

The Changing of the seasons is a beauty and a joy. The Lord blesses us in each season of the year and in each season of our life. The time has come to replace the HVAC systems throughout the church and all the rooftop units are being done at one time. Let each of us prayerfully reflect upon the blessings God has given to us, and in response give to the Lord. May the Lord's house be cared for as attentively as our own and may this long project be completed in generous grace. Thank you for your giving to the Lord.

225th Anniversary trivia questions.

The answer to trivia question #6: The person from St. Paul who started "Sam's Program" at the YMCA was Ernest Sam Kessinger. The program started in 1956 when Sam, a local grocery store owner, asked a profound question, "Is the YMCA for everyone". Sam would travel throughout Chambersburg identifying children who would benefit from the Y's "Sam's Night" activities. Today the children are transported via the YMCA bus. The program is for children in 1st through 7th grades and is free to those who enroll.

On Sunday mornings you could find Sam in the lobby of the St. Paul education building as he greeted children coming to Sunday School. Sam taught Youth Sunday School for 50 years at St. Paul.

Trivia question #7: What is the significance of the stained-glass window above the exit doors from the main Sanctuary? What biblical character does it represent?

SCAVENGER HUNT - which is part of the 225th anniversary commemoration of Methodism in Chambersburg. You can pick up a package in the FLC or Narthex of the church. Directions and map are included. Have fun learning about our history!

Our homebound members with a September birthday would enjoy receiving a card from their church family.

Robert Eslinger (9/30)

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St. Paul United Methodist Church

Sunday, September 25

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)
9:45 am Sunday School A2-Children's Education, Youth
10:00 am Choir Practice (Choir Room)
2-5:00 pm Card Ministry (Martha)
5:45 – 6:30 pm Children's Choir (Choir Rehearsal Room)
6:30 – 7:30 pm Kids for Christ (A2) 6:30 – 8:00 pm Youth

Monday, September 26

7:00 pm Mission/Vision (Zoom & Martha) 7:00 pm Al-anon (A1)

Tuesday, September 27

6:30 pm Nominations (Martha)

Wednesday, September 28

10:30 am Pastor John Time with Children Center (Sanctuary)
11:00 am Prayer time (Martha)
7:00 pm Al-anon(A1)
7:00 pm Bible Study (Zoom & Martha)

Thursday, September 29

8:00 am & 9:30 am Weight Watchers (A1)
5:30 pm Weight Watchers (A1)

Saturday, October 1

7:30 pm AA (A1)

Sunday, October 2 - Communion

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)
9:45 am Sunday School A2-Children's Education, Youth, Faithful Remnants (A1)
10:00 am Choir Practice (Choir Room)
5:00 pm 225th Anniversary Dinner (Family Life Center)

COATS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER



Once again, St. Paul United Women in Faith will be collecting winter coats and outerwear for the Neighborhood Center in Harrisburg. Most of the leftover coats donated for the Yard Sale for Missions went to the Clothing Ministry at First United Methodist. We kept just a few to share with Neighborhood Center. If you have additional coats or winterwear, please consider donating them. Coats will be collected through Sunday, November 6. Just hang your donated coats, jackets, and warm winter clothing in the hallway outside the FLC. Just look for the signs! Thanks!

A bit of information about Neighborhood Center:

- Neighborhood Center is a National Mission Institution, an affiliated agency of the Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church, and is in a covenant relationship with the United Methodist Women National Office
- The Neighborhood Center of the United Methodist Church has served a multi-ethnic uptown neighborhood, as well as the total Harrisburg community, since 1910 with educational, cultural, social service, basic needs, leadership, and recreational programs for children and their families.

Family Fall Fest

When: Sunday, October 23rd from 1:00 - 3:00pm

Where: St. Paul Methodist Church parking lot

What: A whole family event free of charge!

(Activities for all ages!)

Bounce houses, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Pumpkin Smashing, Pumpkin Decorating/Carving, Pumpkin Slingshot, Games, And More!

Offerings for the week of September 18, 2022

Building Maintenance/Improvements (\$0)	533.00
Current Envelopes (\$5,286)	4,139.75
HVAC Campaign (\$0)	25.00
Good Samaritan Envelopes (\$0)	192.00
Good Samaritan Food Pantry (\$0)	185.00
Hospitality/Coffee Fellowship (\$0)	4.00
Loose Plate (\$96)	112.00
Memorial Giving (\$0)	50.00
Quarters for Missions (Cold Weather Shelter) (\$0)	17.75
Veterans	50.00
Total	\$ 5,308.50

Attendance (8:30, 9:45 and 11:00am) 50, 43, 36

Online viewers September 11 112

One of our members is in need of a ride to the 8:30 am

worship service. If you would be willing to assist with this ongoing need, please contact Pastor John or Lisa (Office Manager) for more information. The person would not be able to enter our church van due to its height so we are looking for a personal contact/driver. Thank you.

St. Paul United Methodist Women's Yard Sale for Missions raised **\$18,076!** Again, our thanks & gratitude to all for such a wonderful response to this year's yard sale!



United Women in Faith

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\$ 50 Kayce Foor, Custodial Support
\$1400 Payment of \$200 each extra to local missions which include

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Wheels, United Churches Chambersburg Area, Women In Need, YMCA
Sam Kessinger Fund, ARC, BOPIC, & Franklin County Shelter for the Homeless. (The UMW regular budget supports these missions. This is an additional amount to be given to each one.)
\$ 2000 St. Paul Good Samaritan Fund in honor of Pastor John for October Pastor Appreciation
\$ 2000 St. Paul Food Pantry Fund
\$ 1000 St. Paul Veteran's Fund
\$ 3500 UMCOR for disaster relief where most needed
\$ 1000 Mission Central
\$ 400 UM Home for Children, Mechanicsburg
\$ 400 Local Boys & Girls Club
\$ 5000 Reserved for 2023 United Women in Faith District Pledge to Missions for national & international mission projects
\$ 250 Reserved for additional missions as the need arise.

Not only were we able to raise money for United Women in Faith missions, but we also were able to donate many of the leftover items for use in other missions. We donated household goods to a mission group from Shippensburg for Kentucky flood relief. Various items went to Habitat's ReStore. Tote bags and luggage went to Miss Daisy's Closet, a local ministry to help the homeless. Coats went to the Clothing Ministry at First UMC. Some winter outerwear will be donated to the Neighborhood Center (a United Women in Faith mission) in Harrisburg. Some leftover knitted afghans went to the St. Paul Food Pantry for distribution. Some stuffed toys, costumes, and clothes were donated to the Salvation Army of Chambersburg. All the remaining clothes and items were donated to Better Days Animal League Thrift Store.

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