

# HILLTOP NEWS



When the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ. Galatians 4: 4-7

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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#### December Birthdays

12/01 Jameson Rosales  
12/02 Craig Brause  
12/04 Polly Schimpf  
12/04 Betty Vance  
12/04 Christene Johnson  
12/08 Gary Crabaugh  
12/08 Chi Lykens  
12/09 Tom Kibler  
12/11 Dwight Leonhardt  
12/11 Susan Gaeta  
12/15 Geneva Cleland  
12/15 Laura Ackerman  
12/17 Dave Robertson  
12/20 Lynn Noe  
12/21 Robert Leonhardt  
12/21 Andrew Geiger  
12/22 Roxanne Shipman  
12/22 Kathleen Siefert  
12/24 Tom Bush  
12/24 Albert Green  
12/27 Michael Shipman  
12/27 Graham Scott  
12/29 Lydia Ackerman  
12/31 Marilyn Long  
12/31 Quintin Beck  
12/31 Dylan Scott  
12/31 Daniel Scott

#### December Anniversaries

12/01 Travis & Stephnie Scott  
12/05 Carl & Jennifer Rinehart  
12/20 Jim & Peggy Gearhart

We extend our sympathy to Helen Lyons on the death of her daughter. Also to Dorothy Schott On the death of her sister-in law.

The Christmas Breakfast will be at 8:30 on December 15. There will not be any Sunday School that morning. All are invited to attend. During worship on the 15th the Sunday School children will be having their Christmas program.

Schnerer's Christmas Open House: December 15th from 4-7PM.

Christmas Eve services with communion will be on December 24th at 7 PM.

Late Christmas Eve Candlelight services will be At 10 PM.

Offering will be divided between the Salvation Army and Into The Heart, Into The Home.



## St. Paul Lutheran Church Council Minutes

November 10, 2019

George Sheets called the meeting to order. Devotions were presented by Brian. Members present were Doug Ebbeskotte, Mark Ebbeskotte, Eric Kocher, Bob Geiger, Carl Rinehart, Michele Breyley, Susie Sutherland and Pastor Scherner.

Secretary's Report: Secretaries report was read by members. Eric moved to accept the minutes; Brian seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Bob reported all bills current. Checking account balance is \$38,714.34. Mark moved to accept the report, Doug seconded. Motion passed.

Deacon's Report: Doug reported average attendance of 104 for the month. The Communion count was 91 and 87 with an average of 89. Total giving is \$12,809.66 for the month, with yearly giving of \$137,253.04. This was for a total of 4 Sundays.

Trustee's Report: Michele still waiting for written confirmation from Mid State on start date in the Spring.

Elder's Report: Mark is working in conjunction with Thrivent for our adopt a family recipient this year. It will be for the Ronny Wagner family. Their son has had extensive brain surgery and has many bills. It will be used for them and to help with transportation expenses. The first Sunday in December the loose offering will be going towards the adopt a family fund instead of a meal this year. Michele made a motion for the loose offering on December 1st to go towards the adopt a family. Bob seconded. Motion passed.

Pastor's Report: Pastor had a log of his hours with him for council members to look at. There will be a Christmas open house at Pastor and Karen's home on December 15<sup>th</sup> from 3-7pm.

Eric made a motion to approve the above reports and Mark seconded the motion. Reports approved.

Old Business: The well has been sealed by Woodworth. The exterior doors have been sealed. The sound system needs 1 more part for everything to be complete. Bob has 2 quotes for drinking fountains. Will table for now. Dan Feichtner is still working on getting a third quote for the air conditioning of the sanctuary.

New Business: Rumpke bought out our current trash pickup. We will be cleaning up the outside of the Church on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. Church bids for the following groups are due December 8<sup>th</sup>: Secretary, Bell Choir Director, Janitor, Organist, Choir director, Book Keeper, Tech Coordinator, and Lawn Mowing. There will be a CPR sign up sheet on the bulletin board to see how many are interested in taking the course. George and Susie will start working on a rough draft of the budget for next year. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

Devotions will be given by Bob at the next council meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was closed with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Michele Breyley, Secretary

December Duties: Altar: Carrie & Amber Robertson  
Visiting: Christmas Caroling  
Greeter: Joyce Bloomfield & Joyce Schanzenbach  
Food: Susie Sutherland, Betty Ebbeskotte

The Church Council is accepting bids for the following positions; bookkeeper, custodian; organist; secretary; tech coordinator; bell choir director and choir director. Please give bids to a Church Council member. Bids need to be turned in by December 8. Thank you for your consideration.

