

ST. PAUL'S UCC NEWSLETTER



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Letter from the Pastor Emeritus

I anticipate the Day of Easter to mean as much or more to me than it ever has before. I've always believed in Easter, but with Carrie's passing, I need to feel the hope of Easter more than I ever have before. Easter is the good news that Jesus was raised from the dead. That good news is for us, for Jesus says that because He lives, we will also live.

In Romans 8:11 it says, "If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you." That means that I will see Carrie again, and you will see your loved ones who have gone before again.

We also need to think of resurrection as more than just life after death. The word resurrection literally means to "stand up again," as Jesus stood up from where his body was laid in the tomb. Resurrection is also experienced when we are able to continue with a good life after some devastating or traumatic event.

Think of the joy that comes when we are healed of what might have been an incurable disease or debilitating injury. That is a resurrection experience. Think of a broken relationship between spouses, parents and children, neighbors that have been restored in harmony. That is a resurrection experience. Think of some loss of a job, and you end up with a better job. That is a resurrection experience. Think of a loss of a close friend or loved one to death and yet with the passage of time you can find joy of living again. That is a resurrection experience.

May you experience the joy and reality of the resurrection at this coming Easter. God bless you.

Don Deeker, Pastor Emeritus



Lenten/Easter Services
Fri., April 3, 2026—Good Friday—
Service at 7pm.



Sun., April 5, 2026—
Easter Sunday
Service at 9:30am.



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October Extra Step - Grace's Place (Washington, MO)

This organization's mission is to serve as a temporary emergency shelter for children and families in crisis by providing a loving and safe environment for children.



St. Paul's UCC Staff

Pastors by Supply.....	
Robbin DeVore (stpaulsuccmo.org@gmail.com).....	Secretary
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Sally & Tony Rohe.....	Custodians
Debbie Garbs.....	Choir Director
Cathie Schoppenhorst, Gene Ahmann, Brenda Daniels, Amy Lange.....	Projection Technicians
Robbin DeVore.....	Newsletter Editor

Church Council

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Bonnie Borgmann.....	Treasurer
Cathie Schoppenhorst.....	Financial Secretary, Missions Committee Rep., Historical Committee Rep.
Terri Ogle.....	Recording Secretary, Altar Guild Rep.
Jacob DeVore.....	Buildings & Grounds Committee Rep.
Jodi Lange.....	Social Media Rep., Christian Ed. Committee Rep., Membership Care Committee Rep.





Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner



Net profit = \$8,567.15



—SAVE THE DATES!!—
BE SURE TO
Mark your calendars now!!

Sunday School dates remaining before summer break are April 5th (Easter Sunday), and April 19th, May 3rd and May 17th.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt during Sunday School on

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026. Bring your Easter baskets!

The last day of Sunday School before breaking for the summer is Sunday, May 17, 2026.

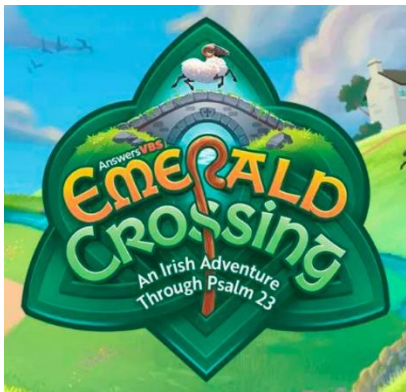
(There will be a presentation during church.)

Sunday School Classes will resume in the fall—date TBD.



Vacation Bible School

See pages 10 & 11 for further information.



Monday – Friday

July 20-24, 2026

9am-12N

Mark Your

Calendars Now!





Quilting Mondays 10am-4pm

Contact Audrey Meyer at 433-2210
with questions or inquiries.

