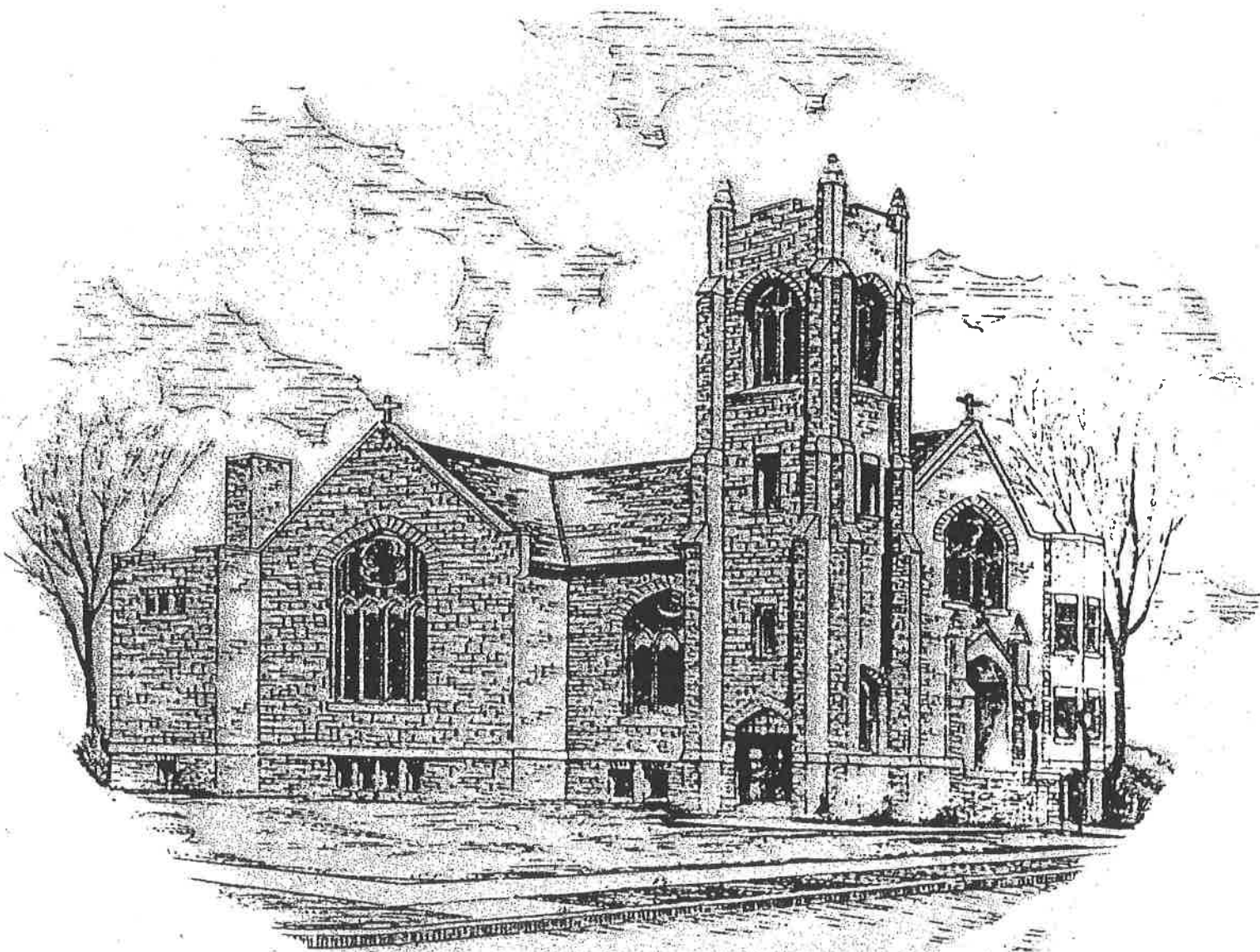


Baptism of Our Lord Sunday

Sunday, January 7, 2018

8:00 p.m. & 10:30 a.m.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Clyde, Ohio

The Word of God



Baptism of Our Lord

January 7, 2018

Prayer of the Day

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' baptism you declared him to be your beloved Son and set him apart as your agent of grace for your creation. May we who are baptized into his life also be sent as agents of grace in your world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Psalm 29

¹Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
²**Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**
³The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
⁴**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

- ⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- ⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- ⁷The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁸The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare.
- ⁹And in the temple of the Lord
all are crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as King forevermore.
- ¹¹The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading: Romans 6:1-11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

⁴John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." ⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

**Lessons for Next Week: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]; Psalm 139:1-10;
1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51**

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MEET OUR SUPPLY PASTOR

Pastor Larry Schaller

I was born at home, near Jenera, Ohio on November 11, 1939. I have lived in Hancock, County all my life, and after graduation from high school, I went to work at a lumber yard in Bluffton and Ada. Later I worked in Findlay at Blanchard Valley Supply where I worked in the Kitchen department. I worked as a dispatcher for Hancor Tile company, and spent the last 14 years working at Northwestern Masonry, where I worked with steel doors and masonry products. So most of my life was spent in retail sales. I had a second job where I worked as an evening/ night fleet driver for Cooper Tire for 14 years.

