. Meg & SAM Jon presided over a Seder meal for the Disciples of Christ Parish on the Maumee River at Zion. It was a spiritually educational way to observe, and end, this holy day.



So then, a sabbath rest still remains for the people of God (Hebrews 4:9)

That is focus of "Just Chill", our youth retreat at HopeWood Pines.

2024 is **The Year of Rest** in Northwestern Ohio Synod. Rest isn't just for adults.

Youth today keep busy schedules and need space to explore their own need for rest and rejuvenation. During this retreat, the kids who are entering 6th -8th grade in the fall, will learn about active rest, enjoy fellowship and worship together while swimming, kayaking, low ropes, hiking, archery, wall climbing, ziplining, campfires and much more! For more information and

tration forms are on the kiosk or this link register <https://nwos-elca.church/event/just-chill-summer-youth-retreat-2024/> **Registration is now open and the deadline to register is May 1st.**

Hosanna Lutheran Church, 23019 Kellogg Rd. Grand Rapids, will be holding a **Blood Drive** Thursday, April 4th from noon to 6:00 pm.

For more information, or to donate, contact Gloria at 419-214-5416 or go to RedCrossBlood.org

