

# JULY

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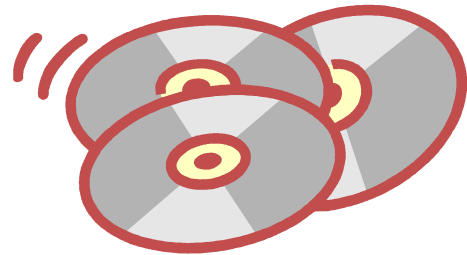
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ALL ITEMS FOR THE AUGUST ISSUE  
DUE BY **JULY 18**



For current announcements and the latest  
issue of the Spire newsletter  
[www.stpeterandstpaulucc.org](http://www.stpeterandstpaulucc.org)



We now have the capability to record  
Worship/or special services on CD. If  
you would like a CD of a particular  
service, please call the office.  
If you are home bound and unable to  
attend Worship and would like to  
listen to it, we could mail it out to you  
to enjoy the message and music.



Many thanks to Mark Smith and Mike Murphy for being guest preachers while I was on vacation. I greatly appreciate their willingness to share their faith perspective with you while I was away.

As we are now officially into “summer-time”, I was thinking back to the celebrations we have had recently this year: Easter, Pentecost and the extra activities leading up to those that allowed us to participate together as a community of faith. At Easter and Pentecost we acknowledged the risen Christ and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. It was in the liturgy, the prayers, and the music.

Now we are back into the ordinariness of life. How do we live the resurrection and celebrate the Spirit’s presence every day? In his book, *Fellowship of Prayer*, Fred. B. Craddock had this comment:

“Most days and weeks are made up of small events, not a few major ones. How many of us have had an opportunity this week to christen a ship, write a book, win a war, appoint a cabinet, convert a nation, or be burned at the stake? More likely we have had only the small doors open to us, doors that permitted such grand acts as giving a cup of water, visiting in a nursing home, writing a note to a lonely person, speaking a Christian word to someone confused and distressed, kissing a child’s skinned elbow, going to choir practice, and feeding the neighbor’s cat.”

How easy it is to overlook this small stuff, while waiting for the big opportunity to go

down in history as great Christian. It is tempting to be faithless in little while seeking the occasion to be faithful in much. We must be aware of our commitment to Jesus in everything we do and/or say, so that we may always share Christ’s presence with others.

Even as we journey this summer, in the midst of a less busy church schedule, does not mean that our sharing of life together is to be any less meaningful. Continue to share with one another as we Worship and fellowship this summer.

See you in church. *Pastor Marty*



*We express Christian sympathy to the family and friends of the following:*

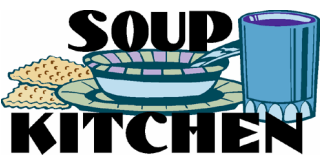
**Dorcas L. Walls**, who entered into God’s Eternal Kingdom on May 12, 2010. Memorial Service was held on May 24, 2010 at West Park. Pastor Marty officiated.

**Lee. O Stewart**, who entered into God’s Eternal Kingdom on May 29, 2010. Memorial Service was held June 2, 2010. Pastor Marty officiated.

**Donald E. Sandman**, who entered into God’s Eternal Kingdom on June 5 2010. Memorial Service was held June 10, 2010. Pastor Marty officiated.

# Early Chapel Service

The 8:00 AM Chapel Service begins on Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> and will continue through the month of September. The Worship experience follows the same flow as our 10:00 AM Service, but is less formal. If you like to be up early, join us!



Have you thought about assisting the Soup Kitchen on the third Saturday of each month? Why not?

Help is always needed in a variety of ways.

Have you brought in any of your old eyeglasses? We are collecting them to be distributed to needy folks. Please place your donations in the designated box in the narthex.



Have you thought about volunteering in the community? Mercy Franciscan Hospital needs volunteers, and Washington UCC has a variety of ministries that need to be staffed. Volunteers are a resource that we all can share – can you share with someone your time and care?



**Kroger gift cards are still sold in the church office.** Please continue to reload your existing Kroger cards. The church makes

\$\$\$ on your use of them.

Manna Food Pantry  
931 McPherson Ave. 45205, 921-5344.  
MAILING ADDRESS PO BOX 5141  
45205. Manna Outreach, Inc. opened its doors in 1998. Each year, the need for help increases and our services are used by more families in need of food. The Manna Food Pantry is located on McPherson in Price Hill. Volunteers from



the community, area agencies, and supportive churches, staff and run the food pantry for those in need. Manna

assists OVER 500 families each month. In 2009 12,000 bags of food were given out to those in need. Church members- JULY need is CEREAL.



