

ST. PAUL'S UCC NEWSLETTER



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A Loving Church, Making a Difference in the World



Letter from the Pastor Emeritus



When most of our membership get the opportunity to read this newsletter, I will be visiting my son Aubrey in Winchester, VA. He is a tenured professor there teaching at the University of Shenandoah. I'm looking forward to the trip. I don't get away too often. By the time I return I will have added another number to my age.

I hope St. Paul's will call a new pastor soon. Even if not, I have decided that upon turning eighty years of age July 16, 2027, it will be time for full retirement. Even before then, I hope to be able to travel some. There are places I want to go and things I want to see while I am still able.

It has now been six months since Carrie's passing. I appreciate that some of you still ask how I am doing. Life is certainly different, but I "think" I am doing well. I just want to say thank you again for being a caring church making a difference in the world.

But when you mourn, when you get to the point of sorrow for your sins, when you admit that you have no other option but to cast your cares on Jesus, and when there is truly no other name that you can call, then cast all your cares on him, for he is waiting in the midst of the storms of your life.

Don Decker, Pastor Emeritus



ILLITERACY In America:

- According to the National Center for Educational Statistics, 21% of adults in the U.S. (about 43 million) fall into the illiterate/functionally illiterate category.
- In the U.S., 44% of adults don't read a book in a year.
- In the U.S., the problem of illiteracy has gotten so bad that 44 million adults are currently unable to read a simple story to their children.
- 50% of adults in the U.S. struggle to read books that are appropriate for 8th grade.
- About 50% of Americans have reading skills so poor that they cannot complete simple tasks like reading the labels of prescription drugs.
- Missouri ranks 23rd in the 50 states in Child Literacy Statistics (4th grade). 65% of 4th grade students in Missouri cannot read proficiently.

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August Extra Step — Bethel Hills (Dutzow, MO)

A community, developed by the Advocates for Community Choice (ACC) and their donors and volunteers, where adults with and without developmental disabilities live, learn, and worship together.

St. Paul's UCC Staff

Pastors by Supply.....	
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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.



BACK TO SCHOOL
AUGUST 24, 2026!!!





WOMEN'S GUILD

hosted a luncheon for ladies of all area churches.

73 ATTENDED

Many thanks to all who helped with this event.

Special thanks to Wendy Kammer for making the chicken salad.

NEXT MEETING—WED., AUG. 5TH — 2PM

(See pg. 4 for more info.)

EVANGELISM

St. Paul's UCC will have the Food Stand at the Concert in the Park on Aug. 28th. Contact a council member if you are able to help.



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 for your participation.



Quilting Mondays 10am-4pm

Contact Audrey Meyer with questions or inquiries.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School Classes will resume in Sept. or Oct.—Date TBD.

Christian Education is asking for school-age children's parental input regarding Sunday School scheduling and curriculum.

Contact Terri Ogle after 8-16 with your thoughts.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

MON., AUG. 17TH—6PM

Church Council

Meeting

**Monday,
August 17th
3:30pm**



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THE WOMEN'S GUILD

Wednesday, August 5, 2026

The Women's Guild's regular meeting will be at **2pm**. Our project for August is Turning Point in Warrenton, a center for abused women. We are collecting household and personal care items such as paper products, soaps, detergents, kitchen and bath towels, make up, hair products, coffee and coffee filters.

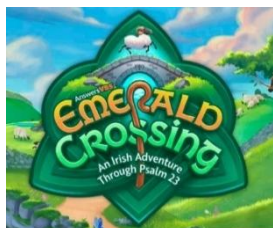
ALL ARE WELCOME TO CONTRIBUTE.

Donated items can be placed in the office. Thank you for your participation.

Turning Point Mission—Turning Point was founded to provide shelter and services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Turning Point believes in the right of all people to live free from violence. Turning Point seeks to reduce the incidents of domestic violence and sexual assault and the devastating effect it has on the lives of the victim and her children. Turning Point strives to provide a safe haven and services for victims and educate the general public. An 800 number is maintained 24 hours a day / 7 days a week for victims' convenience and safety. This number does not appear on their telephone bill.



