

# ST. PAUL'S UCC NEWSLETTER



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*A Loving Church, Making a Difference in the World*



## Letter from our Pastor Emeritus



On August 9, we had a memorial service of worship, remembering and honoring the life of Roy Gould, a former member of St. Paul's UCC. I recall something Roy told me many years ago. He said he liked to see activity in the church. It is a sure sign of the presence of the Holy Spirit. I believe Roy truly had the spiritual gifts of wisdom and discernment.

We have a lot of activity going on here at St. Paul's UCC. If Roy is correct, and I believe he is, the Holy Spirit is at work among us. As powerful as the Holy Spirit is, it does not do the work alone. I pray the Holy Spirit, like the power of wind and fire (important symbols of the Holy Spirit), will spread among our members to accomplish its purpose to build up the Body of Christ, which is the church.

I hope all of St. Paul's UCC's members, as they are able, will be moved by the Spirit of God to participate and support the many upcoming activities we have planned: car show, chicken dinner, Sunday School, new church council officers, membership care, evangelism, stewardship, and so much more.

The work of the Holy Spirit is to build up the church, I pray the Spirit will move more of our members to realize how vital attendance in Sunday morning worship is to be the church God wants us to be. Worship is literally the "work of the people." Without worship, we cannot fulfill our mission statement: "A loving church, making a difference in the world." God bless you.

Pastor Deeker



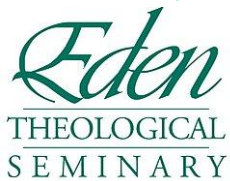
HAPPY  
LABOR  
DAY



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### September Extra Step - Eden Seminary (Webster Groves, MO)



#### and Festival of sharing Food & Hygiene Kits

One of the six official seminaries of the UCC. It was established in 1850 by German pastors in Marthasville, MO as



Das Deutsche Evangelische Predigerseminar, or, more locally, as the German Evangelical Seminary. The pastors soon formed the German Evangelical Synod of North America which, became a part of the United Church of Christ (UCC).



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Festival of Sharing is part of the Heritage Cluster mission. Lists for kits are in the lobby. **All kits are due on Sunday, September 7th.**

### ***St. Paul's UCC Staff***

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

### ***Church Council***

Bob Aholt.....	President, Altar Guild Rep.
Jim Buescher .....	Vice President, Pastoral Relations Committee Rep.
Bonnie Borgmann .....	Treasurer
Cathie Schoppenhorst .....	Financial Secretary, Missions Committee Rep., Historical Committee Rep.
Terri Ogle.....	Recording Secretary
John Buhr .....	Buildings & Grounds Committee Rep.
Jodi Lange.....	Social Media Rep., Christian Ed. Committee Rep., Membership Care Committee Rep.



**WOMEN'S GUILD**  
**WED., SEPT. 3<sup>RD</sup>**  
**2PM**  
**FELLOWSHIP HALL**



**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**  
**MON., SEPT. 15<sup>TH</sup>—6PM**

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**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.*

**WASHINGTON CIVIC CHORUS**

The Washington Civic Chorus will begin rehearsals on

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>**

for its

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

scheduled for

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

*See flier in the lobby and upcoming newsletters for further info.*

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**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 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the months of May-Sept.*

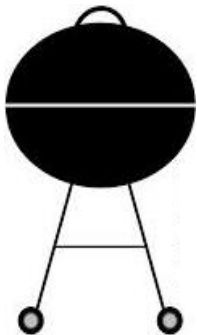
*Be watching future newsletters for further information.*



**SEPT. 26<sup>TH</sup>—“TEXAS GIANTS”** (Country/Blue Grass)



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**EVANGELISM**

*Food Stand figures from the Concert in the Park in August are not in yet, but will be relayed when they become available.*

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**Church Council**  
**Meeting:**

**Monday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30pm**





## ALTAR FLOWERS:



**Aug. 3:** in honor of Ophelia Lange's 4<sup>th</sup> birthday (Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>),  
by Don & Wanda Lange.

