

## Remember in Prayer

For the family and friends of Richard Day.

For healing and those in need of prayer, Pat, Frank, John, Jeff, Victoria, Julie, George.

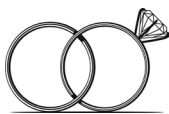
Thanksgiving for those serving our country.

In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the South Central Mission Area.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for The Anglican Centre in Rome.

### Prayer Requests

We depend on members of our congregation to submit the names of people in need of prayer. Contact Carrie Searle at 330-836-9327, x 21 or [csearle@stpaulsakron.org](mailto:csearle@stpaulsakron.org) to add a name to our list for three weeks at a time. *Please be sure to have the person's permission.* After three weeks, if you would like the name to remain on the list, you may call again to renew the name for another three week cycle.



**Weddings** at St. Paul's are joyous occasions, elegant, full of promise, and important. **Marriage**, the life-long commitment that comes after the wedding, requires solid preparation.

Part of preparing is meeting with our clergy at least six months before the wedding (preferably even sooner!) and, among other things, reading a contemporary book on marriage as a basis for discussion. Currently, Gary Chapman's book, *Things I Wish I'd Known Before We Got Married* is what we use. It's available from Amazon, of course, and we recommend to those already married. A sample copy is available at the front desk.

### HELP NEEDED: Clearing tables

Can you clear tables after the Community Meal on Wednesday evenings? Volunteer opportunities are available. Call the front desk at 330-836-9327 or Pat Ovarik at 216-389-4630.

### Please visit St. Paul's Facebook Page

Have you checked out our Facebook page? Search for [@stpaulsepiscopalakron](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsepiscopalakron) on Facebook to find our page. Please 'Like' and 'Share' so we get more traffic to our page. *Thank you!*



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[StPaulsAkron.org](http://StPaulsAkron.org)

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### CLERGY & PASTORAL STAFF

The Rev. Mark Pruitt  
*Rector*

The Rev. Susan Tiffany  
*Assistant Rector*

The Rev. Polly Glanville  
*Deacon*

Carolyn Chapman  
*Pastoral Care Coordinator*

Daniel Fortune  
*Organist/Choirmaster*

Beth Guenther  
*Director of Ministry to Families & Children*

### We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

Eucharistic Visitors are available to take communion to those who are unable to attend church. Call the church office or Carolyn Chapman at (330) 604-1094.

Hearing devices for the service are available at the Receptionist's desk.



# Welcome!



### Discipleship Explored—Begins this Wednesday, May 16

7:00-8:30 pm, *Parish Hall*

An eight-week study in the book of Philippians on Wednesday evenings beginning May 16. Raising the profile of discipleship and growing as disciples is a major aspect of being faithful to Christ. To make this class possible, we need at least 9 people to register. Register today at the front desk! *Led by The Rev. Mark Pruitt.*

## Pentecost & Commitment Sunday

May 20 at 9:15 & 11 am

We celebrate the birthday  
of the Church with  
String Orchestra!

Join us!



## Sunday Christian Formation for All Ages

**Child Care Center**, 9:15 am-12 pm, *Education Wing*. Professional and caring supervision for children 4 and under.

**Church School Classes**, 10:15am, *Education Wing*. 3 year olds through grade 7.

**Youth Forum**, 10:15am, downstairs, *Youth Space*.

**Adult Forum**, immediately after the 9:15, *G-2/3*. Solid, Spiritually Significant Sayings. Today featuring words by Flannery O'Connor.

## Plan now for Summer

**Vacation Bible School** will be Mon-Fri, June 18-22. This summer's theme will be "*Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus*." Sign up to reserve your spot by Sunday, May 20 with Beth Guenther.

### Women's Retreat—Sign Up Now!

Registration forms are now available for the Women's Retreat, June 22-24. Space is limited to 70, with overnight accommodations limited to 54, so sign up now for this compelling weekend of spiritual renewal. Registrations, with payment in full, are due by June 1. Scholarship assistance is available to make sure all who desire to attend will be able to do so.