—St. Paul's VBS Update—



We had 23 students enrolled, and 26 volunteers (over the course of the week) who volunteered their time and made donations. The volunteers & contributors were:

Gene Ahmann
Karla Aholt
Bev Buchheit
Cindy Buescher
Karen Dohrer
Debbie Garbs
Don Deeker

Robbin DeVore
Sandy Rohe
Ann Jenkins
Colsie Lange
Cohen Lange
Terri Ogle
Kennady Mayer

Kersten Mayer
Cheryl Swartz
Brenda Roloff
Cathie Schoppenhorst
Candace Warner
Megan Zeh
Teagan Zeh

Kay Buhr
Morganne Dobsch
Molly Carter
Diane Freese
Sally Rohe

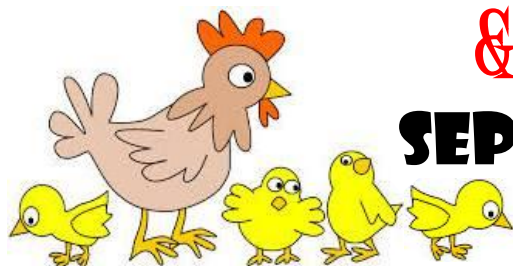
Money raised for the Children's Hunger Fund (CHF) was equivalent to providing 433 meals for hungry children.

With this, the students donated quarters. A quarter buys one child's meal.

MANY, MANY THANKS to all who helped in any way!

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS to Terri Ogle for coordinating this event.

St. Paul's Annual Chicken Dinner & Country Store



SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

11AM-5PM

—CAFETERIA STYLE / DINE IN OR CARRY-OUT—

ADULTS & ALL CARRY-OUTS \$17

CHILDREN AGES 6-12 \$7 (AGES 5 AND UNDER FREE)

Homemade desserts, homemade & hand-made items in our country store,
a quilt raffle (1st, 2nd, & 3rd place prizes) & more!!

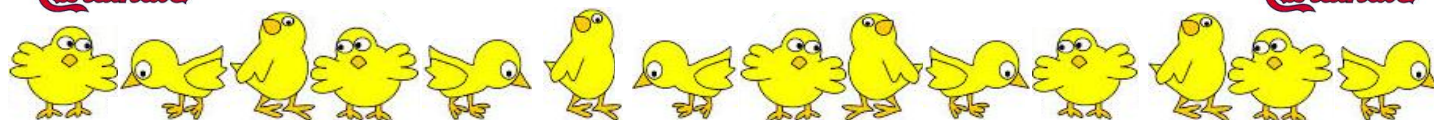
Sign-up sheets will be in the lobby—be sure to sign up for the shift you prefer.

Also, the country store can always use homemade and handmade items. They go fast!

Thank you for your participation and contributions.



WORKERS: Remember to wear *Cardinal Red* attire!



QUILT RAFFLE



Help with selling quilt raffle tickets would be appreciated if anyone is interested.

Tickets for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes will be drawn at the chicken dinner.

Sunday, September 20, 2026



Contact Lulu Hasenjaeger,
Audrey Meyer, or Karen Dohrer
with questions or inquiries.

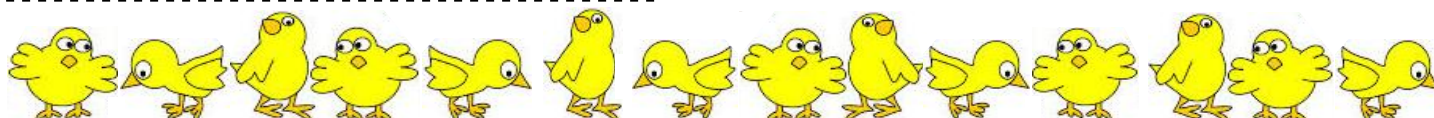


Donations for
The Country Store



Items for the country store are in very limited supply. It is hot, hot, hot outside, so we tend to stay in to beat the heat; why not use this time by putting your talents into making some handmade and/or homemade items to donate to this effort? People LOVE handmade items such as crocheted, knitted, embroidered, or other forms of stitched doilies, afghans, pillowcases, scarves, etc. Other craft projects are also welcome, as are all types of baked goods. These things always sell.

*Thank you in advance for your time,
talents, and generosity.*





ALTAR FLOWERS:



July 5: to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.