Sunday Morning Fellowship

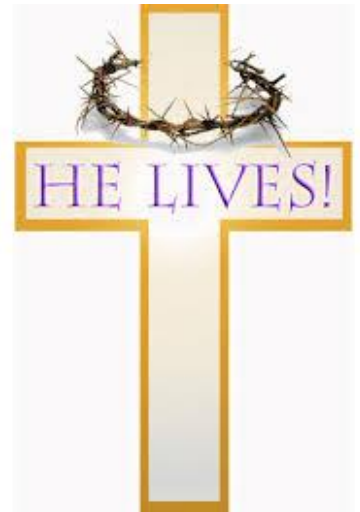
We need *volunteers*
to assist with
coffee,
lemonade,
and donuts.



**The sign-up sheet is
in the lobby.**

See Marigene Kersten with
questions or inquiries.

Thank you in advance
for your participation.





ADULT SOCIAL CONNECTION

FRI., APRIL 10TH—5:30PM

Join us for dinner at **Philly's**, downtown
Marthasville, for dinner and an evening of relaxation &
visiting with each other.

*Please sign the sheet in the lobby by Wed., April 8th
if you plan to attend so we can let Philly's know.*



Women's Guild

*Due to insufficient
staffing, the Red Cross
was forced to cancel the Blood Drive.*

*It will be rescheduled on a
later date.*



Be watching for further information.

Church Council Meeting:

**Monday, April 13th—
6:30pm**



WOMEN'S GUILD WED., APRIL 1ST —2PM—



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MON., APRIL 20TH—6PM



ALTAR FLOWERS:



- March 1:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.
- March 8:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.
- March 15:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.
- March 22:** in loving memory of Ken DeVore, who passed away 18 yrs. ago, on March 26, 2008, by Robbin, Jacob, and Isaiah DeVore.

March 29: in honor of Virginia Lange's 4th birthday (March 28th), by Don & Wanda Lange.

NOTE: Consider sponsoring the altar flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, a special date, or just because...Sign-up sheets for altar flowers are in the lobby. The flowers are yours to take with you after the service of worship.

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CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Anyone who is interested in joining St. Paul's UCC should contact a council member or the church office.

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Suggested Scripture Readings for April

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|-------------------|--|
| <u>April 5th</u> | Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 Colossians 3:1-4 or Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-8 or Matthew 28:1-10 |
| <u>April 12th</u> | Acts 2:14a,22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31 |
| <u>April 19th</u> | Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116:1-4,12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35 |
| <u>April 26th</u> | Acts 2:42-47 and Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10 |

Rainbows

Rainbows make me happy;
then again, they make me sad.
To go beyond a rainbow
would make me oh so glad.
But when I think about it,
my feelings toss and turn—
A rainbow's never-ending.
Oh, when will we all learn?



I want to go beyond it,
to touch it, feel it, know it.
But I know deep down I can't do that—
it isn't mine to have.
I dream of when the day will come
that I'll find a rainbow's end,
and reach out for that pot of gold
in a greater land.

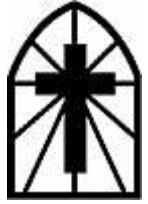
Robbin DeVore



Services of Worship

9:30am

Pastor by Supply



<u>April</u>	<u>3rd (Good Fri.)</u>	<u>5th (Easter)</u>	<u>12th</u>	<u>19th</u>	<u>26th</u>
Ushers	Cathie S. (lead) Kay Buhr Debbie Garbs Russell Kersten	Jodi L. (lead) Karen Dohrer Cathie Schoppenhorst Lulu Hasenjaeger Cindy Buescher	Terri O. (lead) Gene Ahmann Karla Aholt Marigene Kersten Ann Jenkins	Bonnie B. (lead) Audrey Meyer Terri Ogle John Presser Nancy Presser	Wilma Z. (lead) Tony Rohe Curt Rohe Robbin DeVore Kylie Rohe
Acolytes	Kay Buhr	Kersten Mayer	Kennady Mayer	Addy Engelage	Colsie Lange
Readers		Cathie Schoppenhorst	Karla Aholt	Terri Ogle	Curt Rohe
Greeters	Kay Buhr Russell Kersten	Brenda Roloff Cathie Schoppenhorst	Gene Ahmann Karla Aholt	Audrey Meyer John & Nancy P.	Tony Rohe Curt Rohe
Fellowship	_____	Wayne & Wilma Zeh	NEED VOLUNTEER	NEED VOLUNTEER	Debbie Garbs

