

Paoli United Methodist Church

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Sunday Schedule:


8:15 AM Worship
9:00 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Worship

New Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday – 8 AM-3 PM (closed for lunch 12-1)
Tuesday & Thursday – 9 AM-4 PM (closed for lunch 11-12)

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code.



paoli-umc.com

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Paoli UMC Permanent Endowment and Memorial
Committee Update

The Paoli United Methodist Endowment Committee began November 1990 with an investment of \$10,000 under the leadership of Rev. Gary Schaar. In December 1992, Harold Minton wrote a letter to the United Methodist Foundation to confirm that our church would receive interests and dividends earned from our account twice a year and that strategy has continued for 29 years. We are invested conservatively with 50% fixed income and 50% stock market thanks to Andy Boston and Howard Detweiler. Twice a year our income is proportioned out to the building fund (trustees 82.120%), organ and music fund (2.836%), community service (6.628%) and youth ministries (8.417%). Our distributions have approximately ranged from \$32,000 to \$41,000 yearly. The endowment fund has grown in 31 years due to our very generous congregation because they included our (your) church in their wills, estates and personal donations. Donations can also be made using the green envelopes in the church pews. Our current endowment fund values have grown to \$2,345,408! Our church can only access the distributions and not the principal. The 29-year strategy of interests and dividends had been acceptable to everyone except Jim Faulkner, who recognized that we could improve. I want to thank Jim for all of his hard work and directions with this new distribution strategy. I contacted the United Methodist Foundation and was told they have been recommending to churches for “several years” to consider a percentage of an average balance, which was new to me.

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Birthdays &
Anniversaries

Month Birthdays

- 2 Karen Foster
- 3 Dee Ann Harmon
- 8 CJ Fleenor
- 16 Eric Harmon
- 17 Brack Coulter
- 21 Emma Bradley
- 22 Mike Benham
- 24 Mika Bolin
- 27 Denise Bruner
- 29 Lauren Mathers

May Anniversaries

- 14 Larry & Jann Jones
- 30 Darren & Jessica Fortner

May 2021



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Prayer Blankets

If you would like your
prayer blanket re-blessed,
contact
Annabelle Rominger
(812) 865-0927
(812) 723-3190 or
annrobertr@frontier.com.

Please keep our
church coconut oil
and peanut free for
members who are
allergic.



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LaMont’s Lines
Month 2021

A Great American Speech
Mark Twain
The American Press
(edited for length)
Monday Evening Club,
Hartford, Connecticut; 1873

Samuel Langhorne Clemens (1835-1910) began writing under the pen name Mark Twain in 1863 with articles for the Enterprise, the Virginia City, Nevada, newspaper. His humorous story “The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County,” published in the New York Saturday Press in 1865, brought him national recognition. There soon followed lectures, a tour of Europe and the Holy Land, and the books Innocents Abroad (1869) and Roughing It (1872). When he delivered his 1873 speech at the Monday Evening Club that severely castigated the abuses and sensationalism of the American press, Clemens had not yet written The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, The Prince and the Pauper, Life on the Mississippi, and The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.

The press has scoffed at religion till it has made scoffing popular. It has defended official criminals, on party pretexts, until it has created a United States Senate whose members are incapable of determining what crime against law and the dignity of their own body is—they are so morally blind—and it has made light of dishonesty till we have as a result a Congress which contracts to work for a certain sum and then deliberately steals additional wages out of the public pocket and is pained and surprised that anybody should worry about a little thing like that.

I am putting all this odious state of things upon the newspaper, and I believe it belongs there—chiefly, at any rate. It is a free press—a press that is more than free—a press which is licensed to say any infamous thing it chooses about a private or a public man or advocate any outrageous doctrine it pleases. It is tied in no way. The public opinion which *should* hold it in bounds has itself degraded to its own level. There are laws to protect the freedom of the press’s speech, but none that are worth anything to protect the people from the press. A libel suit simply brings the plaintiff before a vast newspaper court to be tried before the law tries him, and reviled and ridiculed without mercy...

It seems to me that just in the ratio that our newspapers increase, our morals decay. The more newspapers the worse morals. Where we have one newspaper that does good, I think we have fifty that do harm. We ought to look upon the establishment of a newspaper of the average pattern in a virtuous village as a calamity...

