



# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Fremont, Ohio*



**Eagle's  
Wings**  
July 2020

Loving    Worshiping    Learning    Serving,  
In the name of Christ.

## What and Why

It is hard to believe how many changes we have endured in a few short months. Sometimes it feels like we are moving too fast, and others times it feels like we are not moving at all. In all of the change and stagnation it can become overwhelming to think and rethink, "What do we do next?" Lately I have tried to move away from the "what do we do?" questions, and focusing instead on "why we do what we do?" questions.

I have found two answers that I continue to dwell on. The first answer I came to is, "I am doing it to glorify God." This pandemic has moved us all into uncomfortable places. We have been forced to learn new technology that we would rather not use, we are at home more than we would like, and we could probably fill a newsletter article with complaints. But, we continue to put forth our best effort to care for our neighbors and ourselves even when we are struggling with sadness and grief because it is how we live to the glory of God. We move forward, not back to what was, but forward to the next experiment as a church because we know that we can still glorify God even when church has changed so drastically. Glorifying God is our underlying motive and our purpose.

The second answer to "Why are you doing that?" is because it is how the mission of the church is lived out. On page 855 of the Book of Common Prayer our catechism tells us about the mission of the church.

Q. What is the mission of the Church?

A. The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.

Q. How does the Church pursue its mission?

A. The Church pursues its mission as it prays and worships, proclaims the Gospel, and promotes justice, peace, and love.

Q. Through whom does the Church carry out its mission?

A. The church carries out its mission through the ministry of all its members.

When the "what do we do next?" keeps changing, our "why are we doing this?" will guide us forward. The church still has a mission; we are just finding new ways to accomplish that mission. We also are reminded why we keep on trying and that is because our lives are to glorify God. Others will revert back to what was, they will fight to go back to "normal," but the church is called forward to new and uncharted waters. We will find our way through all of this, just keep your focus on the why.

Matt+

**VISION STATEMENT: "St. Paul's Episcopal Church seeks to provide an open community of faith for all who need love, hope, and acceptance."**



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**COMMUNITY MEAL**



ST. PAUL'S  
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Community Meals

Sunday, July 26  
from 5 to 6 p.m.  
Carry-out only.

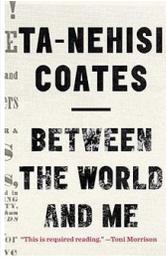
# SUNDAYS AND WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY



Sunny days we will be meeting at 2740 Progress Road. (see directions below)



On rainy Sundays please find our services on Facebook and Zoom. We will only stream on Facebook (Not Zoom) when we are meeting in person. We are not using a password anymore for any of our Zoom meetings.



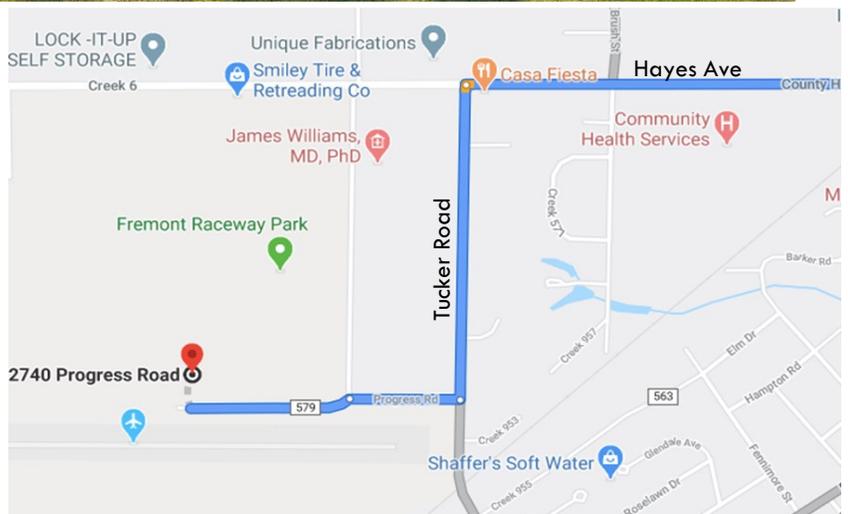
Wednesday Micah Bible Study takes place at 8:00pm on Zoom and will conclude on July 1st.