Did you know that we also are involved with GFS (Gordon Foods)? If you are in the store purchasing items, fill out a form and get a card that will eventually bring money back to St. Peter & St. Paul. Every penny counts. If you forget, mention St. Peter & St. Paul's name, and the clerk will credit our account.



**Recycling is Good for the Environment:**

Saves the landfill from hundreds of thousands of cartridges. Don't forget to save your used printer cartridges for us. We can send them in for recycling, saving landfill space as well as to make money for the church. We will get \$3 or more for each one. Ask your friends and families to save them. Any kinds are accepted as long as they are no larger than the size of an adult's hand.



Sue & Dave Papin have a JOY.

Thursday 5-27-2010 their son Josh and wife Katie had a new son Jack David 7 lbs 7 oz to join their family with big brother Max. Great Grandparents are Lolly and Ed Papin.



Staley Rachel Elizabeth 6-16-10 7 lbs 3oz Proud parents are Adam and Heather Staley along with big sister Lauren.



Grandparents are Paul and Barb Staley and Charles and Susan Springmyer.



If you have been wondering why the painting in the women's bathroom has not been accomplished, it is because there was water damage discovered in the walls and we cannot paint until we find and repair

our problem areas.

The Fellowship Hall has encountered problems with the air conditioning and we have Rehtin Air Conditioning and Heating on the job, to set it right. For the convenience and comfort of the members of Martini Church, a programmable thermostat was installed at the parsonage.

Vinyl downspouts have been ordered to replace the copper ones taken by thieves. We are also looking into getting cages for the outside air conditioners, because they are highly visible and contain valuable metals.

As you read this article, we are having a tree removed that was struck by lightning several years ago and has become unsafe for the cars in the parking lot. Also, dead limbs will be trimmed and removed as to avoid damage to persons and cars in the parking lot.

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When I say good morning I mean to say:  
G-od  
O-ffers us His  
O-utstanding  
D-evotion to

M-ake us  
O-bedient &  
R-eady for a  
N-ew day with Him.  
I-nspire others please, and  
N-ever forget  
G-od loves you!



Thank you from  
Girl Scout Troop  
40915

In April, Our Cadette Troop of 8th and 9th graders were able to provide 35 decorated birthday cakes to Our Daily Bread soup kitchen in Over the Rhine, largely due to the generous donations by members of St. Peter and Paul Church. The organization freezes them to have on hand for visitors who have a birthday. There were many cake mixes and frostings donated, plus some money, which went to purchase needed decorating supplies. A good number of the cakes were baked and donated by church members, some were even decorated already! The girls learned how to bake cakes themselves, with just a few mishaps. They decorated all the boxes and spent an evening decorating cakes. It was a successful service project and was made easier with all your help. Thank you for your support.

The girls of Troop 40915



change your calendars!!

The date has been changed for the bus trip to Grand Victoria to **Thursday,**

**July 22.** We will leave our church parking lot at 9:30am and leave the casino at 3:30. **BUS IS NOW FULL...**



### M & M's

Our **May** meeting was held on the 21<sup>st</sup>. We had BBQ sandwiches, slaw, corn pudding and peach cobbler with ice cream catered from the City BBQ restaurant on Glenway Ave. Our entertainment was music from the Dulcimer's 5 ladies who played those lovely stringed instruments, they were very good. Don't forget the Covedale theater on August 1st and our gambling trip. We all filled out cards for Grilling with Tim..

### M & M Meeting of June 18

After a wonderful meal of lasagna, cole slaw, garlic bread, a klondike bar and cookies we heard from Kathy Kiefer and her story of the Lone Ranger- she was very entertaining and had lots to say about his visit to her Northside home, his movies and TV shows. We are still trying to win "Grillin with Tim" make sure you fill out the entry form and return it to one of the officers. July 22 is the casino trip to Grand Victoria and August 1st is our afternoon at the Covedale Theater. Both have openings, please see officers if you are interested. Our next meeting is Friday July 16<sup>th</sup>. All members are requested to bring a

wrapped "prize" for trading bingo and a side dish to share with the group for our annual picnic. The meat, buns and condiments will be provided. Hope to see you there.

Nancy & John Cusick, Dee Erhardt and Joanne & Ken Claudy.



**COVEDALE**  
CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

M&M's will once again be attending the Cincinnati Young People's Theatre production at Covedale Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, August 1, at 2pm. The show this year is *Les Miserables* which is a wonderful play with terrific music. Tickets are \$12 per person. Send or give your payment (checks to M&M's) to Joanne Claudy, 3351 Greenmount Dr. 45248. We plan to eat at Chandler's on Cleves Warsaw after the show as we have in the past.