Worship Attendance:

3-1-2026---45

3-8-2026---52

3-15-2026---41

3-22-2026---68

3-29-2026----(next issue)

The Adult Choir

Come join us in song! The choir will sing on Sunday, **April 19th**, and practice will be on Wednesday, **April 15th** at 6:30pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Contact Debbie Garbs or Sally Rohe with questions or inquiries.



Supply Pastor Schedule

April 3— Don Deeker
(Good Friday - 7pm)

April 5— Don Deeker
(Easter)

April 12— Don Deeker

April 19— Don Deeker

April 26— Don Deeker

May 3— Don Deeker

May 10— Don Deeker

May 17— Don Deeker

May 24— Don Deeker

May 29— Don Deeker



EASTER LILIES

For those who ordered Easter lilies, please make the \$21 payment by dropping it in the offering plate or pay at the office.

Be sure to mark your payment accordingly. You may take them home after Easter Sunday.



With Deepest Gratitude

We would like to thank **THE MANY SUPPLY PASTORS** for their service to St. Paul's UCC during these months we have been without a settled pastor.

Many thanks to **REV. DON DEEKER, PASTOR EMERITUS**, for always being there for us—for keeping us under his wing. We very much appreciate his willingness to be our constant supply and cover pastoral care for St. Paul's during this time of transition.

Thanks also to **ALL** who have kept us in your thoughts and prayers, and the many kind and thoughtful gestures you have shown during this period of adjustment. May you all remain safe, healthy, and vigilant throughout these troubled times.

In His name,
St. Paul's UCC Church Council and Congregation

ADULT SOCIAL CONNECTION



**APRIL EVENT IS DINNER
AT PHILLY'S (SEE PG. 4),**



The Adult Social Connection breaks for the summer and will resume again in the fall. *Attendance at the Concerts in the Park (downtown pavilion) is encouraged on the 4th Fridays of the months of May-September. Be watching future newsletters for further information.*



CONCERT SCHEDULE:

MAY 22ND – "SILVER RAIN BAND"

JUNE 26TH – "NASHVEGAS"

JULY 24TH – "THE SAPPINGTONES"

AUG. 28TH – "GARDEN PARTY BAND"



St. Paul's UCC will have the food stand at this concert.
*Contact a council member if you are interested in assisting in the stand.
Further additional information to follow.*



SEPT. 25TH – "TEXAS GIANTS"

The Legend of the Dogwood Tree



There is a legend that at the time of the crucifixion the dogwood had been the size of the oak and other forest trees. So firm and strong was the tree that it was chosen as the timber for the cross. To be used for such a cruel purpose greatly distressed the tree, and our Lord, nailed upon it, sensed this, and in his gentle pity for all sorrow and suffering said to it: "Because of your regret and pity for my suffering, never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted, and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross, two long and two short petals. And in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with red, and in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and all who see it will remember."



Alas, the legend of the dogwood most likely originated in the United States in the 20th century. They are not native to the Middle East, nor would they have been found growing there in Jesus' time. Nevertheless, the legend persists, and many Christians revere the beloved dogwood as it continues to remind them of Jesus' love and sacrifice.

