



Sharing God's love by serving others

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FROM THE PASTOR:

“We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.”

Romans 6:4

Greetings St. Paul UCC!

The clocks have moved forward an hour, and with it, the days are finally getting longer. The weather is consistently getting warmer, and soon, the flowers will be in full bloom. I love spring and the hope of new life that it brings.

April 9th is Easter – a day we celebrate hope of new life that God brought humanity. I for one can't believe Easter is almost upon us! It's a day of new beginnings, of healing, of wholeness. And for me, springtime is the season that is physically emblematic of Easter. The cold dark of winter is now past, and the future is warm and bright, bursting with colors, sounds, and smells that promise life.

But before we got to spring, we had to get through winter. And as winter frost thaws and is replaced with the warmer days of spring, we begin to feel like life is renewing before our eyes. In the same way, before we get to Easter this month, we must first go through Good Friday. We must complete our Lenten journeys with Jesus to the cross before we can really comprehend the magnificence of the resurrection. It is through Jesus' resurrection that we are freed from the sting of sin and death, and “walk in newness of life.”

But newness of life will not just happen in the spring – and it will not just happen on April 9th. Easter is not a one and done event in the church. Easter happens in all the moments in our lives where we see God creating new life. So, as you celebrate Easter this month, consider the Easter moments in your life this year so far. Where is God surprising you with newness of life in places where you thought winter was here to stay?

As I write this letter, I am looking out the window and see a sunny warm day. Members of our church are working on the flowerbeds around the parking lot. Trees and bushes are beginning to show the faintest hints of green. These are signs of Easter too, and I for one am going to celebrate by going outside to breathe in this miracle of hope and new life.

Well, that is all I have for now – until next time my friends, be blessed. As always, keep our church in your prayers. If you find you are in need of support, please reach out to me. Always serve God with joy and praise; be of good courage; hold fast to what is good; support the weak; and help the afflicted. And may your Easter be filled with joyful alleluias, and your spring be bursting with celebration of new life!

Peace & Blessings, Pastor Andy

EASTER SCHEDULE

*Palm Sunday, April 2, 10:15 a.m.
Music provided by Senior Choir*

*Good Friday Service
April 7, 7:00 p.m.*

Music provided by Soloists & Instrumentalists

Easter Sunday, April 9

6:30 a.m. Sunrise service with Communion

7:30—9:30 a.m.—Easter Breakfast

10:15 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

**Music provided by Senior Choir, Instrumentalists
and Sunday School Students**

SUMMER HOURS FOR CHURCH SERVICES

Beginning June 4 and ending August 27, services at St. Paul will begin at 9:00 a.m.

CHURCH-WIDE CLEANUP DAY

Saturday, April 1 will be a church-wide cleanup day starting with breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Please bring indoor and outdoor cleaning supplies and tools. Also, please RSVP for breakfast to Dale Maune 636-432-6296.

EASTER FLORAL & MONETARY GIFTS

The time is near to receive the list of memorial gifts and flowers for use during the Easter services on April 9. The flowers need to be brought to the church by 12:00 noon on Friday, April 7. We will need the following information no later than April 3 so the Easter Memorial list can be compiled.

I (we) plan to place an Easter lilly in church for the altar in memory (in honor) of:

I(we) plan to give a cash gift as a memorial for

The gift will be presented by

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE BLANKET SUNDAY

St. Paul UCC will observe Blanket Sunday on May 14 this year. Special envelopes will be available on the tables and are included in this newsletter. Jesus said, “Where your treasure is there your heart will be also” (Matthew 6:21). God has blessed us with so much, and we have much to share. The congregation can share this love by providing CWS Blankets to those in need. Each blanket can be a vital and powerful resource for someone needing a little support, warmth and encouragement.

ANNUAL MEETING

St. Paul UCC Annual meeting was held March 12. President Steve Lenger presented the 2022 Council President’s Report. He thanked the members of the council, the staff, and the congregation for everything that they do.

