



School Supply Collection It's hard to believe our area schools will be heading back to school soon. We would like to collect school supplies to help those in need in Lorain County and right here in Amherst. Some families are struggling and here's how St. Paul can help. Donate school supplies from preschool to high school age supplies. Supply ideas: pencils, pens, crayons, paper, notebooks, glue sticks, glue, folders, rulers & anything else you can think of. Bins will be placed in the narthex next week.



"The Lord is Near to all who Call on HIM." Psalm 148:18

- Pray for Mary Lou Gramer who is temporarily homebound while a wound heals on her leg.
- Please pray for LuAnne sister of Steve Warnock, who fractured her ankle when moving from California to Amherst.
- Pray for Gail Slater, friend of Deb Lasko. Gail has been recovering from double lung transplant, and now has serious gastro-intestinal issues. Pray that she can keep her spirits up and keep going.
- Pray that Galen's Crohn's disease would go into remission.
- Pray for Craig Bohl (friend of Chuck & Fran Draga) who is undergoing cancer treatment; Nancy Dau (sister of Anita Labella & Karen Saegert) who has lung cancer; Jerry Sekula (Judy Bloom's Uncle) going through radiation for cancer; Char Guzman (Tina & Ron Muska's niece) as she has just been diagnosed with lymphoma; Brian Holmes to qualify for a new treatment as his leukemia has returned; Summer (Katie Steindl's godmother) whose cancer has returned, and she is recovering from extensive reconstruction surgery; Sherry (Kevin Starbuck's mother-in-law); Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock); Pat Kidder who is battling cancer (friend of Steve Warnock); and Cindy (cousin of Laurie Beran) who is battling cancer.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Danny Koch, Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux and Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Wade Hubbard, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden, Andy Lasko.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week: Diane Gramer, Tyler Moore, Lily Draga, Zachary Hargreaves, Katie Kuncel.

The GOD of all grace,
who called you to his
eternal glory in Christ,
after you have suffered
a little while, will himself
restore you and make you
strong, firm and steadfast.

-1 Peter 5:10



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Sunday, July 31, 2022

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP: Do you ever feel like you can't hang on much longer? Today we will explore some of the most threatening images in the Book of Revelation: the dragon and the beasts. Yet, we will hear, "Hang on!" "Hang on in the face of what looks like overwhelming odds!" Christ's victory is certain. It's only a matter of time and all evil will be put away forever. Hang on!

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: In this time of stress and confusion, O God, I turn to You. You alone are a Rock and a Fortress of strength and protection. You are a very present help in time of need. You have overcome this world through Jesus' perfect living, dying, and rising victoriously. And so, I lift my eyes and heart to You. May Your praise be always on my lips, and may my praise come sincerely from my heart in worship this day. Amen.

Please fill out a Communication Card in the pew, and pass it towards the center aisle anytime in the first half of the worship service. You may also use the yellow card in your pew to write down prayer requests for needs or praises. Ushers will gather them during the hymn prior to the sermon. This means you will no longer need to stop on the way into worship to complete one. Offerings will continue to be collected at the doors.

Ushers are standing by to assist you in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and any other help you might need.

Kids' Activity Bags are filled with crayons and coloring booklets, and other quiet things to keep kids' attention. They are in the back of the worship center or see an usher for these.

Give a Summer Gift to Your New Neighbor. A beautiful gift basket is ready for *you* to give to *your* new neighbor! It's a fun way to meet a new neighbor and invite them to St. Paul. All you need to do is write down the address on an entry form in the narthex. People who receive these gift baskets *love* them! So sign up today in the narthex and it can be yours to give away.

St. Paul's August Newsletter is emailed to members and printed copies are available on the resource wall in the narthex (lobby) lower level. Take a few minutes, please, to read it so you are informed and can find new opportunities for you to serve God and His people.

Pastor Werner is Away from the Church Office for a summer vacation, and will return Tuesday, August 15th. If you need a pastor during this time please call the church office (440/988-4157) or after hours and on weekends call Judy Bloom at (440/984-2288) and you will be connected with a pastor on call.

Food Collection Next Sunday, August 7th. Your gifts of non-perishable food go to Second Harvest and to families in Lorain County.



Our greatest help is the Lord God Himself, who eagerly invites us to pray to Him. Today, sealed bags containing several prayer cards are in the narthex / lobby for you. Pick up a bag, take it home, and pray for each person whose name you receive daily throughout the coming month of August.

The Next Outdoor Worship Service will be Sunday, August 28th at 10AM, weather permitting. This will be the last outdoor worship service of the summer.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
7/31 Worship 8:30 AM & 10 AM 8/2 Seasoned Saints 10 AM	Food Collection 8/7 Holy Communion 8:30 AM Worship 10 AM 8/9 Seasoned Saints 10 AM

Serving in God's House:

- Pastor** Rev. Paul Werner
- Organist** Luca Cantone
- Elders** Chuck Draga, John Kirschner (E) Darren Conley, David Bender (L)
- Readers** Jan Beko-Nathan (E) Bryan Draga (L)
- Acolytes** Ashton Draga (L)
- Greeters** Harold & Debbie Gibson (E)
- Altar Guild** Ann Conley, Linda Hargreaves
- Head Usher** Ron Fisher
- Ushers** Harold Gibson, Jeffrey Krupp, Steve Warnock (E)
Bryan Draga (L)

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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30AM & 10AM

In-Person or Live Stream @ www.stpaulamherst.com

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