I've been married to my wife Charlotte for 52 years and we have 3 children: Mark, Kathy and Jennifer, all in the Columbus area. We also have 7 grandchildren, the oldest a freshman at Ohio State.

Memorable trips I have taken include: 2 mission trips to New Orleans to help clean up after Katrina, and a mission trip to El Salvador in 2011, where I helped put in a footer for a house for a poor family. I plan on taking a mission trip to Mexico City in July of this year. Also, I took a trip to the Holy Land in 2013.

I had always wanted to be a pastor, and in 1996 the ELCA started the SAM (Synodically Authorized Ministry) program. For 2 years I attended weekend retreats and one year under a mentorship of Pastor Schutt. We had Bible Studies, Old and New Testaments, Lutheran teachings, and other studies pertaining to worship. We met in Fremont and Carey, Ohio for our retreats. A review board and the NWO Synod authorized me to be a minister of the word in 2000. I resigned from the ELCA program in 2010 and contacted LCMC to see if they could use me and if I would be able to serve communion. They said yes, and most recently I served as an interim pastor from Sept. 2014 - Nov. 2015 at Family Faith Lutheran in Tiffin, Ohio.

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Bill Alspach	friend of Bill Dagg
Lori Avers	daughter-in-law of Ken & Donna Avers
Ron Campbell	husband of Judy Campbell
Trudy Conley	daughter of Lowell & Naomi Conley
Barb Cooper	friend of DeAnn Krauss
Tammy Keegan	newspaper carrier of the Wayland-Smith
Dot Mowry	
Emily Pump	relative of Jeanie Kimmet
Nolan Pump	newborn son of Emily Pump
Garry Sorrel, Jr.	neighbor of Bill & Diane Dagg
Lisa (Hipp) Stoneham	
Tim Storer	friend of many
Yvonne Wayland-Smith	
Sue Wiersma	sister of Steve Jess

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DEPLOYED MILITARY PERSONNEL

Justin Barnard ~ (friend of Tammy & Riley Baker)
 Sean Bouyack ~ (grandson of Herb & Margaret Bouyack)
 Kayle Carroll ~ (granddaughter of Bev Albright)
 Richard Channing ~ (grandson of Richard & Diane Channing)
 Ryan Farrier ~ (great nephew of Ada Williams)
 Darrin Paul ~ (son of Wendy Reichert Walter)
 Sarah Petrock ~ (friend of Mary Waugh)
 Jared Singleton ~ (friend of the Hillikers)
 Dylan Stiffler ~ (friend of Faye Langham)
 Chelsea Zerman

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BLESSINGS
FROM
GOD

Happy New Year! As we worship God together, let us pray for a fruitful year of ministry to the glory of His name.

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THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God from the "Cross of Lilies" Fund.



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ATTENTION!!

All poinsettias that are left

If you want any of the left poinsettias take one or as many as you want because as of **Monday, January 8, 2018** those not picked up will be pitched.

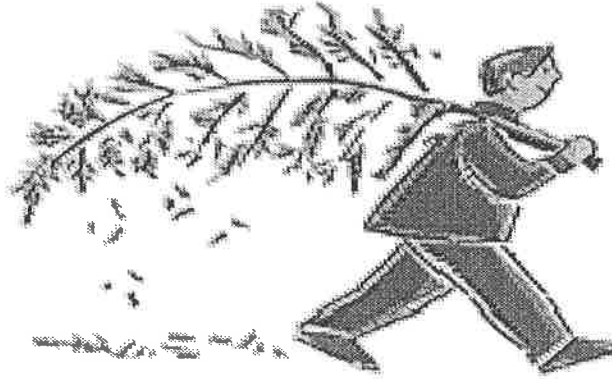
The Women of the Church

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January 7, 2018 ~ January 14, 2018