Kenny Kunz presented the 2022 budget which was approved.

ACTIVITY BAGS FOR CHILDREN

We have put together church bags with crayons, color pages and plain paper for children to enjoy during the service. They are on the tables as you come into the sanctuary. Please take any papers with you after the service and replace the bags on the tables so we can refill them during the week. If you have suggestions for other things to include, please let the office know.

PASTOR/PARISH COMMITTEE

The Pastor/Parish Committee is a standing committee of St. Paul. The purpose of the committee is to support a healthy relationship between the pastor and the congregation to enhance the effectiveness of the church's ministry. The committee serves in two primary ways:

- As an advisory group to the pastor: sharing ideas, dreams, expectations, and concerns of the congregation with the pastor.
- As a support group for the pastor's leadership: interpreting roles, functions, boundaries, opportunities and needs of the pastor to the congregation.

If you feel the need to voice a concern on any topic, please follow St. Paul's policy by speaking with a member of the committee. We all have a right to our opinions but we need to think about our actions and the potential consequences they might create. Open, honest discussion will help resolve issues as they might arise.

The committee will have the next scheduled meeting on May 21st.

Members of the current Committee are: Sharen Speckhals, Mike Grosse, Scott Jacob and Maureen Heck.

CAMP MOVAL



Registration Now Open for 2023 Summer Camp

Check out the many sessions available throughout June and July.

[REGISTER FOR CAMP TODAY](#)

St. Paul UCC will pay a portion of the registration fee

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Those who were elected to the new council for 2023 include: Derek Menke, Dawn Maune and Craig Schannuth. These three persons join the continuing members, including Ernst Uthlaut, Krystal Witthaus, Shawn Mayberry, Mary Leeper, and Maureen Heck. They met March 13 to appoint the committee chairs for 2023. The officers for 2023 are President Shawn Mayberry, Vice President Ernst Uthlaut, Secretary Krystal Witthaus and Treasurer Maureen Heck.

Those whose terms ended in January were Steve Lenger, Chris Heldt and Ed Knehans.

SPECIAL OFFERING ENVELOPES

Lenten envelopes are available on the tables and may be used anytime this Lenten season.

Lenten offerings from Sunday School will be given to the Girl Scouts to be used towards their "Little Free Pantry" boxes that are located at the riverfront and Methodist Church.

One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes are also available and may be sent in anytime in April.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

The church office would like to have information on all of our graduates since last summer. This includes high school, technical school, nursing school, college and graduate school. This includes the degree or certificate received and the major field it was awarded for, and future employment or plans.

Please call (or e-mail) the church office with that information as soon as possible. This information will be printed in a bulletin in May.

STUDENT LOANS

Student loan application forms will be mailed in April to 2023 Hermann High graduates and to eligible college students (members of St. Paul Church). Approximately \$80,000 is on loan to our students at this time. If the loans are repaid on schedule following graduation, they are interest-free.

Student loans are made possible by a special fund that was set up a number of years ago, with the interest from these invested funds being made available for student loans. Since that time, smaller estate monies or special memorial gifts have been added to the invested portion of the funds, to enhance the portion that is available to our students.

If you or someone you know would like an application form and did not receive one, please call the church office and we will send one.

FREEZER MEAL SOLUTIONS

The University of Missouri Extension Center is presenting 4 classes on Freezer Meals on Tuesdays May 23rd to June 13th, from 5-7 p.m. in the church basement. This series of 4 classes will take participants through each stage of the preparation, freezing and cooking process of flavor packed freezer meals. The cost is \$40. For registration, call 573-437-2165, ask about scholarships.

MISSION CUP

The Mission cup for April will be donated to the “Griffith & Sullentrup Memorial & Recovery” fund being administered at Peoples Savings Bank. You can also donate at any branch of Peoples Savings Bank. In addition, you may write a check to St. Paul UCC (with Griffith & Sullentrup Memorial in the memo line) and we will ensure it gets to the bank.