July 12: in honor of Eddie Lange's 2nd birthday (July 13th), by Don & Wanda Lange.
Extra arrangement in honor of Michael Thomas Carter's baptism, by the Carters and the Parsons.

July 19: to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.

Extra arrangement in honor of Dan & Patty Thornton's 40th wedding anniversary (July 23rd), by Lulu Hasenjaeger.

July 26: in memory of Jerome Bunge's birthday, which was July 29th, by Karen Bartizal.
Extra arrangement was from the funeral of Mary Mittler.

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.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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



Suggested Scripture Readings for August

Aug. 2nd — Genesis 32:22-31 and Psalm 17:1-7,15 *or*
Isaiah 55:1-5 and Psalm 145:8-9,14-21
Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:13-21

Aug. 9th — Genesis 37:1-4,12-28 and Psalm 105:1-6,16-22,45b *or*
1 Kings 19:9-18 and Psalm 85:8-13 Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33

Aug. 16th — Genesis 45:1-15 and Psalm 133 *or*
Isaiah 56:1,6-8 and Psalm 67 Romans 11:1-2a,29-32
Matthew 15:(10-20),21-28

Aug. 23rd — Exodus 1:8 - 2:10 and Psalm 124 *or*
Isaiah 51:1-6 and Psalm 138 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20

Aug. 30th — Exodus 3:1-15 and Psalm 105:1-6,23-26,45b *or*
Jeremiah 15:15-21 and Psalm 26:1-8 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28

Supply Pastors—Aug.

Aug. 2— Don Deeker
Aug. 9— Don Deeker
Aug. 16— Don Deeker
Aug. 23— Don Deeker
Aug. 30— Don Deeker



Supply Pastors—Sept.

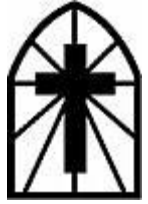
Sept. 6— Don Deeker
Sept. 13— Don Deeker
Sept. 20— Don Deeker
Sept. 27— Don Deeker



Services of Worship

9:30am

Pastor by Supply



August	2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
Ushers	Wilma Z. (lead) Karen Dohrer Cathie Schoppenhorst Lulu Hasenjaeger Cindy Buescher	Jim B. (lead) Gene Ahmann Karla Aholt Marigene Kersten Ann Jenkins	Jacob D. (lead) Audrey Meyer Terri Ogle John Presser Nancy Presser	Cathie S. (lead) Tony Rohe Curt Rohe Robbin DeVore Kylie Rohe	Jodi L. (lead) Kay Buhr Debbie Garbs Russell Kersten Kersten Mayer
Acolytes	Kersten Mayer	Kennady Mayer	Addy Engelage	Colsie Lange	Addy Engelage
Readers	Cathie Schoppenhorst	Karla Aholt	Terri Ogle	Curt Rohe	Jodi Lange
Greeters	Brenda Roloff Cathie Schoppenhorst	Gene Ahmann Karla Aholt	Audrey Meyer John & Nancy P.	Tony Rohe Curt Rohe	Russell Kersten Kersten Mayer
Fellowship	NEED VOLUNTEER	Wayne & Wilma Zeh	John & Kay Buhr	Debbie Garbs	NEED VOLUNTEER

Worship Attendance:

6-28-2026---58

7-5-2026---42

7-12-2026---54

7-19-2026---30

7-26-2026---40

The Adult Choir

The choir will break for the summer. We will resume meeting in September.



ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Contact Debbie Garbs or Sally Rohe with questions or inquiries.



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

The Adult Social Connection breaks for the summer (June-September) 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-Sept.



CONCERT SCHEDULE:

AUG. 28TH – "GARDEN PARTY"

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.