EARTH DAY FACTS

1. According to a 2012 Harris poll, just 27% of Americans "feel a personal responsibility for taking care of the environment." At the same time, 68% recycle regularly and 81% turn off the light when they leave a room.
2. Switching from plastic water bottles to a refillable water bottle with a filter is one of the easiest ways to go green. People in the U.S. currently throw away around 25 million plastic bottles every hour. Yes—every hour!
3. Arbor Day, a sister of Earth Day, represents an effort to protect our natural resources. It was first celebrated on April 10, 1872, and around 1 million trees were planted in Nebraska that day.
4. In 2010, on the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, more than 1 billion people celebrated Mother Earth in some way or another. Over 180 countries across the globe united to plant trees, attend events, or just spread the word via social media networks. The 2010 Earth Day was the largest secular civic event worldwide.
5. According to the EPA, we create 14 million tons of food waste annually; 106 lbs. of food waste per person.
6. The amount Americans waste increases during the holidays. We generate an extra million tons of waste every week from Thanksgiving to New Year's.
7. Parents of babies can do their part in cutting down on waste by choosing cloth diapers over disposable ones. In theory, a disposable diaper will take 250-500 years to decompose.
8. Checking your faucets is another easy way to go green. The EPA reports that 10 percent of homes in America have leaks that translate in 90 gallons of wasted water every day.
9. Throwing away your old electronics (known as e-waste) is the fastest growing type of waste in the country.
10. We cut 900 million trees annually to supply paper mills. It takes a whole 15-yr. old tree to make 700 paper grocery bags. Reducing paper production reduces greenhouse gases. A 40-yr. old tree sequesters one ton of carbon dioxide.
11. Recycling one glass bottle saves enough energy to power a computer for half an hour.



**Earth Day is
April 22, 2026**

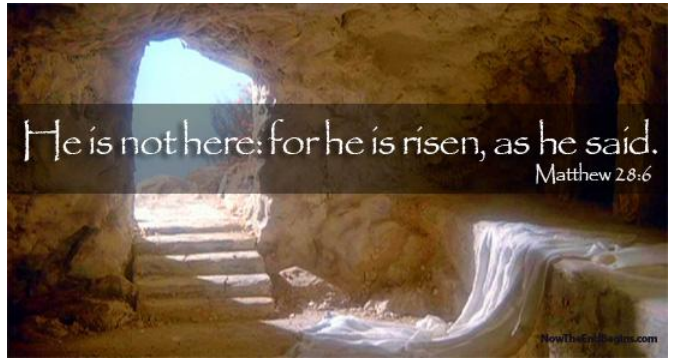


Food For Thought

"In April, we cannot see sunflowers in France, so we might say the sunflowers do not exist. But the local farmers have already planted thousands of seeds, and when they look at the bare hills, they may be able to see the sunflowers already. The sunflowers are there. They lack only the conditions of sun, heat, rain and July. Just because we cannot see them does not mean that they do not exist." —Thich Nhat Hanh



IT IS FINISHED... *Paid in Full!*

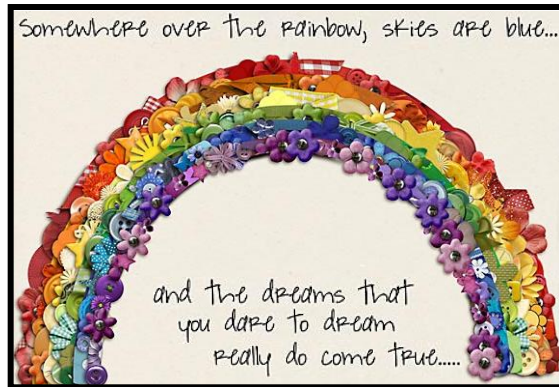


Interesting Fact

April is National Poetry Month

Introduced in 1996, a celebration of poetry was organized by the Academy of American Poets as a way to increase awareness and appreciation of poetry in the United States. Since 1998, National Poetry month has also been celebrated each April in Canada.

—So, purchase, rent, borrow, or “check out” a book of poetry this month. Then write your own poem and send it to a friend. Or get together with some friends to read some and discuss them together.





Vacation Bible School

For children 3 years old through those who have completed 5th grade.