**Aug. 10:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.  
Extra arrangement from the funeral of Roy Gould.

**Aug. 17:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.

**Aug. 24:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.  
Extra arrangement in honor of Allan & Nita Hasenjaeger's 19<sup>th</sup>  
wedding anniversary (Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>), by Lulu Hasenjaeger.

**Aug. 31:** to the honor and glory of God, by the Women's Guild.

**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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## 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

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### Supply—September

Sept. 7— Don Deeker  
Sept. 14— Don Deeker  
Sept. 21— Don Deeker  
Sept. 28— Don Deeker



### Supply—October

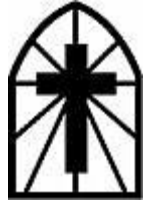
Oct. 5— Don Deeker  
Oct. 12— Don Deeker  
Oct. 19— Don Deeker  
Oct. 26— Don Deeker



# Services of Worship

9:30am

Pastor by Supply



<u>September</u>	<u>7th</u>	<u>14th</u>	<u>21st</u>	<u>28th</u>
<b>Ushers</b>	Jim Buhr (lead) Karen Dohrer Cathie Schoppenhorst Lulu Hasenjaeger Cindy Buescher	Cathie Schoppenhorst (lead) Gene Ahmann Karla Aholt Marigene Kersten Ann Jenkins	Jodi Lange (lead) Audrey Meyer Terri Ogle John Presser Nancy Presser	Terri Ogle (lead) Tony Rohe Curt Rohe Robbin DeVore Kylie Rohe
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kersten Mayer	Kennady Mayer	Addy Engelage	Colsie Lange
<b>Readers</b>	Cathie Schoppenhorst	Karla Aholt	Terri Ogle	Curt Rohe
<b>Greeters</b>	Brenda Roloff Cathie Schoppenhorst	Gene Ahmann Karla Aholt	Audrey Meyer John & Nancy P.	Tony Rohe Curt Rohe
<b>Fellowship</b>	<b>NEED VOLUNTEER</b>	<b>NEED VOLUNTEER</b>	_____	Debbie Garbs

## Worship Attendance:

8-3-2025---40

8-10-2025---33

8-17-2025---38

8-24-2025---40

8-31-2025---(next issue)

## The Adult Choir

Come join us in song! **FOR SEPTEMBER**, the choir will sing on Sun., Sept. 28th (fourth Sunday).

Practice will be on Wed., September 24th at 7pm.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

Contact Debbie Garbs or Sally Rohe with questions or inquiries.



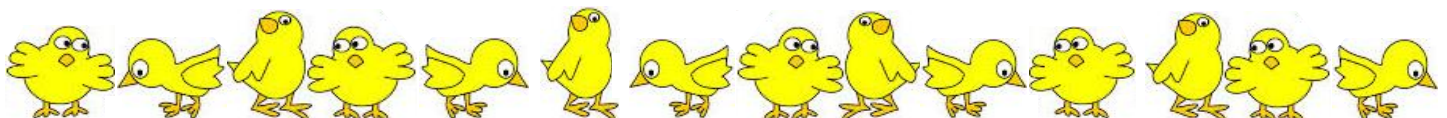
## Suggested Scripture Readings for September

Sept. 7th — Jeremiah 18:1-11 and Psalm 139:1-6,13-18 *or*  
Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and Psalm 1 Philemon 1:1-21 Luke 14:25-33

Sept. 14th — Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28 and Psalm 14 *or*  
Exodus 32:7-14 and Psalm 51:1-10 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10

Sept. 21st — Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1 and Psalm 79:1-9 *or*  
Amos 8:4-7 and Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13

Sept. 28th — Jeremiah 32:1-3a,6-15 and Psalm 91:1-6,14-16 *or*  
Amos 6:1a,4-7 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31 Psalm 146



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## 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 7th.***

### **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 box (provided) 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".