SEPT. 25TH – "TEXAS GIANTS"





ILLITERACY In America:

(continued from pg. 1)

- 50% of young people claim they read less than 10 books a year.
- 33% of high school graduates never read a book after high school.
- 80% of U.S. families have not purchased a book this year.
- 50% of books started are never read to completion.
- 70% of adults have not been in a bookstore the past 5 years.
- 1 in 4 children in the U.S. grows up without learning to read.
- Students who don't read proficiently by the third grade are 4 times more likely to drop out of school. According to ProLiteracy, 1.2 million teens, (1 in 6 high school students), drop out each year.
- It is seen that 2 out of 3 students in the U.S. who cannot read properly by the 4th grade end up on welfare or in jail.
- 3 out of 5 inmates in American prisons are illiterate.
- 85% of the juveniles who face trial in the juvenile court system are functionally illiterate, proving that there is a close relationship between illiteracy and crime. More than 60% of all inmates are functionally illiterate.
- Reading to kids early on boosts literacy rates over the long term. An estimated 77% of children who are read to are more likely to read or attempt to read on their own, versus 57% of kids who do not have regular story time at home.
- In 2020, according to the United States Department of Education, 54% of U.S. adults 16-74 years old—about 130 million people—lack proficiency in literacy, reading below the equivalent of a sixth-grade level.



TID BITS



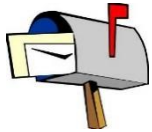
A Fun Experiment to determine the temperature if you don't have a thermometer—The frequency of a cricket's chirps fluctuates with the temperature, so if you count a cricket's chirps for 15 seconds and add 37, you will have the approximate outdoor temperature.



The first bathing suit for women was created in the 1800s. It was long-sleeved with woolen bloomers.



A queen bee lays 1500 eggs a day!



On Aug. 2, 1858 the first mail-boxes were put up in the U.S., in Boston, MA and New York, NY.



France's Eiffel Tower grows by more than 6 inches in summer due to the expansion of the iron on hot days.



August is the busiest month for travel and tourism.

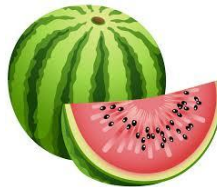


Sharks are one of the oldest living creatures in the sea. There is evidence that sharks have been around for more than 400 million years. Today's sharks are much smaller than those from the dinosaur era. Sharks from the dino-age measured up to 80 feet long; today's largest shark, the **Great White**, grows to lengths of only 25 feet.

Mosquitos, summer's pest, have been around for more than 30 million yrs.



Watermelon is the summer's favorite vegetable. Yes, vegetable—not fruit. It is a member of the cucumber, pumpkin, and squash family. This juicy favorite is 92% water, and the average American eats **15 pounds** of watermelon a year.



July is National Ice Cream Month. On average, U.S. citizens consume about 5.5 gallons of ice cream per year.

Baseball, which kicks off in the spring, is the popular sport throughout the summer months.



On August 28, 1963, Martin Luther King, Jr. gave his famous speech, "**I Have A Dream**" in Washington, DC.



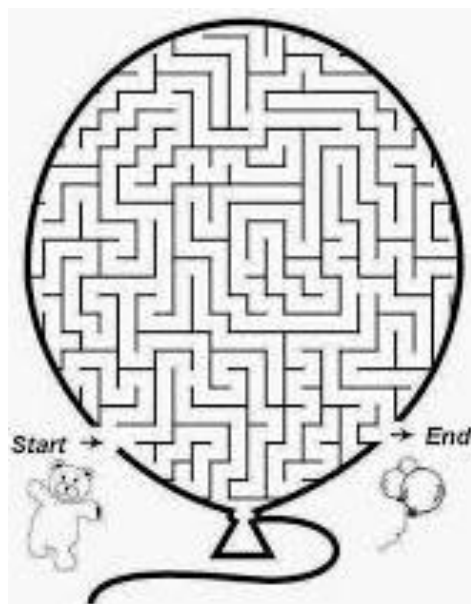
In 1827 the first **swimming school** opened in the U.S., in Boston, MA. John Quincy Adams and John James Audubon were students of this school!