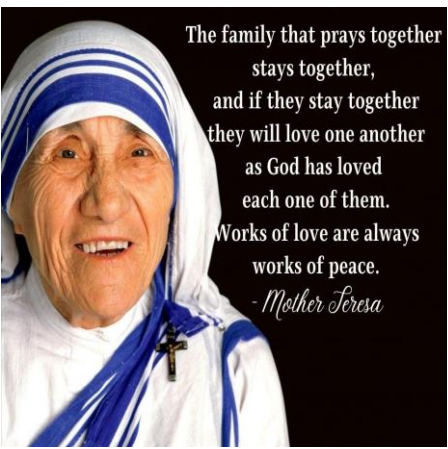
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Sunday Service Times
8:15 A.M. Worship
9:00 A.M. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
10:15 A.M. Worship

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May

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>Remember Paoli United Methodist Church in you will.</div> <div>Contact Skip Lambdin, endowment chair, skip11963@gmail.com or 812-345-3873.</div> <div>Church WiFi password - PUMC WiFi: 8127232965</div>						
2 <div>8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary</div> <div>Communion</div>	3 <div>Ad Council Meeting 7 PM via zoom</div>	4	5	6	7	8
9 <div>Mother's Day 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary</div> <div>Christian Education</div>	10	11	12	13 <div>SPRC Meeting 7 PM via zoom</div>	14	15
16 <div>8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary</div> <div>Food Pantry</div>	17	18 <div>Trustees Meeting 6 PM Fellowship Hall</div>	19	20	21	22 <div>PHS Graduation 3 PM</div>
23 <div>8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship Sanctuary</div> <div>Mission Focus</div>	24	25	26	27	<div>May sermon titles & texts</div> <div>May 2<div>Communion Sunday "God's Love Revealed" 1 John 4:7-21</div></div> <div>May 9<div>Christian Education Sunday "Faith Conquers" 1 John 5:1-6</div></div> <div>May 16<div>Food Pantry Sunday "God's Testimony" 1 John 5:9-13</div></div> <div>May 23<div>Mission Focus Sunday "Pentecost" Acts 2:1-21</div></div> <div>May 30<div>Stewardship Sunday "Born of Water & The Spirit" John 3:1-17</div></div>	
30	31 <div>Memorial Day Church Office Closed</div>					



Particular Sunday Emphasizes

- 1st Sunday of the month - Communion
- 2nd Sunday of the month - Christian Education/Jr. Church
- 3rd Sunday of the month - Food Pantry/Alter Call
- 4th Sunday of the month - Mission Moment/Jr. Church
- 5th Sunday of the month - Stewardship Moment/Altar Call

Local AA meetings

- Paoli**
Mondays, 10 A.M.; New Hope Christian Church
Tuesdays, 8 P.M.; Paoli Wesleyan Church
- Orleans**
Wednesdays, 8 P.M.; American Legion Post 69
- French Lick**
Sundays, 7 P.M.; Springs Valley Wesleyan Church
Wednesdays 7 P.M. Beechwood Christian Church

For up-to-date changes on AA meetings visit:
<http://www.district10.area23aa.org>

Members in nursing & retirement facilities

- Martha Denny** Rm. 119
Bliss House, 3008 S. Shawnee Dr.
Bedford, Indiana 47421
- Rosemary Noble** Rm. 307B
Garden Villa, 2111 Norton Ln.
Bedford, Indiana 47421
- Marilyn Rutherford Bivins** Rm. 210,
- Bill Cromwell** Rm. 306
Paoli Health & Living, 559 W. Longest St.
Paoli, Indiana 47454

Homebound –
Charlotte Lane
312 Fair St.
Paoli, IN 47454

Pastor visits the homebound & retirement facilities once a month.

Pastor's Emergency Contact Information

Pastor LaMont's contact information –
E-mail: paoli793umc@gmail.com
Cell & parsonage: (812) 653-5677 (text available)

Ivy's contact information –
Email: secretary.paoliumc@hotmail.com
Cell (use for emergencies): (812) 653-4306

Drug Take-Back Program

A reminder that IU Health has a drug take-back program as a safe and easy way to dispose of leftover or expired medication. The disposable box is located on the first floor or IU Health Paoli hospital.

Upcoming Blood Drive
August 17th
Sign up in Secretary Office or by email



Local Suicide Prevention Line

(812) 422-1100
www.southwestern.org

Help is available
24 hours a day,
7 days a week

Unspoken Prayer Requests

- 4/4-
8:15- 1
10:15- 7
- 4/11-
8:15- 1
10:15- 12
- 4/18-
8:15- 2
10:15- 10
- 4/25-
8:15- 1
10:15- 7

The purpose of this page is to help congregational members locate resources or information which may be helpful.