FOOD PANTRY

St. Paul UCC members are asked to bring food items for the community food pantry and place them near the church office. Requests for April are breakfast foods, crackers, and peanut butter. Request for May are canned meats, pasta, and dried staples. Monetary gifts are always welcome.

CHURCH VAN

Please call the church office 486-5525 if you would like the church van to pick you up for worship service at St Paul. This service is free.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Liturgists are needed to assist with worship services. Please contact the church office if you are able to help in any way. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church. Also, help is needed to assist with videotaping services.

WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP

The Women’s Fellowship will meet on Thursday, April 13 at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement. Several mentors and volunteers from the After School Bearcat program will speak and share pictures of their experiences with the program. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Women’s Fellowship will attend the National Day of Prayer service on May 4, 2023. Details to be shared soon!

RUMMAGE SALE

The Women's Fellowship will be held again this summer. Save your items as you do your spring cleaning. Date will be announced soon

LIT n' LATTE BOOK CLUB

Our book club is continuing to meet at Miss Clara's on the second Monday of every month. We meet at 10:00 for discussion and then enjoy lunch and fellowship together.

If you enjoy reading and sharing your thoughts and feelings about books (or just listening to the discussion) we encourage you to join the group. Call Nancy Kirchofer at 486-2943 if you are interested. All are welcome.

In April 10th "*The Alice Network*" by Kate Quinn;

May 8th "*Charms for the Easy Life*" by Kaye Gibbons

June 12 "*The Awakening*" by Kate Chopin

MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

Anyone who is in need of assistance may call the Hermann Area Ministerial Alliance at 573-569-2082. The 5th Sunday offering of each month is designated for the Ministerial Alliance.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The office will be open 9-noon on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays; and other dates/times by appointment or by chance. If you need to contact the church, please email churchoffice@hermannucc.com or call 573-486-5525; messages will be returned by the next business day. If you have an issue that needs immediate attention, you may call Pastor Andy at 618-578-2772.

ST. PAUL MAIL

Please be sure to send your mail to the church to **P.O. Box 352**, rather than our street address. The post office will **not** deliver to the street address.

NEWSLETTER MAILING

If you wish to receive the newsletter via e-mail, send an e-mail to churchoffice@hermannucc.com with your name and indicate that you want to receive the newsletter by e-mail.

MAIL LIST

Please notify the church office if your loved ones are in a long-term care facility, including the location, and if they are home bound or if they have moved, to ensure they receive member mailings and cards from the church.

LITTLE FREE PANTRY

Girl Scout Troop 30657 has constructed a Little Free Pantry, as a project toward earning the Girl Scout Silver Award. It is located in front of the Hermann United Methodist Church on Hwy. 100 West, and needs: canned food, personal care items, kid-friendly snacks, and non-perishables. Donation boxes are located in the grocery stores and in the narthex and front entrances of St. Paul UCC. Please donate and help everyone out. Good job girls!

TOUCH OF HOPE PROJECT

The Women's Fellowship is assisting the "Touch of Hope" project. This group distributes purses or shoe bags to women, men and children for various reasons such as domestic violence or homelessness, primarily in the state of Missouri. They fill the bags with personal care items to make them feel supported, such as new/gently used purses, new hygiene products such as tampons, pads, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, disposable razors, combs, brushes, lotion, first

aid supplies, etc. There is a collection box near the church office. On it is a list of items requested. Information about this project is posted outside the church office.

VILLAGE MARKET RECEIPTS

Please save your receipts from Village Market and place them in the boxes on the tables. The church receives a 1% rebate for them. All of your receipts really add up. In 2022, we received **\$641.95!**

SAVE YOUR BOX TOPS

There is a box located on the table next to the church office for box tops which are being collected by the Hermann schools as a fundraiser. This includes the little red box top label from General Mills, Kleenex, Betty Crocker, Nestle, Green Giant, Cottonelle, Ziploc and various other brand products. Each Box Tops coupon is worth 10¢ to our school. For more information, go to boxtops4education.com.