### **CWS Hygiene Kits**

***Each kit should contain:***

- 1 wash cloth
- 1 tooth brush (in original package)
- 1 wide-tooth comb (remove packaging)  
-must have at least 6 in. of teeth  
-no pocket combs or picks
- Travel-size deodorant (3.4 oz or less, non-aerosol)
- Travel-size lotion (3.4 oz. or less, fragrance-free, NEW only)
- Travel-size shampoo (3.4 oz. or less, NEW only)
- Travel-size toothpaste (3.4 oz. or less, expiration date of 1 year)
- 1 bar of soap (bath size in original package)
- 1 nail clipper (remove packaging)

Place all items in a 1-gallon plastic bag with zipper closure; remove excess air from bag and seal.

**Other types of kits are listed at [festivalofsharing.org/kitinstructions](http://festivalofsharing.org/kitinstructions)**

*Thank you for your participation!*

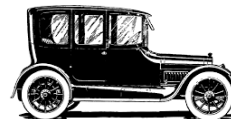
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## **ST. PAUL'S UCC ANNUAL CAR & BIKE SHOW September 6, 2025**



*See flier in the lobby for further details, or contact a member of the Men's Fellowship with questions or inquiries.*



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# 2025 TRACTOR CRUISE NORTHERN ROUTE

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

(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**  
10:55-12:15pm **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 **18<sup>th</sup> annual Tractor Cruise**—the **7th 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 150 tractors participated—62 on the Northern Route. 6,500 lbs. of food was collected for the food pantries. *Thank you in advance for your participation! (More info in the lobby.)*

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On September 30<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Don Horter, an avid and enthusiastic promoter of CROP, will be staying overnight at St. Paul's UCC. He will use the shower facilities in the parsonage.

I will be hosting a supper meal for him and a few people from Zion UCC, Union, who are also advocates for CROP.

CROP is an organization that promotes hunger awareness in the world as well as raising funds to feed the poor and hungry.

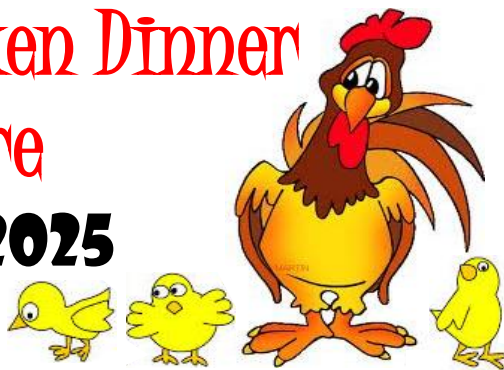
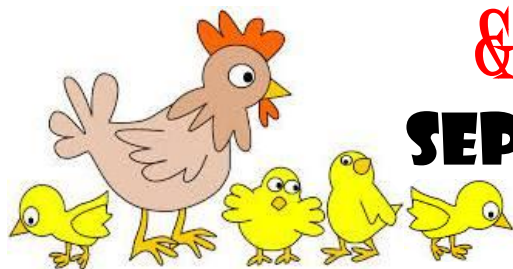
It would be nice if members of the missions committee, the church council, and any others in the church attended the meal and stayed for a discussion about CROP and CROP WALKS. Let me or the church office know if you would like to attend.

Don, Pastor Emeritus

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# St. Paul's Annual Chicken Dinner & Country Store



**SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**

**11AM-5PM**

**—CAFETERIA STYLE / DINE IN OR CARRY-OUT—**

**ADULTS & ALL CARRY-OUTS \$16**

**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!!

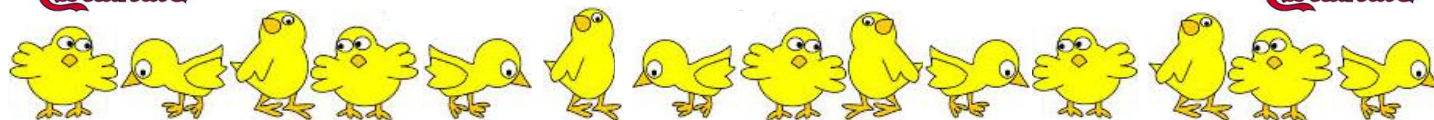
*Sign-up sheets are in the lobby—be sure to sign up for the shift you prefer.*

*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.