**St. Peter and St. Paul July 10  
@ 12:00 noon-3**

**Proceeds help kids at Gamble (formerly Westside) Montessori High School with the cost of their 8th grade trip.**

**They will be going to Pigeon Key, Florida. This is an educational trip to study marine biology. \$1.00 of every wash goes to the church.**

## HELP IS NEEDED TO WIN THE "GRILLIN' WITH TIM" CONTEST

Many of you are probably familiar with the Grillin' with Tim contest that is held every summer. On Thursday nights, Tim Hedrick, the chief meteorologist at Local 12 WKRC TV, grills burgers for up to 200 people and broadcasts his weather segment live from the winner's house. The officers of M&M's thought we'd try again this year to win this contest for our church, **but we need your help**. Entry forms are located on the table in the Narthex. Please complete as many forms as you'd like. Deposit your entries in the bag on the table in the Narthex. We will take care of sending them to WKRC. (Postcards and copies of the entry are no longer accepted)

If you are the winner, please explain that you would like to have the grill-out at your church; St. Peter and St. Paul UCC.

***If you win, please immediately call the Claudy's, 574-4548, the Cusick's 922-4538 or Dee Erhardt 922-2181 and we will help get it organized.***

Remember, if you're the winner, tell them you would like the grill-out to be held at St. Peter and St. Paul UCC. Entry forms are also available at any Kroger store.



The 2010 hunger walk was a great success for Manna Food Pantry. Many thanks to all who donated/participated.

To date, \$2821 has been raised. Sincere thanks Henry Knopf

*Cookin Cut Ups  
Report. June 19, 2010*

It was a stormy Saturday morning on this day, June 19, and I said to myself, “SELF, I hope this storm won’t keep our cut ups from coming today, “ but 21 cut ups came forth and sliced pre-cooked meat loaf, made mashed potatoes, heated green beans and corn, prepared a garden salad , plus buttered about 260 pieces of bakery bread for our neighbors at the Vine Street Soup Kitchen. We welcomed three new cut ups, Sarah Snow and her two daughters Maurah and Jessica who helped us this month and hopefully will return next month. We were short people this month, and the Snow’s help was welcomed and needed. We served 238 hungry people today and again thank you cut ups for your dedication and skills and preparing a good, balanced, hot meal month after month. What a great group of people to work with each month! Another thank you to Marion Cheeseman, and her sons for again donating paper plates and plastic eating utensils for use at the soup kitchen. Almost all the paper plates, eating utensils and napkins used this year have been donated by Marian and her sons. This has really helped us as these items are very expensive and allows us to spend more on available food items. We also received anonymous donations and appreciate the help in keeping this ministry going.

God bless

Joan Maegley and  
Jack & Donna Kohlmeyer



**SOUP**  
*Kitchen*



Are you a hero?

What makes someone a hero?  
At Hero Headquarters (this year’s VBS), kids will discover unnamed heroes who were not super or powerful, yet their small acts were used by God to do wonderful things! What they did have, was a willingness to be used by God right where they lived.

And at Hero Headquarters, **YOU** can make a difference in the young lives around you! You can impact the hearts and minds of kids for Christ!

What better way to be a hero? Come join our team! Vacation Bible School is July 19- 23.

Contact Tammi Hart if you want to be a Hero!



## Sun Kissed or Sun Burned? *Moderate Sun Exposure has Benefits, but Requires Care*

What does a sun tan say about you? In the middle ages, the upper classes stayed pale in their estates and castles, traveling from place to place in covered carriages. Farmers and laborers, on the other hand, spent hours each day working in the fields and walking to various destinations. Thus, being pale was a sign of wealth and status, while a deep tan told others that you were a person of meager bearing. It has only been in the past 50 years or so, that this image has begun to reverse. Today, a good tan gives you a healthy glow and is attractive. But how healthy is it, really?

Health experts have shifted their message from "avoid the sun" to "seek the shade," encouraging individuals to enjoy the sun in moderation. Benefits from controlled sun exposure include protection from sun burns, increased endorphin release and heightened production of vitamin D. However, there is a delicate balance between getting enough sun for health benefits and avoiding overexposure to dangerous radiation that can damage skin, lead to premature aging and contribute to a higher risk for certain types of cancer.

For maximum skin health, the Skin Cancer Foundation ([www.skincancer.org](http://www.skincancer.org)) recommends you never go out in the sun without sunscreen.

Look for products that protect against both UVA and UVB rays. Most people should wear a sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or higher, and avoid or limit exposure when the sun's radiation is at its peak, typically from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. People with fair complexions should wear a sunscreen with an SPF of 30 or higher and seek shade anytime they're outside.