★ **Tax Exemption Saves us 7% of purchase price!**
If you are making a purchase on behalf of the church, please remember to use our tax-exempt number. If you do not have that information, stop by the church office to pick up the needed documents.



Celebrations & Member Care

Lifting up others in prayer and giving thanks

The earnest, heartfelt, continued prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available – dynamic in it working. James 5:16 AMP

Our Church's Prayer List-

Brenda Allen	Diane Dillard	Clarence Martin
Jennifer Austin	Deegan Epperson	Tony McKeighen
Ann Babcock	Larry Evans	Chet Messengale
Rex Babcock	Dennie Followell	John & Mary Ruth Miley
Marilyn Rutherford Bivins	Denise Hamilton	Rosemary Noble
Billy Bostock	Mike Hamilton	Paulette Purkhiser
LeRoy Boyer	Anna Hudelson	Hilma Rutherford
Angie Basinger-Breeden	Roxanne Kemple	Scott Stemle
Denise Bruner	Ali King	Paige Tow
Mike Burton	Steve & Sheryl Kingston	Melanie Trinkle
Pat Carroll	Payton Krider	Rex & Valerie Tuell
Brenda R Cooper	Charlotte Lane	Sarann Weeks
Bill Cromwell	Joyce Lewis & Family	Matt & Dawson Wright



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Seen in the newspaper-

Michael Hannon	Libby Newkirk	Willson Windhorst
Tyler Hannon	Max Newkirk	
Clara Henderson	Lily Stroud	
Connor Henderson	Maggie Vincent	
Andrew Kumpf	Stella Windhorst	



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This allows churches to benefit from the increase in the stock market while maintaining the purchasing power of the fund.

The Paoli United Methodist Church Endowment and Memorial Committee recommended and the Ad Council approved to change our endowment fund distribution strategy to 4% of the rolling 5-year average effective July 1, 2021. This means our endowment distributions should increase approximately to \$75,000 rather than \$35,000 annually. Our committee is always open to suggestions and new ideas. As our past church members are now helping take care of our needs today, please consider to include our church in your wills and estate planning to help the future of our church.

Thank you,

Skip Lambdin, Chairman of the Paoli UMC Permanent Endowment & Memorial Committee
 Janis Easterday
 Phillip Easterday
 Mary LaVerne Boston
 Duane Radcliffe
 Eric Harmon
 LaMont Bonath

Please contact Skip Lambdin by email (skip11963@gmail.com) with any questions.

LaMont's Lines continued...

In a town in Michigan I declined to dine with an editor who was drunk, and he said, in his paper, that my lecture was profane, indecent, and calculated to encourage intemperance. And yet that man never heard it. It might have reformed him if he had.

A Detroit paper once said that I was in the constant habit of beating my wife and that I still kept this recreation up, although I had crippled her for life and she was no longer able to keep out of my way when I came home in my usual frantic frame of mind. Now scarcely the half of that was true. Perhaps I ought to have sued that man for libel—but I knew better. All the papers in America—with a few creditable exceptions—would have found out then, to their satisfaction, that I was a wife beater, and they would have given it a pretty general airing, too...

I have a sort of vague general idea that there is too much liberty of the press in this country, and that through the absence of all wholesome restraint the newspaper has become in a large degree a national curse, and will probably damn the republic yet.

There are some excellent virtues in newspapers, some powers that wield vast influences for good; and I could have told all about these things, and glorified them exhaustively—but that would have left you gentlemen nothing to say.



Christian Education and Worship



The Back Door Sunday school class opened its doors ten years ago on Easter Sunday. Leading that class has been both a joy and a challenge throughout that time. The participants have all been very engaged and the close friendships that arose from the class are something I will always cherish.

After much consideration, I have come to the difficult decision to discontinue the class in order to pursue a different mission within our church. I really enjoy the musical heritage of the United Methodist church and I have no desire to change that tradition. That said, I also have a passion for playing music in a impromptu setting and I am acquainted with a number of local musicians/singers, including some in our church, who might enjoying singing and playing for us as an occasional change of pace.

I hope the special music will be fun for the congregation and for the participants. In the meantime, if you have an interest in performing or you know someone you would like to hear, please let me know.

Eric Harmon

Social Media Views

Instagram- @paoliumc
Sermon Viewers:

4/4- 30

4/11- 8

4/18- 9

4/25- 10



Facebook- Paoli UMC
Sermon Viewers:

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YouTube- Paoli UMC
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