<p><i>Sunday the 7th</i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Communion Worship 9:15 a.m. ~ Sunday School 9:15 a.m. ~ Women's Board Meeting 10:30 a.m. ~ Holy Communion Worship 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ~ Parish hall reserved 11:45 a.m. ~ Undecorate the church CCYG Kalahari Retreat</p>
<p><i>Monday the 8th</i></p>	<p>6:30 p.m. ~ Dartball PRACTICE</p>
<p><i>Tuesday the 9th</i></p>	<p>6:30 p.m. ~ Evangelism Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. ~ Property Board Meeting</p>
<p><i>Wednesday the 10th</i></p>	<p>6:00 p.m. ~ Youth Choir practice 7:30 p.m. ~ Chancel Choir practice</p>
<p><i>Thursday the 11th</i></p>	<p>6:00 p.m. ~ Worship Board Meeting 8:00 pm ~ AA / Al-Anon Meetings</p>
<p><i>Friday the 12th</i></p>	
<p><i>Saturday the 13th</i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. ~ Men's Bible Study 5:00 p.m. ~ Holy Communion Worship</p>
<p><i>Sunday the 14th</i></p>	<p>8:00 a.m. ~ Holy Communion Worship 9:15 a.m. ~ Sunday School 10:30 a.m. ~ Holy Communion Worship 7:00 p.m. ~ CCYG Meeting @ St. Paul</p>

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Removing of the Greens

UN 'HANGING OF THE GREENS'

On Sunday, January 7, 2018 we are inviting all our families to help remove and pack the decorations after the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Come and join the fellowship!

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YEAR END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE

The "2017-year end contribution statements" are now available. Please help save postage by picking up your statement in the parish hall. Thank you for your help! If anyone has been missed please contact Sue Mayes, 419-547-9225.

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There is scheduled a DARTBALL PRACTICE on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at st. Paul Lutheran Church.

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PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BRUNCH

The Townsend Ruritan Club is sponsoring an All You Can Eat "Pancake & Sausage Brunch" on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Vickery Fire Station. Adults: \$7.00 Children under 12: \$4.00. Also available with the meal will be biscuit & sausage gravy.

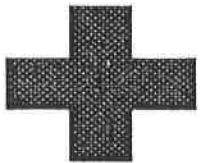
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**Time to roll up
your sleeves.**

Do your part by giving blood
in your community.
Because giving a little means a lot.
And who doesn't love cookies?

*St. Paul Lutheran Church
Is sponsoring an American Red Cross Bloodmobile for the
Clyde Community on:*



Monday, January 15, 2018

(Martin Luther King Day)

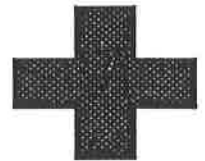
12 noon - 6:00 PM

at

St. Paul Lutheran Church

147 West Forest Street

Clyde



The need is critical.

Won't you please consider volunteering to become a blood donor
on Monday, January 15, 2018?

Call: Red Cross 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment **or**

Visit: redcrossblood.org and enter code: STPAULCLYDE

GIVE BLOOD! ! !

GET HOMEMADE COOKIES! !

Puzzle!

The 12 Old Testament books known as the Minor Prophets aren't unimportant — just short! Unscramble the names of these books. Then unscramble the circled letters to find a fruit of the Spirit.



Fruit: _____

LEJO _____

IHCAM _____

ABKUKKAH _____

DHAIABO _____

MUNAH _____

OAESH _____

AZAEHINPH _____

NJHAO _____

AGIAGH _____

OASM _____

AHRIZAHCE _____

IHCMALA _____

Answers: Joel, Micah, Habakkuk, Obadiah, Nahum, Hosea, Zephaniah, Jonah, Haggai, Amos, Zechariah, Malachi; Kindness

	<u>8:00 a.m. Service</u>	<u>10:30 a.m. Service</u>
GREETERS:	N: Sandy Gray E: Herb & Margaret Bouyack D. Les Bigelow	N: Ada Williams E: Naomi Conley
READER:	Sandy Kessler	Sam Dagg
USHERS:	Kevin Larkins Emma Beckley Bill Dagg John Glass Chris Wood	Gary Wott Keyli Billings Tom Billings Walt Frasher Diane Hurst
COUNTERS:	Fred Bouyack John Glass	Karen Sawyer Ray Wasson

NURSERY WORKERS

January 7, 2018 Lynette Fox

January 14, 2018 Deanna Turner

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<i>Clerical Secretary – Sue Mayes</i>	<i>Phone: 419-547-9225</i>
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<i>Custodian – Terry Langham</i>	<i>Phone: 419-547-9225</i>
<i>Treasurer – Jim Shull</i>	<i>Phone: 419-355-6499</i>

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Bev Mendoza - Chancel
Carol Jones – Youth

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OUR STEWARDSHIP December 30 & December 31, 2017

<u>Worship Service Attendance</u>	143
General Fund Offering	\$19,745.00

Weekly amount needed to achieve budget is \$5,225.00