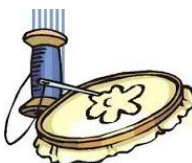
*Tickets for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes will be drawn at the chicken dinner.*

**Sunday, September 21, 2025**



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

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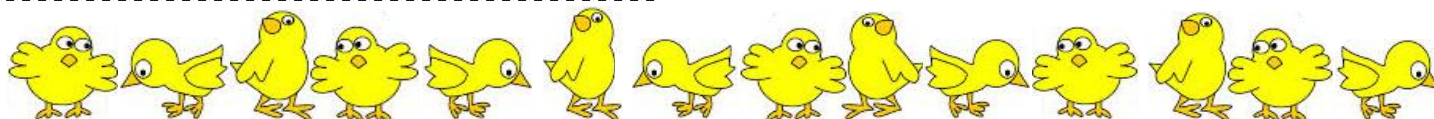


Donations for  
The Country Store



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.*





## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2nd: Elise Homeyer  
Charlotte Mittler  
3rd: Nancy Liesmann  
5th: Rita Bub  
6th: Charley Elder  
8th: Wendy Kammer  
10th: Taylor Steffens  
11th: Steve Zeh  
13th: Maggie Barron  
15th: Tom DeVore  
16th: Jeff Mueller  
17th: Ron DeVore  
Terri Ogle  
20th: Kayla Niemeyer  
22nd: Clint Hanne  
23rd: Danny Presser  
25th: Jack Chambers  
26th: Karen Dohrer  
Tristan Zeh  
27th: Nicholas Rohe



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10th: Bob & Maggie Barron  
12th: Rock & Brenda Roloff  
14th: Marvin & Ellen Engelage-1968  
18th: Clint & Kylie Hanne  
19th: Brian & Amber Lange  
21st: Kirk & Joell Engelage  
Jarod & Abbie Walde  
23rd: Don & Carrie Deeker  
Charles & Mona Anderson  
24th: John & Kay Buhr  
28th: Mark & Nancy Kimball



## ANNIVERSARIES OF BAPTISM

(none this month)



### AUTUMN TID BIT: —A FUN EXPERIMENT—

**Standing Eggs?**—There are only two days of the year when you can stand an egg on its end, the autumn and spring equinox. To do this you will need an egg. (It does not have to be hard-boiled.) Place the egg on a hard, flat surface on its largest end. Carefully pull your hands away and it should remain upright.