Campbells is no longer accepting labels for education. Box Tops and Best Choice continue to benefit schools and are collected in a box on the table outside the church office .

BENEVOLENCES INCOME

As of March 26, the following organizations have received directed benevolences:

Benevolence	Amount Donated
Touch of Hope	88.93
Camp MoVal	35.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	57.00
Strengthen the Church	122.59
Samaritan Outreach	120.00
Riverbluff Industries	45.00
Little Free Food Pantry	116.68
Hermann Food Pantry	100.00
Griffith/Sullentrup Memorial & Recovery Fund	1,310.00
Total	1,995.20

NURSING HOME & SHUT-INS

St. Paul members and friends who are residents of Victorian Place, Frene Valley of Hermann Stonebridge, and other shut-ins may enjoy a call or a card. If you know of someone living at home, in a care facility, or a caregiver who needs a church member to call or visit, please contact the church office so that we can reach out to them.

The Nurturing Committee; Church Office - 486-5525.

VICTORIAN PLACE (2120 Village Lane)

Janet Mueller 573-486-5857
 JoAnn Lenger 573-282-0923
 Gladys Schulte, Rm. 24

FRENE VALLEY OF HERMANN STONEBRIDGE

Delores Smith
 AndyAnderson
 Dolores Huxol, Room 806; 314-234-8045

HOME BOUND

Carol (Grannemann) Collins, 31467 State, Hwy. Y, Jonesburg, MO 636-488-3166
Darrell Reinhardt, 30091 State Hwy. 94, Hermann 486-2469
June Faerber, 411 Stark Blvd., Hermann. 486-3684
Geneva Brink, 149 Black Oak, Hermann, 486-2187

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following persons in your prayers: Elizabeth

Klemme, Lyndon Ruediger, Carol Collins, Rose Faes, Donna Erfling, Mary Korman, Marilyn Rethemeyer, Sharon Elliott, Marilyn Buchholz, Mary Fritz, Robert Buesking, Moe Peters, Jayme Lewallen, Gary Grannemann, Joe Claus, Megan Daniels, Renata Ellis, Bev McKee, Yoko Rupp, Mike Groteweil, Tom Goff, Taylor Sanders, Glen Holtgrewe, Ruth Hulsey, Andy Anderson, Janet Mueller, Stanley Meyer, Ed Meyer, Harvey Cramer, Geneva Brink, Angela Sherrow, Carroll LaBoube, Shawn Davis, Carol Paubel, Debbie Ferrario, and the staff and residents of area hospitals and care centers.

WORSHIP SERVICE

2/5	2/12	2/19	2/22	2/26	3/5	3/12	3/19	3/26
110	81	116	55	104	95	90	70	105

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

	Nursery	K-4	5-8	Adult	Staff	Total
2/5	2	3	4	12	1	22
2/12	5	5	4	9	1	24
2/19	3	2	4	10	1	20
2/26	6	4	3	13	1	27
3/5	5	4	5	10	1	25
3/12	3	5	2	11	1	22
3/19	2	2	5	7	1	17
3/26	3	4	3	14	1	25

ON-LINE GIVING

On-line giving can make a big difference at St. Paul Church UCC as COVID-19 remains a concern. We still need your financial support to continue our ministry. We prayerfully invite you to use eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Recurring donations can be set up for weekly or monthly donations.

- Consistency: Your support will allow us to continue important ministries and to help our community.
- Convenience: You provide your support in the comfort and safety of your home.
- Cost-Effective: This reduces printing and mailing costs, and is better for our environment! We can use this saved money to further our ministries in the community.

Make a Donation or Access your account at: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/st136101>

There are links on St.PaulUCCHermannMissouri Facebook page and on our website www.hermannucc.com.

Currently there are two options to pay (credit card or automatic debit—ACH). The church is charged a fee for each transaction, which is minimal; **however, the use of ACH results in the lowest fee.**

There are instructions printed in the front and back of church for this process. If you have any questions about how to make a donation, please call the church office.