A new study starts on July 22nd featuring the book, *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates. We will meet at 7pm in person at the shelter house of Birchard park. (No Facebook live for this study.)



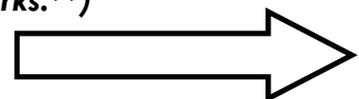
## Directions From St. Paul's to 2740 Progress Road

- Head south on N Park Ave toward Court St
- Turn right onto Hayes Ave
- Turn left onto Tucker Rd (at Casa Fiesta)
- Turn right onto Progress Rd
- Turn left (slightly) to stay on Progress Rd



## Services Bookmarks

to help you follow along during outdoor services. Just cut them out and place in your prayer book. (\*\*Note: intercessors and readers are noted on the bookmarks.\*\*)



**June 28, 4th Sun after Pentecost,  
Track 2**

Jeremiah 28:5-9  
Psalm 89:1-4,15-18 (BCP 713-)  
Romans 6:12-23  
Matthew 10:40-42

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**

The Word of God **BCP 355**  
The Collect of the Day **BCP 230-231**  
The Lessons (Track 2) **See above**  
The Sermon  
The Nicene Creed **BCP 358**  
The Prayers of the People **BCP 383**  
Concluding Collect **BCP 394**  
Confession of Sin **BCP 360**  
The Peace **BCP 360**  
The Holy Communion **BCP 361-366**  
Eucharistic Prayer A  
Proper Preface **BCP 377**

**Post Communion Prayer:**

Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present Lord Jesus as you were present with your disciples, be known to us in the breaking of the break, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

**July 5 Proper 9, Track 2**

Zechariah 9:9-12  
Psalm 145:8-15 (BCP 801-)  
Romans 7:15-25a  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Intercessor: Bev Hart  
Reader: Betty Miller

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**July 12, Proper 10 Track 2**

Isaiah 55:10-13  
Psalm 65: 1-14 (BCP 672-)  
Romans 8:1-11  
Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Intercessor: Randy Speer  
Reader: Pattee Kuzma

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**July 19, Proper 11, Track 2**

Isaiah 44:6-8  
Psalm 86:11-17 (BCP 709-)  
Romans 8:12-25  
Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

Intercessor: Marcia Webster  
Reader: Bernadette Earhart

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**July 26, Proper 12, Track 2**

1 Kings 3:5-12  
Psalm 119:129-136 (BCP 774-)  
Romans 8:26-39  
Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Intercessor: Carolyn Speer  
Reader: Bill Young

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## VESTRY SECONDS . . .

A shortened version of the Vestry minutes  
June 28, 2020

Matt announced that we received a check from the Diocese of Ohio for \$65,000 in support of our parish. It is expected that there will be support for the next two years in diminishing amounts. This money from the diocese, however, does not get us out of financial trouble. We now need to do our part to further reduce our reliance on the Foundation going forward.

Matt asked for Vestry members' thoughts regarding getting Wi-Fi for use in the sanctuary and parish hall. There was definite interest, so Matt will apply for a Ministry and Growth Grant from the diocese to cover the costs.

During discussion of St. Paul's involvement in the County Fair this year, people pointed out that there will probably be a lot less attendance since there are no rides or games, keeping the tent sanitized would require much more effort, and we would need younger people than usual to man the tent due to the greater risk of COVID-19 for older people. It was decided that we not continue with our Comfort Station at the County Fair this year.

Discussion took place regarding our plan for building use. Beth Hackenburg, Carolyn Speer and Mary Bower agreed to serve on a committee to develop a plan for returning to services in our building.

The Vestry agreed to again hold elections at St. Paul's in November, if they are held then.

Matt asked for volunteers to work on the church's By-Laws. Kay Klein and Beth volunteered to work with Matt.