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(Sudoku answer from pg. 3)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

3rd: Nicholas Lange
Nancy Kimball
5th: Ophelia Lange
6th: Nita Hasenjaeger
Shawn Mittler
7th: Wayne Zeh
12th: Allan Hasenjaeger
14th: Debbie Garbs
15th: Sarah Gehlert
16th: Cohen Lange
19th: Kennady Mayer
20th: Trudy Heady
21st: Wanda Lange
22nd: Dana Lange
Aliza Walde
24th: Derik Roloff
Denny Kammer
25th: Kaela Brueggenjohan
Andrea Swartz
26th: Bonnie Borgmann
Colby Lange
29th: Jodi Lange
30th: Annamarie Voss
Elaine Swartz



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

1st: Wade & Cheryl Swartz
3rd: Wyatt & Andrea Swartz
5th: Shawn & Robyn Wohler
26th: Allan & Nita Hasenjaeger
31st: Jim & Cindy Buescher-1973



ANNIVERSARIES OF BAPTISM

9th: Harrison Rodgers
11th: Colby Lange
14th: Calvin Rodgers
15th: Reese Rodgers



"EARLY BIRD" SUGGESTION: School supplies are at unbeatable prices right now. Every year we do a mission project called **Operation Christmas Child**. The boxes arrive in early November. With school supplies at such low costs right now, it might be worth the savings to pick some of those items up to pack in your boxes.

AUGUST 7-9, 2026 IS TAX-FREE WEEKEND.



Thank You!



Many Thanks for all the thoughts, prayers, cards, phone calls, and many acts of kindness during this difficult time. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated. The family of Murrill Wohler



The first hot-air balloon passengers were animals: a sheep, a duck, and a hen

The flight lasted eight minutes and reached a maximum height of 500 meters.

Louis XVI, the King of France, witnessed the flight in Versailles on September 19, 1783. The animals landed, unharmed, 3.5 kilometers from their starting point. Two months after the flight of the animals, Pilatre de Rozier, a physics professor, and the Marquis Francois D'Arlandes, a major in the infantry, became the first humans to fly above Paris. The flight lasted about 28 minutes, at an altitude of roughly 1000 meters.

2026 TRACTOR CRUISE NORTHERN ROUTE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

(Knights of Columbus Journey for Charity)

Collections of non-perishable food items and monetary donations will be collected for the Franklin & Warren County Food Pantries.



Northern Route Schedule:

9:30am Blessing of the Fleet at St. Ignatius (Breakfast Available)
10:15-10:55am St. Ignatius, Concord Hill to **St. Paul's UCC, Marthasville**
10:55-12:15am **St. Paul's UCC, Marthasville** to St. Vincent de Paul, Dutzow
12:15-12:50pm St. Vincent, Dutzow to Immaculate Conception, Augusta
12:50- 1:00pm Immaculate Conception to Augusta
1:00pm To Washington
[Join the South Route (Franklin County)—to K of C Grounds, Washington]
2:30-5:30pm BBQ and Tractor Show—Washington K of C Grounds

This will be the **19th annual Tractor Cruise**—the **8th year** this event will include a **30-Mile "Northern Route"**. Let's make it a greater success than last year! Last year a total of 163 tractors participated—63 on the Northern Route. 8,000 lbs. of food was collected for the food pantries. *Thank you in advance for your participation! (More info in the lobby.)*



POPSICLE FUN FACTS:



- The inventor was an 11-year-old-boy, Frank Epperson, who, in 1905, left a mixture of powdered soda and water out on the porch, which contained a stir stick. That night, temperatures in San Francisco reached record low temperature. When he woke the next morning, he discovered that it had frozen to the stir stick, creating a fruit flavored ice treat that he named the "Epsicle." 18 years later he patented it and called it the Popsicle.
- The ice pop was introduced to the public at an Oakland ball for firemen in 1922.
- May 27th is National Grape Popsicle Day.
- August 26th is National Cherry Popsicle Day.
- The Popsicle company claims that its annual sales are over two billion and that its best-selling flavor is cherry.

CARNIVAL WORD SEARCH



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BALLOONS
BEER GARDEN
CAROUSEL
CLOWN
CONTESTANTS
CORNDOGS
COTTON CANDY
CROWDS

ENTERTAINMENT
EXHIBITS
FERRIS WHEEL
FUNNEL CAKES
GAMES
ICE CREAM
LIVESTOCK
MOTOCROSS

MUSIC
PARADE
POPCORN
PRIZES
QUEEN
RIDES
RODEO
ROLLER COASTER



SHUTTLE
SWINGS
TENTS
TICKETS
TRACTOR PULL

After completing the puzzle above, with the UNUSED letters, solve the message below: beginning with the SECOND unused letter, fill in the blanks with EVERY OTHER unused letter (i.e. 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th...unused letters).