ENDOWMENT FUND

There is a copy of the endowment policy on the back table. You may consider making a gift to St. Paul that will support this historic congregation into perpetuity. For as little as \$1,000 you can establish a named fund that will support this ministry even after you are gone. Please contact the church office with any questions.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy to the family of Carol Danuser, who passed away in November, especially her son Jon Danuser and her sister Julaine Maczuk.

Our sympathy to the family of Bernell Hoelmer who passed away February 27, especially his wife Judy.

Our sympathy to Dale & Dawn Maune on the passing of his mother, Shirley Maune.

Our sympathy to Marilyn Rethemeyer and family on the passing of her brother, Frank Schneider.

Our sympathy to the family of Ron McBee, who passed away suddenly, especially his son Jason Hollrah and wife Raylene.

Our sympathy to the family of Scott Parker, who passed away March 12.

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Markus Eldringhoff, especially his parents Christine & Mark Eldringhoff, his sister, brothers and other family and friends.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY COUPLES



The following members of our church family will be celebrating their golden anniversary: Melvin & Shirley Jacob will celebrate their 59th anniversary on April 4. Ervin & Jane Rehmert will celebrate their 51st anniversary on April 8. Ken & Betty Oelschlaeger will celebrate their 51st anniversary on April 29. Ron & Jeannie Fredrick will celebrate their 61st anniversary on May 12. John & Nancy

Bartel will celebrate their 71st anniversary on May 18.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following members of our church family who will celebrate anniversaries in the month of April.

4 – Melvin & Shirley Jacob

8 – Erwin & Jane Rehmert

12 – Dan & April Wilson

29 – Don & Lois Kruse, Kenneth & Betty Oelschlaeger

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following members of our church family who will celebrate anniversaries in the month of May.

3 – Mark & Mary Goth, Richard & Ellen Schaumberg, John & Shelly Abbott,
Steve & Kelly Hanger

6 – Shane & Jenna Schaefer, Mike & Donna Struttman

7 – Martin & Kim Crowe

9 – Eric & Susan Nichols

12 – Ronald & Jeannie Fredrick

13 – Don & Aimee Viehmann

14 – Mark & Margaret Stiegman

18 – John & Nancy Bartel

23 – Mike & Gigi Mueller

26 – Jesse & Ashley Nickles, Robert & Lisa Winkelmann

28 – Cody & Ashten Huff

BIRTHDAYS

Birthday greetings are extended to the following members of our church family who will celebrate birthdays in April.

1-Brian Grannemann	17-Jill Jacob, Madalynn Wolk, Brooke Witthaus
3-Sharon Leech	18-Josie Erfling
8-Merlin Cramer, Trent Anderson	19-Jayson Hollrah, Spencer Puchta
10-Erich Loehnig	20-Joshua Foust
11-Holly Heldt	21-Dianne Kottwitz
12-Amelia Uthlaut	22-April Wilson
14-Travis Schulte	24-Rachel Hunley
15- Ashley Rethemeyer, Jeffrey Schaefer	25-Lisa Heying
16-Terry Loehnig, Diane Witthaus	30-Martin Crowe, Ralph Grannemann Jr.

Birthday greetings are extended to the following members of our church family who will celebrate birthdays in May.

2-Shelby (Ruediger) Gradel	15-Carol Kunz
5-Linda Blackwood, Nathan Oncken	16-Nichole Landolt
6-Mark Leech	19-Maureen Heck, Ashten Huff, Elizabeth Kelsey
7- Julaine Cabot, Chelten Hasty, Marjorie Greene	20-Bill Rogers
8-Joe Hart	Garrett Jacob
9-Melvin Jacob, John Koch	26-Theresa Isaak
11-Billy Cramer, Janet Murphy	27-Ashlee Kiderlen, Dawn Maune
12-Doug Smith	30-Kyle Crowe, Jeremy Schluss
14-Amanda Schaefer	31-Elaine Lalk

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with landscaping.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the projection system, loading the information and displaying it for worship services.