St. Paul's UCC

103 S. Second Street
Marthasville, MO

636-433-2482



—M-F, JULY 20-24, 2026—
9AM-12NOON



Cost: \$10 per child



THEME:

"EMERALD CROSSING"

*Participant registration forms are available on the website,
in the monthly newsletter, and at the church.*

PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION FORM

For children 3 years old through those who have completed 5th grade.

St. Paul's UCC VBS



103 S. Second Street
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JULY 20-24, 2026

9AM-12NOON

Cost: \$10 per child



Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Method of Transportation: Walker Pick-up

Responsible Party: _____ Phone: _____
(If other than above)

Child Name	Child Name	Child Name
Date of Birth	Date of Birth	Date of Birth
Entering Grade	Entering Grade	Entering Grade
Allergies/Medical Conditions	Allergies/Medical Conditions	Allergies/Medical Conditions

Paid by: _____ Cash Check # _____

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4th: Wyatt Swartz
- 9th: Tammy Siem
- 10th: Matt Scheible
Lane Mittler
- 13th: James Carter
- 15th: Ann Jenkins
- 17th: Dean Woolley
- 18th: Mary Hulsey
- 21st: Michael Chambers
- 27th: Russell Kersten
- 29th: James Joerling



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

16th: Elliott & Abigaile Voss

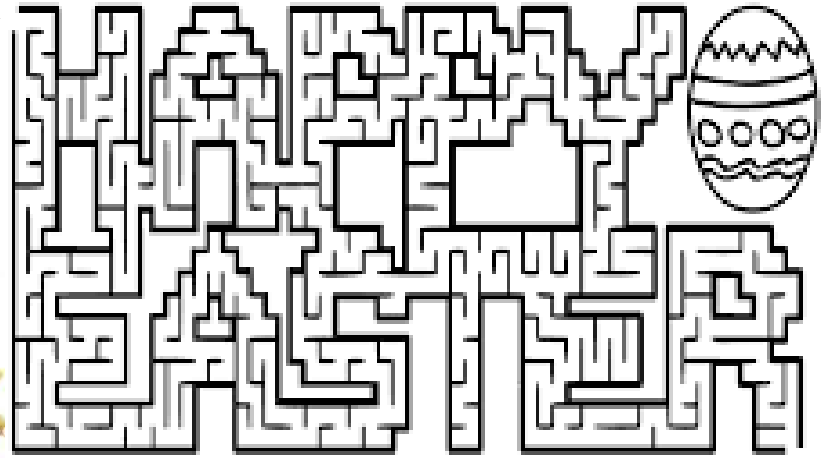


ANNIVERSARIES OF BAPTISM

(None this month)



Start →



Finish ↓



					\$28		\$ ___
					\$20		\$ ___
					\$22		\$ ___
					\$21		\$ ___
					\$?		\$ ___

\$26 \$21 \$26 \$24 \$?

Determine the amount for each icon to solve the puzzle.

(answers on pg. 18)



EASTER WORD SEARCH



F	O	R	E	A	S	T	E	R	E	P	P	U	S	T	S	A	L	R
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APOSTLES
BETRAYAL
BLOOD
CALVARY
CROSS
CROWN OF THORNS
CRUCIFIXION
DEATH
DEITY
DENIAL
DISCIPLES

EASTER
EMPTY TOMB
ETERNAL LIFE
FAITHFUL
FEET
FORGIVEN
GOOD FRIDAY
GRAVE
HALLELUJAH
HANDS
HE LIVES

HOLY
JESUS CHRIST
LAMB
LAST SUPPER
LENT
LILIES
MAUNDY THURSDAY
MIRACLE
NAILS
PALMS
PIERCED

REDEEMER
RESURRECTION
REVIVAL
RISEN LORD
SAVIOUR
SINS
STRIPES
TEARS
TRANSGRESSIONS



After completing the word search, use the UNUSED letters to complete the message below:

“ _____

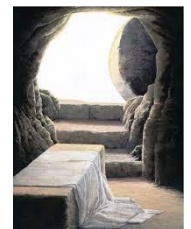
 _____, *that whoever believes in Him*
 _____ *but have*
 _____.” *(John 3:16 NKJV)*