(answer on pg. 16)



**HI, HO! HI, HO!
IT'S OFF
TO SCHOOL
WE GO...**





Faith In Action

We are asked to collect as many Food Boxes and Hygiene Kits as possible.

When making your contributions, please submit complete packs.

Boxes will be sent directly to the church.

*All items must be returned to St. Paul's UCC by **Sunday, September 30th.***

Missouri Family Food Boxes

Each box should contain:

- 3 different cans of vegetables
- 3 different cans of fruit
- 3 cans chicken
- 3 cans tuna
- 1 can pasta sauce
- 1 pound pasta
- 3 boxes of macaroni & cheese
- 1 jar peanut butter
- 1 box of oatmeal packets (10 ct.)
-flavored or unflavored

Pack all in a sturdy box and fill with packing material to keep contents secure. Tape securely and clearly label each of the four sides and top of the box as "Missouri Family Food Box". Please purchase low sodium/sugar where possible.

CWS Hygiene Kits

Each kit should contain:

- 1 wash cloth
- 1 hand towel
- 1 toothbrush (in original package)
- 1 comb (large) or brush
- 1 Deodorant (non-aerosol)
- 1 Travel-size lotion (1-3 oz, fragrance-free, NEW only)
- 1 bottle shampoo (12-16 oz., NEW only)
- 1 fluoride toothpaste (6 oz. or more, expiration date of 1 year)
- 1 bottle of body wash (approx. 15-22 oz.)
- 2 razors (disposable)

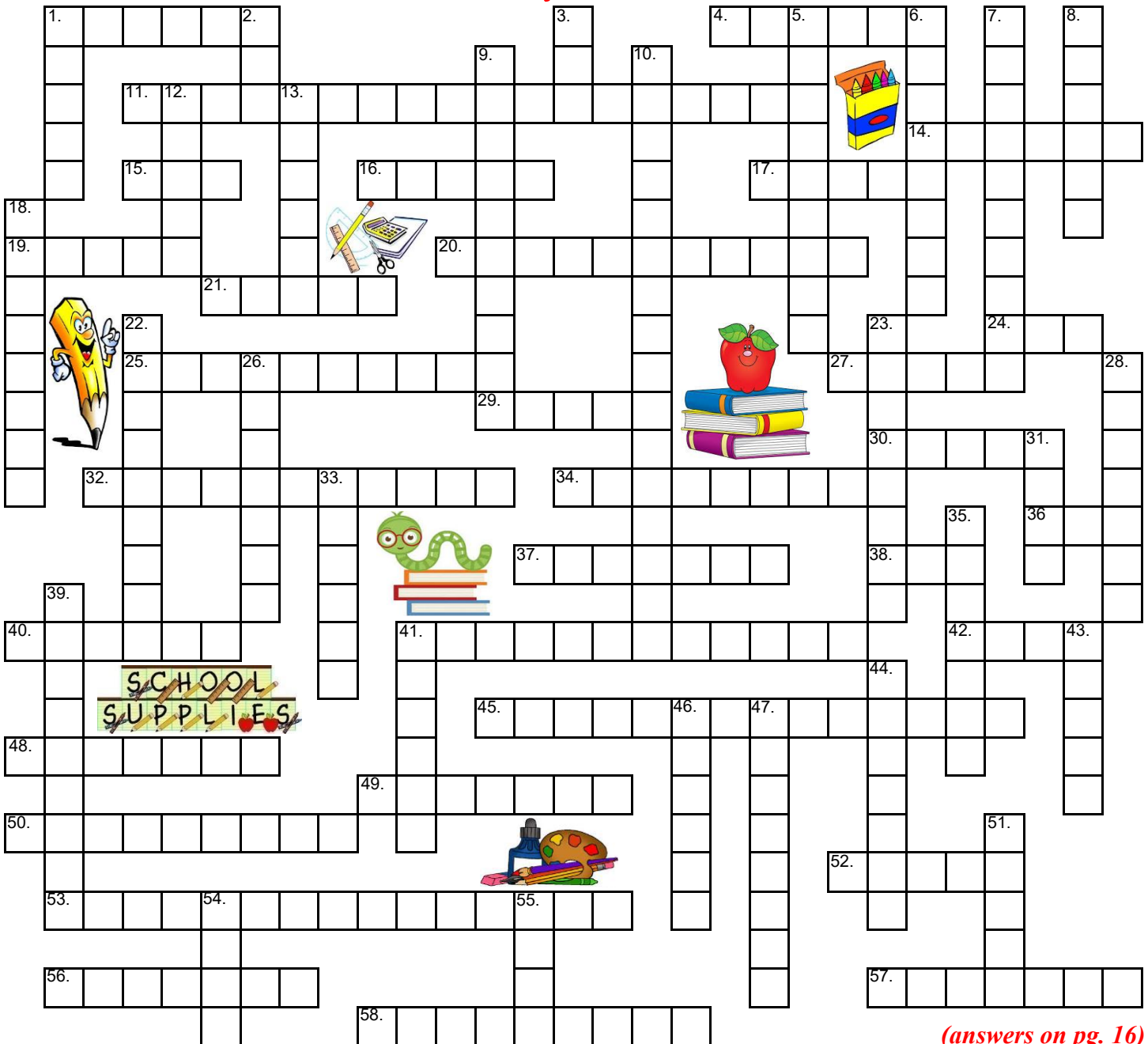
Place all items in a 2-2.5-gallon plastic bag with zipper closure; remove excess air from bag and seal.

