

## Prayers for One Another

When a person joins our membership, we pledge to hold them up in prayer. To assist with that pledge, we list the following members to pray for during the week of April 28.

Sharon Dinterman  
Mae Divelbiss  
Jaclyn & Daniel Dreibelbis  
Gary & Julia Dull  
Hayley Dull & Hunter West  
Mike & Grace Dull & Family

### **Offerings for the week of April 21, 2024**

Current Envelopes (Budget is \$4,808)	\$ 3,753.53
Loose Plate (Budget is \$157)	\$ 156.36
All Other Giving (Designated)	\$ 2,149.33
<b>Quarters for April – Good Samaritan Fund</b>	
Attendance (8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 am)	55, 37, 32
Online viewers April 14	75

**It is with joy that we share the 9:45 am Sunday School class for youth will resume beginning May 12th.** Tom Barra will be leading this class and we are

thankful for his skills and heart for youth.

Tom's life experiences, Christian faith and leadership will all be a valuable asset to our youth. All people in grades 6th-12th are welcome to join Tom for youth Sunday School in the youth room.

**The rosebud on the altar in the Family Life Center is in honor of the birth of Sullivan Day born on March 5, 2024.** Sullivan is the son of Eric and Emilee Day and grandson of Linn and Cheryl Day.

## St. Paul United Methodist Church

### Sunday, April 28

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)  
9:45 am Sunday School Children's Education (A2), Faithful Remnants (A1)  
10:00 am Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
5:30 pm Children/ Youth meeting (Youth Room)  
6:30 pm Youth (Youth Room)

### Monday, April 29

7:00 pm Al-anon (A1)

### Tuesday, April 30

10:00 am Pastor John Time (Sanctuary)  
7:00 pm Trustees (Zoom/Martha)

### Wednesday, May 1

9:00 am Food Distribution  
6:30 pm Family Ministries Meeting (Youth)  
7:00 pm Al-anon(A1)

### Thursday, May 2

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

### Saturday, May 4

7:30 pm AA (A1)

### Sunday, May 5

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)  
9:45 am Sunday School Children's Education (A2), Faithful Remnants (A1)  
10:00 am Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
6:30 pm Traditional Methodist Fellowship (Family Life Center)  
6:30 pm Youth (Youth Room)

## EARTH DAY 2024

April 22<sup>nd</sup> is Earth Day. We have celebrated Earth Day since 1970. One important goal of ED is to remind us to take care of our planet. Another, is to make us aware of the dangers involved if we don't.

The overuse of plastic and the ways in which they get into our streams and oceans is one of the problems facing us. This year ED is focusing on the dangers of plastics and reminding us to try and reduce the number of plastics we use. No doubt we have all seen pictures of marine life entangled in plastics of various kinds. And closer to home, you've seen plastic litter along Interstate 81, laying in the medium strip even hanging from branches in nearby trees.

To help reduce the use of plastics we are offering tote bags that can be used as grocery bags. They have the St Paul logo on the front. You may pick one up in the Narthex.



**If you or a member of your family is graduating this year from High School, College or Technical School, we would like to know so we may honor them on June 2 worship services. Please fill out a form found on the information tables and return it to the office by May 26.**



**If you wish to place geraniums in memory/honor of loved ones, for Pentecost Sunday May 19,** please complete the form on the welcome tables and return it to the office by **Sunday, May 5.** The cost is \$10 for 6" flower pot.

**Last month, we had an excellent meeting with many people coming out to learn about and connect with our children and youth ministries.** We are having THREE follow-up meetings based on people's area of interest. Come to any of the three that fits your call to serve in this vital ministry.

**Sunday Evening Children and Youth:** Every Sunday evening we have these ministries to help children and youth discover basic God concepts and how to connect to God. Areas of service may include discussion leaders, snack/food ministry, and teachers. The meeting for this group will be Sunday evening, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the Youth Room.

**New Wednesday Evening Full Family Ministries:** Beginning this fall we look to have ministries for children, youth and adults on Wednesday evening. It would begin with a light meal together and then have break out groups with Bible Study for adults and classes for children and youth. There has been discussion of having a girls-only youth class as part of this night as well. We will need group leaders, meal planners, and age level helpers to make this happen. If you are willing to support this ministry, please come out on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm to the Youth Room.

**NEW Youth Ministry OUTREACH events:** These new events will be held on a regular basis with the sole intention to connect to more youth in our community. Open swim time, rental of roller-skating rinks, park takeovers are all ideas shared with more to come. Imaginations are encouraged! Those interested in helping to create such outreach events, please come out on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to the Youth Room.

**On Tuesday, May 7, the United Women in Faith will be meeting at 9:30 (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME) in Room A-1 for a brief business meeting before leaving at 10:00 for a "field trip" to Heritage Graziers Farm on Mower Rd.** If you are interested in joining us, we will be carpooling from the church parking lot at 10:00. If you are interested in learning about "regenerative" farming, the practice of siculture, and future plans for the farm, we'd love to have you come along! Wear comfortable outside shoes and dress for the weather. We plan to return to the church by 11:30. If you have any questions, contact Wendy Freyer, 717-873-2851.