

# THE CONNECTION

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## *Greetings from Pastor Paul*

Hello Everyone,

Four things for the Connection, first we are in need of a coordinator for the Red Cross Blood Drive. You would be responsible for setting up the date and helping us to get advertising to people at church so we can get it out to everyone. You would also set up the volunteers who would work the day of the event to get people signed in and hand out snacks. We are hoping to have two blood drives here at Westside in the next year and two at St. Paul's which would be someone else's responsibility. Give me a call or talk to me before church if you are interested.

Pentecost Service will once again be a collaborative service here in Lima. We will be meeting at the Pangle Pavilion downtown on May 24th at 10:30 am with a community picnic to follow. You will need to bring a chair to sit in and a heart for worship. Our District Superintendent Don Wilson will be preaching and we will again be taking a special offering for Church United Pantry (CUP) and The Freedom School at the Bradford Center. We will be having a picnic following worship and the main entrée will be provided and you are invited to bring your own drinks and a side or dessert to share. If you are in town, I hope you will join us on the 24th of May at 10:30 in the Pangle Pavilion.

Spring work day at Westside is scheduled for the 23rd of May from 9am-11am, we will be weeding, picking up sticks, clearing brush, and possibly moving some gravel piles & parking blocks. So, bring some tools, a pair of gloves and a desire to refresh the outside here at Westside. If you have a chain saw we do have one large branch that needs to be cut up. Thanks in advance for the hard work and care of Westside.

Do you like Chicken BBQ? Elida St. Paul's is having one on the 16th of May from 4:30-6:30. The BBQ includes chicken, au gratin potatoes, green beans, roll and a cookie. Tickets are available from me or by calling 419-339-3801 and you can get your meal for dine in or carry out.

We will be finishing our God in Nature series as we look at the lessons we can learn from animals on Sunday. Looking forward to the next series we will be talking about Forgiveness. I hope to see you in person at church or I hope you will join us online, until then I will see you in the mission field.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Paul

Pastor Paul is in the Westside Church Office from 10:00 – 4:00 each Tuesday. He can be reached at the church office phone (419.223.2881) his cell (734.660.1984) or email [4PastorPaul@gmail.com](mailto:4PastorPaul@gmail.com).

# THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO ARE SERVING

## Sunday, April 26, 2026

Worship Liturgist	Clarissa Frail
Song Leader	Pam Ditto
Pianist	Eileen Hartles
K.I.D.'s Connection	Jacqui Dill

## Sunday, May 3, 2026

Worship Liturgist	Clarissa Frail
Song Leader	Pam Ditto
Pianist	Eileen Hartles
K.I.D.'s Connection	Jessica Schelb

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- We have updated our directory! Please pick up the new copy. One per family please.
- Westside is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> year! Carolina Blue has been voted the most popular color. The ordering information will be shared soon.
- The Upper Room Gathering on Wednesday mornings at 9:00. A seat is waiting for you!
- Watch the morning worship bulletin and the Connection for opportunities in the next several months to share with our immediate community.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Delores Gossard	Tom Bodell
Dave & Helen McElderry	Deanne Dellinger
Carol Blass	Bianca Gonzales
Dewey & Connie Taylor	Dill Family

## ***CONNECTION CORNER***

### ***BIRTHDAYS***

April

27 Clarissa Frail

May

01 Cindy Crawford

05 Kevin Schelb

23 Caden Triplett

27 Sandy Lauck

27 Americal Hyde

### ***ANNIVERSARIES***

May

03 Lonnie & Debbie Pedersen

Greeting cards are in the Connection Café for your use. Help yourself to the one you need.

\*If there is a birthday or anniversary we are missing, please let the office know.

**FAMILY PROMISE MINISTRY AND THE C.U.P. (Church United Pantry) Ministry** are both in need of a variety of items. Baskets are in narthex for you to place donated items.

*C.U.P. Needs:* April – Soap & Body Wash.

May – Deodorant. Non-perishable food items such as canned goods and dried food items are always needed.

*Family Promise Needs:* Toilet paper, paper towels, hair brushes, Lysol, and bleach, Gift cards for essentials: Walmart, Meijer's, Dollar General, etc. Or contact Family Promise to make a 'gift-in-kind' donation.

### **Important Dates for your Calendar**

April

22 Earth Day

23 Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen

29 9am Upper Room Study

May

10 Mother's Day

Hospitality Sunday

15 7 pm Hallelujah Saints Band Gospel Concert

17 Ascension Sunday

18 7:30 pm Leadership Meeting

# Forest Park

United Methodist Church



RUMMAGE

Sale

Home Made Baked Goods

315 S. Collins Avenue • Lima

**April 24 & 25, 2026**

**8:00 am – 3:00 pm**

• **Freewill Donation**

**Proceeds go towards FPUMC Scholarship Fund and Missions Fund**

gently used clothing, furniture, appliances, books, toys, kitchen items, cups, plates, silverware, tools, holiday items, knick-knacks, etc...

● gently used donated clean items accepted (NO TVs or Computers) ●

**Drop off items (Mon thru Wed) April 13 thru April 22**

**8 am to 4 pm at the FLC Entrance off Linden Street**

If you have items and cannot drop them off between 8am & 4pm, please contact the church office at 419.227.8445 to arrange a time to drop off your items.