**"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.



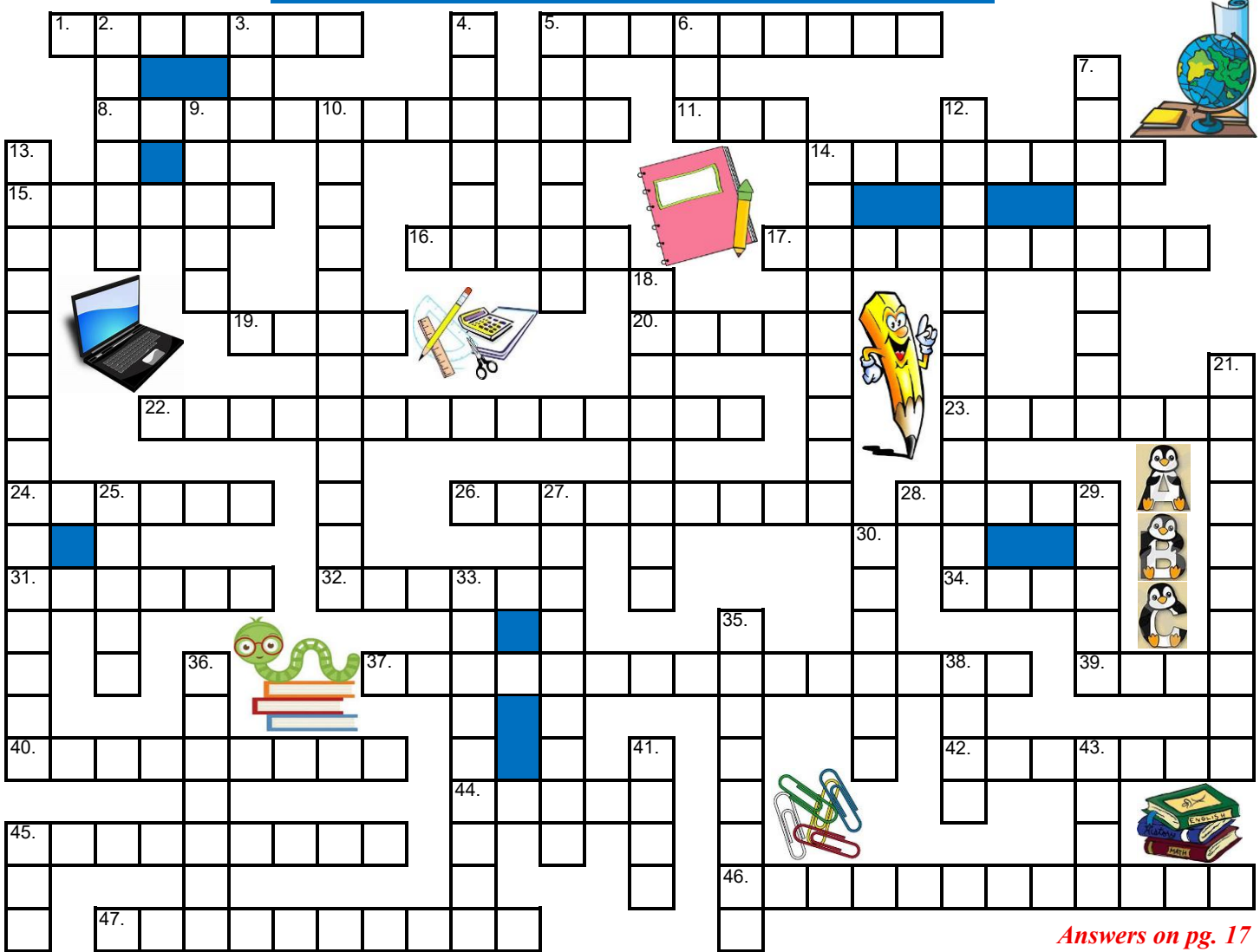
### AUTUMN SCRAMBLE

(Answers to puzzle pg. 13)

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|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. harvest   | 7. rake     | 13. red       | 19. spider      |
| 2. leaves    | 8. acorn    | 14. brown     | 20. hayride     |
| 3. scarecrow | 9. squirrel | 15. October   | 21. morning dew |
| 4. yellow    | 10. apple   | 16. equinox   |                 |
| 5. bonfire   | 11. orange  | 17. September |                 |
| 6. pear      | 12. fall    | 18. pumpkin   |                 |

"A fallen leaf is nothing more than a summer's wave goodbye."

# "Back in the Classroom"



Answers on pg. 17

## **ACROSS:**

1. A person who provides education or pupils and students; head of a classroom.
5. Animals that are active at night are said to be \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The art or practice of garden cultivation and management.
11. In the Pledge of Allegiance, we recite, "... \_\_\_\_ Nation, under God."
14. A branch of mathematics that deals with the measurement, properties, and relationship of points, lines, angles, surfaces, and solids.
15. A break in the day for students; playtime.
16. Songs sung in church.
17. The study of writing for newspapers, magazines, or news websites or preparing news for broadcast.
19. A formal test that you take to show your knowledge or ability in a particular subject.
20. The last line of the UCC Statement of Faith reads: "Blessing and \_\_\_\_\_, Glory and Power be unto Him."
22. The branch of education theory that relates to the teaching of children from birth to the age of eight is \_\_\_\_\_ Education. (two words)
23. A part of mathematics in which letters and other general symbols are used to represent numbers in formulas and equations.
24. Jesus' earthly father.
26. The study of the development, structure, and functioning of human society, including its social problems.
28. The zodiac signs of September are Virgo and \_\_\_\_\_.
31. Jesus dying for our sins makes Him our \_\_\_\_\_.
32. Labor Day is a reminder that \_\_\_\_\_ is coming to an end.
34. Coming immediately after the present one in order, rank, or space.
37. Any language not commonly spoken in the country of the speaker. (two words)



39. Literacy is the ability to \_\_\_\_\_ and write.
40. The branch of knowledge concerned with the production, consumption, and transfer of wealth.
42. The scientific study of the behavior, structure, physiology, classification, and distribution of animals.
44. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are \_\_\_\_\_-in-one.
45. The branch of science which deals with celestial objects, space, and the physical universe as a whole.
46. The art or practice of designing and constructing buildings.
47. The scientific study of the human mind and its functions, especially those affecting behavior in a given context.