**Good Samaritan Youth Mission Trip** will be traveling July 20-23 to New Paris, Ohio (just west of Cincinnati) to help those in need. Registration forms available at the front desk or see Kris Drew. Scholarship assistance available.

## Significant Small Groups

### Morning Prayer & Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7:00 am, *Chapel*. Meet for worship, then Bible study and donuts!

### Women's Bible Study

Our Women's Bible Study continues to explore the work of Jesus, the Son of God, as recorded in John's Gospel. New students are welcome to join us on Mondays through May 21 at 10:00 am in *G-4*. *Led by The Rev. Susan Tiffany*.

### Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesdays at Noon, *G-4*. Bring your lunch! Join us as we study the book of James. *Led by Dane Allphin*.

### Women's Prayer Brunch

Our next Women's Prayer Brunch will be held on Saturday, June 9 at 11:00 am in the Parlor. Bring a dish to share with your sisters in Christ, and bring joys and concerns that we can offer in prayer to the Lord. This will be our last gathering before a summer break in July and August. We will meet again on September 8. Childcare will be available by request. *Hosted by The Rev. Susan Tiffany*.

## Healing Service

The next monthly service of healing and Eucharist will be Wednesday, June 6 at 5:30 pm in the chapel. Join us for music, healing prayer, and thanksgiving for the Body and Blood of Jesus, then gather with the larger family of St. Paul's for the Community Meal at 6:00 pm in the Assembly Hall.

## Ordination of Note

Thomas J. Strickland, a child of this parish will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons on May 19, 2018 at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Hawkinsville, GA. He is the son of Sybil and the late John Strickland. Please pray for him!

## Today

**Adult Forum**, immediately after the 9:15, *G-2/3*. Solid, Spiritually Significant Sayings. Today featuring words by Flannery O'Connor.

## Upcoming Events

**Mon, May 14 Women's Bible Study**, 10:00 am, *G-4*. New students welcome through May 21.

**Tue, May 15 Tuesday Bible Study**, Noon, *G-4*. Bring your lunch! Join us as we study the book of James. *Led by Dane Allphin*.

**Wed, May 16 Morning Prayer**, 7:00 am, *Chapel*. Meet for worship, then Bible study and donuts!  
**Holy Eucharist**, 5:30 pm, *Chapel*.  
**Community Meal**, 6:00 pm, *Assembly Hall*.  
**Discipleship Explored**, 7:00-8:30 pm, *Parish Hall*. First week in an eight-week study in the book of Philippians. Sign-up today at front desk. *Led by The Rev. Mark Pruitt*.

**Fri, May 18 Serious Fun Youth Group**, 6-8:00 pm, *Youth Space*. For Grades 6-12. On June 1, we will have an end of season cookout!

**Sun, May 20 Pentecost & Commitment Sunday**. Celebrate the birthday of the Christian church!  
**Blood Pressure Checks**, 8:30-11:00 am, *Family Room*.

**Wed, Jun 6 Healing Service**, 5:30 pm, *Chapel*. Join us on the first Wednesday of every month for this special service. *Led by The Rev. Susan Tiffany*.

**Sat, Jun 9 Women's Prayer Brunch**, 11:00 am, *Parlor*. Strengthen your bodies, strengthen your souls. Sign up at the front desk. Please bring food to share. Childcare available by request. *Led by The Rev. Susan Tiffany*.

**M-F, Jun 18-22 Vacation Bible School**, 9:00-Noon. This summer's theme will be "*Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus*." Sign up to reserve your spot by Sunday, May 20 with Beth Guenther.

**F-Sun, Jun 22-24 Women's Retreat**, *Loyola Retreat House, Clinton, Oh*. See front desk for brochure/registration.



## Flowers to the Glory of God

**Church** ~ In loving memory of Susan Deveny Pavloff; given by Jon Pavloff, Alexander, Andrew and Tatiana

Altar arrangements are given each week in honor, support, memory, or celebration of someone we love. Many dates in May/June are available. To reserve altar arrangements, contact Julie McFarland at [jmcfarland1@neo.rr.com](mailto:jmcfarland1@neo.rr.com) or 330-867-2762.