Women Of the Church Christmas program will be held December 3 at 6:30.

Christmas Caroling will be held December 8th. Watch the bulletin for more details

Christmas Open House at the parsonage will be Sunday, December 15 from 4-7.

Christmas Breakfast will be December 15 beginning at 8:30.

Sunday School Christmas program will be held during worship on December 15.

There is a sign up sheet in the east vestibule for a possible CPR class to be held after the first of the year. If you think you might be interested, please sign the list. Church Council would like to see how many persons might be interested.

Christmas decorations will be taken down immediately after church on Sunday, January 5th. Everyone will enjoy Baker's Pizza after everything is put away!

**Any changes or items for the order of service in the bulletin must be in the office by 8 AM Monday morning. Announcements for the bulletin need to be in the office Friday morning by 8 AM. Thank you!!**

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St. Paul Shut in Members

Maplecrest

Helen Noblit	Birthday May 26
Loyd Kocher	Birthday July 19
Fritz Seif	Birthday May 14

Altercare

Elden Campbell	Birthday April 7
Kathryn Hoover	Birthday Sept. 13
Herman Seibert	Birthday January 9

Carlisle House

Lois Walker	Birthday Sept. 15
Joyce Kocsis	Birthday February 7

Orchard Park

Kermit Kibler	Birthday February 7
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Orchard Park  
Room #172  
Bucyrus, Oh 44820

LeEtta Green	Birthday January 24
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6139 Swabb Rd.  
New Washington, Oh 44854

Dorothy Brause	Birthday March 27
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D-14 Gables of Kent Ridge  
5241 Sunnybrook Rd.  
Kent, Oh 44240

Evie Kibler	Birthday February 23
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2716 Marlet Ave. N.  
Canton, Oh 44714

Dear Friends of The Father's Hands Extended Soup Kitchen

What an honor it is to serve hot meals to the poor of this region with you. Many broken hearted people are ministered to through your generous donations of food, finances, paper products and service. There is a scripture in Proverbs 19:17 that simply states: He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will reward him for what he has done. We here at The Father's Heart Healing Center thank you for your support and you will be rewarded by the Lord. That will be the greatest thank you of all! Amount of donation \$323.05

Many Blessings,  
Pastor Dan Rebon

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St. Paul Lutheran Church

Thank you for supporting the mission of Filling Homes with your gift of \$660.00. Your Generosity is helping our staff to provide vital services to the individuals with intellectual And developmental disabilities that are a part of our community of care and support. Thank you for your generous gift. We are grateful for your congregation's support and blessings.

Warmest regards in Christ,  
Carol L. Slight,  
Vice President

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent gift of \$570 to Luther Home of Mercy. Your generosity improves the quality of life for those we serve. Please accept our gratitude for your kindness and know that you are in our prayers of thanks.

Sincerely,  
Megan O'Brien  
Director of Mission Advancement

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Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your prayers and gift of \$995.00 for the Diedone and Serafina Panzo Support Fund.

World Mission Prayer League

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# December 2019

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**Church Staff**

Hans Scherner..... Pastor  
Joyce Schanzenbach.....Secretary  
Kathy Sheets..... Organist  
Karen Schimpf.....Assistant Organist  
Susie Sutherland.....Bookkeeper  
Roxanne Shipman. .... Choir  
Cindy Hopkins.....Bell Choir  
Charlie Britt.....Sunday School Superintendent  
Betty Ebbeskotte . . . President, Women of Church  
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Secretary . . . . .	Eric Kocher
Treasurer . . . . .	Bob Geiger

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**Communion First Sunday Of The Month**