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2. The branch of knowledge that deals with moral principles.
3. Opposite of cold.
4. The study of plant life of a particular region, habitat, or geological period.
5. The study of the profession or practice of providing care for the sick.
6. How many of each animal were aboard the Ark?
7. An animal that feeds on plants.
9. On Easter, we rejoice that "He is not here; he has \_\_\_\_\_!" (Luke 24:6-7)
10. Study related to food preparation, cooking, and presentation of food, usually in the form of meals. (two words)
12. On September 22, 1862, Abraham Lincoln issued the \_\_\_\_\_ Proclamation, which ended slavery in the territories held by the Confederacy, effective January 1, 1863.
13. The study of the police, courts, and correctional institutions (such as prisons), and juvenile justice agencies, as well as the agents who operate within these institutions, (two words)
14. The study of places and the relationships between people and their environments.
18. The study of the nature of God and religious belief.
21. September 11<sup>th</sup> is known as \_\_\_\_\_. (two words)
25. The number of red stripes on the U.S. flag.
27. An animal that feeds on flesh or meat.
29. September's flowers are forget-me-not, morning glory, and \_\_\_\_\_.
30. September 22, 2025—the first day of \_\_\_\_\_.
33. The business of promoting and selling products or services, including market research and advertising.
35. The holiday observed on the first Monday of September. (two words)
36. The study of the composition, structure, physical properties, and history of the Earth's components, such as rock, sediment, soil, rivers, and natural resources.
38. To look steadily and intently, especially in admiration, surprise, or thought.
41. The abbreviation of the nine month of the year.
43. Opposite of right.
45. High School students take this test for college placement.



## —Sunday School Classes—

### **A new year of Sunday School Classes begins!**

St. Paul's UCC Christian Ed welcomes children ages 3 to high school. Sunday School classes follow the service of worship, and students will be escorted to their classes—as in the past. Classes will last approximately 45 minutes. We want to give a **special thanks** to our teachers, and those who serve on the Christian Education Committee.

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**NOTE: Classes will be EVERY OTHER Sunday, beginning Sunday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. Schedules will be posted in the lobby and sent out to participating students.**





## *“Off the Subject”*



ACCOUNTING  
 AGRICULTURE  
 ALGEBRA  
 ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY  
 ANTHROPOLOGY  
 ASTRONOMY  
 BAND  
 BIOLOGY  
 BOTANY  
 BUSINESS  
 CALCULUS  
 CHEMISTRY  
 COMPUTER PROGRAMMING  
 CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
 CULINARY ARTS  
 DRAWING  
 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION  
 ECONOMICS  
 ENGLISH  
 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE  
 ETHICS

FASHION  
 FILM PRODUCTION  
 FOREIGN LANGUAGE  
 GEOGRAPHY  
 GEOLOGY  
 GEOMETRY  
 GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION  
 GRAPHIC DESIGN  
 HEALTH  
 HISTORY  
 HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
 JOURNALISM  
 LAW  
 LITERATURE  
 MARKETING  
 MATH  
 MERCHANDISING  
 METALWORKING  
 MUSIC THEORY  
 NURSING

NUTRITION  
 ORCHESTRA  
 PAINTING  
 PERSONAL FINANCE  
 PHILOSOPHY  
 PHOTOGRAPHY  
 PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
 PHYSICS  
 POETRY  
 PSYCHOLOGY  
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 STATISTICS  
 THEATER  
 TRIGONOMETRY  
 TYPING  
 U S GOVT  
 VOICE  
 WOODWORKING  
 WORLD RELIGIONS  
 ZOOLOGY

*(After finding the words in the puzzle, use the unused letters to solve the messages on pg. 13)*

# "Off the Subject"

Use the unused letters from the puzzle on the previous page to solve the messages below.