Other types of kits are listed at festivalofsharing.org/kitinstructions

Thank you for your participation!



School Days Crossword



(answers on pg. 16)

ACROSS:

1. Jesus' earthly father.
4. A break in the day for students; playtime.
11. America's National Anthem.
14. Jesus dying for our sins makes Him our _____.
15. Form of transportation to school for most students.
16. The number of red stripes on the U.S. flag.
17. How many humans were aboard the Ark?
19. On the first day of creation, God created _____.
20. Spending the winter in a dormant condition like deep sleep.
21. To avoid being sent to the principal's office, students must obey the _____.
24. How many of each animal were aboard the Ark?
25. In the classroom, the three "Rs" refer to Reading, Writing, and _____.



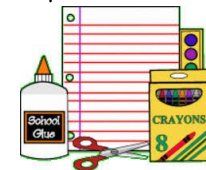
27. Coins or paper notes authorized by a government as a medium of exchange.
29. The third planet from the sun.
30. Musical instrument played most at church.
32. The formal statement written by Thomas Jefferson and signed by Congress in 1776, proclaiming the freedom of the thirteen American colonies from Great Britain: "_____ of Independence."
34. Samuel Clemens' pen name. (2 words)
36. High School students take this test for college placement.
37. August birthstone.
38. First woman.
40. Shooting star.
41. United States capital.
42. Opposite of bad.
45. The production of organic substances, especially sugars, from carbon dioxide and water by the action of light on the chlorophyll in green plant cells.
48. To settle in another country or region; to move to another region with the change of the season.
49. The planet in the solar system closest to the sun.
50. Animals that are active at night are said to be _____.
52. The number of stars on the U.S. flag.
53. Sports, theater, clubs, etc. are _____ activities.
56. According to the book of Genesis, _____ Day is a day of rest, keeping it holy.
57. The style of script-like writing in which all of the letters of a word are connected; longhand.
58. Jesus' profession.



DOWN:



1. According to the Old Testament, in the book for which it was named, who was swallowed by the whale?
2. Another pronoun meaning "she".
3. The Creator.
5. An animal that feeds on flesh or meat.
6. Either of the two times a year at which the sun is the farthest from the equator (June 21st and Dec. 21st).
7. After high school, to earn a degree, students attend a community college or a _____.
8. A caterpillar forms this silky case around itself for protection in the chrysalis stage.
9. Many classrooms begin their day with the "Pledge of _____."
10. American Baptist minister and civil rights activist, best known for his "I Have A Dream" speech delivered on August 28, 1963. (3 words, no suffix)
12. "In God We _____" is written on all American money.
13. August reminds us that students are "Back to _____."
18. The United State flag is often referred to as "_____." (2 words)
22. America's national bird. (2 words)
23. The stripes on the U.S. flag represent the thirteen British _____ that declared independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain and became the first states in the United States.
26. The act of skipping or staying away from school without a good reason; absenteeism.
28. The largest planet in the solar system.
31. Who built the Ark?
33. Eighth month of the year.
35. This bird does not fly.
39. An animal that feeds on plants.
41. The coldest season of the year in America.
43. A six-pointed star formed by two intersecting triangles; a hexagram; otherwise known as the "Star of _____."
44. The first book of the Bible.
46. The warmest season of the year in America.
47. The United States of America is in the _____ hemisphere.
51. Songs sung in church.
54. First man.
55. The book of the Bible that tells of Jesus' birth.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