Thanks to Barb Schutt, Susan Lenger, Mary Leeper, Nancy Kirchhofer, Steve Lenger, Ken Kunz and Dawn Maune for serving as liturgists.

Thank you to Carol Paubel and Sharen Speckhals and others for recording the services.

Thank you to Mary Leeper and Anne Althausser for helping with office work recently.

Thank you to everyone who provides music every Sunday, including Ruth Hulsey, LaNette Kotthoff, Margie Greene & Jonelle Loehnig, Becky Mayberry, Dawn Maune, Craig Schannuth, Marilyn Loehnig, Jim Oncken, Lois Kruse, Laurie Steinbeck, the Handbell Ensemble, the Senior Choir, and the Sextet Singers.

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you so much for your support – we so appreciate it. We could not do what we do without it. So, from us and the people you help, thank you!

In faith, July McCallum, Touch of Hope

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

St. Paul United Church of Christ Council Minutes – January 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Pastor Andy Wilson, Steve Lenger, President, Krystal Witthaus, Secretary, Maureen Heck, Treasurer, Shawn Mayberry, Ernst Uthlaut and Mary Leeper, Darren Schutt, Ed Knehans

1. Pastor Andy led the Council in prayer.
2. The floor was open for comments from Council or members of the congregation. Shawn Mayberry wanted to share that the Men's Fellowship breakfast on 1/8/23, was a great success. He shared that there were approximately 15 in attendance and the food and fellowship were excellent. This will continue the first Saturday of the month in the Church basement.
3. The January agenda was approved as Mary Leeper made the motion to approve the agenda with noting that items may be added as discussion ensued. This was seconded by Darren Schutt. The motion carried. As the meeting progressed; additional items were discussed and added accordingly to the minutes.
4. The December Minutes were approved as Maureen Heck made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction of #5 stating Mary Leeper made a motion instead of Chris Heldt; Darren Schutt seconded the motion; the motion carried.
5. The Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed. Krystal Witthaus made a motion to approve the reports; Ed Knehans seconded the motion and the motion carried.
6. The council reviewed the payments for the month.
7. Old Business
 - a) HVAC: Darren Schutt is continuing to review bids to bring back to council.
 - b) Paint eaves: Maureen Heck is continuing to search for someone to do this.
 - c) Carpet in Conference Room: Dale Maune has contacted the company and they will add this to their agenda.
 - d) Carillon: Installed and working well. No further discussion needed.
 - e) Parsonage repairs: The refrigerator was able to be restored without purchasing a new one. However, the washing machine quit so a new washing machine and microwave were purchased. The payment of this will come from the project property fund.
 - f) Side rail for ramp: Council is interested in Tom Rethemeyer's recommendation.
 - g) Floor buffer: Rich Lionberger is continuing to work on this.
 - h) Security System: Currently working.
8. New Business
 - a) Mission Bucket for February: Strengthen the Church
 - b) Ushers: Darren Schutt will be responsible for ushers in the month of February. February 5th ushers will be Darren Schutt, Krystal Witthaus, Maureen Heck and Steve Lenger.
 - c) Piano Upgrade: Maureen Heck made a motion to purchase 2 new digital pianos, with a 1 trade in and moving 1 to the basement, for a total cost of \$10,698. And for this to be paid through Project Property. Mary Leeper seconded the motion; the motion carried.
 - d) Bibles (New members, confirmands and pews): Maureen Heck made a motion to purchase Bibles for all places/persons indicated. Darren Schutt seconded the motion; the motion carried.
9. Pastor's Report: Pastor Andy shared the events of last month as well as upcoming events. Bible study at Lion Heart will continue on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. There will be a Mardi Gras Sunday service with a pancake breakfast on Sunday, February 19th. Pastor Andy would like for all council members to consider measurable goals for our church. Further discussion on this will continue after new council members are installed. He also shared that there are new members interested in joining our church; which is very welcomed and exciting.