" \_\_\_\_\_ most \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ which \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ the  
 \_\_\_\_\_." *Nelson Mandela*

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"The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ in one  
 \_\_\_\_\_ will be the \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_." *Abraham Lincoln*  
*Answers on pg. 17*

## AUTUMN SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the words to solve the hidden message below.

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. vhtsear</li> <li>2. aveesl</li> <li>3. cesowrrac</li> <li>4. lowlye</li> <li>5. binrefo</li> <li>6. prae</li> <li>7. aker</li> <li>8. racon</li> <li>9. isrqeulr</li> <li>10. alppe</li> <li>11. nagreo</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12. lfal</li> <li>13. rde</li> <li>14. owbrn</li> <li>15. btoorec</li> <li>16. nuxiqoe</li> <li>17. btesrpeem</li> <li>18. kmunppi</li> <li>19. preids</li> <li>20. yeadrhi</li> <li>21. nromign ewd</li> </ol>
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Author unknown

*Answers on pg. 9*



**According to superstition, catching leaves in autumn brings good luck. Every leaf means a lucky month next year.**





## AUTUMN TID BITS

**The Planet**—On the first day of autumn, the sun is aligned with the center between the North and the South of the earth. On that day, the light and dark hours are exactly the same length. This is called 'equinox', derived from the Latin word 'aequus' which means 'equal.'



**What happens to plants?**—Yellow, orange and variations thereof always reside in the pigmentation of tree leaves, but they are overpowered by the abundance of green from the chlorophyll in the leaves. Come autumn, when the sun weakens and days grow shorter, the amount of chlorophyll in leaves diminishes, allowing the other pigments in the leaves to show through. Red and purple leaves are actually caused by the presence of sugars from sap that is trapped inside of the leaves.

**Autumn for animals**—Squirrels do not hibernate, they collect and bury nuts the entire autumn! They rely on storing nuts to be able to eat during winter. When they do come out in winter, they are usually tunneling under snow to find the food they buried during the fall. The nuts they bury, but don't retrieve, sprout into new trees.



**The aurora borealis**, also known as the Northern Lights, are geo-magnetic storms that occur when charged solar particles squeeze through our atmosphere's defenses and collide with gaseous particles in Earth's sky. Due to longer, clearer nights, this occurs twice as often during fall and winter months.

### Monarch butterflies

make autumn a migratory season, flying South from America to Mexico and parts of California.



Traveling at speeds of 12-25 mph, they are the only insect that migrates up to 2,500 miles for nicer weather.

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## SEPTEMBER FUN FACTS:

- September is the ninth month and the only month with the same number of letters in its name in English as the number of the month.
- September starts on the same day of the week as December each year, but does not end on the same day of the week as any other month in the year.
- Labor Day is observed every year on the first Monday in September.
- Grandparent's Day is observed in the United States on the first Sunday after Labor Day.
- In the northern hemisphere, the Autumn Equinox occurs and fall begins. This takes place on September 22nd or 23rd, depending on the year.
- The only US president to have had a September birthday was William Taft (Sept. 15, 1857).
- President William McKinley was shot on September 6, 1901 while attending the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition in New York. He passed away eight days later, on September 14, 1901.
- On September 5th, 1961, President John F. Kennedy signed a hijacking bill, making air piracy a crime punishable by death or imprisonment.
- The Great Fire of London occurred on September 2, 1666.
- The poem "Mary had a Little Lamb" was published September 1st, 1830.
- World War II began in September 1939, when Hitler invaded Poland.
- The very first comic strip was printed in an American newspaper on September 11th, 1875.
- In September of 1920, Earle Dickson, of Highland Park, New Jersey, invented the Band-Aid for his wife who frequently burned herself while cooking. He was a cotton buyer for the Johnson & Johnson Co.
- Former President Richard M. Nixon was given an unconditional pardon, for his role in the infamous "Watergate" fiasco by President Gerald Ford, September 8, 1974.