Other things you can do to ensure a healthy dose of sun while minimizing risk:

- Cover up with loose-fitting, natural-fiber clothing, including a broad-brimmed hat and UV-blocking sunglasses.
- Re-apply sunscreen after two hours or immediately after swimming or excessive sweating.
- Do not let yourself get a sun burn - even a minor burn can damage the skin.
- Avoid tanning salons and tanning booths, which produce far more intense radiation than what you get from the sun.

Skin cancer affects about one in five Americans. The incidence of skin cancer has more than tripled since 1994. Two million Americans will develop as many as 3.5 million cases of the most common type of skin cancer this year. Sun damage also is cumulative, so individuals in their 50s, 60s and beyond are at risk for skin cancer from decades of exposure.

Don't avoid the sun, but follow the guidelines above for moderate exposure. Also, examine your skin from head to toe each month and look for warning signs, such as a new growth or a sore that will not heal. See your doctor every year for a professional skin exam.

*Ohio Dept. of Aging*



Congratulations to the following 2010 graduates:

Emily Phillips graduated from Oak Hills High School on Saturday, June 5th in the top 10% of her class and was in the National Honor Society. She received three scholarships. Emily plans to attend the University of Cincinnati next year and has been accepted in the Early Childhood Education Department.

Her brother, Brandon Phillips, (no, not the Reds' second baseman!) graduated from Bridgetown Middle School. He was in the Junior National Honor Society and received the All-American Boy Award and a Cheviot Civic Association young citizenship award. He will attend Oak Hills High School next year.

The parents of Emily and Brandon are Marc and Nancy Phillips, and grandparents are John and Edna Howe.

**Vacation Bible School July 19-23  
We need Heroes!!!**

**Before Hero Headquarters**

*I would like to help by:*

- Planning and organizing
- Making telephone calls
- Preparing craft materials
- Distributing publicity materials

**I prefer working with the following age group:**

- Preschool
- Elementary

**During Hero Headquarters**

*I would like to help in:*

- Being a Site Leader
- Being a Crew Leader
  - Crafts
  - Registration
  - Missions
  - Music
- Recreation / Games
- Refreshments
- Cleanup
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**After Hero Headquarters**

*I would like to help by:*

- Calling families of Hero Headquarters attendees
- Helping with follow-up mailings
  - Name \_\_\_\_\_
  - Phone \_\_\_\_\_
  - E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please remove this page and deposit in offering plate or turn in to Tammi Hart.



Purple Heart Chapter 3620 is collecting used cell phones to be RECYCLED. For each phone, 6 phone cards are distributed to those serving in our armed forces OR their families.

See the website for instructions on erasing your data before recycling.

<http://www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com>

there will be a box in the church for depositing your phones.

Thank you  
Bonnie Diehl



*I wish to thank all those who remembered me with phone calls and cards while I was recovering from my injuries..*

**Ruth Kruse**

*Sincere thanks for all the birthday wishes and cards that I enjoyed on my birthday.*

*Your thoughtfulness is much appreciated.*

*Elizabeth Strittmatter*

**BACK TO SCHOOL, 2010  
WASHIINCTN UCC  
2950 SIDNEY, CINCINNATI, OH  
THIS IS HOW YOU CAN HELP MANY CHILDREN BE PREPARED TO START A GOOD SCHOOL YEAR!  
OPTIONS AVAILABLE THROUGH THIS MINISTRY:  
1) COLLECT AND DELIVER BASIC SCHOOL SUPPLIES:**

BACKPACKS, WIDE RULED SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS, LOOSE LEAF PAPER, PRIMARY TABLETS, FOLDERS, COLORED PENCILS, SCISSORS, BINDERS, RULERS.

(NOTE: WE DO NOT NEED PENCILS, PENS, CRAYONS OR MARKERS!)

2) : PURCHASE PERSONAL CARE ITEMS:

TOWEL, TOOTHBRUSH, TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOO (NOTE: WE DO NOT NEED WASHCLOTHS, HAND SOAP OR COMBS)

3) SPONSOR A CHILD (OR FAMILY OF CHILDREN)

WE HOPE TO PROVIDE THIS FOR ALL OF THE CHILDREN ACTIVE IN OUR MINISTRIES.