The Vestry's next ZOOM meeting will be Sunday, July 19, at 11:30 a.m.

## Respond today for a better tomorrow.



It has never been easier to respond to the census on your own. You can respond:



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By phone



Or by mail

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau counts everyone living in the U.S. It is important for everyone to respond to the 2020 Census so communities like yours receive their fair share of federal funding for health care, accessibility services, and more.

Respond today at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov)  
or call **844-330-2020**

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We will have a community meal on Sunday, July 26, from 5 to 6 p.m. Carry-out only. If you would like to help with the coordination of this meal, contact Kay Klein at 419-616-3660 or [kayellenklein@aol.com](mailto:kayellenklein@aol.com). If you are able to help with passing out the meals, contact Fr. Matt.

# Getting to know your Vestry



**Beth Hackenburg**  
**Vestry Member**

To begin my story, I feel I need to tell you a few things about myself. I collect antique glass, unique paperweights, and shot glasses. I like to color and have always loved reading and even writing poetry.

I started my Episcopal journey in Bellevue with catechism and confirmation. After a few years, our family transferred to St. Paul's, Fremont. My siblings and I attended church most every Sunday with our grandmother, Ruth Scheerer. Grandma started her journey with her children in the Episcopal Church in Clyde until it closed and later was turned in to the Clyde Museum.

I moved to Sandusky at the age of 19 and stopped going to church most of the time until I moved back to Clyde in 1995. Once back in Clyde, I started driving my grandma to St. Paul's. It was safer that way. If you knew my grandma, you know what I'm talking about. (She had an amusing way of parking.)

I stopped coming to church when Gram passed away. Things just didn't feel the same after that. She always seemed to be the driving force behind me going to church. Come to find out, she wasn't really that driving force, it was God. After some time, God guided me back to His House. That did not happen without obstacles, but He did not give up on me.

When I finally came back that first Sunday, I walked up to the front door, still with some hesitation, only to find the front doors locked. LOCKED!! No explanation, nothing. I was so discouraged that I went to my car and cried all the way home. God's driving force told me several weeks later to try again. I found out that day the reason the doors were locked is they were having church in the park and forgot to put a sign on the door. This time I invited my friend Denise to go with me, and she accepted. That day turned in to a new spiritual beginning for her and me. Denise felt so welcomed she became a member of our loving community. That same day, I felt a peace I had never felt before. I believe it was God's way of telling me that I was finally HOME. (God does work in mysterious ways.)

Since my return, I have served in many capacities such as Senior Warden, Sexton, Vestry member, and co-host of several community meals. I am so proud of the condition of our beautiful space in St. Paul's. I am happy that I listened to God calling me back to this small, kind, and loving church community. I am truly blessed in so many ways due in part to so many here at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Thank you, friends.

## **Thank You**

Thank you to the parishioner who donated their entire stimulus check to St Paul's. The church really appreciates your support in these tough times.

If you would like to donate to St. Paul's please make checks payable to St. Paul's Episcopal Church and mail to 206 N. Park Ave. Fremont, OH 43420 or donate on online by following this link <https://dohio.org/designate-a-gift-to-your-parish> . Make sure to designate St Paul's Fremont.

Happy  
Birthday!



James Lee 7/2  
Peter Straube 7/2  
Fiona Burgess 7/5  
Kenneth Rutski 7/5  
Joshua Goodhand 7/6  
Kennedy Rohm 7/6  
Brenda Pero 7/7  
Mary Kridler 7/7  
Chris Massery 7/12  
Matt Wahlgren 7/12

Martha Swiger 7/13  
Chris Kieffer 7/15  
Philip Wastler 7/16  
Bob Parker 7/17  
Jake Hasselbach 7/23  
Marilyn Wastler 7/26  
Emily Wahlgren 7/27  
David Kieffer 7/28  
Richard Smith 7/29  
Erika Naddaf 7/31

Happy  
Anniversary!