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

The family of Phil Miltenberger (of Marthasville) who passed away on 8/16; the family of Celeste Schriefer (of Defiance) who passed away on 8/4; Murrill Wohler—on hospice; Dale Hackmann—on hospice; Mark Engemann—on hospice with feeding tube at home; David Lange—heart issues and upcoming related procedures; Matthew Cooper (Washington Police Officer and School Resource Officer at Washington Middle School)—hit during a traffic accident while at Ted Drewes, and will be out of work for several months; Steve Calvert (friend of Curt Rohe)—health issues; Arnold & Marcia Rekate (Walean Bunge's brother & sister-in-law)—Arnold is in a rehab facility with pancreatic issues, Marcia has stage-4 cancer; the families who have been affected by armed violence in this country and in the world; the people of Ukraine & Israel, and of those who are in harm's way trying to protect them; those who have been affected by natural disasters; all who are ill as well as those on the front lines, caring for those who are ill.



**Those Battling Cancer:** Bonnie Borgmann, Caiden Thies, Marigene Kersten, Mildred Hinnah, Dave Pruitt, Teresa Wheeler, Marcia Rekate, Brenda Gratza, Glennon Hepperman, Rev. Jeffrey Willey, Marie Schneider, Eric Moritz, Marsha Meyer, Kurt Gildehaus, Ted Lepper, James Heady, Isaac Mercer, Kristi Warneke.

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

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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  
Union Care Center  
1080 Marie Lane  
Union, MO 63084



Mary Mittler  
Homestead at Hickory View  
1481 Marbach Dr., Room 317  
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.

### Messages from Word Search pg. 12-13:

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” *Nelson Mandela*

“The philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next.”  
*Abraham Lincoln*

### CROSSWORD ANSWERS: (from pg. 10-11)

#### ACROSS:

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|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1. Teacher      | 17. Journalism      | 28. Libra   | 40. Economics    |
| 5. Nocturnal    | 19. Exam            | 31. Savior  | 42. Zoology      |
| 8. Horticulture | 20. Honor           | 32. Summer  | 44. Three        |
| 11. One         | 22. Early Childhood | 34. Next    | 45. Astronomy    |
| 14. Geometry    | 23. Algebra         | 37. Foreign | 46. Architecture |
| 15. Recess      | 24. Joseph          | Language    | 47. Psychology   |
| 16. Hymns       | 26. Sociology       | 39. Read    |                  |

#### DOWN:

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| 2. Ethics    | 10. Culinary Arts | 25. Seven     | 38. Gaze  |
| 3. Hot       | 12. Emancipation  | 27. Carnivore | 41. Sept. |
| 4. Botany    | 13. Criminal      | 29. Aster     | 43. Left  |
| 5. Nursing   | Justice           | 30. Autumn    | 45. ACT   |
| 6. Two       | 14. Geography     | 33. Marketing |           |
| 7. Herbivore | 18. Theology      | 35. Labor Day |           |
| 9. Risen     | 21. Patriot Day   | 36. Geology   |           |



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# St. Paul's UCC Church Calendar—September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 NO Quilting today. 	2	3  2pm Women's Guild	4 	5	6  CAR & BIKE SHOW
7 Bring-A-Meal Sunday 9:30am Worship w/ Holy Communion NO Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship  10:55-11:35am TRACTOR CRUISE	8 10am-4pm Quilting  6:30pm Church Council	9  6:30pm-7:30pm Food Pantry @ CBC	10 	11	12 	13
14 9:30am Worship NO Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship	15 10am-4pm Quilting   6PM MEN'S FELLOWSHIP	16	17	18 	19 8am Chicken Dinner Set-up & Food Prep 	20  11am-12N Food Pantry @ CBC
21 9:30am Worship NO Sunday School NO AM Fellowship 11am-5pm Chicken Dinner, Quilt Raffle, & Country Store 	22 10am-4pm Quilting   FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN	23 	24  7pm Adult Choir Practice	25	26 7pm Concert in the Park 	27 
28 9:30am Worship NO Sunday School 10:30am AM Fellowship	29 10am-4pm Quilting 	30 	 <i>"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven." (Ecclesiastes 3:1 KJV)</i>			



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