PROVIDE A BACKPACK WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES, UNDERWEAR, SOCKS, SHOES, OUTFIT(S) AND PERSONAL CARE SUPPLIES FOR A CHILD. WE WILL ASSIGN A CHILD(REN) TO YOU AND YOU MAY CHOOSE:

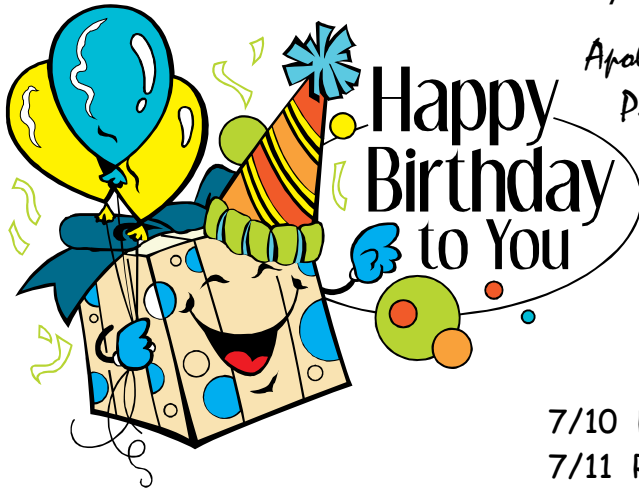
- A) TO PICK UP CHILD(REN) AND TAKE THEM SHOPPING FOR THESE ITEMS
- B) SHOP FOR THE CHILD WHOSE NAME WE GIVE YOU AND DELIVER ITEMS TO US TO BE DELIVERED TO THE CHILD
- C) SEND US THE MONEY TOWARD THE SPONSORSHIP AND WE WILL DO THE SHOPPING!! (WE ESTIMATE @\$75 PER CHILD)

WE WILL NEED DONATED ITEMS AT ST. PETER & ST. PAUL BY AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>.





Here is a fun site to visit on your birthday-enjoy [www.birthverse.com](http://www.birthverse.com).



*Apologies to anyone we might have missed  
Please notify church office of any omissions.*

7/1 Betty Westermeyer  
7/2 Wes Iames  
7/2 Tyler Matthew Lowry  
7/2 Denise Montgomery  
7/4 Don Schmidt  
7/5 Ken Papin  
7/7 Griffin Caudill  
7/7 Dylan Hoy  
7/8 Chris Schmidt  
7/9 Shannon Cozine

7/10 Rory Ryan  
7/11 Rebecca Davis  
7/11 John Fischer  
7/12 Edna Howe  
7/12 Cynthia Priem  
7/13 Joanne Brunzman  
7/14 Charlie Colyer  
7/14 Mary Lou Klene  
7/14 Olivia Wolfzorn  
7/15 Freda Osburn  
7/16 Bonnie Diehl  
7/21 Joan Luther  
7/22 Brandy Jansen  
7/23 Deb Boland

7/23 Ann Cheeseman  
7/24 Dolores Meinert  
7/25 Jennie Bushman  
7/27 Caitlyn Middendorf  
7/30 Joe Culver  
7/30 Amanda Klems  
7/30 Lucille Steinert  
7/31 Diana Buchan  
7/31 Dorothy Schlesselman  
7/31 Donna Barger  
7/31 Grace Staples  
7/31 Jerry Turner  
7/31 Martin Woodard



*Anniversaries This Month*  
7/2 Jack & Jerry Stortz 50 yrs!  
7/3 Eric & Katie Gregory  
7/3 Adam & Heather Staley 5 yrs!  
7/5 Mike & Laurie Murphy  
7/9 Lee & Karen Williams 5 yrs!  
7/10 Sean & Amie Gum  
7/10 Kathy Grant & Tim Lambrechts

7/15 Virginia & Raymond Essert  
7/18 Lou & Valerie Fortman  
7/19 Tony & Julie Ress 35 yrs!  
7/23 Justin & Katie Morgan 5 yrs!  
7/25 Linda & Richard Zucker  
7/28 Carol & Jim Klare  
7/30 Deb & Mike McCrea  
7/31 Richard & Diane Ludeke

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***THE SPIRE JULY 2010***

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



[www.stpeterandstpaulucc.org](http://www.stpeterandstpaulucc.org)



***Sunday & Special Events in JUNE/JULY***

Every Sunday	Bible Study, 9:00 AM Gathering Time & Announcements, 10:00 AM Traditional/Blended Worship follows Gathering Time
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- Sunday, June 27: - 8:00 am Chapel Service begins (thru September)  
- VBS Registration, 5:00 PM.
- Sunday, July 4: - Communion Celebrated.
- Monday, July 5: - Office Closed for Holiday
- Sunday, July 11: - Blood Pressure check before & after Worship in Library.
- Sunday, July 18: - August Spire articles due.
- Monday, July 19: - VBS begins through Friday, July 23rd.