10. Council reviewed upcoming events:
Sundays, January 15-29: 9:00 Sunday School; 10:15 Worship Service
Saturday, February 4: 8:00 Men's Fellowship breakfast
Sundays, February 5-26: 9:00 Sunday School; 10:15 Worship Service
Thursday, February 9: 1:00 Women's Fellowship
Monday, February 13: 7:00 Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 22: 7:00 Ash Wednesday Service
Tentative Scouts' meeting: January 17, 19, 23, February 6
Quilters 1/17 @ 9:00
11. There being no further business, Krystal Witthaus made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Ked Knehans seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.
12. The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer
Respectfully submitted, Krystal Witthaus, Secretary

St. Paul United Church of Christ Council Minutes – February 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Pastor Andy Wilson, Steve Lenger, President, Krystal Witthaus, Secretary, Maureen Heck, Treasurer, Shawn Mayberry, Ernst Uthlout and Mary Leeper, Ed Knehans

13. Pastor Andy led the Council in prayer.
14. The floor was open for comments from Council or members of the congregation. Kenny Kunz was present, representing the budget committee. He shared that there were increases in line items of utilities, insurance, supplies, and raises for employees. Council approved the proposed budget to be presented to the congregation during the annual meeting. Steve Lenger presented the MU Extension Freezer Meal Solutions. The extension is wishing to use space in church for this program. Council agreed that this could be allowed.
15. The February agenda was approved as Maureen Heck made the motion to approve the agenda. This was seconded by Krystal Witthaus. The motion carried.
16. The January Minutes were approved as Shawn Mayberry made a motion to approve the minutes; Maureen Heck seconded the motion; the motion carried.
17. The Financial Reports were reviewed and discussed. Maureen Heck made a motion to approve the reports; Ernst Uthlout seconded the motion and the motion carried. Maureen Heck made a motion to pay for the piano by utilizing \$4,274.02 from the Piano Fund. The carillon to be paid for utilizing \$1,640.03 from the Carillon Fund and \$1,091.15 from the Camera Fund to close this fund out. The remaining balance will then come from Project Property to pay all in full. Then also removing an additional \$3,000.00 from Project Property to pay for the sewer repair. Ernst Uthlout seconded the motion; the motion carried. Maureen Heck made a motion on 2/15/2023; corresponded via email to all council members, to transfer \$30,000 from the Allemann Estate Fund (UCF #636) to the MM checking account to cover routine bills for the next several months. Krystal Witthaus seconded the motion; the motion carried.
18. The council reviewed the payments for the month.
19. Old Business
 - a) HVAC: Darren Schutt has the bids and will review them and email to council in the next week, as he was not present for the meeting.
 - b) Paint eaves: Maureen Heck continues to work on this.
 - c) Carpet in Conference Room: There is nothing new to report at this time.
 - d) Side rail for ramp: Shawn Mayberry made a motion to proceed with the railing using option #2 from Tom Rethemeyer's bid. Ernst Uthlout seconded the motion; the motion carried.
 - e) Projection (Powerpoint): There is nothing new to report at this time.
20. New Business
 - a) Mission Bucket for March: Girl Scout Little Food Pantry