APRIL CROSSWORD 2

ACROSS:

2. April birthstone.
5. The official flowers for April are the sweet pea and the _____.
7. _____ commemorates Jesus' crucifixion. (2 words)
8. The garden where Jesus underwent the agony and was arrested the night before he was crucified.
9. _____ the Cyrenian was appointed to carry the cross upon which Jesus was to be crucified.
11. A traditional greeting among Jews, which, in everyday usage, can either mean "hello" or "goodbye."
16. Directly below something; at a lower level than.
17. Easter commemorates Christ's _____.
20. The apostle who betrayed Jesus and killed himself, by hanging.
21. Death, destruction, or some other terrible fate.
22. "_____ is believing" is the mental attitude of a highly rational and pragmatic person. However, there are many occasions when the opposite is true—unless you believe in miracles, for example, you won't see or experience one. 2 Corinthians 5:7 KJV tells us: *"For we walk by faith, not by sight."*
23. This holiday always occurs between March 22nd and April 25th.



(answers on pg. 18)

24. First celebrated in 1970, this annual event is celebrated around the world, in more than 193 countries, on April 22nd to demonstrate support for environmental protection. (2 words)
28. The “_____ Chorus” is a popular Easter number from *Handel’s Messiah*.
31. John 19:30 (NIV) reads: “When he had received the drink, Jesus said, ‘It is _____.’ With that, he bowed His head and gave up His spirit.”
32. The fourth month of the year.
33. “April _____ bring May flowers.”
36. In the Christian Church, a local or provincial assembly of bishops and other church officials meeting to resolve questions of discipline or administration.
38. Fictitious furry creature who leaves surprises on the holiday celebrating the resurrection of Jesus.
39. The job Zacchaeus held in the Bible. (2 words)
40. Brightly colored, oval-shaped objects left for children on Easter Sunday.



DOWN:

1. After Jesus died on the cross, Joseph of Arimathea went to _____ to request possession of the body.
2. Another word for “father.”
3. The first part of the Christian Bible, comprised of 39 books: The _____ Testament.
4. There are thirty _____ in the month of April.
5. To pull (someone or something) along forcefully, roughly, or with difficulty.
6. Easter, a “movable feast,” is set according to the phases of the _____.
9. The original meaning of the word “lent.”
10. _____ commemorates the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the apostles. (2 words)
12. In 1739, Charles Wesley wrote the Easter hymn, *Christ the _____ is Risen Today*.
13. The most popular American Easter candy: _____ peeps.
14. Jesus prophesized that Peter would deny Him _____ times.
15. The idea of the Easter Bunny originated in this country in the 1700s, not as a rabbit, but as a hare.
18. A person who is recognized as having an exceptional degree of holiness, likeness, or closeness to God.
19. Easter Island is located in _____, South America.
25. This day, characteristically marked by the playing of practical jokes and hoaxes, is not a public holiday in any country; however, in Odessa, Ukraine, it is an official city holiday. (2 words)
26. The Romans, in an effort to mock Jesus, gave Him a crown of _____.
27. April’s zodiac signs are Aries and _____.
29. Sooner, rather than _____.
30. The more, the _____.
34. First Lady Lucy _____ held the first egg roll on the White House lawn in 1878.
35. Stigmata, in Christianity, are the appearance of bodily wounds, _____, and pain in locations corresponding to the crucifixion wounds of Jesus Christ, such as the hands, wrists, and feet.
37. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. On the fourth day, God created the _____, the moon, and the stars.