The family of Mary Mittler—who passed away on 7/19; Amber (Brewer) Eytcheson—receiving chemo treatments for cancer; Jeanette Stegner—hospitalized for rehab; Tim DeVore—was hospitalized with heart-related issues and internal bleeding, home awaiting treatment to clear blocked arteries; Karen Childs—cancer-related surgery on 7/29; David Gildehaus (son of Joe & Cathie Gildehaus)—home now recovering from head-on collision on 6/8, lung contusions and multiple broken bones; Walean Bunge—health issues; Mark Jones (Marge Jones' son)—blood clots; Denny Kammer—heart issues; Debbie Keith (friend of Robbin DeVore)—health issues; the people of war-torn countries, 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: Amber (Brewer) Eytcheson, Susan Miesner, Bonnie Borgmann, Nancy Thater, Eric Moritz, Rev. Jeff Mueller, Caiden Thies, Brenda Napier, Mildred Hinnah, Marcia Rekate, Brenda Gratza, Marigene Kersten, Ted Lepper, Rev. Jeffrey Willey, Dave Pruitt, Teresa Wheeler, Marsha Meyer, Isaac Mercer, Kristi Warnecke, Glennon Hepperman, Kurt Gildehaus, Karen Childs.

Those serving in the Military: Nick Sullentrup, Tyler Buescher, Luke Bronstrup, Caleb & Sarah Murphy, and 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:**

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



Jeanette Stegner
c/o Debbie Borrson
46 Brownstone Lane
Cuba, MO 65453

-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.



(Answers to Word Search on pg. 12)

"We will see you at the Washington Town and Country Fair!"



CROSSWORD ANSWERS:

(from pg. 14-15)

ACROSS:

1. Joseph
4. recess
11. Star Spangled Banner
14. Savior
15. bus
16. seven
17. eight
19. light
20. hibernation
21. rules
24. two
25. arithmetic
27. money
29. Earth
30. organ
32. Declaration

34. Mark Twain
36. ACT
37. Peridot
38. Eve
40. Meteor
41. Washington, D.C.
42. Good
45. Photosynthesis
48. Migrate
49. Mercury
50. Nocturnal
52. fifty
53. Extracurricular
56. Sabbath
57. cursive
58. Carpenter

DOWN:

1. Jonah
2. Her
3. God
5. Carnivore
6. Solstice
7. University
8. Cocoon
9. Allegiance
10. Martin Luther King
12. Trust
13. School
18. Old Glory
22. Bald Eagle
23. Colonies
26. Truancy
28. Jupiter

31. Noah
33. August
35. penguin
39. herbivore
41. Winter
43. David
44. Genesis
46. Summer
47. Northern
51. hymns
54. Adam
55. Luke



St. Paul's UCC Church Calendar—August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
2 <i>Bring A Meal Sunday</i> 9:30am Worship w/ Holy Communion 10:30am AM Fellowship	3 10am-4pm Quilting 	4	5  2pm Women's Guild	6 	7 	8 
9 9:30am Worship 10:30am AM Fellowship	10 10am-4pm Quilting 	11 6:30pm-7:30pm Food Pantry @ CBC	12  NO Choir until Sept.	13 	14	15 11am-12N Food Pantry @ CBC
16 9:30am Worship 10:30am AM Fellowship	17 10am-4pm Quilting  6PM MEN'S GROUP 3:30pm Church Council	18 	19	20 	21 	22 
23 9:30am Worship 10:30am AM Fellowship	24 10am-4pm Quilting 	25	26 	27	28 6:30pm Concert in the Park St. Paul's food stand 	29 
30 9:30am Worship 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship	31 10am-4pm Quilting 	 “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6 KJV) 				

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