- b) Ushers: Krystal Witthaus will be responsible for users in March.
 - c) Girl Scouts Rummage Sale: Maureen Heck made a motion to allow the Girl Scouts to have their rummage sale on May 5 & 6, in fellowship hall. Krystal Witthaus seconded the motion; the motion carried.
21. Pastor's Report: Pastor Andy shared the events of last month as well as upcoming events. He also shared graphs to indicate averages in attendance and comparisons of budget income/expense. The trend indicated through these graphs is very positive. The Men's Breakfast is continuing and is well attended.
22. Council reviewed upcoming events:
 Sunday, February 19: 8:00 Pancake Breakfast; 9:00 Sunday School; 10:15 Mardi Gras Worship service
 Wednesday, February 22: 7:00 Ash Wednesday service
 Saturday, March 4: 8:00 Men's Club
 Sunday, March 5: 9:00 Sunday School; 10:15 Worship service w/communion
 Thursday-Friday, March 8-9: Conference Annual Gathering in Denver (May be zoom also)
 Thursday, March 9: 1:00 Women's Fellowship-Bingo
 Sunday, March 12: 9:00 Sunday School; 10:15 Worship; 11:15 Annual meeting
 Monday, March 13: 7:00 Council meeting
 Sunday, March 19: 9:00 Sunday School; 10:15 Worship
 Saturday, April 1: 8:00 Men's Club
- Thursday or Friday: April 6 or 7 Maundy Thursday or Good Friday service
 Sunday, April 9: Easter breakfast and Easter service
 Tentative Scouts' meetings: February 16,20,21, March 6
 Quilters 2/21: 9:00
23. There being no further business, Mary Leeper made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Krystal Witthaus seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.
24. The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer
 Respectfully submitted, Krystal Witthaus, Secretary

St. Paul United Church of Christ Council Minutes—February 27, 2023

Members present: Pastor Andy Wilson, Steve Lenger, President, Chris Heldt, Vice-president (by phone), Maureen Heck, Treasurer, Mary Leeper, Ernest Uthlaut, Ed Knehans, Darren Schutt

1. Pastor Andy opened the meeting with prayer,
2. The members discussed the agenda for the March 12, 2023 annual meeting. The order of the agenda was determined. Dates and times for the special services were finalized. There will need to be a vote of the congregation if worships services from June through August will be at 9 a.m. or 10:15 a.m. Mary Leeper made a motion to accept the agenda as it was modified by the Council. Maureen Heck seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. The proposed budget for 2023, with the changes voted upon by the Council on 2-13-2023, was reviewed. Darren Schutt made a motion to accepted the budget as presented. Ernest Uthlaut seconded the motion. Motion was passed.
4. Pastor Andy gave a review of his report for the annual meeting.
5. The annual meeting booklets are to be available for members on March 5, 2023. This will allow for review prior to the annual meeting.
6. There being no further business, Darren Schutt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mary Leeper. Motion carried.
7. Meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Maureen Heck, Treasurer

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8:00 Breakfast and church-wide cleanup
2 Palm Sunday 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service w/communion	3 5:00 Scouts	4	5 3:30 After-School Bearcats 4:00 Handbells	6	7 7:00 Good Friday Services	8
9 6:30 Sunrise Services w/communion 7:30 Breakfast 10:15 Services w/communion	10	11	12 3:30 After-School Bearcats 4:00 Handbells	13 1:00 Women's Fellowship	14	15
16 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service	17 7:00 Church Council	18 8:00 Quilters 6:00 Scouts	19 3:30 After-School Bearcats 4:00 Handbells 5:3 Sextet	20 6:00 Scouts	21	22 Funeral Service
23 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service Baptisms and luncheon	24	25	26 3:30 After-School Bearcats 4:00 Handbells 5:30 Sextet 6:00 Choir	27	28	29
30 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service Baptism						

May 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service	1 5:00 Scouts	2	3 3:30 After-School Bearcats 4:00 Handbells 5:30 Sextet 6:00 Choir	4 National Day of Prayer	5 Girl Scout Rummage Sale	6 Girl Scout Rummage Sale 8:00 Men's Club
7 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service 11:15 Christian Ed Meeting	8	9	10 3:30 After-School Bearcats 4:00 Handbells 5:30 Sextet	11	12	13
14 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service Christian Education Sunday	15 5:00 Scouts 7:00 Church Council	16 8:00 Quilters 6:00 Scouts	17 4:00 Handbells 5:30 Sextet	18 6:00 Scouts	19	20
22 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service 11:15 Pastor/Parish Meeting	22	23 5-7 p.m. Freezer Meal Class	24 4:00 Handbells	25	26	27
28 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship service Recognition of Deceased Veterans	29	30 5-7 p.m. Freezer Meal Class	31 4:00 Handbells			