EASTER TRIVIA AND TID-BITS

Multiple Choice

- The Bible says that the apostle who betrayed Jesus killed himself. Who was he and how did he commit suicide?
 - Judas; he hung himself
 - Peter; he jumped off a cliff
 - Matthew; he slit his wrists
 - Noah; he drowned himself
- The second largest holiday for eating candy is Easter. Which is the first?
 - Independence Day
 - Christmas
 - Halloween
 - Thanksgiving
- The idea of the Easter bunny, which originated in Germany in the 1700s, was not a rabbit originally, but a:
 - hare
 - possum
 - cat
 - dove
- The most popular American Easter candy is:
 - chocolate bunnies
 - marshmallow peeps
 - jelly beans
 - chocolate, cream-filled eggs
- Which job did Zacchaeus hold in the Bible?
 - carpenter
 - shepherd
 - tax collector
 - farmer
- The Romans, in an effort to mock Jesus, gave him a “crown” of what?
 - wire
 - ivy
 - flowers
 - thorns
- Jesus prophesized that Peter would deny him how many times?
 - 8
 - 4
 - 3
 - 7

(Answer on pg. 18)

Interesting Facts

- Easter always occurs between March 22 and April 25.
- Easter is a “movable feast” – one that is set according to the phases of the moon – so the dates are different each year.
- More than 90 million chocolate Easter bunnies are manufactured each year.
- The most famous Easter parade is held in New York.
- The first Easter eggs were colored red, in memory of the blood Jesus shed during his crucifixion.
- In the 13th century, the church prohibited the eating of eggs during Holy Week. Marking the eggs laid during the week began the custom of decorating eggs.
- In the United States, traditional Easter foods include ham, chicken, and lamb.
- It is believed that an Italian baker made the pretzel to look like arms crossed in prayer during the Passover season sometime between the 300s and the 600s.
- Americans consume over 16 million jellybeans on Easter, enough to circle the globe more than three times.
- In some European countries, other animals—in Switzerland the cuckoo, in Westphalia the fox—brought the Easter eggs.
- Households spend on average \$131 on Easter each year, with \$14.7 billion spent totally (2017).
- The lily is the flower associated with Easter because it is said to grow with its head down to honor Jesus.
- Easter Island is located in Chile (South America).
- In 1739, Charles Wesley wrote the Easter hymn “Christ the Lord is Risen Today.”
- First Lady, Lucy Hayes, wife of President Rutherford B. Hayes held the first egg roll on the White House lawn in 1878.
- The Easter sunrise service, a distinctive Protestant observance in North America, symbolizes the Biblical event of Mary Magdalene’s visit to Jesus’ tomb on the morning of his Resurrection.
- Purple and yellow are the colors associated with Easter.



DINNER & A SHOW

Saturday, June 6th, 2026

Doors Open: 4:00 pm
Dinner Served: 5:30 pm

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Forms of Payment: Cash or Check



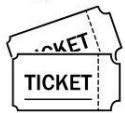
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Beer & Wine Available



50/50 Drawing



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Kay Buhr 636-221-1922 or

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YOU HELP UNRAVEL! YOU'LL ENJOY A DELICIOUS MEAL WHILE SECRETS SPILL,
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COME HUNGRY. COME CURIOUS. AND PREPARE FOR A NIGHT OF MYSTERY, MAGIC &
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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

The family of Brianna Gildehaus (neighbor to the Ogles) who passed away on 3/6; the family of Gene Cornell who passed away on 3/1; Susan Miesner—diagnosed with cancer; Nancy Thater (friend of Terri Ogle)—cancer reoccurrence; Mary Mittler—stent placement; Allan Hasenjaeger—hip surgery; Walean Bunge—heart valve replacement on 2/18; Kathy Miltenberger—heart attack on 3/5; Denny Kammer—heart issues; Jeanette Stegner—recovering from a series of falls; Lulu Hasenjaeger—recovering from a broken hip; Robbin DeVore—recovering from a broken femur; Marvin & Ellen Engelage moved to Grandview Health Care Center; the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Palestine, and of those who are in harm’s way trying to protect them; those affected by armed violence in this country and in the world; those affected by the recent natural disasters; all those recovering from surgery and other health issues, those fighting cancer, and those homebound/shut-in/in-care facilities.