- ♥ David & Lori Tolhurst 7/2
- ♥ Thomas & Fabienne Stout 7/3
- ♥ Larry & Marlene Fabbro 7/11
- ♥ Shon & Amy Lawless 7/13
- ♥ Tom & Chyleen Scott 7/13
- ♥ Jonathan & Heather Hetrick 7/16
- ♥ Allen & Heather McRobbie 7/24

We give thanks to God for the following people and we give thanks to them as well.

**Tina Hasselbach and Heather Hetrick** for being the host for June's community meal; **Ken Rutski and Matt Wahlgren** for passing out the food at the door.

**Bev and Roger Hart** for providing special music for our services.

**Fr. Matt** for offering us online worship and study opportunities while we stayed at home.

**Father Matt's Birthday is July 12th.**



We thought it might be fun to have parishioners send him a birthday card with the hope of giving him a boat load! (Anyone have a boat we can borrow?! Hee hee) Perhaps an email with how he has impacted your lives?

**Please mail cards to:**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 206 N. Park Ave., Fremont, OH 43420  
Or email to [stpaulsfremont@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stpaulsfremont@sbcglobal.net)

# Prayers Requested



Susan Bergeman, Joe Binder, Emmy Bryan, Samantha Burgess and family, Ted Goodwin, Richard Graeter, Jacob Hasselbach, Teresa Ilich, Keith Kuzma, Joseph Margoni, Mary Lynne Moyers, Mary Lou Parker, Megan, Clarice Sayle, Isabel Sweeney and family, Brooke Taylor, Lori Tolhurst, Katherine Young.

## *In the Diocese of Ohio*

### July 5, 2020

In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the West Mission Area.

St. John the Evangelist's Church, Napoleon

St. Paul's Church, Oregon

St. Timothy's Church, Perrysburg, The Rev. Jeffry L. Bunke, Rector

St. Mark's Church, Sidney, The Rev. Elizabeth Kelly, Priest-in-Charge

### July 12, 2020

In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the West Mission Area.

All Saints Church, Toledo

St. Andrew's Church, Toledo, The Rev. Bridget E. Coffey, Rector

St. Matthew's Church, Toledo, The Rev. Nancy E. Kin, Priest-in-Charge

St. Michael's in the Hills Church, Toledo, The Very Rev. Foster Mays

Trinity Church, Toledo, The Rev. Lisa A. Tucker-Gray, Rector

### July 19, 2020

In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for our Postulants and Candidates.

Ms. Megan Allen, Church of Our Saviour, Akron

Ms. Annie Brock, Harcourt Parish, Gambier

Ms. Meghan Carlson, St. James, Painesville

Mr. Jon Coventry, St. Paul's, Canton

Mr. Chris Decatur, Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland

Ms. Allie Heeter

Mr. Daniel Mason

Mr. David McBee, St. Paul's, Akron

Mr. Al Muller, St. Hubert's, Kirtland

Ms. Leah Romanelli, St. Paul's, Cleveland Hts.

Mr. Noah Sutterisch, Ascension, Lakewood

The Rev. Robin Woodberry, St. John's, Youngstown

### July 26, 2020

In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for Clergy in Specialized Ministries.

The Rev. Lydia K. Bailey, Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry

The Rev. Meghan F. Froelich, Missioner, Transition Ministry

The Rev. Sahra M. Harding, Chaplain, Cleveland Clinic Spiritual Care

The Rev. Angela S. Ifill, Missioner for the Office of Black Ministries, Episcopal Church Center

The Rev. Gay C. Jennings, President, House of Deputies

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**The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop**  
**The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth, Jr., Bishop, Diocese of Ohio**  
**The Rev. Matt Wahlgren, Priest-in-Charge**

**Vestry Members:** Carolyn Speer (20) Senior Warden,  
Tina Hasselbach (21) Junior Warden,  
Kay Klein (21) Clerk, Bill Young (22), Chyleen Scott (22),  
Beth Hackenburg (20), Mary Bower (22)

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