Those Battling Cancer: Susan Miesner, Bonnie Borgmann, Nancy Thater, Rev. Jeff Mueller, Brenda Napier, Caiden Thies, Mildred Hinnah, Eric Moritz, Marcia Rekate, Brenda Gratza, Marigene Kersten, Glennon Hepperman, Ted Lepper, Dave Pruitt, Rev. Jeffrey Willey, Teresa Wheeler, Marsha Meyer, Kurt Gildehaus, Kristi Warnecke, Isaac Mercer.

Those serving in the Military: Nick Sullentrup, Tyler Buescher, Luke Bronstrup, Caleb & Sarah Murphy, & others seeking to faithfully serve God & Country.

Please remember those who are not always able to worship with us at St. Paul’s UCC.

Remember them in prayer, with a visit, card, or a phone call:

Marvin & Ellen Engelage
Grandview Health Care Center
201 Grand Ave., Room #314
Washington, MO 63090



Mary Mittler
Homestead at Hickory View
1481 Marbach Dr., Room 211
Washington, MO 63090

—Meals on Wheels—

If anyone needs or knows of anyone who needs home-delivered meals from the Warren County Senior Center, please contact the center at 636-456-3379. **Volunteers are also needed** to deliver meals.

(Answer from pg. 13): “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” *(John 3:16 NKJV)*

CROSSWORD (answers from pg. 14)






ACROSS:

2. Diamond	23. Easter
5. Daisy	24. Earth Day
7. Good Friday	28. Hallelujah
8. Gethsemane	31. Finished
9. Simon	32. April
11. Shalom	33. Showers
16. Under	36. Synod
17. Resurrection	38. Bunny
20. Judas	39. Tax Collector
21. Doom	40. Eggs
22. Seeing	

DOWN:

1. Pilate	15. Germany
2. Dad	18. Saint
3. Old	19. Chile
4. Days	25. April Fool’s
5. Drag	26. Thorns
6. Moon	27. Taurus
9. Spring	29. Later
10. Maundy Thursday	30. Merrier
12. Lord	34. Hayes
13. Marshmallow	35. Scars
14. Three	37. Sun

PUZZLE (from pg. 12)

		\$ <u>5</u>
→ =		\$ <u>6</u>
↓ =		\$ <u>4</u>
		\$ <u>2</u>
		\$ <u>3</u>

(Trivia Answers from pg. 16): 1.a) 2.c) 3.a) 4.b) 5.c) 6.d) 7.c)



St. Paul's UCC Church Calendar—April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>"...In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it, you'll be the grandest lady in the Easter parade..."</p> 			<p>1</p>  <p>2pm Women's Guild</p>	<p>2</p> 	<p>3</p>  <p>IT IS FINISHED... <i>Paul's Feet!</i></p> <p>7pm Lenten Service Good Friday</p>	<p>4</p> 
<p>5 HAPPY EASTER! 9:30am Worship w/ Holy Communion 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship</p>	<p>6 10am-4pm Quilting</p> 	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>  <p>Adult Social Connection 5:30pm at Philly's</p>	<p>11</p> 
<p>12 9:30am Worship NO Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship</p>	<p>13 10am-4pm Quilting</p>  <p>6:30pm Church Council</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:30pm-7:30pm Food Pantry @ CBC</p>	<p>15</p>  <p>6:30pm Adult Choir Practice</p>	<p>16</p> 	<p>17</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>11am-12N Food Pantry @ CBC</p>
<p>19 9:30am Worship 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship</p>	<p>20 10am-4pm Quilting</p>  <p>6PM MEN'S FELLOWSHIP</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>  <p>EARTH DAY</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> 	<p>25</p> 
<p>26 9:30am Worship NO Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship</p>	<p>27 10am-4pm Quilting</p> 	<p>28</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> 	 <p>"Here comes Peter Cottontail, hoppin' down the bunny trail. Hippety, Hoppety, Easter's on it's way..."</p>	

Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. (Psalm 103:1-2)



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